

CERT All Member Weekly Brief April 16, 2009

CERT is what you make it!

The weekly CERT Brief is also available on our webpage at:

<http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/OEM/CC/CERT>

If you have any suggestions **including training** or comments on how to make CERT better, please send oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov an email. All responses are kept strictly confidential unless otherwise expressed!

A message from Bob

On behalf of County Executive Tom Suozzi and Commissioner James Callahan thank you for your dedication and commitment to CERT and Citizen Preparedness.

We have new Requests for CERT Exercise assistance Activations posted below! As agencies discover how well CERT assists first responders at training and exercises we are being asked to do more and more! CERT is a valuable resource for role playing weather victim or suspect! The newest request is for a Hospital Exercise at New Island Hospital in Plainview on May 17, 2009 Sunday 07:00 Am to 12:00 PM- come out and be a victim! We will be activating our Moulage Team for this also! See details in Activation Section below!

The Volunteer Recognition Dinner April 29: We have not received an RSVP from many members who were mailed invitations. Please RSVP to oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov by **APRIL 17**. There is still time to send in your check for those of you not eligible for a free dinner. Please put any checks in the mail by this Saturday in order for them to be received in time. Due to funding constraints there are a limited number of free invitations. Some members have sent a check for their guest, but not for their own dinner: If you did NOT receive an invitation in the mail **WITH an insert stating you are eligible for a free dinner**, you must send a check payable for \$35 to Crest Hollow Country Club and mail it to: Office of Emergency Management, c/o Dinner Committee, 100 Carman Avenue, East Meadow, NY 11554.

Training

In service training is open to all active CERT members on a first come first served basis.

ICS training is open to other groups, agencies, friends, colleagues, businesses, etc. who may have a need to operate in a disaster or emergency. OEM is inviting all with a need for this information to **join the training!** (Some restrictions apply!) Please forward this announcement for ICS to any school, business or agency that would benefit from the training.

*****ADDITIONAL ICS COURSES OPEN TO ALL WITH A NEED TO KNOW!***
PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD!**

Course	Date	Course #	Days	Time
ICS-100	May 5 & 6	I-0505	Tuesday/ Wednesday	7:00 - 10:00pm
ICS-100	May 12 & 13	I-0512	Tuesday/ Wednesday	7:00 - 10:00pm
ICS-100	June 2 & 3	I-0602	Tuesday/ Wednesday	7:00 - 10:00pm

ICS-100	June 9 & 10	I-0609	Tuesday/ Wednesday	7:00 - 10:00pm
ICS-200	June 22 & 23	I-0622	Monday/ Tuesday	7:00 - 10:00pm

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS): OPERATIONS AND PLANNING FOR WMD INCIDENTS Course: PER – 211

4/21-23, 2009 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM

Nassau County EMS Academy 600 Newbridge Road 2nd Floor East Meadow, NY 11554

There is **NO FEE** for this course. • Lodging, travel and meals are the responsibility of the course participant. You Will Benefit From: •Classroom Instruction •Practical Exercises •Advanced Patient Simulation You Should Attend if you are: • EMS technicians/paramedics • Physicians/physician assistants • Public health (PH) • Hospital/medical treatment facility personnel • Private sector • County, state, and federal medical personnel who will respond with a local jurisdiction during a WMD/terrorism incident Prerequisites: Participants must (1) work in one of the above disciplines/services, (2) have successfully completed AWR-111: EMS: Basic Concepts for WMD Incidents at <http://teexwmdcampus.com> or another WMD/Terrorism Incident Awareness course. **To REGISTER online, go to**

http://www.security.state.ny.us/training/training_calendar.php **For more information, contact the OHS Training & Exercise Division**
Phone: (518) 485-9453 _ Email: training@security.state.ny.us

EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS): OPERATIONS AND PLANNING FOR WMD INCIDENTS Course: PER – 211

4/24-26, 2009 Friday, April 24, 2009 6:00 PM-10:00 PM

Saturday & Sunday, April 25 & 26, 2009 8:00 AM- 6:30 PM

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Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Basic Training (Course: E-0430)

4/30, 2009 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM (2 hours)

Nassau County OEM 100 Carman Av. East Meadow, NY 11554

This class will introduce CERT members to the policies, procedures and general activities that occur during EOC activation. Class is limited to 20 students, first come first served. You will be notified of acceptance one week before the class date by email. CERT members are **REQUIRED** to have taken this course in order to work in the EOC. Prerequisite: All applicants must have completed ICS-100 prior to attending this course or be registered in an ICS class. If you did not FAX or email your ICS-100 Certificate to the CERT desk: FAX: 573-0673 **Register oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov subject "EOC Basic Class class-E-0430"**

NEW Speakers Bureau Training:

May 5 & 12, 2009 6:30- 9:30 PM, Mondays (6 hour course- must attend both days)

Grace Lutheran Church 1294 Bellmore Ave N. Bellmore, NY 11710

This course will consist of 2 evenings of training. You will be required to prepare a 5 minute presentation for the second class on a topic that will be chosen for you during the first class. Attending this training will not automatically qualify you to become a speaker. You will need to successfully complete both days to become part of the Speakers Bureau, and complete an apprentice period. That

being said, you will enjoy these two days of training and it will help you to become a better communicator. Classes will be held on the lower level.

