



# The **HOTLINE**

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## **November Meeting Is "Annual Meeting" Night**

The Nominating Committee (Norris Martin KB5SLI, Paul Collins KG5DHS, and Jeb Leutwyler KG5WHS) is able to present to the Club the following **2019 Officer and Director candidates**:

President	Dwan Needham, KE5JWY
Vice-President	Mike Needham, WB7SKK
Secretary	Jeb Leutwyler, KG5WHS
Treasurer	John Chamberlain, AC5JC
Director (2021)	Bill Feltenberger, KD5UEW

All of these have agreed to serve. All HOTARC members are encouraged to attend the **Annual Meeting** this **Thursday, November 29 at 7PM** to participate in the voting in of your Officers and Director for the coming year.



## **From the President**

It has been a pleasure to serve as HOTARC President for the last two years. I have gotten to work with a variety of people on the projects the Club has done during this time. The collective knowledge and skills of HOTARC members is outstanding. I look forward to seeing what next year brings.

This month's Annual Meeting is "**HOTARC Election Day.**" The Nomination Committee will present their recommendations for Officers and Directors. If you would like to serve the Club, please feel free to volunteer your time in any capacity you can.

**Hint:** The positions of Officers and Directors are not the only way you can serve the club.

Please remember that **December 1 at noon** is the **HOTARC Christmas Luncheon** at Golden Coral.

Lynn KD5DZU  
HOTARC President



**HOTARC Annual Meeting**  
on Thursday following Thanksgiving.  
(per our Club's bylaws)  
**November 29, 2018 7:00 PM**



# For the Record

## HOTARC Meeting of Members October 25, 2018

President Lynn Gustafson, KD5DZU called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the W5NCD Workshop Meeting Room.

Bill Feltenberger, KD5UEW opened the meeting with a prayer.

13 members were present. One visitor was also present: Mike Anderson, K5CKX.

**Last Meeting Minutes.** A motion to accept the Minutes for September 2018 as published in the HOTLINE was made by Bill Feltenberger, KD5UEW; seconded by Jeb Leutwyler, KG5WHS and unanimously approved.

**Treasurer’s report.** A motion to accept the Treasurers Report for September 2018 as published in the HOTLINE was made by Bill Feltenberger, KD5UEW; seconded by Jeb Leutwyler, KG5WHS and unanimously approved.

### Committee Reports:

- **ARES:** Lynn Gustafson, KD5DZU reported that Ed Hynan, KC5KNI provided a detailed report on the status of the McLennan County ARES activity in the HOTLINE for all to review. If you are interested in being a member of ARES and participate in EOC support activities, contact Ed at KC5KNI@arrl.net or 254-722-4578.
- **Trailer Committee:** Lynn Gustafson, KD5DZU reported that the committee met for a couple weekends to prepare for the Waco Wild West Bike Race, which was cancelled. Two antennas were installed for the dual band radio and the D-Star radio. A problem with dc power distribution was corrected with new power pole connectors. Other work was done with the generator, battery and the new coax installed for Field Day.
- **Repeater Committee:** Clint Anderson, AE5CA reported all repeaters were working fine.
- **Web Committee:** Lynn Gustafson, KD5DZU reported that John Chamberlain, AC5JC said the web site is working satisfactorily.
- **ATV:** David Bush, KC5UOZ reported that projects are progressing well.
- **Education Committee:** Clint Anderson, AE5CA indicated that no classes are currently scheduled. He also solicited volunteers to help with communications with students in the Baylor Merit Badge College, Radio Merit Badge class who will be on the air between 9:30 and 11:00 on Saturday, November 10.
- **Public Relations:** No new report.
- **Special Events:** 2018 Waco Wild West 100 Mile Bicycle Tour was cancelled. However, Clint Anderson, AE5CA reported that the APRS trackers made available for the race had all worked flawlessly.

### The Treasurer Reports...

Heart O’ Texas Amateur Radio Club Treasurer’s Report, October 2018		
Starting Balance		\$8,343.05
<b>Income</b>		
Interest	0.07	
Total Income		\$ 0.07
<b>Expenses</b>		
Website hosting	(\$150.00)	
PO Box rent	( 82.00)	
Generator battery	( 116.65)	
Total Expenses		\$ 348.65
Ending Balance		\$7,994.47
<b>Uncleared activity:</b>		
PayPal fees	(\$0.96)	
Dues	30.00	
Interest	0.07	
Amount in acct. as of	11/20/2018	\$8,023.58
Includes Flower Fund:	\$178.10	
Submitted by Norris Martin, KB5SLI HOTARC Treasurer		

## Old Business

- **DMR Repeater:** This topic is tabled until there is more interest.
- **D-Star UHF Repeater:** This is on hold until more equipment is available—coax, duplexer, and antennae.

## New Business

- **Post Office Rental Due:** Directors approved payment of \$82 for 12 months which has been paid.
- **Christmas Luncheon:** Lynn Gustafson, KD5DZU reported the Christmas Luncheon will be held at noon on December 1 at the Golden Corral. Bill Feltenberger, KD5UEW motioned to authorize \$50 for door prizes; seconded by Paul Collins, KG5DHS and later approved by the membership. Clint Anderson, AE5CA moved to increase the authorization to \$75 which was approved by the membership.
- **Officers Nominating Committee:** Lynn Gustafson, KD5DZU indicated a committee needs to be established for the nominating of new officers for next year, 2019. Committee volunteers are Norris Martin, KB5SLI as the Director; Paul Collins, KG5DHS; and Jeb Leutwyler, KG5WHS.

### HOTARC Christmas Luncheon

**Noon Saturday Dec 1**

**@ Golden Corral in Waco**

HOTARC members and their families are invited!  
Dutch treat. Door prizes for lucky attendees!

