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The Newsletter of the Multnomah County Amateur Radio Emergency Services

January, 2018

Meetings

Multnomah County ARES
Every 4th Thursday
7:00 P.M.

Informal Q&A begins 6:15
Portland Fire & Rescue Center
4800 NE 122nd Avenue, Portland
<http://www.multnomahares.org/>

PARC Meeting
Every 2nd Monday
7:30 P.M.

4415 NE 87th Ave., Portland
<http://www.w7lt.org/>

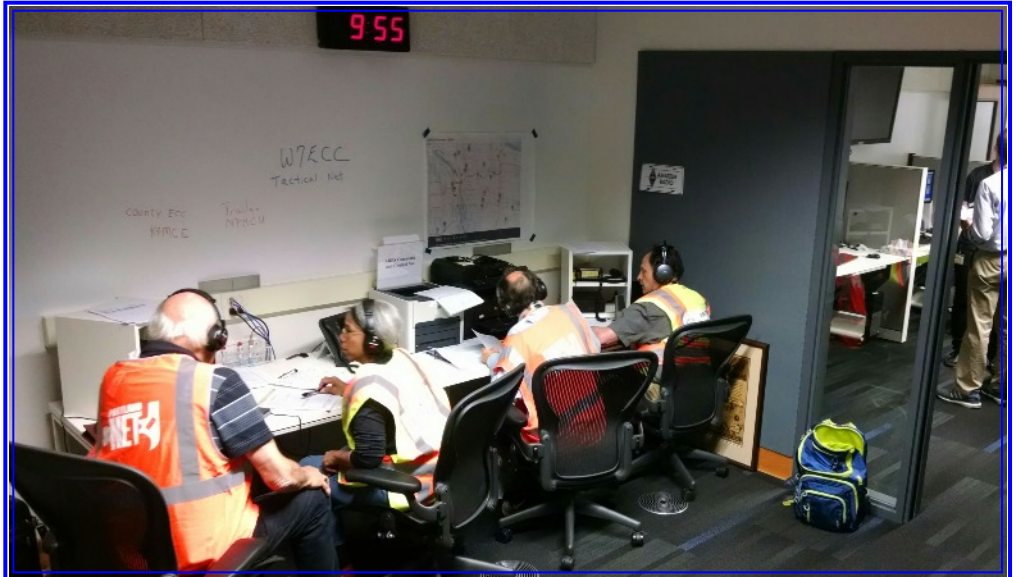
HARC Meeting
Every 3rd Thursday
Mount Hood Comm. College
Room 1001
<http://www.wb7qiw.org/>

Nets

Multnomah Co. ARES Net
Wednesdays at 7:00 P.M.
146.84 (no Tone)

District 1 ARES Net
Daily at 7:30 P.M.
147.320 (PL Tone 100.0)

Traffic Handling Training Net
Fourth Tuesday 8:00 P.M.
148.180 (PL tone 103.5)



ARES in Action

Upcoming Events

Thursday, January 25:
General Meeting. Winlink;
Beginning and Advanced

Saturday, January 27:
Winlink from Home Exercise-
All members

Saturday, February 3:
Build a copper j-pole workshop.
Noon to 4:00. Preregistration
Required. \$15.00

Wednesday, February 14:
Simplex Net-All members.

Saturday, February 24:
Hardware workshop: What Do
I Need and How Do I Use it?
10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

News from Around the County By Deb KK7DEB

Happy New Year! We hope everyone is ready to have a fun and productive year in the amateur radio world. We certainly started off with a great simplex net on January 3rd.

The Leadership team met on December 10th for an all-day planning session and reviewed the membership surveys. We believe that the coming year is full of opportunities to sharpen our members' skills and continue training of our newest members. We will continue to have team exercises and have added a couple of all-team drills to the mix. This year Multnomah County ARES will have its own Field Day on June 23-24, a central location is being finalized.



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Thanks to Rachel KI7NMB for volunteering to take on the net manager position and to Patti KB7GMM for taking the net content coordinator position. We look forward to adding content to our weekly nets. Patti will be working hard to make this happen. Emily N7EMH has agreed to take on the Bravo Team Leader position, Matthew AF7PV will stay on as the PBEM Station Chief for the time being. Thanks to Emily for taking on this important role.

Our new Training Manager, John KI7LYP has a great line-up of training topics both for the monthly meetings and several Saturday workshops throughout the year. Many of our monthly trainings will start with all members and then split to beginning and advance classes. Hopefully this will add a better learning experience for both our newer and older members. The Saturday workshops are designed to help with equipment needs and operating skills; the first being the February 3rd J-pole building party. We hope our members will take advantage of these opportunities to expand their knowledge, skills and build their stations and go-kits to a higher level.

A quick review of 2017 shows we had a total 2,596 volunteer hours for the year. Way to go everyone! We are starting the New Year with 83 active members and we will continue our membership drive in hopes of reaching the goal of 100 members this year. We appreciate everyone's efforts on passing the word to friends and family as 2017 was a very high growth year. Please keep up the

good work! If you have any outreach ideas, let Steve W7SRH know (hallstr@hotmail.com).

