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I first want to wish everyone a Happy New Year!! I also wish to thank everyone who has participated in the Milam County Ares weekly nets and those of you who have signed up on the ARRLSTX Depot site as well. Every time there is a change in leadership there is an adjustment for all involved. And I thank you for making me feel welcome since taking over for Franklin Stewart – KD5WRO as the ARRL EC for Milam County.

For the first newsletters since I became EC we covered several items that I felt were essential for being an Amateur Radio operator that wishes to participate in an actual emergency in the unfortunate event that one occurs here in Milam County.

As in all things we call a hobby, there needs to be fun. You need to enjoy this hobby, in whatever avenue that interests you, be it HF, VHF/UHF, Digital, Echolink, or whatever fascinates you. In the past there have been meetings for Milam County Ares. I thought about having them again, and asked for suggestions on a place and time. Again, I am asking for all of the individuals who receive this newsletter to send me an email with your suggestions. If you do not have access to email, call me at the number below.

The Amateur Radio operators in Milam County Ares have a voice, and I want to hear it. And not just on a weekly net. We need to start having events that everyone wants to participate in. And that is where you come in. I can create events all year long, but without warm bodies, it does no good. So send me your requests on the events you would like to have, so we can make Milam County Ares a group that others would want to join!

If you would like to be Net Controller for the Ares net, be it for one week, or several, please let me know and we can work you into the schedule.

Also if you wish to have something put in one of the newsletters, send it to me at **KF5NIX@ARRL.NET** and I will find a way to put it in.

If you have not done so yet, go to the ARRLSTX depot site listed below.

http://www.arrlstx.org/vault area/vault gateway/site gateway/vault gateway.php There are several items listed on the workbook there that many of you have already accomplished in the past, just use your best guess as to the date and I will approve them.

If you complete any of the online courses send me a copy of the certificate so we can have it on file in case of an emergency so we know who we can call on.

You can get your workbook as well as other forms at the Milam County Ares website: http://milamcountyares.weebly.com/

Thank you,

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Rockdale - 146.760 - PL - 123, Milam ARC weekly net - Monday nights at 8:00 P.M.

Cameron – 147.020 – PL – 123, Milam County ARES net – Thursday nights at 7:00 P.M.

Davilla – 147.000 – PL – 123, Milam ARC nets – Last Monday of each month held here.

Milam ARES 2 Meter Data Repeater 145.030 Mhz This repeater is a simplex repeater with store and resend software in the modem at the transceiver. This call sign is CAMRLY. The repeater is on the Milam County Communication Tower and uses the same antenna as the 147.020 repeater. That antenna is a db224 with 6db gain. It is approximately 150 feet AGL.