

Seaside Tsunami Amateur Radio Society

The WA7VE

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Next Class for the Technician License

- Date: September 14th & 15th
- Location: Clatsop Community College South County campus at 1455 N. Roosevelt Next to Diamond Heating.
- Fri. 5:30pm to 8:30pm
- Sat. 9:00am to 4:00pm
- Bring a calculator, pencil, and notebook both days. Saturday you need to bring a lunch.
- Pre-register by E-mail at: redham@aol.com
- Testing will be a week later.

The STARS 1st Meeting.

Sept. 8th @ 4:30pm ———
CCC Seaside Campus -
Address 1455 N. Roosevelt
Mtg: 2nd Sat Each Month

The STARS Newsletter-

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Thank You to Deb Treusdell, Becky Read, And Clatsop Community College

Seaside Tsunami Amateur Radio Society AKA STARS is the name of the new Amateur Radio Club in Seaside Oregon. The Seaside STARS group will meet the 2nd Saturday of each month at Clatsop Community College's Seaside Campus at 1455 N. Roosevelt next to Diamond Heating. The first meeting of STARS will be Sept. 8th and is open to anyone interested in Tsunami Preparedness with Ham Radio, or Ham Radio in general. The interest by many people to join this group is partly due to Deb Treusdell KE7NZN and the Seaside Tsunami PREP committee bi-monthly meetings that have been going on in Seaside for the last few months. There was an overwhelming interest from everyone attending the Tsunami PREP meet-

ings to learn more about Ham Radio and also get licensed. This emergency preparedness tool was also noticed by Becky Read KE7OHU of Clatsop Community College's South County Office. Becky not only saw the importance but offered STARS President Jeff Holwege AB7DN the use of the College facility to teach the Ham Radio classes. Becky was one of the first people to enroll in that first class at the college. The first Ham Radio class was taught at the college in early July of this year. Ten people took that class. Of the 10, there were five women, two men, 1 young lady age 12, and two young men ages 14 & 16. All ten of those people soon after took and passed the FCC license exam.

Within a week they received their Ham Radio license from the Federal Communications Commission, the FCC. We the Seaside Tsunami Amateur Radio Society would like to thank Deb Treusdell for promoting Ham Radio in her many meetings. We would also like to thank Becky Read, and Clatsop Community College, for seeing the importance of Ham Radio as a great Emergency tool that will help the communities in Clatsop County Oregon be better prepared for disasters and other emergencies that could affect this area. Because of their generosity in providing this facility we are able to teach a class that will surely help people save lives and provide relief in a Disaster or other Emergency. "73"

Sept. is Emergency Preparedness Month

September is Emergency Preparedness month. If you don't have an emergency kit at this time, you should probably go ahead and start building one. There are many lists available online and through the Red Cross. I recommend having more than one kit. A Car Kit, 72 Hour Kit, and a "Go

Now kit" You should have the **Car Kit** in your car at all times. Food and gear that will help you and your family if you are ever stranded in your car for a night or more. During the Dec. Storm of 2006 Laurene Church KE7JIY was stranded overnight along Hwy 26. Laurene can tell you the

value of having that car kit with her. She did tell me that you need to know that its important to know what you have in your kit, and how to use each item in that kit. The **72 hour kit** is to help sustain you with supplies for 72 hours if you are away from your car or house. *cont on pg 2*

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Preparedness Article by Jeff Holwege AB7DN

The “**Go Now Kit**” is just like it sounds. If you don’t have time to do anything but GO NOW, grab the bag and GO NOW.

Portable Ham Radio’s: Remember to always bring your Portable radio’s with you where ever you go. Even if you have a mobile unit in your car, you need to still bring your Hand Held radio’s with you. You never know if you will need to leave your car in an emergency. If I have to leave my car, I want my hand held radio to go with me. I never leave home without it. Its part of my GO NOW KIT.

Water: Another thing that my wife Roxann AB7HO and I do is to al-

ways keep between 1/2 to a full case of bottled water in our truck. At home we also keep a weeks supply of gallon water jugs on hand for each person. They say about a gal per day for each person. For us that is 14 gallon jugs of water. If you’ve been to my house, you’ve probably seen a gallon of water on each step as you go up the stairs in my house.

Food on Hand: Ask yourself

How much food do you keep at your house for you and your family?

How long would it last your family in an extended emergency?

Always rotate any food in storage.

The Red Cross has simple steps that they say can save lives:

- Make a Plan
- Build a Kit
- Get Trained
- Volunteer
- Give Blood

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Seaside Tsunami PREP

NOAA Weather Alert Radio’s available at discounted price

Deb Treusdell KE7NZN is currently the Seaside Tsunami P.R.E.P. coordinator running the Tsunami PREP Volunteer Meetings in Seaside at the Bob Chisholm Community Center @ 1225 Ave A in Seaside at 5:00pm.. These meetings are scheduled twice a month on the following dates: **September 6th & 20th** **October 11th & 25th** **November 8th & 29th** **December 13th**

Come and learn what Tsunami PREP can do for you and what you can do for Tsunami PREP. If you have questions for Deb you can contact her at 738-5085.

On another note, the City of Seaside has purchased and made available to residents, NOAA weather alert radio’s. The cost of the Midland WR-100 NOAA All Weather Ra-

dios (including training) is \$30. City of Seaside residents receive a 50% discount on the radios. (Picture ID required for proof that you live in the city limits. Discounts are available for private citizens within the Seaside City Limits only – not businesses).

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The Seaside Tsunami Net

The Net meets Every Wed. @ the sound of the siren or by 7:10pm on 146.400 MHz simplex

The Seaside Tsunami Net started in August, and has had around a dozen check-ins every Wednesday. Lets see what we can do to increase the number of check-ins by letting other ham friends know when our net is. Hal WA7FIV & Jeff AB7DN were Net Controls during the month of August.

The first net control for September was 12 year old Doug Larkins K7PMG. Thank You and way to go Doug. The Net Control for September 12th will be 12 year old Nick Kaim KE7NIT. Both of these two young men asked if they could also be Net Control for the Nets. Your never to young to learn this impor-

tant skill. Being Net Control is something that everyone should try and learn to do. If you are interested in being Net Control once in a while for the Nets, please contact Hal WA7FIV or Jeff AB7DN to sign up.

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