The UASI grant order for the repeater kits has been completed and we are expecting to pick up the equipment any day now. The kits will include a full UHF Ham repeater and two portable VHF/UHF cross band repeaters that are also capable of being digipeaters. This will greatly enhance our abilities should there be failure of the usual repeaters that we now rely on. Expect to see these kits being used in upcoming exercises as we test and train on their use. Our thanks to both Multnomah County Emergency Management and Portland Bureau of Emergency Management for their help and support in obtaining this grant.

Join me in welcoming our newest members, Nick KI7PTT has joined the Bravo team, Barbara KI7QLC has joined the Charlie team, Ken KI7RUN has joined the Echo Team and Ed KI7QID has joined the Charlie team. Jeremy W7BIO has also joined and is an employee for Multnomah County and will be listed as a Supporting member.

Check out the training schedule included in this newsletter.

Training Manager Profile
By: John KI7LYP

Originally licensed as WN7ULT when I was 13 I have always had an interest in radios and electronics. My hobby and ham radio led me through school and into a career in the US Navy working on communications and radar equipment. My entry into

the Navy was busy with boot camp, dating and marrying my wife Patti (KB7GMM), but then things settled and I returned to ham radio with my new Tech license WH6AVQ.



John KI7LYP

I finally worked up my CW speed and upgraded to General class (KH6XG) and with the new privileges and also a Navy MARS license, I spent many hours, both on ships and ashore, running phone patches for sailors all over the Pacific as well as working the DX stations and acquiring quite a collection of QSL cards from all over the world (my favorites are still my QSL cards from the island of Vanuatu and Naru).

After retiring from the Navy, I continued to work in computers and electronics and to this day, I still enjoy finding and repairing old communications equipment.

In late 2015, I was recruited into the Multnomah County ARES group, and finally gave up my well used Hawaiian call and went back to a 7 district call, KI7LYP.



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Net News

The monthly Simplex Net is moving to the second Wednesday of every month beginning in February. The Traffic Handling Training Net (THTN) will be once a month on the fourth Tuesday at 8:00 P.M. 147.180 (PL Tone 103.5)

Other Nets

District 1 ARES Net:

Daily at 7:30 P.M.

147.320 Mhz (PL Tone 100.00) and
147.040 (PL Tone 100.00) MC 6

NTTN:

Daily at 6:05 P.M.

145.27, 145.43, 45.47, 146.80,
442.875, & 442.275. All with PL
Tone of 107.2

Portland NET Net:

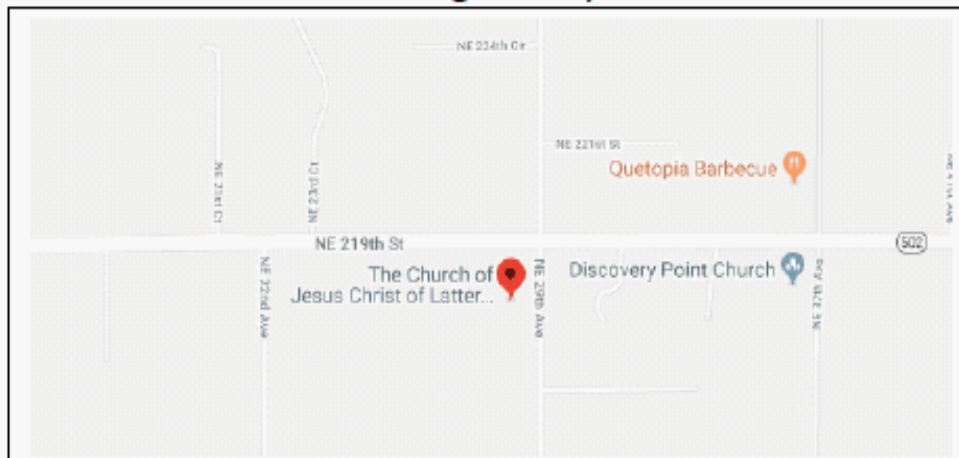
Sunday 8:00 P.M.

147.040 (PL Tone 100.00)

Women's Ham Radio 'Technician' (beginner) Class

This class is taught by women, for women!

Class location: LDS Meeting House
21720 NE 29th Ave. Ridgefield, WA 98642-8681



2018 Schedule for 6 sessions March 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, *17

Thursday March 8: 7 – 9 p.m.

Friday March 9: 7 – 9 p.m.

Saturday March 10: 9a.m. – 1 p.m.

*Last session held at 14011 NE 20th Ave

Salmon Creek American Legion Post 176

Thursday March 15: 7 – 9 p.m.

Friday March 16: 7 – 9 p.m.

*Saturday March 17: 9.am. – noon-ish

(includes review and license exam)

We will use The ARRL Ham Radio License Manual, 3rd ed.

Level 1 Technician, 2014

By Ward Silver

To register for class, purchase a textbook, or for more information contact:

Barbara Yasson, AC7UH (that's her ham radio call sign)

AC7UH@arrl.net or 360-574-1152

The class is free, the textbook costs \$27, the license exam costs \$15

