

Border Community SERVICE

Special Emergency Response Volunteer Initiative for Community Empowerment

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Winter Skywarn Spotter Training on November 12

The National Weather Service (Buffalo office) will conduct a Winter SKYWARN Spotter training seminar at 7:00pm on Thursday, November 12th in Cheektowaga, at the Erie County Fire Training Academy, 3359 Broadway.

The training session is sponsored by Erie County Emergency Services and will last about two hours. There is no cost for the training.

Niagara County Courthouse Parking Lot, 10am-2pm, Saturday, November 14

FREE NIAGARA COUNTY ELECTRONIC WASTE and FOOD/CLOTHING COLLECTION EVENT

Help the environment and help your neighbors!

The Niagara County Environmental Management Council (EMC) and the Department of Public Works are providing a FREE Electronic Waste and Food/Clothing Collection Event on Saturday, November 14th, 2009 for all Niagara County residents. The collection event will take place in the Niagara County Courthouse Parking Lot (715 Hawley St. Lockport) from 10:00am until 2:00pm.

Maven Technologies Inc. will be collecting end-of-life electronics from residents, including televisions and monitors, in recycling them in an environmentally responsible manner. Community Missions will also be on site to collect gently used clothing and non-perishable food items for distribution throughout the county during the forthcoming holiday season.

Materials that will not be accepted at this event include: household hazardous waste, liquids, fans, dehumidifiers, home appliances, light bulbs, microwaves, gas powered equipment, vacuum cleaners and yard equipment. For more information e-mail recycling@niagaracounty.com or call 716 439-7242.

Some Facts about Electronic Waste

- 85% of all the toxicity found in landfills is attributed to electronic waste disposal.
- Electronic waste is the fastest growing component of the waste stream. Every day 112,000 computers are thrown away. (USEPA)

Town of Tonawanda CERT Class Final Exercise

The Town of Tonawanda CERT class will conclude on **Saturday, November 14** with a course review and final exercise from 9AM-1PM at the Tonawanda Fire Tower (70 Fire Tower Dr.).

Volunteer "victims" are needed and will be greatly appreciated! A terrific way to review many of the medical and triage skills learned in CERT is through hands-on experience! If you can help by volunteering as a victim, please contact Steven Morgan at 286-8023 or smorgan@niagara.edu.

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Already CERT Trained?

Please Save these Dates for Advanced Skills!!

Please mark your calendars for these advanced opportunities. Trainings are open to all CERT volunteers, however where space is an issue, preference will be given to the host agency's local CERT members. Participation is on a first-come, first-served basis. Register now!

Special thanks to the North Tonawanda Emergency Management Office for hosting Niagara County trainings and to Medaille College for hosting City of Buffalo trainings.

Niagara County

RSVP to Steve at 286-8023

January 9, 2010

ARC Shelter Management & Mass Care
Course to be held at Niagara University

March 2010

Lifting & Carrying Techniques
with Chief Krantz, N. Tonawanda Fire Dept.

City of Buffalo

RSVP to 286-8306

Thursday, December 3, 2009 at 6:00pm

Medaille College
Introduction to HAZMAT
with Pati Aine Guzinski

Michael Duff presented "Emergency Communications & Amateur Radio" at Medaille College on Tuesday, October 20th. If you were unable to attend his presentation, please visit www.niagara.edu/bcs-skills-enhancement-training/ for copies of his presentation. Michael generously shared the information with us and we thank him!

CERT members who are interested in attending a HAM radio skills enhancement training are encouraged to contact Steve Morgan at 286-8023 or smorgan@niagara.edu. A course will be planned if there is sufficient interest.

Not CPR trained? Please visit www.HandsOnlyCPR.org for interesting information.

H1N1 Flu Updates

As information about H1N1 Flu PODs and requests for volunteers is received, it will be posted at our website www.niagara.edu/bordercommunityservice. Please check often and help whenever you can.

Niagara County

Saturday, November 21: A H1N1 Flu Vaccine POD (Point of Dispensing) will take place at Starpoint Central High School.

Please contact Elise Stevenson (NCDH) at 716 439-7431

or Nancy (BCS/NU) at 716 286-8304 or

nbb@niagara.edu to volunteer for the clinic.

assisting at H1NiFlu Vaccine POD clinics.

City of Buffalo

Many thanks to all volunteers who completed the H1N1/Point of Dispensing/Blood Borne Pathogens and CPR Training sessions offered by Erie County.

Special note: Volunteers must complete a H1N1 Update/POD/BBP training session prior to assisting at H1NiFlu Vaccine POD clinics.