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Doughnuts & Coffee 2.00 Burritos

\$1.00 chips **Vendor Spaces** Still Available!

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

OK Folks, the big month has arrived. This is Raffle and Roundup month. Make a copy of the flyer in the back and pass the word. More participants mean more fun and more money! It's official with the ARRL. We have acquired e several sponsors for our 2nd annual El Paso Ham Radio Roundup and Hamfest and we will be having a raffle on October 28, 2023 of an Icom 7300 and tickets are available NOW for ONLY \$20.00 by using https://www.paypal.com/us/home and enter w5es.eparc@gmail.com and for the reason you can put IC7300 or raffle and please email us and email, so we can send a ticket number.

Don't forget to participate in the weekly W5ES ARC Sunday Nite Net at 7:00 pm MST on the Amigo Link System on 146.700. If you are a frequent user of these repeaters, The WTRA would like your donation. For more information, please visit the website at: https://www.hamradioelpaso.com and click on the WTRA tab for more information.

W5ES has a ZOOM account and below is the link for our meetings and officers/trustee meetings. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/833 3785 7007 Passcode: 039370

This past year we have enjoyed increased involvement at the ARRL West Texas Section level thanks to weekly ZOOM meeting with Dale, W5WI and David KF5WDJ. We encourage all of you to set aside time on Thursday evenings to tune in at 7:00 pm MST. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86158956437?pwd=UnlBVVpmVzhOTElWM240NUVHL0wxdz09 You may pay dues by mail to W5ES EPARC, 2100 San Diego St. El Paso, Texas 79930. We have a PayPal account that will allow you to pay your dues and/or make your contribution electronically from your bank account or credit card. Please consult the W5ES website at http://www.w5es.org/index.html for more information.

DEC Bulletin

In Case of Emergency (ICE) assists first responders if a victim is unable to provide emergency information—by utilizing the ubiquitous cell phones. The I.C.E. program was originally developed in 2004 in the United Kingdom by first responder Bob Brotchie and quickly spread into other



countries. To program ICE into your cell phone:

- \cdot Access the address book feature of your cell phone.
- · Enter the name ICE.
- · Enter the phone number of your husband, wife, parent or whoever needs to know about you in case of an emergency. (No nicknames or position names)

For example: "ICE Joe Smith 214-555-xxxx." (Out-of-area is probably a good idea—just like your family disaster planning.) Then, make sure Joe knows about being listed and has current info such as your allergy list, doctor's name, whatever you think (!) is important. Alternately, a person can list multiple emergency contacts as "ICE1", "ICE2", etc. First responders or doctors will be able to look for this listing if a cell phone is found with an unresponsive victim.

ICE Cards for Kids:

Looking for a way to make disaster preparedness fun for kids? Do a computer search for "ICE Cards for Kids". There are many hits on the subject. Some are cards that can be purchased, and others are templates that can be downloaded.

Make an ICE card with phone numbers of family and friends you can call in case of an emergency. Print the free cards at home, put one copy in your child's bag, and keep another copy for yourself.

Disasters can strike when you least expect them. Plan to stay connected to those you love. Create your ICE card today!

STOP (Study, Think, Observe, Prepare) is a rubric being used by civil defense advocates (yes, the term is still in use in selected circles). Even if you sometimes juggle the order, consider how much ground that covers when you think about planning for your response to disasters. Study the background and developments of emergency planning for your community in depth. Think rather than just repeat the standard slogans. Observe actual and developing situation(s)—coming events often cast shadows before they arrive, including things you see that might become important

to others. Prepare in advance to maximize efficiency and utility.

Maybe the little things that get done can set a thought pattern for larger involvements.

