**BCS Empowering Volunteers Conference**  
**Saturday, June 6, 2015**

**STILL TIME TO REGISTER!**

Our annual free day-long conference for volunteers and community leaders will be held on Saturday, June 6th from 9:00 am till 2:15 pm at Niagara University. Detailed information is available at the BCS website: [http://levesqueinstitute.niagara.edu/programs/border-community-service/2015-empowering-volunteers-conference-registration-form](http://levesqueinstitute.niagara.edu/programs/border-community-service/2015-empowering-volunteers-conference-registration-form)

Our keynote address will be presented by The Joint Terrorism Task Force, specialists working together to pool talents, skills and knowledge to protect communities from terrorist attack. The presentation will begin promptly at 9:15 am in St. Vincent’s Hall, 4th floor, room 407. **PLEASE NOTE:** This location is a change from previous years’ conferences. A continental breakfast will be available for all.

The conference will also include the following presentations:

**Morning Session (choice of one)**
- Fire and Life Safety Workshop
- Epidemiology

**Afternoon Session (choice of one)**
- Lessons from Cuba: Preparing Citizens and Protecting Communities
- Response & Recovery - An Insurance Perspective

A complimentary lunch will be provided by BCS.

The quickest way to register would be via the website or call the office at 205-0077, and leave your name and phone number (email address if applicable) 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. Or complete the registration form found on page 5 of this newsletter and mail it to us or fax (205-0072).

**PLEASE REGISTER BY June 3, 2015**
If you’ve come to our conference or a presentation in the City of Buffalo, you’ve heard me talk about our UASI (Urban Area Security Initiative) area partners. But did you know that the UASI partners continue to meet despite our region not receiving UASI funds any longer? It may seem odd but our ongoing partnerships created and fostered through UASI are still just as important even though our deactivation by DHS as a UASI region happened in 2010. It helps make emergency preparedness and response much smoother if you know the players prior to any emergency. And even odder still is that Buffalo will host the National UASI conference in 2016? That’s a testament to the ongoing regional UASI partnerships created so long ago.

BCS has been busy with Clean Sweeps throughout May. We have reached out to over 150 households with approximately a quarter of those households receiving incentive gifts along with a short presentation at their own door. This month we visited households on Rounds & Lisbon, Garner & Bird, Theodore & Zelmer, and Pershing, Timon, & Roehrer. It’s also incredible to be working along side City of Buffalo employees that have taken the CERT training from us – one as early as 2007 and the other a couple of years ago. It’s nice to see familiar faces!

We’ve also had the opportunity to give presentations at the Buffalo Urban League’s after school program as well as supported the City of Buffalo Police Department’s Junior Police Academy with information and Grab & Go Safety kits, among other things this month.

As always, if you have a group of individuals interested in a presentation in the City of Buffalo, please call me at 851-4299. We’ll also be up and running again in Niagara County soon, so if you are interested in a presentation there, please feel free to call me as well.

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SMART Training/Meeting Calendar - June 2015

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.

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 at least 2 weeks before each session.

Pati Aine Guzinski
Training Coordinator PH Emergency Preparedness for Erie County
Phone: (716) 858-7109
CERT Volunteers Wanted!

If you have hope for a cure and the resolve to help, channel your passion to beat cancer by volunteering at The Ride For Roswell. The Ride For Roswell counts on over 2,000 dedicated volunteers support 8,000 cyclists to ensure a safe, comfortable, and enjoyable experience for all. Their passion and commitment are what makes Ride Weekend a success!

2015 marks the 20th anniversary of The Ride For Roswell, presented by West Herr Automotive Group! The Opening Ceremony will kick off Ride Weekend at the University at Buffalo’s North Campus on Friday, June 26, 2015. The Ride will take place on Saturday, June 27, 2015.

