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Monthly Section Emergency Coordinator Report to ARRL Headquarters ARRL Section: **South Texas** Month: **December** Year: **2017** AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE

Total number of ARES members:1527	Change since last month: 2
# DECs/ECs reporting this month:36	
#of ARES nets active: 133	# with NTS liaison:50

Calls of DECs/ECs reporting: AD5CQ AE5VV AF5EK K5BV K5DDM K5LGV K5RIK K7MAL KB5DTS KD4HNX KD5CQ KE5FGA KE5HAM KE5MHJ KF5ACH KF5NIX KF5OYI KF5VIK KG5DLD KK5LO KM5QT N5LVQ N5MGC N5MTX N5TQ N5TW N5TW/XYL N5UMJ N5WKM NT5CC NV5C W0HIP W5DY W5KKL WB5UZZ

Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month	78	Person hours:	1212
Number of public service events this month	34	Person hours:	470
Number of emergency operations this month	1	Person hours:	152
Total number of ARES operations this month	244	Person hours:	1827

SEC Work on STX webpage updates of ARES content STX SEC report generation

ASEC Web

The Virtual Private Server hosting has been paid for. Once the ASEC reports are done the website and ARES vault files will be transferred to the VPS account. The goal is to get the ARES SMS Alert system to work without the 500 emails per hour limitation of the current hosting account.

ASEC Other

STX Depot web pages and database oversight. Monthly review & stats. Studied requirements and options for changing to VPS hosting account.

ASEC Advisor Winlink and repeater support

DISTRICT 01

EC Galveston County

Includes 29 hours by 3 ARES members supporting the continued development and operation of emergency communications equipment and procedures for the city of League City and 4 hours of volunteer time by one ARES member working on the Galveston County Emergency Communications Go-Kits.

DISTRICT 04

EC Aransas County Line 2 One member moved, One new member joined

EC San Patricio County Line 2 One member moved, One new member joined

DISTRICT 06

EC Kerr County

A few ARES/ Red Cross members worked the California fire as Red Cross volunteers, otherwise this was a quiet month with the Holiday.

DISTRICT 07

DEC Lee County reporting 1 member (EC) by DEC

EC Travis County

Meet with Juan Ortiz, Director of Homeland Security & Emergency Management for the City of Austin, and his staff to plan the role of TCARES in incidents and events for 2018.

EC Williamson County

fewer Nets over Christmas Holiday. Heading into January with a full agenda.

DISTRICT 08

DEC

Red Cross Duty Officer/ Disaster Action Team Dispatch/ PIO DigiVol: 11-18 December 2017

EC McCulloch County

Had been some really cold days in December. New year-new month not over yet. Keep transmitting to help keep ice of antenna. Stay warm and dry!

DISTRICT 09

EC Jasper County

Our annual feed was held in place of monthly meeting. Kinda quiet up this way during the Holiday Season. Looking forward to 2018 Orange Hamfest.

EC Newton County

See Jasper County for additional details. Counties are combined.

EC Orange County

An existing VHF repeater 146.060 MHz is re-coordinated for installation in the Vidor, Texas area. This will provide an additional coordinated repeater for Orange Co. and surrounding counties. A UHF repeater in the Vidor, TX area will also be coming in the near future providing additional EmComm resources.

EC Sabine County

Not much amateur activity this month. Participated in Jasper weekly nets, Two new antennas, 80m wire & 2m beam, to install on the EOC tower as soon as I take down the Reindeer & Sleigh.

DISTRICT 10

EC DeWitt County No activity this month.

EC Goliad County No activity

DISTRICT 12

EC Bexar County Helped plan exercise for Bandera county

EC Guadalupe County River Run Los Cominos

DISTRICT 14

DEC WebEOC monthly login training 20 participants District 14 meeting Dec 18 for Houston Marathon weekend 29 participants STX HF Net control Dec 16

EC Harris-NE County

NE Harris Cty Dist. 14 ARES: Slow month due to holidays. NE increased membership by two persons; Jason, KG5TBO and Brian KG5VHA. This increases our Active membership by 15 % YOY. STX data base in the process of being "cleaned up" by EC of inactive membership records.

EC Harris-NW County

Very active digital check ins during the month from the following members.

12/03 26 -KE5FGA (3), K5TBN (3), K5SEK (4), KB5JTJ, KW5PA (4), K5PRS (4), K5AOO, KA9IKK, KD5URB, WB5HJV, K5BIO (3)

12/10 22 -K5TBN, K5SEK (4), KE5FGA (3), KF5MVP (2), KW5PA (2), K5PRS (2), KA9IKK, WB5HJV (4), KT5SR, AE5PA, KD5URB

12/17 30 -WB5HJV (4), KG5IRM (3), KG5JBJ (3), K5AOO, KA9IKK (2), KB5JTJ (2), K5PRS (3), KW5PA (2), K5TBN (3), K5SEK (4), KC5LAA, N5TCB, KD5URB

This is the last report for year end 2017 and it also my last report as EC for the Northwest Unit of District 14. Starting in January 2018 the new EC will be Peter Aronstam, KW5PA. 73's

EC Harris-SW County

Lee WA5QXE continues organizing ARES participation for the Houston Marathon. Need additional volunteers.

Linda Kangas, W5LDK, is our new AEC-Training. Allyson Wells, KE5JBW, will continue on as AEC-Administration for special projects and will continue in a leadership role for the Memorial Herrman - Memorial City hospital team.

We've made 442.50 WA5F the official repeater for 5th Wednesday nets after a test net yielded good results.

Still awaiting the return of 145.19 as a primary repeater, as the building it's in has been closed for damage repair & renovation.

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