



# Spartanburg County CERT

## Newsletter



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Community Emergency Response Team

Summer 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:

#### Upstate Family Resource Center (see below for address):

6/2, 6/4, 6/9, 6/11, 6/16, 6/18 – 1 miss allowed

#### 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

#### 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

#### Texas A&M Courses:

CERT, in cooperation with TEEX is offering the following classes for CERT Volunteers:

Date/Time	Subject	Location
6/27-29 – 8a-5p	Wide Area Search	Resource Center
7/11-12 – 8a-5p	Threat Asses	Resource Center
8/22-23 – 8a-5p	Enhanced Threat	Resource Center

For more information about these classes, please contact me.

#### Teepa Snow

On July 18, 2009, from 1pm until 5pm, at the downtown library Teepa Snow will present the following: Dementia/Lost Person Incident. Please make plans to attend

#### 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: April 30, 2009

Saige Allison, James Barrett, Christie Cheatham, Mike Dunton, Valerie Dunton, Susan Haymon, Tom Haymon, Donna Jackson, Chloe Jarrett, Edward Jarrett, Leo Khenkin, Teresa Lowe, Mark McClure, Billie McKelvey, Erma Miller, Linda Moore, Kathy Moore, Eric Peterson, Sherry Poteat, Thomas Robinson, Vickie Robinson, Angela Snoddy, Celena Snoddy, Amanda Snowball, Vivian Swofford, Patricia Young, Tarica Young.

#### 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:

#### 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

- 5/23 – Arkwright Family Fun Day – 10:00am – Until
- 5/30 – New Beginning Methodist Church – 10:00am – Until
- 6/6 – Mt Moriah Baptist – Health Fair – 10:00am – 2:00pm
- 6/20 – Mighty Moo – Cowpens – 8:00am – 5:00pm
- 7/4 – July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration
- 7/25 – Regenes Health Fair – 8:00am – 1:00pm
- 8/14 – Youth Leadership Summit

#### Full Scale Exercise

On June 18, 2009 the Spartanburg County CERT program will hold it's first Full Scale Exercise of 2009. The exercise will take place at the Upstate Family Resource Center: 1850 Old Furnace Rd, BS SC 29316. The scenario will commence at 6:30pm. To learn more, show up on 6/18/09.

#### 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 15<sup>th</sup>** 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 31<sup>st</sup>.**