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Jefferson County Homeland Security & Emergency Management

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Jefferson LEPC to host Mass Fatalities Conference October 29-30, 2013 in Harpers Ferry

Discounted Registration for Volunteer Emergency Responders, Students, and Military Personnel

Jefferson County Local Emergency Planning Committee will host the 2013 Mass Fatalities Conference in beautiful and historic Harpers Ferry, WV on October 29-30, 2013.

This conference will bring together various disciplines from across West Virginia and our partners in Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C. to explore past incidents, discuss lessons learned and define best practices to enhance future response and decision-making in these complex disasters.

The presentations given during this conference will be led by speakers with extensive disaster response background to include United Flight 93 on 9/11, Pentagon 9/11, Hurricane Katrina, the Sago Mine disaster, the Haiti Earthquake, and the Cameron mine explosion. Registration is \$169 per person.

Discounted registration is being offered for Volunteer Emergency Responders, Military, and Students. Their registration is \$100.

Registration, hotel information, speakers bios and opportunities for both vendors and sponsors can be found on the L.E.P.C.'s conference website at : <http://jclepc.davistrainingsolutions.com/Default.aspx>

Platinum-Level Sponsor-J.H. Consulting, LLC

Platinum-Level Sponsor-Jefferson County Health Dept.

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2013 Hurricane Names

Below you will find the listing of hurricane names for the Atlantic Ocean for the year 2013. For every year, there is a pre-approved list of tropical storm and hurricane names. These lists have been generated by the National Hurricane Center since 1953. At first, the lists consisted of only female names; however, since 1979, the lists alternate between male and female. Hurricanes are named alphabetically from the list in chronological order.

Andrea
Barry
Chantal
Dorian
Erin
Fernand
Gabrielle
Humberto
Ingrid
Jerry
Karen
Lorenzo
Melissa
Nestor
Olga
Pablo
Rebekah
Sebastien
Tanya
Van
Wendy



“Get Cookin’ With Fire Safety is the 2013 National Fire Prevention Association’s Motto. Throughout the month of October, JCHSEM staff and volunteers will be presenting fire safety programs to area children’s groups, utilizing the NFPA’s activity and coloring books. Programs can be scheduled through Jessica Owens, JCHSEM’s Public Information Officer. Jessica can be reached at jowens@jeffersoncountywv.org or by calling 304-724-8914.

13th Annual Public Service Banquet

The Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce and Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races are partnering to hold the 13th Annual Public Service Banquet to honor Jefferson County Public Safety Agencies. The banquet will be held on October 22, 2013 from 6:30pm-9:00pm at Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races, 3rd Floor Skyline Terrace Charles Town, West Virginia 25414. Ticket price is \$10 per person. For information on reserving tickets, Phone 304-725-2055 or Email to info@jeffersoncountywvchamber.org. Reservations are required for this event. RSVP by October 18th.



HOLLYWOOD
Casino
AT CHARLES TOWN RACES

EOC Operations for All Hazards Course to be taught in Kearneysville by TEEX

The Texas Engineering and Extension (TEEX) will teach its Management-345 Course, EOC Operations for All Hazards on October 15-17 at 128 Industrial Blvd., Kearneysville, WV 25430. This building is the Jefferson County Maintenance Department's Training Room. The EOC Training Course offers the participant insight into and practical experience with emergency management and decision-making skills necessary to effectively manage the overall response to a large scale WMD/Terrorism incident or an All-Hazard event utilizing the Multi-Agency Coordination System (MACS). This course will develop and reinforce emergency management, situational awareness, planning, information management, resource management and decision making skills for course participants. The course adapts existing emergency management (NIMS/ICS) procedures to the unique requirements of EOC operations. Topics to include: Multi-Agency Coordination Systems (MACS) overview; MACS entities; Interrelationships; Roles and Functions of the EOC; Functional Areas; Organizational Models; Roles; Processes; Direction and Control; Information Management; Operations; Planning and Coordination; Resource Management; and Public Information Audience. This course is designed for supervisory and management personnel from all emergency response disciplines that have duties in the EOC. Participants should come from "Upper and Middle Management", i.e. Emergency Managers; First Line Supervisors; and administrators who will function as emergency coordinators/directors or emergency operations center (EOC) staff members. This course is not intended for basic firefighters, police patrol officers or EMTs. To enroll, go to <http://www.onlinelearning.wv.gov/dmapscm6> and register online. If you have questions about enrolling for the course, please contact Christian Fernley at West Virginia Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety at 304-558-5380. The course is open to Emergency Management Agencies from throughout West Virginia.