Social Media: For the past few of years now I have turned to social media to keep up on the happenings with major events such as hurricanes, wildfires, etc. Social media has been the best way to get situation awareness, and to advise people on what to do, where to get help, and how to help. A lot of reporters use Twitter to give out real time information for incidents still in progress. An example during hurricanes Irene and Sandy - disaster relief agencies were telling people to "Text First, Talk Later". In other words, use your cell phones and send your own health and welfare messages. Send only I-M-OK by text. Texting uses much less bandwidth and will not overload the circuits. After the recovery efforts have begun and the heavy traffic on the cell towers has subsided then make your phone calls. This will also help ARES® out by not having to handle the H&W traffic leaving us free to handle the FLASH, Immediate and Priority traffic for our served agencies. Our digital message modes do not have H&W categories anyway. Another option is that El Paso city/county, or police and sheriff's department have a Facebook page. This is the best place to get information or updates. Another source of information for both preparation and current information are smart phones. There are App's available for all the smart phones for just about any situation imaginable. Get these social media tools and technologies in your tool bags to improve your situational awareness.

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VE Testing News

For the past year, the W5ES VE team has implemented a digital paperwork process that has made testing faster and easier than ever. The VE team has also held multiple online test sessions. Thinking of upgrading? We can help make it happen on your schedule, from the comfort of your QTH. Email Chris (kc8goq@qsl.net) for more information about online testing. The next VE session will be held on October 7 at W5ES at 2100 San Diego. at 9:00AM.

Repeaters

W5ES repeater is 443.150, + Offset, PL 173.8 Automatic analog and C4FM digital.

Wires X Node: 11584 Room: 21584

Net Meetings Classified Ads

WANTED: Donation items for the W5ES Tailgate on Oct 29. If you have any gear you would like to donate to the club, please send an email to w5es.eparc@gmail.com

WANTED: Your classified ads! Having something to sell? Have something you want? Post an ad in The Bulletin! Send your 100 words or less ad to w5es.eparc@gmail.com by the 25th of the month to be included in the next issue.

Contact W5ES

Want to join the Club? Help out around the Clubhouse? Contribute an article or classified ad to The Bulletin? Have a question? A comment? An idea? A donation?

Send an email to: w5es.eparc@gmail.com

Don't forget our Sunday night net at 7:00 PM on the Amigo Link. Also - -

2-Meter Sideband Net -Sundays at 8:00 PM on 144.200. **D-STAR Net** Mondays at 7:15PM on Reflector 55A**WTRA** – Mondays at 8:00 PM on Amigo Link repeaters

August Business Meeting 10/13/2023

Our next meeting will be held Friday October 13th at 7:00PM.

Our usual dinner meeting on the 4th Friday will be Friday October 27th at 6:00PM.

The ZOOM links for our meetings will be as follows: Fridays- https://us02web.zoom.us/j/833 3785 7007 Meeting ID: 833 3785 7007

Passcode: 039370

W5ES Merchandise

Kelly KB2RN has been hard at work and set up an online store featuring W5ES branded items with the club logo.

Items include cups and mugs, stickers, t-shirts, sweatshirts, and handbags. There are many colors and styles to choose from, so hopefully there is something for everyone. Part of the proceeds come back to the club. To visit the web store, go to www.w5es.org and click on the store on the main page of the club website.













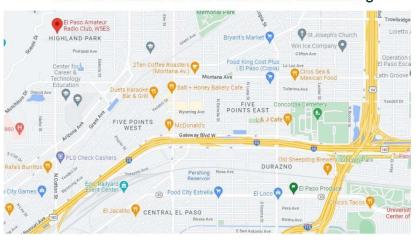


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\$2.00 Burritos \$1.00 sodas \$1.00 chips

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\$15 Inside Table & Chairs \$10 Tailgate Spot LIMITED SPACES

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COMING EVENTS CALENDAR

2023 October

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
W5ES NET 7:00 PM AMIGO LINK	1	D-Star Net 7:15 PM WTRA NET 8:00PM	2	3	4	West Texas Zoom Mtg. 7:00 PM	6	VE Exam W5ES 2100 San Diego 9:00 -Noon
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