

## **CERT All Member Weekly Brief April 2, 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](mailto: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.

I will be on Vacation next week so there will not be a weekly brief. In the event we have an emergency Maria Gallo, Kathy Seyfried, and Linda Walkowiak will handle any activation, standby activation, or any other needs OEM or Commissioner Callahan may have of CERT. Should you need to contact any of the General or Command Staff please follow the standard chain of command (contact your Team Unit Leader) or the CERT desk at 573-0648 or [oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov](mailto:oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov)

We have more training and exercises posted below! We will participate in a Statewide Exercise in September as well as have our Citizen Corps Exercise! Please sign up early so we can plan appropriately! Thank you for your dedication and keep up the great work! Remember to submit your hours to your Team Unit Leader NOW! If we don't know your hours you didn't do it!

### **Training and Exercise**

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

You must be ICS-100 and EOC Certified to work in the EOC! If you have not attended an Incident Command System 100 (ICS-100) Course at OEM please do, even if you have taken ICS-100 on line! You will learn much more about ICS than you do on line! You must also attend the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) class if you want to be able to work inside the EOC during an activation or disaster!

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.

### **Training Statistics**

- Total number of CERT Volunteers, Trained and Graduated CERT Basic, (completed ALL BASIC CERT classes): **614** (unchanged)
- Total number of CERT Volunteers (includes all students who have taken at least one class but may not have graduated yet): **1006** (changed)
- **CERT ICS Counts (actual copies of certificates received):**
  - ICS-100 = **84**

- ICS-200 = 30
- ICS-700 = 33
- ICS-800 = 10
- I would have thought because all the ICS courses offered by OEM are not FULL that 600 members are certified in ICS-100! Please complete ICS 100 if you have not! It is not required for CERT YET but may be soon! Let's get ourselves trained in this sooner rather than later! If you have not supplied us with your certificate please email to [toemcert@nassaucountyny.gov](mailto:toemcert@nassaucountyny.gov) subject "ICSCertificate"

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

Course	Date	Course #	Days	Time
ICS-100	April 15 & 16	I-0415	Wednesday/ Thursday	7:00 - 10:00pm
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

**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 [toemcert@nassaucountyny.gov](mailto:toemcert@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!

**NEW The 2009 Long Island/NYC Emergency Management Conference**

May 27 and 28, 2009 Wednesday & Thursday

Hilton Long Island, 598 Broad Hollow Road, Melville, NY

This years Conference topics and presentations will examine all types of emergency management situations and the challenges, the successes, and the lessons learned. These discussions will help anyone in business or the emergency management community who deals with unforeseen events prepare and plan to be ready! **Registration and additional information:** <http://www.linycemconference.com> CERT Speakers Bureau will have a table at the conference! (The 2 volunteers will have admission to the conference free)

**Activation to assist First Responders with Transit Terrorist Tools and Tactics**

September 17, 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](mailto:oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov) Include "CERT 4T-0917" 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!

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

**April 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](mailto:oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov) subject "EOC Basic Class class-E-0430"**

### **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](mailto:carol.bradke@hhsnassaucountyny.us) "Bio Terrorism Class BT-0513" in subject.**

### **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](mailto:oemcert@nassaucountyny.gov) and use the subject "CERT NPM"**

### **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](mailto: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

### Presidents Awards

Please contact Marv at the following email with questions and concerns about the process. Once you have added your hours to the site on your name we will have a TUL evaluate your hour accuracy and certify the hours at a monthly meeting. So make sure you report your hours quarterly! If they are not reported to your TUL quarterly they cannot be certified. After the TUL certifies the hours Marv will complete the website certification. Then I will see how we can get you the awards!

### 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 4/2/2009

<b>Class Times</b>	Doors open at 6:30pm, class starts promptly at 7:00pm and ends at 9:30pm.
<b>Class Location</b>	Sherman Van Ness Fire House, 154 Uniondale Ave Uniondale, NY 11553 (between Front St. and Hempstead Tpke).
<b>Refreshments</b>	Water will be supplied for classes 1 through 8.
<b>Course Listing</b>	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 3, April 6: Light Search and Rescue

2 VEEB instructors will teach this class

Volunteers will assist with practical

**Bryan Reif** Volunteer Assistant

**Carlos Ruiz** will assist

### Class 4, April 13: Terrorism and Disaster Psychology

Volunteers will teach this class

**Rich Egan** Volunteer Instructor – Terrorism

**Bryan Reif** Volunteer Instructor Assist Terrorism

**Mike Arcari** Volunteer Instructor – Disaster Psychology and Disabled Persons

### 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

**Long Beach Basic Class May 2009 Class Schedule and Location**

**Updated 4/2/2009**

<b>Class Times</b>	Doors open at 6:30pm, class starts promptly at 7:00pm and ends at 9:30pm.
<b>Class Location</b>	Long Beach Fire Department 300 Maple Blvd., Long Beach, NY 11561
<b>Refreshments</b>	Water will be supplied for classes 1 through 8.
<b>Course Listing</b>	<b>Course Incident Commander (IC) _ _ _</b> 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

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

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**Bob B** What Is CERT  
**Debbie B** Organization

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 Volunteers will assist with practical  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Instructor Assistant

**Class 3, May 21: Light Search and Rescue**

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 Volunteers will assist with practical

\_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Assistant

**Class 4, May 28: Terrorism and Disaster Psychology**

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\_\_\_\_\_ 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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\_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Instructor- Sheltering and Organization

\_\_\_\_\_ Volunteer Instructor Assistant

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