Border Community SERVICE of Niagara University host
“Empowering Volunteers” Conference
Saturday, June 9th, 2012

Border Community SERVICE of Niagara University hosted a free Citizen and Community Preparedness conference at Niagara University on Saturday, June 9, 2012. The “Empowering Volunteers” Conference was designed to provide training opportunities and workshops detailing "best practices" in citizen and community preparedness initiatives.

The event, for community volunteers and leaders in Niagara County, Erie County and the City of Buffalo, drew 110 attendees who had the opportunity to hear a keynote address in the Castellani Art Museum by Mark Kreyer, Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Protective Security Advisor (PSA) for the Buffalo, New York District.

Mr. Kreyer presented on the Department of Homeland Security’s "If you See Something, Say Something" Campaign which encourages community vigilance by introducing the public to indicators of terrorism and violent crime, and emphasizes the importance of reporting suspicious activity to the proper state and local law enforcement authorities.

In coordination with the campaign, DHS is launching the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting (SAR) Initiative, a unified process for reporting, tracking, and accessing Suspicious Activity Reports in a manner that rigorously protects the privacy and civil liberties of Americans.

As a Protective Security Advisor, Mr. Kreyer serves as a liaison between DHS and the Critical Infrastructure and Key Resources protection community at the state, local and private sector levels. Mr. Kreyer is also a Distinguished Military Graduate of Niagara University.

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Looking for my owner ~

Someone left their blue jacket at the annual conference held on Saturday, June 9th. If it belongs to you, please contact Gail in our office at gstruzik@niagara.edu or call 205-0077 and make arrangement to pick up the jacket. To help identify the jacket to its owner, it has a pin attached to it that says Patriarch Fellowship Jacob.

The conference also included sessions on Flooding conducted by the National Weather Service, Moulage and Drill Support, Cyber Security, Neighborhood Watch: Connecting with Law Enforcement, Hands-On Triage Exercise and Basics of Self Defense.

All the workshops were held in St. Vincent’s Hall.
Niagara County  Valerie Haseley  716-205-0076

In June, Border Community SERVICE of Niagara University was present at two walking events planned for the senior population including the Niagara County Senior Walk in the Park at the Calvin Richards site in the Town of Niagara and the N.E.E.L. walk located at the John Duke Center. There were about 200 people at each event and I was able provide information to them on personal emergency preparedness.

We also participated in the First Annual Resource Fair at the Niagara Street School. This was a wonderful event for the students, teachers and parents to partake in. I spoke with many kids and gave them helpful tips on how to help their family make an emergency supply kit.

More than 100 fathers and their families attended the Healthy Families Niagara Festival of Fathers event at the Hyde Park splash pad and they received our literature on emergency preparedness.

The Sensational Seniors at the New Hope Baptist Church in Niagara Falls invited me to present on “Preparing Makes Sense: Get Ready Now” and we had an open dialogue on great tips and ideas on how to be better prepared for disasters.

Finally, we held our last CERT class at Wrights Corners Fire Co. and 21 community members successfully graduated. It was a pleasure working with the Fire Company and I appreciate the class for dedicating their time to this important community training.

I am now gearing up for all the summer events we are participating in with resource tables throughout the County. Volunteers are needed to help with these events to promote FEMA’s Ready Campaign material and information about BCS’s program and encourage participation in CERT. I hope you can consider volunteering for a shift and help with educating citizens of Niagara County on the importance of emergency preparedness. See page 4 for events and shifts and contact me if you are interested.

