

# The Shamrock

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## A Message from President, Joe Coldewey, KK5ZG



Hello to all Midland Amateur Radio Club members and friends. It is October already and vacation time is over, so it is time to start thinking about what is coming up for the rest of the year. We will have Scout-a-Rama soon, so make plans to join in the fun with the Scouts and help them to enjoy the wonders of talking to people all over the globe. The CAF AIRSHO 2001 is Oct. 6 through and 7th, and we will be helping with communications at that event. The Christmas Party will be in December. Let's start thinking about this big and fun event.

I want to thank Beverly Harwood, KC5BNT, for doing a great and thankless job as Hamfest Chairperson. Beverly has reported that she just could not do it again this year. It takes a lot of time and she said she just needed to take this year off to rest and tend to her family matters, to which this your president understands. Everybody needs to thank Bev and wish her well for a job well done.

Speaking of the Hamfest, it is time to begin thinking about what

we can do to make the 2002 show the best we have ever had. We will need input from every member and non-member. Let's join hands and start thinking .

Also, we want to all get on our knees and pray for all the lost lives and property in New York City and Washington D.C. What a terrible thing to happen to all Americans. Let all pray this does not happen again .

Dewey Baucum, WB5CDD, our news letter editor, is giving up the job. His reason is stating health reasons, so let's thank Dewey for a job well done. If anybody is interested in taking over this job, please let one of the club members know. Thanks Dewey for your great job.

See you at the next club meeting.

## Ten-Tec opens retail store, full-line dealership

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Ten-Tec has opened an Amateur Radio retail store and full-line equipment dealership. The 1000-square-foot retail store and ham shack are in the lobby of the Ten-Tec manufacturing facility in Sevierville, Tennessee. "We have a

**See Ten-Tec next column**

## More Emergency Service bumper stickers available

Attention everyone. Due to the overwhelming demand, more new Emergency Services bumper stickers were ordered on September 23. If you haven't gotten one yet, you can now. They are only \$5.00 per sticker. Get yours now while the new current supply lasts. The cost of a sticker only pays the printer and the cost. They will be here in 2 weeks.

Dwayne, W5ZOX

## Ten-Tec from column 2

large, loyal customer base that we'll be able to supply with accessories that complement our own manufactured equipment," says Ten-Tec Amateur Radio Product Manager Scott Robbins, W4PA. "Equipment from more than 20 manufacturers is already in stock and available direct from Ten-Tec." Ten-Tec is planning a grand opening celebration for its new retail outlet during the annual Ten-Tec Hamfest, Friday and Saturday, September 28-29. Visit the Ten-Tec Web site <<http://www.tentec.com>>.

## MARC Happenings

**10/6-7 - CAF AIRSHI 2001**

**11/2-3, 2001 Odessa Hamfest**

**12 - Christmas Party**

## MARC Meetings Club House at 7:30 p.m.

**October 8, 2001**

The program will be "Quick Internet Service". PBR Index Cards and new maps will be handed out as well.

Q: What do you get when you cross the Godfather with a lawyer?

A: An offer you can't understand.

## Statement from Dewey Baucum, WB5CDD

It has been my pleasure to edit "The Shamrock" since January 1997. It has been very much a pleasure for me. As our president's message states, the reason for my resigning as the editor is my health problems, of which you are all aware. This is the main reason. Also, I am involved in writing my memoirs for my children and researching the genealogy of my family. This will probably entail some travel. In addition, Daphne and I want to see our children and grandchildren more often. We will be doing some of this travel as my health allows. Lastly, I hope that I can find more time to do more HF hamming.

I hope that someone will come forward and become Editor of "The Shamrock". I will be happy to help this person, should they want assistance in the beginning.

Also, I give my thanks to Daphne for her help in checking for errors and preparing the newsletter for mailing.

I am not stopping my Amateur hobby. I have been licensed since 1970. I will make as many club meetings and help with other activities as possible.

## New repeater in operation

Pat England, KB5MBK, has a new repeater in operation as of Tuesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. It is Maljamar N.W. It is operating at 442.075+ 146.2.

