



THE MIDLAND AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

64th Annual St. Patrick's Day

HAMFEST

West Texas Section Convention

GOT JUNK?
This Year --
Buy ONE table, get one
for half price !!



SATURDAY
March 16, 2019
At the Martin Luther King Center
Midland, Texas

<http://hamfest.w5qgg.org>

Hamfest Location

The Martin Luther King Activity Center is located at 2300 Butternut Lane, just off of E. Scharbauer Dr. in East Midland. The MLK Center has ample parking, with overflow at the high school across the street. On the grounds is a park, and a playground for kids.

INFO: www.visitmidland.com

General directions: From I-20, take exit 137 Lamesa road and head north. Follow Lamesa road through town and turn right on Scharbauer Drive. Go three blocks and turn left on Butternut Lane at the high school football field. There is easy access to Midland shopping on Loop 250.

Closest Midland Hotel

Plaza Inn Midland
4108 No. Big Spring
Midland, TX 79705
432-686-8733

Call Early for best pricing!!

Hamfest Hours & Setup Times

Exhibit set-up will be from 5:00pm until 7:00pm Friday afternoon. The doors will be locked at 7:00pm Friday, to be reopened at 7:00 am Saturday morning for continued dealer and exhibitor set-up. The Hamfest will be open to the public at 8:00 am until main prize drawing. Forums will start at 8:00am.

Dealers and exhibitors will have special identifying badges. Only persons wearing these special badges may enter the hamfest building at the designated set-up times. Pre-Hamfest sales are discouraged by MARC and the rules of facility.

Pre-registration ticket and name tag pickup will take place in the main hallway entrance to the hamfest gymnasium, starting at 5:00 pm on Friday, March 15th, and lasting until 7:00 pm. Registrations "at the door" will also be available at these times if available. On Saturday morning pre-registration ticket and name tag pickup as well as new registrations will continue at the gymnasium entrance at 8:00 am.

All Table positions will be pre-assigned. All tables are rented on a first-come, first-served basis to registered Hamfest participants only and must have a rental tag displayed. No refunds for no-shows. Limited A/C outlets, specify in advance or bring a long extension cord if you need power.

All unclaimed tables become available for 1/2 price at 10:00am Saturday.

Worked All States Award

Subject to time available

If you have QSL cards confirming contacts from all 50 states (District of Columbia counts as MD), bring your cards and proof of current ARRL membership to apply for the Worked All States Award. The basic award fee is \$12 for each WAS certificate, or \$15 for each WAS certificate and pin, and the endorsement fee is \$7.50. (Endorsements claimed with the initial award are included in the \$12 fee).

If you have confirmed contacts from at least 100 different grid squares, bring your cards and proof of current ARRL membership to apply for the VHF/UHF Century Club Award. The basic award fee is \$17 (certificate) and \$7 (pin). Application fee for ARRL members \$5, for non-members \$10.

If you intend to apply for either of these awards at the Hamfest, or if you have any questions, please contact either ARRL awards manager in advance for changes in fee schedules. We will be available from 8am 'til Noon.

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Sara Gail Cranford N5ZMP - sgcranford@juno.com

FORUMS & PROGRAMS

PLEASE CHECK WEB PAGE FOR UPDATES

<http://hamfest.w5qgg.org>

8:00 am

John Davis, WB4QDX from Lawrenceville, GA:
"Using D-Star Made Simple".

9:00 am

Steve Ford, WB8IMY is the ARRL QST Editor
In Chief and host of the *ARRL The Doctor is In*.

10:00 am:

George Robertson, KG5KUQ, His talk titled
"The Internet of Things",

will look at the increasing number of everyday things integrated with the internet and explore ways to maintain your privacy.

11:00 am The ARRL West Texas Forum, Dale Durham S.C.M.



K3S HF+6 TRANSCEIVER RAFFLE

Our FOURTH annual raffle, and your chance to own the acclaimed K3S. The Midland Amateur Radio Club is again raffling off a brand new Elecraft 100W K3S transceiver with microphone. A space is provided in the Pre-Registration form on page 3 in case you want to buy a few chances. Only 300 tickets to be sold. --- For more information visit:

<http://hamfest.w5qgg.org>

<http://www.elecraft.com>

RV Hook-ups

Due to city rules & reg's, overnight RV parking at the MLK Center is not permitted. -- Alternate parks are:

Midland RV Campground 432-697-080
< www.midlandrvpark.com >

Hidden Ranch RV park (South of Midland Int'l Airport)
432-559-4631

Midessa Oilpatch RV park 4220 S County Rd 1290
Odessa, TX 79765 432-563-2368

Examinations For Amateur Radio Licenses

The MIDLAND VE TEAM volunteer examiners headed by Mitchell Martin WA5ZAP will administer Amateur exams (all classes) on Saturday, March 16th at **1:00 pm** in the adjacent conference room. Ask for testing location at the registration desk.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

- YOUR CURRENT, ORIGINAL, SIGNED LICENSE (if you have one) plus a photocopy for us to keep.
- A photocopy plus the original of any CERTIFICATE OF SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION of EXAMINATION (CSCE) that you plan to use for element or upgrade credit.
- You MUST bring two forms of ID, one with picture. If no photo ID is available, bring any two of the following items:
 - °Non-photo ID/driver's License.
 - °Birth certificate (must have appropriate seal).
 - °Minor's work permit or school report card.
 - °Utility bill; bank statement, or other correspondence that specifically names the person.

PLEASE BRING EXACT CHANGE of **\$15.00** for all examinations. Bring BLUE OR BLACK INK PENS, PENCILS, and Do not bring a completed FCC form 605, as they will be provided at the exam session, and must be signed at the session.

↓↓↓ PLEASE NOTE ! ↓↓↓

**THIS WILL BE THE LAST YEAR FOR
PAPER FLIERS. MAKE SURE YOUR
CURRENT E-MAIL ADDRESS IS ON
FILE WITH MIDLAND HAMFEST
ORGANIZERS FOR FUTURE
ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

web - www.w5qgg.org
email <w5qgg@arrl.net>

Be sure to visit KC5ALH - Paul's Custom PC's

For New and Used Amateur Gear at the Midland Swapfest

2019 PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

(Pre-registration prize of an MFJ-259C ANALYZER to be given away Saturday at noon)

The Package Deal! <small>1 Pre-registration plus 25 Extra Chance Tickets!!</small>	#	@ \$25.00 ea	\$
Pre-registration	#	@ \$10.00 ea	\$
Extra Chances	#	@ \$1.00 ea	\$
Table Rentals	#	@ \$12.00 ea	\$
Extra Tables!	#	@ \$6.00 ea	\$
K3S RAFFLE!	#	@ \$20.00 ea	\$
TOTAL ENCLOSED			\$

CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED AT THE DOOR

- Registration is \$12.00 at the door
- Unclaimed tables become available for 1/2 price at 10:00am Saturday
- Sales Tax is the responsibility of Dealers and Sellers
- Fire-arms sales are not permitted on the premises
- Those who want tables together must send in registration together

Questions? e-mail to <marc.w5qgg@gmail.com>
Or - call 432-520-4003. Please leave message!!

Register Now!
Please mail Pre-Registrations to be Postmarked on or before Wednesday, March 6, 2019.
- OR -
Use your credit card or PayPal to register on-line at <http://hamfest.w5qgg.org>

Name	Call
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MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO M.A.R.C., MAIL TO: **HAMFEST, 3511 PRINCETON AVE., MIDLAND, TX 79703**

DXCC Card Checking, Robert Wood, W5AJ
Please inquire at registration desk or go to:
<www.arrl.org/online-dxcc-application>

DUAL BAND J-POLES SUPPLIED BY: CLIFF, KC0SDV <www.oakcallsigns.com>

Talk-In Frequencies

Our primary talk-in frequency will be the **147.30 (+) W5QGG** repeater, **88.5** tone. This repeater will operate as a closed, net controlled repeater beginning on Friday. We will also be glad to give you information on lodging, dining, and interesting places to go.

Here are some other repeaters available in our area:

147.38 (+) no tone	W5MAF	Midland/Odessa Area,
146.76 (-) 88.5 tone	KD5C	Local, Midland
146.90 (-) 88.5 tone	N5XXO	West Texas Connection
444.20 (+) 162.2 tone	W5QGG	Midland Area
443.3625(+)	MOTOTRBO CC14	KE5PL DMR
147.22 (+)	KE5PL P25 NAC293	KE5PL, MIDLAND

HAMFEST PRIZES
Pre-Registration Prize * -- MFJ-259C ANALYZER
To be given away Saturday at Noon



ELECRAFT KX2 80-10 TRANSCEIVER

Grand Prize }
2nd Grand Prize *HEIL PRO-6 HEADSET
3rd Grand Prize *Astron SS-30, 30 amp power supply

ONE DUAL BAND 144/440 J-POLE

ANTENNA EVERY HOUR 9-'til Noon!!

(Must be present to win!)