

# Border Community SERVICE

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Daylight Savings begins this Sunday, March 11th at 2:00 am. Don't forget to **SPRING** forward and set your clock ahead one hour before retiring on Saturday!

**Pencil in the date! Saturday, June 9, 2012**  
**BCS Empowering Volunteers Annual Conference**



## CERT classes to begin in Buffalo

Wednesday, March 21 is the start date for our next CERT class, this one being offered in Buffalo. The course will for 9 consecutive Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. You must be at least 16 years of age to participate.

To enroll online for the course, please visit <http://www.niagara.edu/bcs-enrollment/>. For information on the Buffalo class, please feel free to email Dana at [dle@niagara.edu](mailto:dle@niagara.edu). Dana will be contacting everyone who has registered online via email as the date approaches with more information.



## Volunteer Services

If you are interested in volunteering for this 'evacuation', please contact **Allison** who's information is listed below.

**Catholic Health** will be participating in a Western New York Regional Drill on Wednesday, April 25, 2012. They will be evacuating patients from Mercy Hospital, the MACC as well as Kenmore Mercy Hospital and disaster triaging /surging at SOCH, both campuses.

They are looking for volunteers to act as patients on this day, Wednesday, April 25th from about 8:30 AM until noon. The number needed at all sites is as follows:

Mercy Hospital 20  
SOCH MSC 20

MACC 8  
SOCH SJC 15

Kenmore Mercy 15



If interested you will need to register with **Allison Malikowski at 706-2566 or [amalikowski@chsbuffalo.org](mailto:amalikowski@chsbuffalo.org)** They will need your name/contact phone number and/or email address along with the site that wish to volunteer with. Catholic Health will be offering a small gift card as our token of appreciation.

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# Border Community SERVICE

**Niagara County**

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In February, I was invited to speak to juniors and seniors at BOCES Niagara Career and Technical Educational Center. I spoke throughout the school day to students in the Conservation, Health Occupations Technician, Security and Law Enforcement, and Emergency Medical Services programs. I was able to relate the presentation to what they would be doing in their future occupations. I also spoke at the Office of Aging Case Workers staff meeting, Mt. St. Mary's Child Care Center parents meeting, Niagara Towers residential meeting and Dale Association participant meeting.

On February 29<sup>th</sup>, we had the pleasure of having **James J. Zymanek**, Director of the Town of Amherst Department of Emergency Services and Safety, present on "How a Disaster Develops" as a skills enhancement at Cambria Fire Hall. The presentation was attended by 24 people and Jim demonstrated how CERT members are an integral part during a disaster on how the skills CERT members learn can assist in different capacities.

I am also partnering with the Countryside Community Neighborhood Watch (CCNW) to present "Preparing Makes Sense" Workshop on Wednesday, April 18 at the Newfane Community Center. At this Workshop, I will be presenting "Map Your Neighborhood," a program designed to build and strengthen disaster readiness among neighbors (developed by Washington State Emergency Management). Please see the attached flyer about the workshop and consider registering to attend.

Please contact Valerie Haseley at 716.205.0076 or [vhaseley@niagara.edu](mailto:vhaseley@niagara.edu) if you would like to have a presentation scheduled with your group.

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

## **Smart Training Calendar - March 2012 thru April 2012**

3/14/12	Wednesday	6:00pm-8:30pm	Scene Safety/Preserving the Evidence
3/17/12	Saturday	9:00am-11:30am	Scene Safety/Preserving the Evidence
4/18/12	Wednesday	6:00pm-9:00pm	CPR - Refresher Course Only
4/21/12	Saturday	9:00am-noon	CPR - New Students Only
4/24/12	Tuesday	6:00pm-8:00pm	SMART General Membership Meeting

- ◇ 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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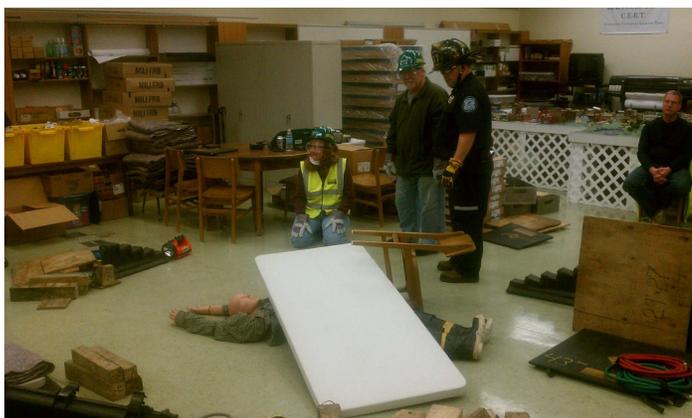
The City of Buffalo Border Community SERVICE initiative had a really terrific February. We were invited to two great events for the Buffalo Public Schools. The first was with the Adult Education program at the old School 86 in North Buffalo. Students between the ages of 17 and 23 were able to get information on a variety of topics including disaster preparedness. We then visited the newly remodeled McKinley High School for their African-American Heritage Celebration. What a tremendous event! Students were very welcoming of the information, as was the faculty and staff. We also visited Holy Spirit in North Buffalo and the North Buffalo Community Center. Both presentations were in collaboration with the Parkside Community Association who brought great information out on falls prevention. Coupled with the disaster preparedness presentation, attendees left well informed!

