

TEAC - ARES SUNDAY EVENING NET TRAINING FEB 24, 2008

1. This week is Severe Weather Awareness Week and each day Harris County Citizen's Corps will be adding preparedness tips and information to their website. You can help promote preparedness by forwarding the tips to others. The intro has been posted to the website on the homepage and in "News".

Information will include for:

- THUNDERSTORMS
- FLOODING
- TORNADO SAFETY
- HURRICANE SAFETY
- VOLUNTEERS & TRAINING

Go <http://www.harriscountycitizencorps.com> each day for details

2. The 2008 [Hurricane Evacuation Map & Information](#) is also posted on the Harris County Citizen Corps website. Take a look and print off a copy. Hopefully we won't need this; however, **"Plan Ahead"!**

3. The same webpage has links to some [nice write-ups with photos on the CERT Rodeo.](#)

3. Early voting is in progress at the Kingwood & Humble Libraries for the Primary Election to be held on March 4th. Polls open 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM. See these links for details for [Harris County](#) and for [Montgomery County](#)

My wife and I worked our polling place during the Nov 6, 2007 and there was only a 12% turnout in our precinct and less than 11% for Harris County overall.

11/06/07 Election: Total Number of Voters: 193,945 of 1,799,757 = 10.78%

The runoff election on Dec 9, 2007 was even worse, with only a 2.70% turnout!

**The 2004 General Election still only showed a turnout of less than 60% in Harris County
Total Number of Voters: 1,088,793 of 1,876,296 = 58.03%**

To me, Folks, these stats are pathetic and shameful, especially when I think of the hundreds of thousands of men and women who sacrificed so much to preserve our freedom to vote.

Now, since I know all ARES and TEAC members are good citizens and certainly fall on the "I Voted" side of these numbers, I am asking you to encourage your friends, family and acquaintances to take 15 to 30 minutes out of their busy schedules and **VOTE !!!!!**

**If you don't make it to early voting, remember,
the Primary Election will be held on March 4th**



There just isn't any good reason not to VOTE.



4. Laura Mulraney, KE5QOM, will send a practice message as part of tonight's training. Standby, with a blank ICS-213 form available to copy her message. The "solution" to the message will be posted here after the Net for use in checking your accuracy.

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**Chuck
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