



NORTH ROYALTON CERT
Community Emergency Response Team
13834 Ridge Road, North Royalton, Ohio 44133-4896

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NEWSLETTER

NEXT GENERAL MEETING **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2008**

I hope everyone is having a pleasant and safe summer. The next General NR CERT meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 3, 2008 in the North Royalton High School Performing Arts Center at 7:00 PM. Following the General Meeting, the Divisions will have their separate meetings. Please mark your calendar for this meeting and plan to attend. Please check the NR CERT website for details of NR CERT Activities. The website is: www.northroyaltoncert.org.

Please *save these dates* for these upcoming CERT Events:

August, 22-- 24, 2008, North Royalton Homecoming. Plan to assist at a community table during the Homecoming and participate in the **parade on the Sunday** of Homecoming. This is a good opportunity to improve our community relations.

September 4, 2008 at 6:30 PM, the Cuyahoga County Citizens Corps Council has invited all Cuyahoga County CERT members to a picnic to be held at the Ottawa Picnic area at the Cleveland Metroparks in Brecksville, Ohio. Please advise your division leader if you plan to attend.

September 27, 2008 at 8:30 AM there will be a NR CERT Exercise. The location and details of the exercise will be announced closer to the exercise. Plan to participate in this exercise which will be concluded by noon.

November 19, 2008 at 7:00PM will be another NR CERT General Meeting held at the North Royalton High School in the PAC.

Reverse 911. The Reverse 911 system is now up and operating. The “primary” telephone numbers for all CERT members have been added to the North Royalton reverse 911 telephone system. This system will be used to send emergency messages to CERT members when they are to be activated by the Fire Department. We will be trying out the system with test messages for the CERT members and will be interested to find out if you are receiving CERT calls. The system will call your primary phone number with a message. If there is an answering machine attached to your phone, the system will leave the message on your answering machine.

City Wide 911 Alerts. The Reverse 911 alert system will be used in the event that the entire city or portions of the city need to be alerted to an emergency situation. The CERT Operations and Planning Division will be working on a plan for such contingencies. Please advise Iris at City Hall if you would be interested in working on this plan.

FEMA Training. There are still members who need to complete their basic FEMA training. Lt. Chegan is working on dates for the training. If you are still in need of this training, please notify Iris at City Hall so that we can make arrangements for you to receive your training. The training is extremely useful in that you will learn how all of the emergency agencies work together in emergency situations. To fit in, you need to know what is expected from you.

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Please note – Iris will be on vacation from September 2, returning on Monday, September 15. If you need to speak with anyone, please contact your division leader. Thank you.