



Spartanburg County CERT

Newsletter



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Community Emergency Response Team

Spring 2009

CERT Training



Mark your calendars and plan to attend a Basic CERT training session. Now's the time to become part of the fastest growing Emergency Response Team in the County! If you're already a member,

please take advantage of our Advanced CERT class offerings. As always, Basic and Advanced CERT classes are free of charge to those who wish to take them.

BASIC CERT CLASSES

Basic CERT class is scheduled on the following dates (6:30pm-9:00pm) at the following location:

Spartanburg Community College: Health & Science Building: Room 115 - 4/14, 4/16, 4/21, 4/23, 4/28, & 4/30

ADVANCED CERT CLASSES

All Advanced CERT Classes will take place at the Upstate Family Resource Center. The Upstate Family Resource Center is located at: 1850 Old Furnace Rd, BS SC 29316

Ham Radio Operator: Tech Class: - 6:30pm - 9:00pm

5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2 6/9 (Test day is at the American Red Cross - 7:00pm - 9:00pm - Arrive at 6:40pm)

First Responder - 6:00pm - 10:00pm

6/23, 6/25, 6/30, 7/2, 7/7, 7/9, 7/14, 7/16, 7/21, 7/23, 7/28, & 7/30

CERT In-Service Training

CERT In-Service training is intended to enhance the skill sets already acquired by many of our CERT Members:

Date/Time	Subject	Location
4/25 - 3-6:00pm	GPS Class	Milliken Park
5/14 - 6:30-9pm	START System	Sptbg Comm College
6/18 - 6:30-9pm	Ham Radio Ops	Sptbg Comm College

For more information about these classes, please contact me.

Know anyone interested in CERT?

If you know anyone interested in becoming a part of CERT, please have them contact:



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In The Spotlight

CERT Graduation: March 12, 2009

Christie Blanton, Billy Brown, Casey Danielson (Teen CERT), Jackie Danileson, Holt Erwin, Stephanie Everett (Teen CERT), Ricky Fields, Carrie Fuqua, John Hoover, Christopher Jolley, Marcus Kennedy, Herman Ledbetter, James Lockaby (Teen CERT), Warren Lovett, Wael Marzouke, Joan Massey, Jason Mosley, John Peeler, Jean Stafford, David Trott, Marcia Trott, David Wilson, and Tammy Wilson

CERT ACTIVATIONS

- 3/2 - 3/3 - Shelter Operations - St Lukes United Methodist
- 3/11/09 - Traffic Control - Funeral Precession
- 3/17 - 3/18 - Missing Child - CERT Support Services

C.E.R.T. in the Community

CERT plans to participate in the following activities:

Industrial Health Fairs

- 4/23/09 - Agency Health Fair - 11:00am - 1:00pm

Christmas in Action

- 4/4/09 /Roebuck Area / 7:00am - 5:00pm

Relay for Life

- May 1, 2009 / Landrum HS / 4:00pm - 7:00am
- May 22, 2009 / Dorman HS / 4:00pm - 7:00am
- June 5, 2009 / Woodruff MS / 4:00pm - 7:00am

As many of you know, CERT has been tasked with garbage/trash collection at all 4 Relay's this year. This service saves relay \$3,000 plus dollars in trash collection. Basically, this is our way of donating to such a great cause. **We need volunteers for the 3 dates noted above!!**

Fairs/Festivals

- 4/25/09 - 5k Run - Christian Academy - 8:45am-10:45am
- 5/2 - 5/3- Spartanburg Fling - Downtown Spartanburg
- 5/9 - Scout Day - Duncan Park - 8:00am - 4:00pm
- 5/16 - Lyman Fest - 7:30am - 6:00pm
- 5/16 - Block Party - FF Elementary - 8:00am - 5:00pm
- 5/23 - Arkwright Family Fun Day - 10:00am - Until
- 6/20 - Mighty Moo - Cowpens - 8:00am - 5:00pm
- 7/25 - Regenes Health Fair - 8:00am - 1:00pm

C.E.R.T - Summer Bash

We would like to invite the Spartanburg County CERT team to the **Lake Bowen Landing** for a fun day in the sun. The event will take place on **August 8th** and will begin at **3:00pm**. We plan to have hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, drinks, etc. for those who attend. In addition, we plan to offer rides on the lake as well. Feel free to bring your family, friends, and/or recreational boats. **Like last year, door prizes will be drawn for during the course of the day.** Please **R.S.V.P no later than July 31st**.