



# GRAYSON COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



Having Fun With Amateur Radio

GCARC  
GRAYSON CO. TEXAS USA

November 2024 Issue

Events  
Coming Up

**GCARC  
CHRISTMAS PARTY  
At MELLE'S GRILL  
Dec 17, 2024**

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Sunday Nets**

Dates/Net Control:

Nov 17 – Michael – KI5ZIQ

Dec 1 – Ricky – KG5FDT

Dec 15 – David – W5DRT

Dec 29 – Michael – AB5MC

Time: 8:00 PM Local

Repeater: 147.000

**Next Regular Club  
Monthly Meeting**

**Date: Nov. 19, 2024**

**Time: 7:00-9:00PM**

Location

Texoma Council of

Governments

1117 Gallagher Rd.

Sherman, Texas

**Ladies Nets Canceled  
for the Holidays**

**OFFICER ELECTIONS  
On Meeting Night**

**“An Evening With  
Elmers”**

**Q and A Session with  
the PROs**

## PRESIDENT'S QSO

Howdy Everyone!

I look forward to seeing everyone at the GCARC meeting on Tuesday! It has been an exciting year and that meeting will be no different!

We have a lot to do as we enter into the holiday season! Please be there to cast your vote for the 2025 BOD positions and provide some feedback for what we believe will be an amazing GCARC Christmas party! We will also discuss some new opportunities as we enter the new year. In addition, we will be discussing the winter field day and closing with a fun and informative panel discussion with our resident Elmers! This will be hosted by one of my favorite (most of the time) members, Tamara Higgins!

As we close out the 30th year of GCARC, I cannot thank everyone enough for all of the success we have had! Let's end it with full participation!

Michael Higgins KI5ZIQ

GCARC President

## Officer Elections this month at the Upcoming November Meeting With a Full Slate of Activities

The year is at its end and it's the last general club meeting of the year. It will be a fun meeting besides the standard business that must get done in the evening. To start, **officer elections will be held**, and if you are interested in participating on the board in 2025 or if you have someone in mind that you would like to nominate, please be sure to attend the next meeting. Paper ballots will be passed, also with a few interesting questions to answer about the upcoming Christmas party. **Club ID badges will be issued** to get away from those sticky paper ID's we used in the past. So, if you would like to pick up your ID badge, please attend the meeting. Another reason to attend is to **participate in "An Evening with Elmers"**, where there will be a panel of 5 people that you can ask questions to gain their experiences on different topics. It will also be your last chance of the year to **take advantage of an amateur radio license test session** just prior to the meeting. What a great way to end the year with a license upgrade. All in all, it will be a very fun meeting to attend. Of course there will also be a discussion **about the upcoming Christmas Party next month.**

### QSL Manager Lee Sly – N5SLY - *Final QSL Manager Message*

**To preface his final message, all the club officers and most certainly all the club members who had the privilege to read Lee's very informative articles month after month want to thank him for everything he has done throughout the years. This includes being the acting Lead VE to administer test sessions earlier this year, the planning of all the Special events year after year along with all administrative duties to go with it, President of the GCARC for a few years in the past, Treasurer and of course QSL manager for just about as long as he has been a member of the club. Lee still plans to be active in the club, and he is a great example for all of us to follow.**

**THANK YOU, LEE, FOR ALL OF YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE TO  
THE GCARC.**

## Eisenhower Birthday Special Event Results – by Lee Sly – N5SLY

This year the event was filled with opposites. Some very good things happened and some not so good things. On the good side a group of us got together and activated the Eisenhower Birthplace in Denison, TX on October 12...the 1<sup>st</sup> day of our Special Event. The folks at the birthplace were celebrating Ike's birthday so it was a perfect way to start the event. We kept a radio busy for the whole day by trading off operators. I had a great time and was very pleased with how things worked out.

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### \*\*\* Upcoming Christmas Party at New Location \*\*\*

#### MELLS GRILL located in Denison, Texas – NOT Mariachi's

The GCARC 2024 started out with a bang at our January meeting as our new leader Michael Higgins became president. He led the club with so many great ideas throughout the year and the end result was just having fun. As we started, so will we end with our Christmas Party, but at a new place.

The address of Mells Grill is 531 West Crawford Street, Denison, Texas and easy to find with GPS but here are the following directions.

#### DIRECTIONS to Mells Grill in Denison, Texas

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*It is easy to find. As you travel along Spur Rt. 503 – S. Eisenhower Parkway to Denison from I-75 which becomes S. Austin Avenue as you enter Denison, you will come to the downtown area. At the Whataburger at the corner at West Crawford Street in Denison, make a left turn on W. Crawford Street and just drive 4 blocks to Mells Grill which is on the right corner of S. Mirick Ave and Crawford. Immediately to the left at Mirick Ave on Crawford is the parking lot. Walk in the door across the street from your parking space to Mells Grill facing Crawford and join in on the fun.*

## Current Links to Information found on the GCARC Website

[Treasury Report – October 2024](#) **Latest**

[Secretary Report – October 2024](#) **Latest**

[Ladies Net on FaceBook](#)

[License Testing at TCOG in Sherman, Texas](#)

**As a Reminder:** The Grayson County Amateur Radio Club administers all Amateur Radio Tests starting at 6:00PM preceding the club monthly meeting that begins at 7:00PM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month.

**NOTE \*\*\*There will not be any testing in December, because there will not be a club meeting. The Christmas Party is held instead.**

### Meeting Test Location

Texoma Council of Governments – 11/19/2024 @ 6 PM  
1117 Gallagher Dr, Sheman, TX. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor – Room 260.

The regular club meeting is held on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor @ 7 PM

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