Saturday, June 9, 2012
Border Community SERVICE
Empowering Volunteers Annual Conference

STILL TIME TO REGISTER!

Our annual free day-long conference for volunteers and community leaders will be held on Saturday, June 9, from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm at NU.

Detailed information is available at the Border Community SERVICE website (www.niagara.edu/bordercommunityservice).

Our keynote address will be by Mark Kreyer, Protective Security Advisor for Buffalo, NY, speaking on If You See Something, Say Something. The conference will also include the following presentations:

**Session One: (choice of one)**
- Flooding: Water, Water Everywhere!
- Moulage and Drill Support
- Cyber Security

**Session Two: (choice of one)**
- Neighborhood Watch: The Importance of Connecting with Law Enforcement
- Hands-On Triage Exercise
- Basics of Self Defense

The quickest way to register for the conference would be to call the office at (716) 205-0077 and leave your name and phone number along with what presentations you would like to attend and if you can join us for lunch. A registration form will be completed for you.

There will also be an opportunity for attendees to have their photo taken for their Regional CERT ID. The ID will be mailed to you, as long as you have completed the BCS on-line enrollment, background check, ICS 100 and the CERT curriculum. For more questions on your Regional ID status, please contact (716) 205-0077 or gstruzik@niagara.edu.

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!
May 1st was the start of the CERT class taking place at Wrights Corners. There are 21 people in the class who come from across Niagara and Orleans County and bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the class.

In May, I participated in both of the Niagara County Employee Health Fairs that took place at the Trott Building in Niagara Falls and the Niagara County Courthouse in Lockport. I also participated with a table at the Senior Forum at the Dale Association where there were more than 75 seniors in the audience who I spoke with about emergency preparedness.

I also had the opportunity to be a part of the first annual Niagara County Sherriff’s Open House that took place at the Sherriff’s office in Lockport on Saturday, May 19th. More than 200 people came to view various equipment used by the department and take tours of the jail and the dispatch center. In addition, I was able to speak to families about how best to prepare themselves for disasters.

I also attended the Independent Health Good for the Neighborhood event that took place at the Doris Jones Center in Niagara Falls and spoke to many individuals on their emergency preparedness plans.

This month I had the opportunity to give the “Preparing Makes Sense” presentation at the Mt. St. Mary’s Child Care Center’s Board of Directors meeting and with the Sweet Ladies group at the Doris Jones Center.

Please contact Valerie Haseley at 716.205.0076 or vhaseley@niagara.edu if you would like to have a presentation scheduled with your group.

**Border Community SERVICE**

**Skills Enhancement Training**

**Traffic Control**

Paul Ozimek, Member of Fire Police and CERT

**Description:** You will learn how to direct traffic at a four-way intersection, how to park cars properly in a parking lot while dealing with different personalities, and how to properly prepare a landing zone for medical helicopters.

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, July 18, 2012 6:30-8:30 PM

**Location:** Cambria Fire Hall, 4631 Cambria-Wilson Road, Lockport, NY 14094

**Details:** Please bring your CERT vest and whistle. There will be indoor and outdoor instruction and will take place rain or shine so dress accordingly.

Please RSVP to Valerie Haseley, Niagara County Project Coordinator, at 205-0076 or vhaseley@niagara.edu by Friday, July 13.

*Must be a CERT member to participate.*
On April 25th we began working with the City of Buffalo's Clean Sweep Initiative. Clean Sweeps are an inclusive approach to assisting particular streets and blocks in the City, and include bringing services and information to residents, cleaning up streets and trimming trees by city departments, and targeted law enforcement initiatives. It's wonderful to meet with people in their neighborhoods to talk about the importance of preparedness and we've had great success. To date, we've been from side streets near Genesee on the City's East Side to Massachusetts Avenue on the City's West Side, to many points in between. We're looking forward to continuing to build positive relationships throughout the city.

We're also wrapping up the latest City of Buffalo CERT course on June 20th. Twenty individuals have been attending the course and have thoroughly enjoyed their time. We're so happy to count them as new CERT volunteers!

As always, please contact Dana Estrada at 205-0075 if you wish to have a presentation in the City of Buffalo or have an event at your church, community center, local school that we could get involved in. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Town of Lancaster’s Office of Emergency Management is looking for CERT Members!

It’s official, the Town of Lancaster now has a CERT Team. If you have taken the basic CERT course and are a resident of Lancaster or Depew, we’re looking for you! Please consider helping your town by becoming part of our official Town of Lancaster CERT Team!

If you are interested please contact Michael Koscielny Lancaster CERT Coordinator, at 716-440-1007, mkoscielny@lancastercert.org.

Our first meeting will be Tuesday June 26th 1900hrs (7pm) @ Town Lancaster Office of Emergency Management, 321 Columbia Avenue, Depew. Meetings will be held every fourth Tuesday of the month.