West Virginia Homeland Security Region 3 Annual TEPW (Training Exercise Planning Workshop) November at Hampshire County EOC, Romney

The creation of effective capabilities-based exercise programs begins with a multi-year training and exercise plan (TEP), which establishes overall exercise program priorities and outlines a multi-year schedule of training and exercise activities designed to address those priorities and validate core capabilities. The Training and Exercise Planning Workshop (TEPW) provides a collaborative workshop environment for Whole Community stakeholders to engage in the creation of the TEP. The TEPW also serves as a forum to coordinate training and exercise activities across organizations in order to maximize the use of resources and prevent duplication of effort. The first task of the TEPW participants is to identify factors for consideration in developing exercise program priorities. The following factors are considered: Threats and hazards, areas for improvement/capability assessments, external sources and requirements, accreditation standards, regulations, or legislative requirements. The group then links the factors to Core Capabilities. This process helps identify the areas most in need of attention. They then establish exercise program priorities that guide the overall exercise program. Finally a multi-year schedule is developed that outlines the exercises and associated training events that will address the exercise program priorities. During this phase, participants will focus on identification of potential exercises for inclusion in the multi-year schedule, identify training opportunities to support specific exercises, address areas for improvement or capability gaps or meet training requirements, and update the exercise schedule. TEPs should reflect a progressive planning approach that improves core capabilities through a series of exercises that involves an increasing level of complexity over time.

Emergency Management Assistance Company for City and County Officials Webinar on October 17



The National Emergency Management Association, with cooperation of the National League of Cities and the International City/County Management Association, will present a webinar on the Emergency Management Assistance Compact, also known as EMAC. The intended audience members are city and county officials. The speakers will discuss what EMAC is, what local officials need to know, the importance of their relationship to the state Emergency Management Agency, and how resources are adjudicated, as well as their potential as a resource provider to other states in a disaster. The main presenter will be Joyce Flinn, current EMAC Executive Task Force Chair and Readiness/Response Bureau Chief at the Iowa Homeland Security and Emergency Management Division.

After the webinar a presentation package will be available for state EMAC Coordinators and other EMA officials to use when presenting the information to local officials as a follow-up to the national webinar. The presentation package gives the states an opportunity to discuss state policies on local and private deployments, local EMA relationships, contact information, etc.

Title: EMAC Overview for City and County Officials

Date: Thursday, October 17, 2013

Time 2:00-3:00 p.m., EDT

Space on the webinar is limited. Reserve your Webinar seat now at:

<https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/236383194>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.



Monday, November 4th
Waterfront Place Hotel
Two Waterfront Place
Morgantown, West Virginia 26501

The Discover the Real West Virginia Foundation invites you to a Summit examining the state of our communications infrastructure, the progress we have made, and the work to be done to make sure every West Virginian is connected. Featured Keynotes:



U.S. Senator Jay Rockefeller
Chairman, Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission

The event combines dynamic keynote speakers with panel discussions from leading telecommunications industry executives and senior government officials on broadband deployment. The Summit will focus on how access to broadband has and continues to change every aspect of our lives - from how we teach our children, find jobs, access healthcare and other services, to growing our businesses and protecting our communities. The Summit will examine the role of the E-Rate program in transforming our schools; **the BTOP program in expanding our public safety network** and connecting our critical institutions; how the Internet is transforming small businesses; and the challenges of keeping our networks secure.

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Registration Fee: \$75.00 - includes Continental Breakfast, Lunch, Beverage Breaks, and Summit Materials.
Registration: Please complete the printable registration form and return it by mail to the address below OR go to the registration link below to register. Credit card payments are only accepted with on-line registration. Otherwise, please make checks payable to Discover the Real WV Foundation. Be sure to mail your registration form with payment to the DRWF Foundation (405 Capitol Street, Suite 512, Charleston, WV 25301).
Seating is limited. Space will be filled on a "first come, first served" basis. Registration will be closed on Thursday, October 31, 2013 or when maximum capacity is reached.
Lodging: Lodging (if needed) is the responsibility of the registrant. To reserve a room at the Waterfront Place Hotel in Morgantown, West Virginia, please call (304) 296-1700.
A block of rooms is available at the rate of \$109.00 per night (plus taxes) until October 11, 2013. Please reference "Broadband Summit". For more information, go to: <http://www.drwvfoundation.org/events/broadband-summit/>

2013 Exercises

February 27-Concept and Operations Meeting for the 2013 WV Homeland Security Region 3 Exercises-Ponderosa in Moorefield.

March 25-Tabletop Exercise, Operation Newton, AT the Veteran's Administration in Martinsburg

April 4-Full Scale Exercise, Operation Newton, Veteran's Administration, Martinsburg.

April 8-Mini Exercises at the Jefferson County Health Department with School Nurses.

April 26-Jefferson County Local Emergency Planning Committee's Tabletop Exercise.

June 26 WV Homeland Security Region 3 Tabletop Exercise at James Rumsey in Berkeley County.

August 9-WV Homeland Security Region 3 Functional Exercise, Hampshire County-Augusta.

September 14-WV Homeland Security Region 3 Full Scale Exercise-Throughout the Region.