## DXCC Annual List deadline modified

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DXCC Annual List deadline modified: Effective immediately, all applications for DXCC credit that are postmarked by September 30 will be eligible for inclusion in the DXCC Annual List that will appear in the 2001 DXCC Yearbook. It's not necessary that applications actually be received at ARRL Headquarters in Newington by that date. All submittals must show clear evidence of a postmark or posting date. This change should alleviate most problems arising from recently reported mail delays. Applications will be listed on the ARRL Web site DXCC page <<http://www.arrl.org/awards/dxcc/appstatus.html>> as they are

Q: What is the difference between God and a lawyer?

A: God doesn't think he's a lawyer

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Support your club. Enjoy the meetings, club activities, and pay your dues.  
Thanks!

## New Repeater at Big Lake

There is a new repeater in Big Lake on the PBR REPEATER SYSTEM 442.650 tone 146.2 tone.


## Odessa Hamfest date set

The 2001 Odessa Hamfest will be November 2-3 at the Holiday Inn.

## A.C. dangerous?

"Alternating currents are dangerous. They are fit only for powering the electric chair.

—Thomas A. Edison

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## NETS

**Big Bend Emergency Net** meets at 8:30 A.M. (Central) Every Sunday Morning. The frequency is 3922.

**The West Texas Connection Sunday Morning Net** meets at 0900 (Central) every Sunday morning. The net is informal and open to all. Check in for local ham news and events. Midland frequency is 147.220, + offset, 88.5 tone or 444.100 + offset, 162.2 tone. Mike Smith, W5MLS, is Net Control.

**The Southwest Lynx System Net** meets at 12:00 noon, Sunday. The net meets at 145.130, - offset, 88.50 tone and 440.200, + offset, 162.2 tone. Dwayne Fox, W5ZOX is net control.

**West Texas Amateur Radio Club Net, Odessa**, meets each Monday at 9:00 P.M. The frequency is 145.470 with an 88.5 tone. Needs a Net Control.

**Big Spring 10 Meter Net** is at 8:00 P. M on Tuesday evening at 28.485 up or down a few.

**Midland 2 Meter Net** meets each Tuesday night at 9:00 P.M. on 147.300, offset: - 600 Mhz. Mike Smith, W5MLS, is Net Control.

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**Ares Net** meets each Wednesday night at 9:00 p.m. on 147.300, offset: -600 Mz. Dwayne T.Fox, W5ZOX, is Net Control.

**ARES 70 Centimeters Net** (West Texas & Southwest New Mexico) meets on Wednesday night at 8:00 p.m. on 444.925 UHF with a 2146..2 tone. Net Control is Mark Smith, N5UNH.

**Midland County ARES Packet Net** meets on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. on 144.970. Check-ins go through MIDTEX on the talk mode. No net control. Leave your check-ins at Dwayne's mail drop.

**Howard County Net** meets each Thursday at 8:00 P.M. on 146.820.

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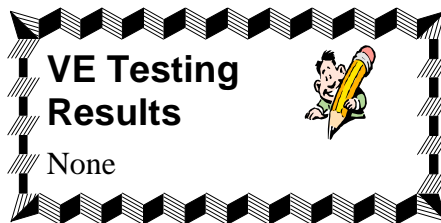
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### Stubborn

Of all God's creatures there is only one that cannot be made the slave of the lash. That one is the cat. If man could be crossed with a cat it would improve man but it would deteriorate the cat.

—Mark Twain

A gentleman is a man who knows how to play the accordion—but doesn't.

## The Shamrock

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## Midland VE Team

Testing is conducted at the Red Cross Building on Elizabeth Street at 8:30 A.M. on the second Saturday of every month. (Other times may be arranged.) A total of \$10.00 will charged for each session. All elements and code use the multiple choice format. Individual ear phones are used for code testing. Testing is always sponsored by the ARRL-VEC. For more information call Mitch Martin, WA5ZAP @ 561-9397, Email: [wa5zap@apex2000.net](mailto:wa5zap@apex2000.net) or Sterling Talley, Contact Person, WB5G @ 684-6994, Email: [sterling@apex2000.net](mailto:sterling@apex2000.net).

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## MARC Cabinet Meeting

**Date:** 1st Wednesday each month

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Carrows Restaurant ,  
2201 W. Wall St. Street