## Meeting Adjournment

- Bill Feltenberger, KD5UEW moved for adjournment. President Lynn Gustafson, KD5DZU adjourned the meeting at 7:29 pm.

Submitted by  
Dan Hapenny, AG5HF  
HOTARC Secretary

by Ed Hynan, KC5KNI  
McLennan County  
Emergency Coordinator

## Request for ARES Net Control Station Volunteers

I have just **two volunteers** to serve as Net Controls for 2019. ☹ Ideally, *every* member of ARES should be able to act as a Net Control station in an emergency.

The ARES/Bakers Dozen Training Net is held **each Monday night at 8 PM on the 145.15 W5ZDN repeater**. Net Control volunteers typically operate from their home QTH. I would like to provide this excellent training opportunity to all current members of McLennan County ARES.

Current volunteers are KC5KNI and AC5JC. These individuals have done an excellent job running the Nets very smoothly this year, and have stepped up to the plate again for 2019. Now I need to hear from the rest of the [2018 Net Controls](#) to determine if they want to participate again for 2019.



For all the other local ARES members, if you would like the opportunity to serve as a weekly Net Control **please let me know via e-mail: [KC5KNI@arrl.net](mailto:KC5KNI@arrl.net)**. You can also let me know if there are any particular Mondays that would not be convenient for you (e.g., 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and/or 5th). We'll figure out how to work with your schedule! The deadline for contacting me will be Dec 10, 2016.

For those who would like to volunteer, I will add you to the [2019 Net Control Schedule](#), provide you with a copy of the preamble, log sheet, and a letter of Instruction. Again: if you want to participate, please let me know by 10 December 2018. This is really what amateur radio is all about—preparation for emergency service.

This is the last chance to get on the schedule for 2019, since I need to finalize the 2019 schedule and get it published by December 15, 2018. Contact me!



## ***HOTARC and Baylor Merit Badge Cooperative***

by Clint Anderson, AE5CA  
HOTARC Educator

On October 27 and November 10, several members of HOTARC helped to teach *Radio Merit Badge* to young Scouts at the ***Baylor Merit Badge Cooperative***. Clint Anderson AE5CA served as the head instructor with classroom helpers Dan Hapenny AG5HF and Matthew Flippin KG5YQT. Invaluable help was provided by Bill Feltenberger KD5UEW by talking with the Scouts over VHF/UHF radio from his QTH.

Previously known as the Baylor Merit Badge College, this year marked the return of the BMBC since it was last done in 2015. While the BMBC was significantly smaller than past years, it was great to see it rise back to life. Approximately 20 Scouts took part in the class with a significant number of them completing the Merit Badge.



## ***Serving HOTARC as an Officer and Director***

by Clint Anderson, AE5CA  
HOTARC Director (Past-President)

In 2009, I was elected to be a Director for the three-year term of 2010-12. Since then, I have served as a Director for a year, Vice President for 2 years, President for 2 years, and Past President for four years. It honestly has been a pleasure to serve in HOTARC. As 2019 comes around, I decided that it was time for me to “pass the baton” to others in the Club and to step back into the role of “Member.”

I have gained a lot from my experience as an Officer, and I appreciate all the help and support from the Members and other Officers and Directors that I have received over the years. I am really excited to see the new leadership



stepping up for the Club in 2018, and welcome and encourage them in their new roles! I hope you’ll attend the Annual Meeting this week and show YOUR support, too! And be on the lookout for ways that YOU can participate and even take the reins to lead in upcoming Club activities when asked!



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## ***HOTARC 2018 Board of Directors***

**President:** Lynn Gustafson KD5DZU

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**Vice Pres:** Mike Needham WB7SKK,

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**Secretary:** Dan Hapenny AG5HF

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**Treasurer:** Norris Martin KB5SLI,

[Treasurer@hotarc.org](mailto:Treasurer@hotarc.org)

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[PastPres@hotarc.org](mailto:PastPres@hotarc.org)

**Director (2018):** Terry Williams KD5KJU,

[Director3@hotarc.org](mailto:Director3@hotarc.org)

**Director (2019):** Ed Hynan KC5KNI,

[Director1@hotarc.org](mailto:Director1@hotarc.org)

**Director (2020):** Keith Adams KG5AWC,

[Director2@hotarc.org](mailto:Director2@hotarc.org)

## **Club Repeaters**

145.15 MHz (input at -600 kHz, tone 123 Hz)

146.98 MHz (input at -600 kHz, D-Star)

442.875 MHz (input at +5.0 MHz, tone 123 Hz)

## **VE Testing**

The HOTARC VEs will hold a test session at **10:00 AM on Saturday January 19** at [Baylor University Rogers Engineering and Computer Science Building](#), meeting upstairs in **Room 207**. Test takers will need to provide **1) testing fee of \$15** (cash only), and **2) a photo ID** (two for first-time licensees). Already licensed amateurs must also provide: **3) Reference copy or photocopy** of current license; and **4) photocopy** of any relevant CSCE. **Contact:** Linda Hynan, AC5QQ at 254-666-4873 or [Linda.Hynan@UTSouthwestern.edu](mailto:Linda.Hynan@UTSouthwestern.edu).

## ***Meeting Notice***

HOTARC will hold its *Annual Meeting of Members* at 7:00 PM on Thursday November 29 at the [W5NCD Workshop, 12772 Chapel Rd in Lorena](#). Meetings generally last about 75 minutes consisting of fellowship, general Club business, and an interesting program and discussions. Visiting hams, family members, and prospective hams are welcomed!

**Annual Meeting night is your chance to  
impact next year's direction for the Club!**