As you read on the front page, we're gearing up for our next City of Buffalo CERT class beginning on March 21<sup>st</sup>. If you know of someone that would be interested, please give them a heads up! We need more individuals to enroll to make the class go!

As always, if you know of a group that would like to receive an emergency preparedness presentation or would like BCS to supply material for an event or tabling opportunity, please call 205-0075 or email [dle@niagara.edu](mailto:dle@niagara.edu).

Photos taken at current CERT classes being conducted with the Lancaster Office of Emergency Management.

Photos supplied by:  
Edward A Gutowski, Planning Officer  
Town of Lancaster  
Office of Emergency Management





# Preparing Makes Sense Workshop

Personal Preparedness Tips to Help You and Your Family

Presented by:  
Border Community SERVICE of Niagara University

Wednesday, April 18, 2012 • 6:30-8:30 PM  
Newfane Community Center  
2737 Main Street, Newfane, NY 14108

## Sponsored by:

*COUNTRYSIDE COMMUNITY  
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH*



The mission of CCNW is to engage adults and youth throughout the Town of Newfane to make their neighborhoods safer, stronger and better prepared to respond to threats of crime, social disorder, terrorism, public safety and health issues and disasters of all kinds.

**Who Can Attend?** Citizens of Niagara County aged 16 and older

**Why is this Needed?** Neighborhoods that are prepared for emergencies and disaster situations save lives, reduce the severity of injuries and trauma, and reduce property damage. In addition, working together as a team and contributing as an individual develops stronger communities and improves the quality of life in the community.

## What will you Learn?

- Personal preparedness tips to help you and your family during a disaster
- Essential items to include in an Emergency Supply Kit
- How to make a Family Communication Plan
- The first Nine Steps to take immediately following a disaster to secure your home and to protect your neighborhood through Map Your Neighborhood (MYN): Building and Strengthening Disaster Readiness Among Neighbors (program developed by LuAn K. Johnson, PhD, Public Education Manager with Washington State Emergency Management)

## Presented by:



The mission of Border Community SERVICE (Special Emergency Response Volunteer Initiative for Community Empowerment) of Niagara University is to provide emergency preparedness training to citizens and to encourage their participation in opportunities that enhance regional emergency readiness.

**Each person in attendance will receive a Gift!**

**Register Online by Friday, April 13 to be entered into a Drawing: [www.niagara.edu/workshop](http://www.niagara.edu/workshop)**

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# Border Community SERVICE of Niagara University

## CERT Skills Enhancements



### **American Heart Association Heartsaver AED CPR**

Richard Silvaroli, NYS Fire Instructor, AHA Heartsaver Instructor and Volunteer Fireman with Frontier Volunteer Fire Department

Description: Heartsaver AED CPR is a classroom, video-based, instructor-led course that teaches adult and child CPR and AED use, as well as how to relieve choking.

Date/Time: Wednesday, March 28, 2012 6:00-10:00 PM (must attend all four hours)

Location: Frontier Volunteer Fire Department Fire Station and Training Center  
2179 River Road, Niagara Falls, NY 14304

Cost: \$5.00 to cover the cost of American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR AED Course Completion Card that is valid for two years

Please RSVP to Valerie Haseley, Niagara County Project Coordinator, at 205.0076 or [vhaseley@niagara.edu](mailto:vhaseley@niagara.edu) by Friday, March 23 as space is limited.

***Must be a CERT member to attend.***



### **Learn to defend yourself without becoming the aggressor! a Personal Security/Self Defense seminar**

Philip Barr, Martial Arts Instructor and Iraq War combat veteran

Description: Philip's unique, nonviolence based approach to personal security will introduce the concepts of preventative security, conflict de-escalation, and physical escape/attack survival tactics and techniques.

Date/Time: Tuesday, April 24, 2012 6:30-8:30 PM

Location: Wheatfield Youth Center, 2800 Church Road, Wheatfield (N. Tonawanda), 14120

Cost: Free

Please RSVP to Valerie Haseley, Niagara County Project Coordinator, at 205.0076 or [vhaseley@niagara.edu](mailto:vhaseley@niagara.edu) by Friday, April 20 as space is limited.