Photos from the SAT-DOWN Exercises



Jefferson County Homeland Security and Emergency Management-Committees

Steering Committee, John Sherwood, Chair

The Steering Committee works with the JCHSEM Director to guide the activities of JCHSEM. A fourteen-member Steering Committee is made up of public and private representation. JCHSEM is a Department within the Jefferson County Commission, who has overall responsibility for the department and its employees. The Jefferson County Commission appoints all members to the steering committee. This committee meets on the 4th Tuesday of February, March, May, June, August, September and holds a Nov/Dec meeting at 9:00 a.m. in the JCHSEM EOC at 28 Industrial Blvd., Kearneysville, unless otherwise announced. The Quarterly Partnership meetings held in January, April, July, and October also serve as the Steering Committee meetings for those months.

Public Awareness, Education and Training Committee, Kelly Parsons, Chair

Any interested person can serve on this committee. The Public Awareness, Education and Training Committee is responsible to communicate the organization's activities to the public and to build support for JCHSEM's programs. They work with the Director and other staff to keep the entire community focused on the objectives of JCHSEM, the opportunities for additional involvement and support by updating citizens and businesses about what the partners are doing and how the community will and is benefiting from these efforts. Additionally, they are responsible to assist the program manager in setting up speaking engagements and public awareness events. This committee meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month except December at 9:00 a.m. in the EOC at 28 Industrial Blvd., Kearneysville unless otherwise announced.

Partnership and Volunteer Development Committee, Holly Morgan-Frye, Chair

Any interested person can serve on this committee. The Partnership Development committee assists the staff in identification and recruitment of potential partners and what they have to offer in community preparedness. This committee will be responsible for activities to promote partnership or membership development and recruitment of volunteers. This committee meets quarterly in the EOC at 28 Industrial Blvd., Kearneysville, unless otherwise announced. at 8:30 a.m. on the last Monday of January, April, July and October.

Risk Assessment and Mitigation Planning Committee, Jeff Jefferies, Chair

Any interested person may serve on this committee. The Risk Assessment/Mitigation Planning Committee will examine the community's risks and vulnerability to all hazards and assess the community's vulnerability to those risks. Additionally, they will look at specific buildings, infrastructure, etc. to determine which are most susceptible to risks. A Risk Assessment and Mitigation Plan was completed and adopted by the Jefferson County Commission, all Jefferson County municipalities, WVHSEM, and Federal Emergency Management Agency in July, 2003. The plan was updated in 2008. The 2013 Plan was approved by WVDHSEM and FEMA in June, 2013. This committee meets on an "as needed basis". Please call the office at 728-3329 for exact dates and times.

Counter Terrorism Committee, Barbara Miller, Director, Chair

Membership to this sub-committee of the Risk Assessment and Mitigation Planning Committee is limited to members of law enforcement, emergency management, homeland security, emergency communications, Red Cross, schools, health care, fire companies, ambulance authority/EMS, and government, due to sensitive homeland security issues. The committee works on issues of planning and training for counter terrorism or human-caused disasters. Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the EOC at 28 Industrial Blvd., Kearneysville, unless otherwise announced.

If you are interested in joining any of our committees, contact either bmiller@jeffersoncountywv.org or tmehling@jeffersoncountywv.org

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PUBLIC SAFETY; PUBLIC TRUST

The Jefferson County Commission's Homeland Security and Emergency Management Department is responsible for the coordination of preparedness, planning, response, recovery and mitigation of disasters and large emergencies in Jefferson County, West Virginia. Volunteer and community participation is encouraged and welcome. We currently have committees on Risk Assessment and Mitigation Planning; Public Awareness, Education and Training; Counter Terrorism; Partnership Development and Retention; and a Steering Committee that acts as an advisory group. We are responsible for the Citizen Corps/CERT, StormReady, Community Rating System, Resilient Neighbor Network and Project Impact programs. JCHSEM is also responsible for the Jefferson County R.A.C.E.S group.



Meetings & Events

October, 2013 FIRE SAFETY MONTH

2-Counter Terrorism Committee Meeting at 1400 hours at Jefferson County EOC

2-LEPC Meeting at 1500 hours at Jefferson County EOC

3-Ham Radio Testing-1730 at Jefferson County EOC

6-9 State Interoperable Radio Network Workshop-Camp Dawson

9 Public Awareness, Education, and Training Committee Meeting at 0900 hours at Jefferson County EOC

10-LEPC Meeting at Noon at Quality Inn & Conference Center

14-Columbus Day Holiday-Office is Closed

15-17-TEEX Emergency Operations Center Training at Jefferson County Maintenance Dept. (Registration at CourseMill)

18-LEPC Meeting at Noon at Quality Inn & Conference Center

22-Social Media Training at Jefferson County Maintenance Dept. (Must register through CourseMill)

22 Thirteen Annual Public Safety Banquet at Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races. \$10 per person

23-LEPC Meeting at Noon at the Quality Inn & Conference Center

29-30-LEPC's Mass Fatalities Conference in Harpers Ferry. Must pre-register to attend. \$169 registration; \$100 for Volunteer Emergency Responders, Military, and Students.