Volunteer Communications Officers:

Date: Saturday, June 27, 2015

Location: Amherst Police Department
500 John James Audubon Parkway, Amherst, NY 14228

Shifts:
- 5:30 am – 8:30 am
- 8:15 am – 10:30 am
- 10:15 am – 1:30 pm
- 1:15 pm – 3:30 pm

Duties: Work with Erie County Amateur radio Emergency Services, Law Enforcement and Town Dispatchers, and Ride Staff to manage rider support and emergency telephone calls, and vehicle dispatch.

Environment: Indoor, air conditioned call center, second floor, ADA accessible, food and beverages provided.

Sign up for one or more shifts.

For more information contact:
Tom Johnston, Operations Manager, The Ride For Roswell
thomas.johnston@roswellpark.org
(716) 845 - 3945

Thank you for supporting Roswell Park Cancer Institute

Major Sponsors: CSX, Dunkin’ Donuts, M&T Bank, New Era Cap, Praxair, Sahlen’s, Superior Group, Time Warner Cable News, Tops Markets, University at Buffalo, & WGRZ-TV.
Two
Air Show
Volunteer Opportunities:

Opportunity One:

CONTACT HOWARD at hmorgan@niagara.edu
- RSVP by June 5th -
to volunteer for the following:

Airbase drill in preparation for the July 18th air show. We need approximately 20 Adult and Youth volunteers at the Niagara Falls Air Base on Saturday, June 27th.

You would arrive at the base around 7:45am and be done with the drill by 1pm.

Adults and Youths are invited.

This drill will simulate a C-130 crash during an airshow where spectator will be injured.
You will be the victims!
More details will follow.

If you are interested or wish to make a commitment to volunteer please contact Howard Morgan.

Howard Morgan
W-716.286.8772
C-716.417.7584

Opportunity Two:

CONTACT DANA at dle@niagara.edu to volunteer for the following (or call her at 851-4299):

The air base is now looking for volunteers to assist with the airshow on July 18th & 19th.

Specifics on job assignments and times are not known now but we assume that volunteers will be asked to help with parking cars and traffic control, much like how CERT members were assigned in 2011.

If you are interested, please email me at dle@niagara.edu with dates and times you would be available so I can pass the information on to our contact at the air base.

Dana Estrada, Director
Border Community SERVICE of Niagara University
716-851-4299 (Buffalo Office) 716-205-0072 (FAX) dle@niagara.edu
Registration for 2015 Empowering Volunteers Conference

Presented by Border Community SERVICE of Niagara University, a regional Citizen Preparedness Training Center, on Saturday, June 6, 2015.

Name: ___________________________________________________________
Title: ____________________________________________________________________________
Agency: ____________________________________________________________________________
Affiliation: __________________________________________________________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: ________ Zip: __________
Email: ____________________________________________________________________________
Phone/Cell: ________________________________________________________________________ Fax: ____________________________________________________________________________

Keynote Address
The Joint Terrorism Task Force
The JTTF is our nation’s front line on terrorism: small cells of highly trained, locally based, passionately committed investigators, analysts, linguists, SWAT experts, and other specialists from dozens of U.S. law enforcement and intelligence agencies working together to pool talents, skills, and knowledge to protect communities from terrorist attack.

Please indicate the workshop you are most likely to attend each session:

Workshop Session One:
☐ Fire and Life Safety Workshop - Firefighter Al Hornung, Niagara Falls Fire Department
☐ Epidemiology - Mary Walawander, Erie County Department of Health/Epidemiology

Workshop Session Two:
☐ Lessons from Cuba: Preparing Citizens and Protecting Communities - Nicole Gerber, Grand Island Emergency Manager
☐ Response & Recovery - An Insurance Perspective - Laura Capizzi & Kathleen Clouden; State Farm Insurance

- Schedule subject to change -

I do _____ do not _____ plan to attend lunch
- lunch is provided by BCS -

Please register by June 3, 2015 one of the following ways:
◎ Mail form to: Border Community SERVICE, PO Box 2040, Niagara University, NY 14109
◎ Fax this registration form to 716-205-0072
◎ Call Gail Struzik at 205-0077 and she will complete a registration form