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LAKE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TO OFFER AMATEUR RADIO LICENSE EXAMS

Libertyville, Illinois, January 7, 2005 -- Members of the Lake County Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services (R.A.C.E.S.) group will be hosting FCC Amateur Radio licensing examinations on the second Monday of each month beginning on Monday, January 10th. This local radio group is sponsored by the Lake County Emergency Management Agency.

"There is a lot going on in Amateur Radio today," says Jerry Martin, Public Information Officer for the Lake County R.A.C.E.S. group. "Some get involved in Amateur Radio to meet new friends or help their communities during times of disaster. Others enjoy the technical challenges, and the excitement of communicating with other licensed operators around the world."

Amateur Radio enthusiasts come from virtually every age bracket and from every profession. Today there are nearly 700,000 Amateur Radio operators in the United States and more than 2.5 million worldwide.

For more information on Amateur Radio or the activities planned for the Exam Days, please see the Lake County R.A.C.E.S. website at www.races.org, or by email at: lcraces@races.org.

For more information on the Lake County Emergency Management Agency, see their website at: <http://www.co.lake.il.us/sheriff/divisions/emergenc.asp>

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