

The next meeting of Ocean County ARES will be Wednesday, December 20th at 7:00 PM, Ocean County EOC, Robert J. Miller Airpark. This will also be the annual Holiday Party/Dinner. Come out and help us celebrate another successful year. All food and refreshments will be provided. Bring your appetite. I will also have ARES shirts for those who ordered and have not yet picked up.

For those operators who want to display your ham callsign on your New Jersey license plate, this is the link to the pdf application:

<http://www.state.nj.us/mvc/pdf/Vehicles/SP-23.pdf>

The instruction sheet for the application is here:

[http://www.state.nj.us/mvc/pdf/Vehicles/info\\_sheet\\_org\\_plates.pdf](http://www.state.nj.us/mvc/pdf/Vehicles/info_sheet_org_plates.pdf)

The cost is a one-time fee of \$15.00

December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017, is Skywarn Recognition Day and takes place from 0000Z to 2400Z. Skywarn recognition Day was developed in 1999 by the National Weather Service and the American Radio Relay League. It celebrates the contributions that volunteer SKYWARN™ radio operators make to the National Weather Service. During the day, SKYWARN™ operators can visit NWS offices or contact other NWS offices via radio. More info is available at:

<http://www.arrl.org/skywarn-recognition-day>

Last month I displayed some pictures of where the Berkeley D-Star antenna would be located on the Berkeley Municipal Tower. I have good news. The antenna will now be close to the top on the Southern leg of the tower with the tip of the antenna at 120 feet above ground elevation. The antenna should be in-place before the end of the year. All other electronics and cables have already been installed and a modification application has been submitted to ARCC for the new location.

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