



**American
Red Cross**

Frederick County Chapter

Emergency Services News



May 2008

The required training courses for DAT members are listed below. If you are interested in DAT membership, or are a current DAT member who needs to update their training please pay particular attention to the training listed. (Advance registration is required.)

For additional training information visit the chapter web site at www.frederickredcross.org or contact Mary Morgan for information and to register.

UPCOMING TRAINING DATES:

Logistics Overview

*Wednesday, May 7, 2008
6:00 – 900 p.m.*

Foundations of Disaster Mental Health

*Friday, May 9, 2008
8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.*

Shelter Simulation

*Wednesday, May 21, 2008
6:00 – 9:30 p.m.*

Introduction to Disaster Services Fulfilling Our Mission

*Wednesday, May 28, 2008
6:00 – 9:30 p.m.*

Humanity in the Midst of War: Understanding International Humanitarian Law

*Sat., May 31, 2008
9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.*

Volunteer Opportunities

Please consider the following Frederick Red Cross opportunities.

- Deliver Renters Insurance/Fire Safety brochures to pre identified apartment managers
- Invite middle school area children to attend Red Cross "The Amazing Race" summer youth camp

*Contact Mary Morgan directly
mmorgan@frederickredcross.org
to assist or get further information.*

May Emergency Services Meeting

Monday, May 12, 2008

6:00 p.m. – Dinner

6:30 p.m. – ES Meeting

Topic: Safe Food Handling for Frederick Volunteers

The May Emergency Services meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 12, 2008.

Welcome to our new volunteers. We encourage you to attend these monthly meetings. No training or experience is required for attendance. Disaster response is a group effort and it is important you have met your fellow volunteers and share the same training background.

Please email Vickie Gregory at txracemom@aol.com to R.S.V.P. for dinner.

RIDE FOR THE RED

Kudos to Bruce Ivins, Leah Fleming, Sun and Chris Cason, Betty Mitchell, Marilyn Wright, and Pat and Vickie Gregory who took time out of their schedules on Saturday, April 26 to help with the "Ride for the Red" motorcycle rally. Disaster volunteers served coffee, water, sodas and snacks to 35 riders that stopped at our chapter as part of their ride through Maryland. (Special thanks to Integrity and Harley-Davidson of Frederick for providing the snacks and beverages!)

The "Ride for the Red" was sponsored by Maryland Red Cross chapters. The route began at the Lower Shore Chapter in Salisbury, Maryland and continued to Baltimore, Frederick, and Hagerstown, with a final destination at Rock Gap State Park in Flintstone, Maryland.

Riders were greeted at the Frederick County line by a Maryland State Police escort, who brought the group to the chapter down Rt. 26 to Walkersville. People lined the sidewalks clapping and cheering the group on as it made its way to the chapter.

It was another opportunity for volunteers to join together as a team and support the Chapter. Look for this event again next year to participate as a rider, passenger, or volunteer!



Woodsboro Memorial Day Parade

Sunday, May 25th at 1:00 p.m.
"A Tribute to Veterans".

Drivers and riders are needed for the Red Cross vehicle to participate in the parade. If you are an approved driver, or would be willing to be a rider, please email directly - Mary Morgan.
mmorgan@frederickredcross.org

This parade is a great opportunity to support our veterans on Memorial Day while representing the Red Cross.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

VOLUNTEER PICNIC CELEBRATION

Monday, July 14, 2008
(Details will be provided at a later date)

Contact Us:

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301-662-5131

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DSHR Updates Scheduled

The update of all DSHR (Disaster Services Human Resources) paperwork will be continued at the May meeting for anyone that was unable last month's meeting. This will include an opportunity for your health status to be reviewed and discussed if necessary with our health reviewers.

Services to Armed Forces (SAF)

We are currently in need of Services to Armed Forces (SAF) volunteers. SAF caseworkers handle the emergency communications between the serviceperson's family and their military command during the times the Chapter is closed. Caseworkers receive detailed training and on-going support from the Emergency Services staff. For anyone who is interested please email Mike Telliard at telliard@hoyleinc.com. If you have any additional questions you may call our office at 301-662-5131.

CROSSNET ACCESS

CROSSNET is the internal Red Cross web site. All emergency services volunteers are encouraged to visit CROSSNET regularly for updates on the American Red Cross. Additionally, in the event of a disaster CROSSNET is the location for many of the update forms/reports used by disaster services.

Remember if you are having technical problems accessing CROSSNET you must contact the help desk. The Frederick County Chapter can not solve technical problems with CROSSNET this includes lost/forgotten pass word issues.

THANK YOU!

TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS FOR YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION OF TIME IN SUPPORTING OUR CHAPTER—YOU MAKE IT ALL POSSIBLE.