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.

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Upcoming Events:

- ➢ Wyoming HamCon 2018
  Sweetwater Events Complex
  September 15, 2018
  8:00 AM- 4:30 PM
  Banquet with keynote speaker at 6:30 PM

- ➢ Suzy Bogguss Concert
  Proceeds going towards Sweetwater Search and Rescue
  Rock Springs High School Theatre
  September 17, 2018
  7:30 PM

- ➢ CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) Training
  Justice Center
  September 21-22 and 28-29

- ➢ MGT-345 Disaster Management for Electric Power Systems
  Green River Fire Department
  November 8-9, 2018
  8AM-5PM

Wyoming HamCon 2018

September 15, 2018
Sweetwater Events Complex, Rock Springs, WY

- ▪ Western Meal Banquet
- ▪ Vendors and Swap Meet Space
- ▪ ARRL License Testing
- ▪ Prizes Galore!

For more information on the 2018 ARRL Wyoming Section Convention go to:
Wyominghamcon.org

IN CONCERT

Suzy Bogguss

With Special Guest Comedian Mark Cordes

September 17, 2018 at 7:30PM

Rock Springs High School

Tickets available at the door for $38

Top Hits:

Drive South

Hey Cinderella

Just Like the Weather

Letting Go

Outbound Plane

Someday Soon

Hopelessly Yours

Heartache

Somebody to Love

You Wouldn't Say That to a Stranger

Proceeds go to the Sweetwater County Search and Rescue to assist with the acquisition of a new/used snowcat.

CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) Training is scheduled for September 21, 6:00 PM- 9:00 PM. September 22, 2018 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM. September 28, 2018 6:00 PM-9:00 PM. September 29, 2018 8:00 AM-5:00 PM. This is a 20 hour course designed to help local residences prepare for all types of emergency events sponsored by Sweetwater County Sheriff's Office Emergency Management Division.

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DID YOU KNOW?

When lightning strikes it can reach up to 30,000 degrees Celsius (54,000 degrees Fahrenheit).

Monthly Recipe

Cheddar Bacon Chicken Tenders

1 Egg

½ Cup Plain bread crumbs

½ Cup Shredded cheddar cheese

1 Pkg (3 oz) cooked bacon pieces

1 Pkg uncooked chicken tenders

Chive and onion sour cream if desired

Heat oven to 400 Degrees

Spray large cooking sheet with cooking spray. In bowl beat egg, in large zip lock bag place bread crumbs, cheese and bacon. Dip chicken into egg, place in bread crumb mixture, seal and shake to coat. Place chicken on cookie sheet. Bake for 15-20 minutes turning half way through or until chicken is no longer pink in center and bread crumbs golden brown. Serve with sour cream and ENJOY!!

How will you be notified in a disaster?

This is a quarterly informational blitz for those people with Special Needs in our communities. Topic for the July to September quarter is **Warning Systems**

Emergency notification to the population of Sweetwater County is a daunting task. Complications include the sparsely populated areas and variations of available technology. Sweetwater County has several systems in place to warn and provide information to the public in major emergencies.
Some of these systems include:

- **Outdoor Warning Sirens**:
  o Outdoor warning sirens are located in Rock Springs
  o Rock Springs tests their sirens on the first Tuesday of every month around 11:00
  o Locations – City Hall, Fire Stations 2 & 3, Recreation Center, Cemetery (by old hospital)
  o Outdoor Warning Sirens are designed to be heard outdoors where there is little other noise
  o Outdoor warning sirens are designed to let the public know they should go inside to tune to NOAA or other notification methods (i.e., am/fm radio or cable TV)

- **Emergency Alert Systems (EAS)**
  o Local Radio Stations and Cable TV

- **NOAA All Hazards Radios**
  o **NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards** (NWR) is a nationwide network of radio stations broadcasting continuous weather information directly from the National Weather Service office in Riverton. NWR broadcasts official Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
  o Working with the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Emergency Alert System, NWR is an "All Hazards" radio network, making it your single source for comprehensive weather and emergency information. In conjunction with Federal, State, and Local Emergency Managers and other public officials, NWR also broadcasts warning and post-event information for all types of hazards – including natural (such as earthquakes or avalanches), environmental (such as chemical releases or oil spills), and public safety (such as AMBER alerts or 911 Telephone outages).
  o Known as the "Voice of NOAA's National Weather Service," NWR is provided as a public service by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), part of the Department of Commerce. NWR includes 1000 transmitters, covering all 50 states, adjacent coastal waters, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the U.S. Pacific Territories. NWR requires a special radio receiver or scanner capable of picking up the signal. Broadcasts are found in the VHF public service band at these seven frequencies (MHz):

162.400	162.425	162.450	162.475	162.500	162.525	162.550

- o Tune to the frequency or channel that comes in the best for your location.
- o Can be purchased at local hardware, electronic, sporting goods and discount stores.

- **Code Red**
  - o One of the newer technologies we have obtained is the Code Red notification system.
  - o Code Red replaces CityWatch as a notification system and service that enables Sweetwater Combined Communications Center to quickly, accurately, and automatically send emergency and informational messages to thousands of contacts, via phone, text messaging, fax, pager, and e-mail.
  - o Code Red will be used when we need to conduct mass notifications to the public where immediate information on safety precautions need to be taken (i.e., the need to Shelter-in-Place due to hazardous materials release or evacuate because of flooding).
  - o Code Red can be utilized to provide updated information regarding the incident (i.e., progress being made, where shelters are, evacuation routes, when event is over).
  - o If an individual would like to have their cell phone included in the database they need to sign up through Sweetwater Combined Communications. This can be accomplished online at http://www.sweetwater911.org/

- **RadioStat**
  - o Our newest method for communication is our RadioStat systems. Sweetwater County Emergency Management/Homeland Security has purchased three RadioStat systems. RadioStat allows us to place temporary signs advising of a radio frequency to tune to for more information. We have three radio frequencies that are reserved for our messages.
  - o RadioStat will be used to provide information regarding the incident (i.e., nature of incident, where shelters are, evacuation routes, miscellaneous instructions, and advise when the event is over).

- **ICE (In Case of Emergency)**
  - o In case of emergency (ICE) is a program that enables first responders, such as paramedics, firefighters, and police officers, as well as hospital personnel, to contact the next of kin of the owner of a cell phone to obtain important medical or support information (the phone must be unlocked and working). A person can list multiple emergency contacts as "ICE", "ICE1", "ICE2", etc.

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

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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!!

Where was the first county seat in Sweetwater County?

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