

Brecksville- Broadview Hts. CERT Updater

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Important Dates at a Glance

Wednesday January 20th 7pm
Brecksville Human Services Center Gathering Room
January General Meeting –
Cyber Security

Saturday January 30th 9:00am-6:30pm
American Red Cross Standard First Aid/ Adult, Child, & Infant CPR/Adult & Child AED
Free Class Contact Debbie Chitester for more information
216 361-5832

Sunday January 31st 7am-12pm
Cleveland Hts H1N1 POD
For more information see visit
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Thursday February 18th 7pm
Brecksville Community Center
February General Meeting –
ICS 100

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A message from the Police Chief

I wanted to write you a letter concerning the “H1N1 P.O.D.” that was held at the Cuyahoga Valley Vocational School on December 13, 2009.

It has been said about America that her greatest strengths is the spirit of volunteerism. This was clearly exhibited by the enthusiasm and organization demonstrated by your membership.

Upon arrival, about 0730, in the sleet, covered with water and ice was a C.E.R.T. member standing a post and providing direction. She was calm, polite and helpful. She certainly had my respect. This was the case with all who “got the job done” in very poor weather.

The activities inside the building were equally impressive.

My compliments to you and your fellow C.E.R.T. volunteers for contributing to the success of this vital operation. It has been an honor working with you. If I can be of any assistance to this proud organization, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,
Dennis A. Kancler
Brecksville Chief of Police

January 2010 Edition

2010 General Meeting Tentative Dates

All meetings will be held at 7pm at the Brecksville Community Center unless otherwise marked. Please mark your calendar!

- ✳ **Wednesday, January 20, 2010**
Cyber Security
- ✳ **Thursday, February 18th**
ICS 100 Review
- ✳ **Wednesday, March 24th**
Household Safety
- ✳ **Thursday, April 15th**
SKYWARN
- ✳ **Wednesday, May 19th**
Flooding & Erosion
- ✳ **Thursday, June 17th**
Disaster Psychology
- ✳ **Wednesday, July 21st**
Correct Ergonomics
- ✳ **Thursday, August 19th**
Family Picnic
- ✳ **Wednesday, September 15th**
**Disaster Preparedness/
Backpack Inventory**
- ✳ **Thursday, October 21st**
CERT Skills Scavenger Hunt
- ✳ **Wednesday, November 17th**
Holiday Social

**The topics are schedule to change. If there is a topic you are interested in see, please let us know!!



FEMA Training Classes

We will be offering another round of FEMA Training Classes this spring. The Classes will be held on 3 consecutive Saturdays from 9am -12pm. The dates for these classes are April 17th, 24th, and May 1st. If you are interested in participating in these classes please contact Brian Russo at twinflyer@sbcglobal.net. We need are looking for a minimum of 4 participants to hold a class. After the completion of the training, there will be final practical drill for the new graduates.

Looking for a way to get a little more involved???? Here are a few options.

Welcome Wagon

We are looking for a member or two to be in-charge of new member welcoming. We get phone calls and emails from residents looking for some more information about CERT, but are looking for someone to either return phone calls, or emails to pass along information about the team and upcoming events to these new members. If you are interested in helping with this position, please contact Carolyn at cjatsek@brecksville.oh.us or 546-2307.

Phone Call Committee

The second position we are looking for is for a few people to contact those without email to relay information that is sent out to the team. We have about 15 members who do not have email, and therefore are not always aware of what the team is doing. We would like to make sure that they are kept in the loop about what is going on. This job would entail giving the members on the list a quick phone call with the information that is sent out in emails. Again please contact Carolyn at 546-2307 or cjatsek@brecksville.oh.us, if you are willing to assist us with this position.

T-shirts/Long Sleeve T-shirts

We are going to be placing another t-shirt order for members of the CERT Team. If you did not receive a short sleeve shirt in the fall of 2008, we will purchase the first one for you. If you already have one, but would like another or would like to purchase a long sleeve shirt, we will be placing the order after our February General Meeting. We need a minimum of 12 shirts to place an order.

If you would like to purchase a long sleeve CERT T-shirt, we will have order forms available at the February Meeting, or they can be downloaded from the website.

2010 Training Exercises*

Winter Search and Rescue

Saturday February 27th

8am Class, 10am Practical

Blossom Hill Property Oakes Road

Traffic

Control/Parking/Communications

Date TBA in May

FEMA Review Class

Can you believe it has been 4 years since the first FEMA Training Classes? We are looking to do a refresher class for all FEMA Certified Members in September, date TBA.

CERT Skills Scavenger Hunt

In October we will be having a scavenger hunt of sorts for all of our members to use all the skills we have learned over the years.

*Topics and dates are subject to change.