

SWEETWATER COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT NEWSLETTER

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Emergency Management

The Sweetwater County Emergency Management Agency analyzes the hazards, assesses capabilities, plans for the potential events then responds to, recovers from, and mitigates against the emergency or disaster. We coordinate with response agencies, industry, elected officials, and volunteer agencies to accomplish our mission of limiting injuries, reducing loss of life and damage to property.

Sweetwater County Emergency Management is available to train and provide preparedness information to groups and individuals to enable them to be better prepared. Please pass this information to your family and friends.

Love it or hate it.....

Winter is here

- Prepare your vehicle for winter
- Avoid strain while shoveling
- Build an Emergency Kit
- Bring pets inside
- Sprinkle sand or ice-melt on sidewalks and walkways
- Cover your mouth with a scarf to protect lungs from cold air.
- Keep your gas tank at least half full to avoid gas line freeze-up
- Dress warm and have extra blankets

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Upcoming Events:

***February 6:** Special Needs/Unable to Self-Evacuate (UTSE) Meeting at Young At Heart 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

***February 7:** Special Needs/Unable to Self-Evacuate (UTSE) Meeting at Golden Hour Senior Center 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

***February 14:** Valentine's Day

***February 14:** Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting 9 A.M. -12 P.M.

***February 18:** President's Day

***March 22-23:** CERT Training

***March 29-30:** CERT Training

Jalapeno-Bacon Crescent Pinwheels

4 oz. cream cheese, softened (from 8 oz. package)

½ cup crumbled cooked bacon (about 6 strips)

½ cup finely shredded Mexican cheese blend

2 tablespoons chopped green onions

1 tablespoon chopped drained pickled jalapenos

1 can (8oz.) Pillsbury Sweet Hawaiian refrigerated crescent dinner rolls

Heat oven to 375 degrees; line large cookie sheet with cooking parchment paper.

In small bowl, mix cream cheese, cooked bacon, Mexican cheese blend, green onion and jalapenos until well blended. Unroll dough into 12x8 inch rectangle. Press perforations to seal. Spread cream cheese mixture evenly on dough rectangle to within ¼ inch of edges. Starting with the long side, rollup rectangle; press seams to sel. With sharp, serrated knife, cut into 24 slices and place 1 inch apart on cookie sheet. Bake 15 to 20 minutes or until golden brown. Serve warm.

*****COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM TRAINING*****

***YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND TRAINING ON**

MARCH 22-23 AND MARCH 29-30, 2019

PLEASE REGISTER THROUGH EVENTBRITE*

Prepare to be your own hero...

Prepare to live another day...

Prepare through education; it's less costly than learning through tragedy



Community Emergency Response Teams, or CERT, is organized under the direction and leadership of the Sweetwater County Sheriff's Office/Emergency Management Division.

CERT training promotes a partnering effort between emergency services and the people that they serve. The goal is for emergency professionals to train members of neighborhoods, community organizations, or workplaces in basic response skills, and then integrate them into the emergency response capability for their area. Should a disaster overwhelm or delay the community's professional response, CERT may provide vital services until emergency responders arrive.

CERT training enhances the ability to recognize, prepare for, respond to, and recover from a major emergency or disaster situation. Members are trained to take care of themselves, their families and their neighbors before, during and after a major emergency.

CERT's have been used to:

Search for lost or kidnapped children
 Staff emergency Operations Centers and monitor events
 Emergency Operations Center security; driving, information, assisting disabled visitors and minor first aid
 Manage "spontaneous/convergent" volunteers
 Assist volunteer organizations on mass care

CERT Training Will Teach Participants to:

- Describe the types of hazards most likely to affect their homes and communities.
- Describe the function of CERT and their roles in immediate response.
- Take steps to prepare themselves for disaster.
- Identify and reduce potential fire hazards in their homes and workplaces.
- Work as a team to apply basic fire suppression strategies, resources; and safety measures to extinguish a burning liquid.
- Apply techniques for opening airways, controlling bleeding, and treating shock.
- Conduct triage under simulated conditions.
- Perform head-to-toe assessments.
- Elect and set up a treatment area..
- Employ basic treatments for various injuries.
- Identify planning and size-up requirements for potential search and rescue situations.
- Describe the most common techniques for searching a structure.
- Use safe techniques for debris removal and victim extrication.
- Describe ways to protect rescuers during search and rescue operations.

This is a 20 hour course designed to help local residents prepare for all types of emergency events occurring in their homes and communities. The course addresses basic “how to” manage disaster occurrences in the home and the neighborhood.

Introduction

Unit 1: Emergency Preparedness

Unit 2: Fire Safety

Unit 3: Emergency Medical Operations – (Part 1)

Unit 4: Emergency Medical Operations – (Part 2)

Unit 5: Light Search and Rescue Operations

Unit 6: CERT Organization

Unit 7: Disaster Psychology

Unit 8: Terrorism & CERT

Unit 9: Course Review

Disaster Simulation

Evaluation/ “Hot Wash”

Course Summary/Certificates

Pre-requisites for Sweetwater County Volunteers: (CERT students are not required to become volunteers). Complete or have completed a Sweetwater County Volunteer application*. Be at least 18 years of age and possess a valid driver’s license with a good driving record. **A background check will be performed on all volunteers*

For more information or to register, contact:

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Did you know?
A dog’s nose print is like a human’s fingerprint, no two prints are alike.

If you would like more information on this or any of our other programs
please
contact us.

Call: (307) 922-5370 Rock Springs
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Web: www.sweet.wy.us/ema
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Attention Sweetwater County Employees!

If you are the first to answer the following question correctly and email the
answer to coveye@sweet.wy.us you may win a prize!!

How many acres of sand are in the Killpecker sand
dunes?

CONGRATULATIONS to **Lona Latorre** for being
the first person to submit the correct answer
for the January 2019 quiz.

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