Save the date!
Thursday, July 24th
Join us!

Border Community SERVICE is pleased to announce that we will be at Coca-Cola Field on Thursday, July 24th as the Buffalo Bisons battle the Syracuse Chiefs at 1:05 pm.

Beginning in the summer of 2003, the Department of Homeland Security teamed up with Minor League Baseball Stadiums across the country to promote emergency preparedness. Although the initiative has formally ended, the City of Buffalo’s Border Community SERVICE project and the Bisons organization continues to carry on the tradition! We’re pleased to use the stadium as a venue to educate and encourage baseball fans to prepare for emergencies in their homes, businesses and schools by featuring emergency preparedness information and announcements on the jumbotron and at a booth – all with free preparedness giveaways to boot!

Stop out for some information at a great summer experience!

Be prepared to stay cool!

If you can’t spend your time in an air-conditioned place, here are a few tips on keeping cool:

• Always stay hydrated - don’t wait until you’re thirsty; drink plenty of water
• Consume cold and frozen treats - splurge on those popsicles & ice cream cones
• Keep a cold water spray bottle around for a quick refreshing cool down
• Wear loose fitting and light colored clothing
• Slow down
• Take a cool shower everyday - some days, take two!
• Turn off appliances when not in use
• Close curtains and blinds during the day
• Avoid the direct sun between 10-2
For June’s City of Buffalo Clean Sweeps Border Community SERVICE spent time on Watson and Emslie (East Side); Shoshone & Taunton (North Buffalo) and Wohlers, Butler, Goulding and Lonsdale (East Side). About 150 houses received information on emergency preparedness at their door from this initiative in June! Border Community SERVICE also was highlighted recently in footage for the City of Buffalo’s Public Access coverage of the Clean Sweeps. Tune in to learn more about what we do on the Clean Sweeps!

On June 17th, the region was visited by the Commissioner of New York States’ Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, Jerome M. Hauer. Hauer was appointed to the position in November of 2011 by Governor Andrew M. Cuomo. As Commissioner, Hauer oversees The State Office of Emergency Management, The Office of Fire Prevention and Control, The Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications, and serves as the Director of the Office of Counterterrorism. He is hailed as a true innovator in public safety, emergency management, medical and public health planning and response to emergencies disasters and terrorism. This visit marks the UASI committee’s first meeting with Commissioner Hauer, who stressed the importance of our area – as the rest of NYS – to be prepared and vigilant.

We’re looking forward to a busy July when BCS will spend quite a bit of time visiting families at food pantries to distribute information and small first aid kits, among our many other initiatives. If you know of similar opportunities to spread the preparedness word, please give us a call!

Volunteers Needed for Summer Events

Border Community SERVICE is looking for volunteers to help promote emergency preparedness material at local fairs and festivals taking place this summer in Niagara County. If you are available for a shift, please consider volunteering your time. Here is the list of where we will be.

**SIGN UP TODAY!**

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<td>Cornell Cooperative Extension</td>
<td>Wednesday, July 30 Th&amp;Fr, July 31 &amp; Aug 1 Saturday, August 2</td>
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<td>NYPA Wildlife Festival</td>
<td>Niagara Project Power Vista, 5777 Lewiston Rd, Rte104</td>
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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!
Niagara County  Valerie Haseley   716-205-0076

During the month of June, I presented to more than 400 5th and 6th graders from across Niagara County at the Niagara County Soil and Water Conservation District’s Environmental Education Field Days that took place at the Royalton Ravine Park in Gasport. The weather was picture perfect as I spoke to the students about different types of weather emergencies to plan for and displayed a sample emergency supply kit. The kids were extremely inquisitive and were encouraged to engage their family in developing an emergency preparedness plan.

Border Community SERVICE participated in the Niagara County Senior Walk in the Park at the Town of Niagara Senior Center with more than 175 participants who attended the resource fair. Our program attended the Niagara County Employee Health Fair that took place at the Public Safety Training Facility in Lockport and about 35 employees attended this event and received our information.

BCS also participated in the New York Power Authority’s Safety Day event. This was an exciting event with many agencies including Border Patrol, Corrections, State Police, Coast Guard, Niagara Falls Fire and Police Departments and much more. It was a family friendly event and information on emergency preparedness was provided to those in attendance.

A presentation was conducted for the DeGraff Adult Day Care’s caregivers support group. The 10 people who attended were very thankful for the information and will help them and their loved ones in case of a disaster.

I’ve arranged to present at all 22 Congregate Meal Sites through Niagara County’s Office of the Aging Eat Well...Stay Well Dining Program. I have already visited the Lockport Senior Center and Rapids Fire Hall this month and look forward to getting out to all the sites, which I have scheduled all the way through September.

At the end of the month, BCS participated in the Healthy Families Niagara’s Festival of Fathers event at Hyde Park and had about 200 families in attendance who stopped at the table to receive information.

BCS will be partaking in the Niagara County Fair in July/August and the NYPA Wildlife Festival in September. Please consider volunteering a couple hours of your time at one of these events. It’s nice to be involved in these events and encourage community members to be prepared for a disaster that will promote our regional readiness.

As always, please contact me at 716.205.0076 or vhaseley@niagara.edu if you know of a group that would benefit from a presentation or an upcoming event that we should be involved in.

Schools out - please watch for children enjoying summer!
SMART Training/Meeting Calendar - July 2014

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 as listed below:

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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

Pre-registration is required for all sessions.

Pati Aine Guzinski
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Can you help?

Volunteers are being sought for the FARE Walk on August 9th at LaSalle Park in the City of Buffalo. The FARE Walk for Food Allergy brings together thousands of people who are seeking a safer world for the 15 million Americans living with food allergies.

The Walk is a family-friendly event that takes place in communities nationwide to raise funds for food allergy research, education, advocacy and awareness. Volunteers are needed beginning at 8am for a variety of positions including set up, organizing, greeting vendors and handing out information and products.

To assist, please contact Michelle Washington at michellebw@gmail.com or 400-8587. Volunteers that assist will be provided a free t-shirt.

Fun Trivia:

July Fourth is the "biggest hot dog holiday of the year," according to TIME magazine, with Americans reportedly consuming about 155 million of them on Independence Day alone.