NEW Bio Terrorism: Mass Prophylaxis Preparedness & Planning.

5/13 – 14, 2009 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Wednesday and Thursday (16 hours/must attend both days)

Sheriff's Training Academy at 100 Carman Ave, East Meadow, NY

Training focuses on the community plan and how to achieve the CDC's 48-hour standard for mass prophylaxis and Point of Dispensation site preparedness. The course material is applicable to pandemic influenza, bioterrorism and epidemic preparedness. The course is delivered by public health professionals and consists of a combination of lectures, small group activities and an exercise. Free training offered to the MRC and CERT **Register by email to carol.bradke@hhsnassaucountyny.us**

“Bio Terrorism Class BT-0513” in subject.

Activations and Exercises

NEW Activation to assist with Hospital Exercise

May 17, 2009 Sunday 07:00 Am to 12:00 PM

New Island Hospital, Plainview

North Shore- LIJ is seeking about 25 CERTs to assist them in an exercise based on a medical surge at New Island Hospital. They would like to have CERTs play medical victims. The event runs from 0700 to 1200 on Sunday, May 17th. Please see if any CERT members would be interested in assisting in this exercise. **To register oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov Include “NIH Medical Drill 0517” in subject.**

Activation to assist First Responders with Transit Terrorist Tools and Tactics

5/21, 2009 12:00 PM – 3:30 PM at Fire Academy

Nassau Fire Academy 300 Winding Rd Old Bethpage, Long Island, NY 11803

This activation is the same as what you do at the JFK site! Please show your support by attending this in our Nassau County! The training liaison for NYS Homeland Security is in need of a few volunteers for role playing. **To register oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov Include “CERT 4T-0521” in subject.** Participants will be role playing as commuters- some will be up to no-good! Volunteers should wear civilian attire. **DO NOT JUST GO TO The Fire Academy- YOU MUST TELL ME AND BE ON THE LIST!** This is a great opportunity to find out exactly what "see something say something" means. You will find out about characteristics and behaviors to look out for. This is a great opportunity!

FULL SCALE Training EXERCISE Save the date!

September 13, 2009, Sunday 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Town of Oyster Bay DPW Yards in Syosset

Our National Preparedness Month Training Exercise will be at the same location as last years exercise. The committee has started the planning process. We will post information as it becomes **available.**

Register NOW at oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov and use the subject “CERT NPM”

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UPDATE: STATEWIDE EXERCISE!

September 23, 2009 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM EOC and other Locations TBD

September 24, 2009 9:00 AM to 10:00 PM Locations TBD

September 25, 2009 6:00 PM to 10:00 PM Multiple POD Locations TBD

Nassau County will participate in a New York State Bioterrorism Exercise to test Medical POD Plans. CERT has been asked to participate along with MRC in staffing and managing the PODs as well as managing and being victims along with many students from high schools in Nassau County. The PODs will be open on one or two evenings. Everyone who signs up will participate in one way or another. OEM will make final assignments. CERT will staff the CERT Desk for all times CERT is activated. CERT will also Staff the EOC when activated, staff numerous medical PODs at many locations, staff and operate the logistics warehouse, and any other mission OEM deems appropriate. CERT will also manage and moulage high school student victims.

Register to participate in one or more of the exercise dates by emailing oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov and use the subject "NYS DRILL 0923". Please include your name, team, contact info, dates and hours available, and if you possess any skills or licenses and if you have staffed a MEDICAL POD in the past. This information will assist us in determining your job assignments.

Other News and Information

Value of Volunteer Time

http://www.independentsector.org/programs/research/volunteer_time.html

The estimated dollar value of volunteer time is \$20.25 per hour for 2008.

The estimate helps acknowledge the millions of individuals who dedicate their time, talents, and energy to making a difference. Charitable organizations can use this estimate to quantify the enormous value volunteers provide. Updated figures for each state will be released later this spring. The dollar value of volunteer time for 2008 is estimated to be \$20.25.

By Laws and CERT Activation Plan (CAP):

Please take a moment and review the By-Laws and Standard Operating Guide at:

<http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/OEM/CC/CERT/certforms.html> . If you have any questions or issues, you can contact any member of the Planning Team.

Basic Classes:

Please check the website training page for the updated CERT Calendar:

<http://www.nassaucountyny.gov/agencies/OEM/CC/CERT/training.html>

Help out or just attend at CERT Basic Class and renew your interest as well!

If you can assist our program- even if you haven't done anything like this before, come on out and help us make the program the best in the country! Helping is fun and exciting! AND you even get to practice what you learned in training!

