



Lone Star Amateur Radio Association

Feb. 10, 2014

Attended 24

Meeting starts at 7:34pm

Jonathan Estill, the President, *by the will of the people*, opens the meeting.

Reminder that nominations for president are in October.

MINUTES

Minutes were emailed, Craig Boegler, if you didn't receive the minutes check the web site, lsara.org.

Minutes were approved

TREASURER'S REPORT

Dues collected 235.00

Dave Machart donated 1.00

Last month s balance 1,543.14

Expenses <76.48> Expenses for the Technician Class

Deposits 236.00

Current Balance 1,702.66

Report was approved

Mary will email the report to David Tobey, hard time seeing at night to drive.

NEW BUSINESS

WEB SITE UPDATED

Ken has updated the website, lsara.org, check it out.

Pictures from the last meeting and the minutes are posted there.

EDUCATION REPORT

Ken gave an update on the Tech class, 32 in class passed and 6 walk ins.

Tech. . . . 32

General . . . 8

Extra 2

EC-001 EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION INTRO

Presented sometime in March and April.

You will get a certificate at the end, if you pass the test. Three Field Instructors will conduct the course, Ken Malgren, Mark Esslinger and Jim Kinter.

Should have taken ICS 100, 200, 700, 800, go to *fema.gov* and search for *ICS Resource Center*.

Download the exam and answer the questions as you take the course.

SPECIAL EVENTS

RED POPPY BIKE RIDE

Sign up, April 25th. We do all the communications and SAGs, we will have radio operators at each rest stop. Rest stops have snacks and drinks, ummm good. Get application from Craig and fill it out. SAGs with a pick up truck in case someone breaks down. This is a charity event for Child Advocacy Center in Georgetown.

JULY 4TH

We provide radio communicators for the Fourth of July Parade. We also have a float in the parade. Operators looked for any dangerous activity in the crowd.

FITNESS CHALLENGE

April 10th is the Fitness Challenge in Round Rock, 5 K run walk, pull ups, push ups and any thing fitness. Round Rock Police Department will be the host of the event.

ARES MEETING FEB 12

Georgetown has moved into the Emergency Communication Center, they are very impressed with amateur radio and have provided space for us. So come early for a seat or late and stand, we will get a tour and explanations of how it works. ARES will not meet at the Jester Center but will meet at the Emergency Com Center in Georgetown, 911 Tracy Chambers Lane, Georgetown, TX 78626.

See page four for directions and a map.

RACES

Craig reports on RACES, the application is located on web DPS State of Texas. There will be a back ground check by the state. During an emergency the government steps in and so will we.

SKYWARN

Jim Stevens, Feb 21 the annual meeting, free at Eastview campus, 3401 Webberville Road, Austin, Texas 78702. Get there early. Starts at 8:15 - 4:15 with lunch break.

See page five for directions and map of the campus, remember don't park where there are blue curbs, you will get a ticket.

NEW HAM MOBILE INSTALLS

Ken talked with the manger at Central Texas Automotive. Will check which Saturday we could use the shop. This will be put up on the web site. We will try to do 4 installs a day. You will have to provide your own materials, coax and electrical zip cord, 10 gauge. Read your vehicles book about installing additional equipment. Remember to bring this information on your vehicle.

MONTHLY BREAKFAST

Egg & I in Round Rock 9am on Feb 21st, or go to Skywarn, the choice is yours.

NEW BUSINESS

STATE PARK ON THE AIR

April 4 & 5, State Park on the Air, is there any interest in doing this. Louis will look into this for us. We would go the park, rented cabins or tent camp, set up radios and work contacts from the park.

FIELD DAY

Field Day Committee, June 27 & 28 - Renee and Mark Stennett, should we go to the same park as last year. Craig, Mary Duval and David Tobey will volunteer for the committee. Craig explained Field Day. This will last for 24 hours and you try and make as many contacts on the radio as we can.

This is family event, we eat and we radio and we visit. As it is NOT a contest we will stay for a while then head home to the comfort of warm beds to recover from all the good food and fellowship. It really is fun and last year we all learned a lot.

Adjourn 8:32 to the program, adjust antennas.

Adjusting Antennas was the program and it was great. I for one found out my antenna for the truck was defective and I need a new. Shopping got to love it.

This went on thill after 9:30pm so it was informative and ghelpful for all who attended.

For more information on Antennas consult the ARRL handbook or the ARRL Antenna Book. Doing a search on line will also gain you some interesting articles and DIY ideas about antennas.

