

MARCH 2016



# Montgomery County CERT General Meeting





# Tonight's Agenda

- CERT Business
  - Reports
  - Upcoming opportunities
  - Note about annual election of officers
  - Featured speaker Eric Bernard, MCVFRA



## Outreach



# Upcoming Events

- 3/13/16- , Farsi School New Year Celebration; Watkins Mill High School, Gaithersburg, Md.
  - **1330-2100**; food provided; note time changes that day
- 4/3/16- Storm Camp, Bethesda, Md.
  - 1000-1300; Sunday; 4/3; Beth Sholom Congregation
  - Members expect 0830-1400
- 4/5/16- Leisure World; afternoon event
  - supporting MC-FRS readiness education for residents
- 4/9/16- College/Career Prep Expo, MC-G'twn
- Others ??
  - Requests arriving daily 😊



## Storm Camp

- 1000-1300 hrs Sunday April 3<sup>rd</sup>, ; Bethesda
  - Members should plan for 0830-1400
- Still need volunteers for
  - adult section
  - children section
  - Registration desk
- See Lisa Ackerman

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STORM CAMP



# Operations



# Pending GoTeam activities

- In discussion with Chief RE HiRise Evac drill with MCFRS
- Pending pre-drill training for Hi-Rise Evac with MURS radios
  - Simulating Apartments
  - find and record data;
  - convey to CERT Cmd Duty Off(CDO) via CERT Div lead
  - Will demo and strengthen radio skills and data handling
- Field training for search operation
  - Navigational training review; protocols during search



# WMATA training

- April 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>
- At Shady Grove yards



# Special Operations



# CAP SHIELD

- Planning cycle usually starts in April
- CERT Sp Ops lead will query again in late April



# Information Technology



# Digital Group report

- Quick review of how to add vol. hours to CERVIS
  - Logging In
  - Registering for events or service projects
  - Input of volunteer hours in service projects- GoTeam, Storm Camp
- Please contact Jennifer Hobson at [admin@montgomerycert.org](mailto:admin@montgomerycert.org) with any further questions regarding CERVIS



# Virtual CERT



## ‘Virtual CERT’

- Humanity Road support effort
  - In a non-emergency partnership



# Training



# CERT Training Spring 2016

- Winter Basic Class completed
- Spring Basic Class: 4/20 – 5/21

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# Future specialty trainings

- County radio training (3/15 (1915hrs) at PSHQ
  - *Specifically* for Go-team responders utilizing a County radio
  - As with CPR there will be an annual recert requirement
  - with extra seats are available, this training is opened to credentialed members
- Refresher training on use of tools and equipment
  - GPS using Lat Lon data vs. street addresses
  - Map and compass review
    - Field
    - urban



# Other Trainings

(underway off site)

- Teen CERT training completed
  - Class participated in CERT basic practical on 3/5
- Friends and Family CPR training?



## Upcoming Events



## Organizational News



# Dept. Reorg news

Greg discuss recent changes and their benefit to CERT



# Virtual CERT



# Upcoming Annual Elections

Annual election of CERT Officers in April

Offices are:

- |                 |                     |
|-----------------|---------------------|
| President—      | Carl Brill (I)      |
| Vice President— | Chris Frechette (I) |
| Secretary—      | Marci Applegate (I) |
| Treasurer--     | Trish Lautt (I)     |

Nominations are open. Nominations will close April 7<sup>th</sup>

Voting in person or by email with pre arrangement



## **FEATURED SPEAKER**



# Tonight's speaker

Eric Bernard MCVFRA president



# CERT SKILLS utilization

- Did anyone use their CERT Skills this month?



## CERT News

CERT sends our condolences to Kathee Henning and her family with the loss of her Mother, Molly Henning.



# Next General Meeting

- Please join us on April 14th here at PSHQ
  - Sign up in CERVIS



**Thank you**