Uniondale Basic Class March 2009 Class Schedule and Location

Updated 4/16/2009

Class Times	Doors open at 6:30pm, class starts promptly at 7:00pm and ends at 9:30pm.
Class Location	Sherman Van Ness Fire House, 154 Uniondale Ave Uniondale, NY 11553 (between Front St. and Hempstead Tpke).
Refreshments	Water will be supplied for classes 1 through 8.
Course Listing	Course Incident Commander (IC) <u>Liz Fox</u> Classes are run using ICS and an IC needs to attend every class. You may have a Deputy who can split the classes with you. The IC is responsible for directing the class and for ALL ASPECTS OF COURSE administrative paperwork and equipment. The IC must get each class attendance to OEM (in person or via email) within two days of each class. This position can be shared by two members.

Class Details

Class 1	March 23	What is CERT?, Intro to ICS and CERT Organization,
Class 2	March 30	Disaster Medical Operations I
Class 3	April 6	Light Search and Rescue
Class 4	April 13	Disaster Psychology and Terrorism
Class 5	April 20	Fire Suppression and Part I Table Top Exercise
Class 6	April 27	Sheltering Operations Part II Table top Exercise
Class 7	May 4	Disaster Medical Operations II
Class 8	May 11	Radio Operations, Community Outreach and Graduation

Class 5, April 20: Fire Suppression and Part I Table Top Exercise

2 VEEB instructors will teach the firefighting part of this class and

Volunteers will concurrently teach the exercise part of this class

Volunteers will conduct table top and send one team out at a time for fire suppression as directed by VEEB

Kathy Seyfried Volunteer Instructor Table Top

Kenny English Volunteer Instructor Assistant Table Top

Bob will assist

Class 6, April 27: Shelter Introduction and Part II Table Top Exercise

Volunteers will teach this class

Tom Vaughn Volunteer Instructor- Sheltering and Organization

Kenny English Volunteer Instructor Assistant

Bob will assist

Class 7, May 4: Disaster Medical Operations II

2 VEEB instructors will teach this class

Volunteers will assist with hands on exercise
Kathy Seyfried Volunteer Instructor Assistant

Class 8, May 11: Outreach and Education, Radio Operation, Graduation, and Meet the TULs.

Bob B Graduation
Debbie B Outreach and Education
Rob Yenis Volunteer Instructor Radio
Marv Stein Volunteer Instructor Assist Radio
 Local Area TULs, DTULs and Other VIP's

Updated 4/16/2009

Class Times	Doors open at 6:30pm, class starts promptly at 7:00pm and ends at 9:30pm.
Class Location	Long Beach Fire Department 300 Maple Blvd., Long Beach, NY 11561
Refreshments	Water will be supplied for classes 1 through 8.
Course Listing	Course Incident Commander (IC) _ _ _ Classes are run using ICS and an IC needs to attend every class. You may have a Deputy who can split the classes with you. The IC is responsible for directing the class and for ALL ASPECTS OF COURSE administrative paperwork and equipment. The IC must get each class attendance to OEM (in person or via email) within two days of each class. This position can be shared by two members.

Class Details

Thursdays

Class 1	May 7	What is CERT?, Intro to ICS and CERT Organization,
Class 2	May 14	Disaster Medical Operations I
Class 3	May 21	Light Search and Rescue
Class 4	May 28	Disaster Psychology and Terrorism
Class 5	June 4	Fire Suppression and Part I Table Top Exercise
Class 6	June 11	Sheltering Operations Part II Table top Exercise
Class 7	June 18	Disaster Medical Operations II
Class 8	June 25	Radio Operations, Community Outreach and Graduation

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Bob B What Is CERT
Debbie B Organization

Class 2, May 14: Medical I

2 VEEB instructors will teach this class
 Volunteers will assist with practical
 _____ Volunteer Instructor Assistant

Class 3, May 21: Light Search and Rescue

2 VEEB instructors will teach this class

Volunteers will assist with practical

Volunteer Assistant

Class 4, May 28: Terrorism and Disaster Psychology

Volunteers will teach this class

Volunteer Instructor – Terrorism

Mike Arcari Volunteer Instructor – Disaster Psychology and Disabled Persons

Class 5, June 4: Fire Suppression and Part I Table Top Exercise

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Volunteers will concurrently teach the exercise part of this class

Volunteers will conduct table top and send one team out at a time for fire suppression as directed by VEEB

Volunteer Instructor Table Top

Volunteer Instructor Assistant Table Top

Class 6, June 11: Shelter Introduction and Part II Table Top Exercise

Volunteers will teach this class

Volunteer Instructor- Sheltering and Organization

Volunteer Instructor Assistant

Class 7, June 18: Disaster Medical Operations II

2 VEEB instructors will teach this class

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Debbie B Outreach and Education

Rob Yenis Volunteer Instructor Radio

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