This month is the Antenna Issue for QST magazine, join ARRL and you will receive the magazine in the mail or for your digital device. This is all ham radio and the articles are well done and informative.

So 73s to everyone and hear on the air!

KF5ORB clear

Williamson County

Emergency Services Operations Center

Address:

**911 Tracy Chambers Ln.
Georgetown, TX 78626**

Directions:

From South (Austin, Round Rock)

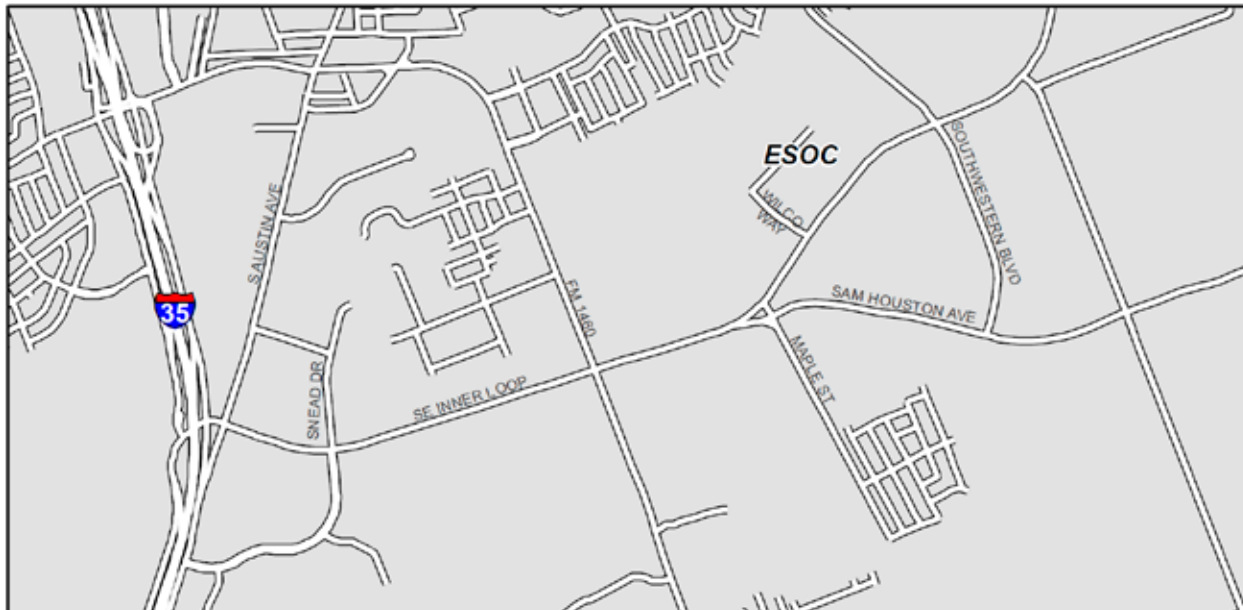
Take IH-35 Northbound
Exit 259
Stay on frontage road for approx. 2 miles
At Stop, go right on Inner Loop
Stay on Inner Loop for 2 miles
Turn left on Wilco Way (at the top of the hill)
Turn right on Tracy Chambers Ln
ESOC is ahead on the right