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Crime Prevention 40-Hour Course Attendees

On May 7th, 2012 Border Community SERVICE had the opportunity to sponsor two CERT members to attend the Western New York Crime Prevention’s 40-Hour Basic Crime Prevention training course.

Richard James, Niagara County, and Jack Sullivan, Erie County, were chosen to represent local CERT members in this important training that covered numerous Citizen Corps topics.

Both CERT members demonstrated how the crime prevention course fit with their CERT training and how they would utilize their training to benefit the community in which they live and serve. Congratulations and a sincere thank you, Richard and Jack!
Come out and enjoy some of Western New York’s Summer Events and help Border Community SERVICE at the same time. We are participating in fairs and festivals throughout Niagara County and volunteers are needed for 4 hour shifts (or longer) to promote FEMA’s Ready Campaign material, Border Community SERVICE programs and assist with parking and crowd management (Balloons Over Niagara event only). Various shifts are available.

Here is the list of where we will be. **SIGN UP TODAY!**

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<td>Town of Harland Bicentennial</td>
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<td>Niagara County Fair</td>
<td>Cornell Cooperative Extension</td>
<td>Wednesday, August 1 Th &amp; Fr, August 2 &amp; 3 Saturday, August 4</td>
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<td>Wheatfield Town Celebration</td>
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<td>NYPA Wildlife Festival</td>
<td>Niagara Project Power Vista, 5777 Lewiston Rd (Rte 104), Lewiston</td>
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Contact Valerie Haseley, Niagara County Project Coordinator at 
(716) 205-0076 or vhaseley@niagara.edu 
if you are interested in volunteering for any of these events.
Volunteers are needed to supplement Niagara County Community College’s public safety department with traffic and crowd management at this family-friendly event.

Volunteers are needed for the following shifts (or even if you are available for a couple of hours)

- **Friday, July 27, 2012**
  - from 3:30 PM - 11:00 PM
- **Saturday, July 28, 2012**
  - from 9 AM - 4 PM and 4 PM - 11 PM
- **Sunday, July 29, 2012**
  - from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

If you are interested in volunteering, please provide me with the **date and shift or time frame** you are available to assist. Your information will be provided to NCCC who will contact you with details as the event nears.

Please contact Valerie Haseley, Niagara County Project Coordinator, at 716.205.0076 or vhaseley@niagara.edu if you are available to help or for more information.
Interested in amateur radio? This information is for you!

The following events are sponsored by the Buffalo/Niagara Red Cross Disaster Communications Team, as well as the Niagara Radio Club. We would like to welcome all interested individuals to attend one of these events. An Amateur Radio License is not required, nor becoming a member of the RC... this will allow anyone thinking about getting a license a chance to talk on the air and see how long-distance radio communications work!

**KC2YYL (W2N) Date(s) of operation: June 30 – July 1 / Old Fort Niagara Lighthouse:**

The Buffalo/Niagara Red Cross Disaster Communications Team KC2YYL, under the special events call W2N, will be taking part in the July 1, 2012 "200 Years of Friendship Celebration" between the USA and Canada. The communications team will be opening the Old Fort Niagara Lighthouse and a station at the point where the British landed in 1812 at Stella Niagara – Lower River Road & Pletcher Road, Lewiston, NY. They will be operating in conjunction with the Niagara Peninsula Amateur Radio Club operating out of Fort George, Ontario. All stations will be running HF and UHF/VHF to communicate between each other. What better way to promote 200 years of Peace and Friendship between our two countries via Amateur Radio! We urge any individuals interested in amateur radio, licensed or not, to stop by this event! Please check out their website for more information [www.kc2yyl.net](http://www.kc2yyl.net)

**KC2YYL Date(s) of operation: July 28 & 29 (1200 – 2100 UTC 8am – 5pm EST) / Niagara County Community College:**

Niagara County Community College will be hosting their 50th Anniversary Celebration on July 27th through July 29th called "Balloons Over Niagara". This event will feature over 50 hot air balloons, live entertainment, arts & crafts, 5k Run/Walk, a car show and much more! The Buffalo/Niagara Red Cross Disaster Communications Team operating under the call sign of KC2YYL will be operating July 28th and July 29th on HF frequencies. We urge any individuals interested in amateur radio, licensed or not, to stop by this event! Please check out their website for more information [www.kc2yyl.net](http://www.kc2yyl.net)

**Niagara Radio Club Meeting Wednesday September 5th, 2012 at 7:00PM:**

The Niagara Radio Club will be holding their first meeting for the 2012-2013 year on Wednesday September 5th, 2012 at 7:00pm at the Venture Forth building located at 3900 Packard Road in Niagara Falls. Any individuals interested in amateur radio are welcome to attend the meeting. An Amateur Radio license is recommended but not required to attend or become a member. The Niagara Radio Club sponsors many events throughout the year, and has regular presentations on Radio technologies and equipment. If interested, please contact Darren Robbins at [AC2IN@arrl.net](mailto:AC2IN@arrl.net) or check out their website at [www.kc2yyl.net](http://www.kc2yyl.net)