If you or someone you know would like to have a presentation scheduled with your group, please contact Valerie Haseley at 716.205.0076 or vhaseley@niagara.edu.
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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| Tuscarora Nation Picnic and Field Days     | Tuscarora Elementary School, 2015 Mount Hope Road (corner of Walmore Road), Lewiston | Friday, July 13  
Saturday, July 14 | 5-9 pm
|                                             |                                               |                  | 11 am-3pm; 2-6 pm; 5-9 pm |
| 85th Annual Free Border Crossing Celebration | Hyde Park Baseball Diamond Area, Niagara Falls | Saturday, July 21 | 12 noon – 5 pm   |
| Town of Harland Bicentennial Celebration   | Hartland Fire Hall 8945 Ridge Rd, Gasport    | Saturday, July 28 | 11:30 am-3 pm   
2:30 pm-6 pm |
| Niagara County Fair                        | Cornell Cooperative Extension                 | Wednesday, August 1 Th & Fr, August 2 & 3 Saturday, August 4 | 9 am-1 pm; 1-5 pm; 5-9 pm  
12-5 pm; 5-9 pm (both days)  
10am-1pm; 1-5pm; 5-9pm |
| Wheatfield Town Celebration                | Fairmont Park Nash & Steig Roads              | Sunday, August 19 | 10 am-2 pm; 1-5 pm |
| NYPA Wildlife Festival                     | Niagara Project Power Vista, 5777 Lewiston Rd (Rte 104), Lewiston | Saturday & Sunday Sept. 22 & 23 | 10 am-2 pm; 1-5 pm (both days) |

Volunteers are needed to supplement Niagara County Community College’s public safety dept. with traffic and crowd management at “Balloons Over Niagara” for the following dates and shifts:

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**Please note:** If you are interested in the Balloons Over Niagara event, your information will be provided to NCCC who will contact you with details as the event nears.

For all events listed please contact Valerie Haseley, Niagara County Project Coordinator, at 205-0076 or vhaseley@niagara.edu and provide the event, date and shift that you are interested in volunteering at. Your service is greatly appreciated!
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.

The following information has been provided by Pati Aine Guzinski and if you are interested in attending any of these upcoming sessions, please contact Pati Aine

Smart Training/Meeting Calendar - JULY 2012

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◊ Dates may change due to participation in community events / drills / exercises.
◊ All classes will be held at the Erie County Fire Training Academy, 3359 Broadway, Cheektowaga, NY 14227.
◊ In an effort to facilitate an optimum training environment and experience, class size may be limited.
◊ Pre-registration is required for all sessions. Every effort will be made to send out session specific information, including the pre-registration form, at least 2 weeks before each session.

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Friend BCS on Facebook

Our office has been receiving many “friend requests” from our CERT members. We invite you to be our “friend” on our Facebook page. Search for “Border Community Service of Niagara University” and “Like Us.” You can also get to our Facebook page by going to our website at www.niagara.edu/border-community-service and clicking on the link on our homepage.

Looking ahead…

CERT Volunteers for Diabetes Walk on October 6, 2012

The American Diabetes Association is looking for volunteers to assist with their walk on Saturday, October 6 from 9am till noon. If you are interested in helping, please contact Louie Callari who is in charge of logistics for the walk and was hoping that CERT volunteers would be able to provide assistance as route marshalls and possibly parking lot attendances. The walk is 3 miles long, starts and finishes at Blue Cross & Blue Shield located at 257 West Genesee Street.

Volunteers can contact Louie online at louiec@buffalo.com or via telephone 716-725-2642.

Patriotic-Sounding Place Names

Thirty-one places have “liberty” in their names. The most populous one as of April 1, 2010, was Liberty, Mo. (29,149). Iowa, with four, has more of these places than any other state: Libertyville, New Liberty, North Liberty and West Liberty.

Thirty-five places have “eagle” in their names. The most populous one is Eagle Pass, Texas, with a population of 26,248.

Eleven places have “independence” in their names. The most populous one is Independence, Mo., with a population of 116,830.

Nine places have “freedom” in their names. The most populous one is New Freedom, Pa., with a population of 4,464.

One place has “patriot” in its name. Patriot, Ind., has a population of 209.

Five places have “America” in their names. The most populous is American Fork, Utah, with a population of 26,263.

Source: American FactFinder <http://www.census.gov>