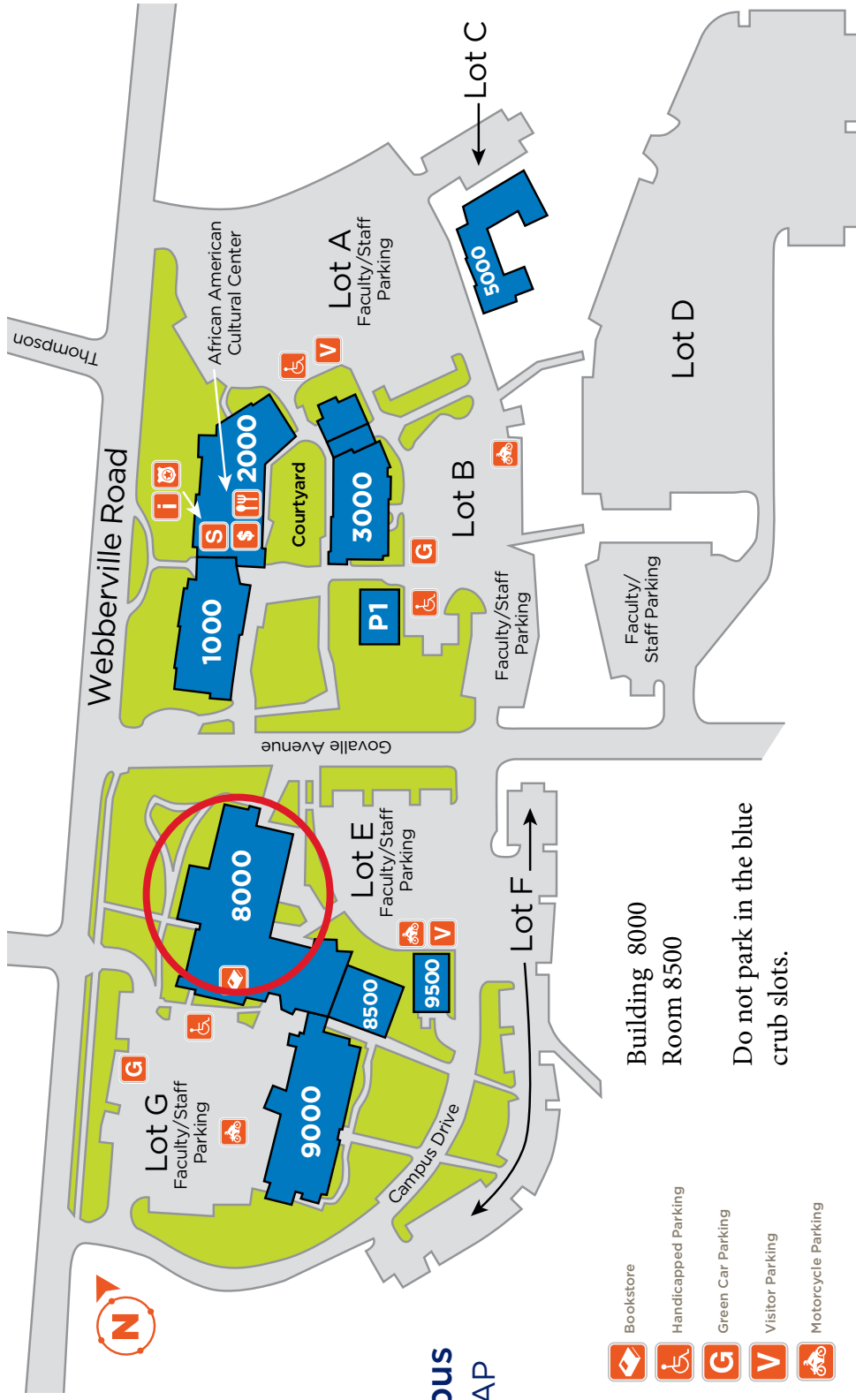
From North (Georgetown, Jarrell)

Take IH-35 Southbound
Exit 260
At light, turn left on Leander Rd (FM 1460)
Stay on Leander Road/FM 1460 for 2 miles
At light, turn left on Inner Loop
Stay on Inner Loop for $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile
Turn left on Wilco Way (at the top of the hill)
Turn right on Tracy Chambers Ln
ESOC is ahead on the right



ESOC GPS Coordinates: -97.65672 30.61792 Decimal Degrees





Eastview Campus DIRECTORY & MAP

MAP LEGEND

- Information
- Campus Police
- Student Services (Admissions, Advising, Financial Aid, etc.)
- Food Services
- ATM
- Bookstore
- Handicapped Parking
- Green Car Parking
- Visitor Parking
- Motorcycle Parking

Building 8000
Room 8500

Do not park in the blue
crub slots.

Building 1000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worksource Center
1st Floor	• ACC Adult Education
2nd Floor	• Student Services • Career Center • Career Center • Student Lounge • Student Services Admissions & Records Advising & Counseling Assessment
3rd Floor	• Library • Classrooms

Building 3000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus Administration • Classrooms
1st Floor	• Classrooms
2nd Floor	• Criminal Justice • Culinary/Hospitality • Science Lab
Building 5000	• Childcare Development Center
Building 8000	• Dental Hygiene
1st Floor	• Bookstore • Classrooms
2nd Floor	• Classrooms • Nursing • Radiology • Surgical Tech
3rd Floor	• Computer Studies/Office Administration • Classrooms • IVC

Building 8500	• Multi-Purpose Room
Building 9000	• Bio Tech • Classrooms • EMT • MLT
1st Floor	• Allied Health Sciences • Classrooms • IVC
2nd Floor	• Pharmacy Tech • Sonography
3rd Floor	• Classrooms • Occupational Therapy • Physical Therapy
Portable Building 1	• Faculty Offices • Community Outreach