Chatham CERT

General Meeting
February 27, 2019

Agenda

- Introductions

  Please fill out contact form with name, email, cell phone & cell provider, plus ham callsign if you have one

- Chatham CERT Mission

- Gear

- Upcoming meetings & classes

- Tonight's meeting

Chatham CERT Mission

 The Chatham Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) delivers education and training for Chatham County residents on **emergency and disaster preparedness**, and <u>when activated</u>, supports, to the extent of their training, Chatham County emergency response under the direction of Chatham County Emergency Management officials and local incident commanders.

Forms in the back of the room

CERT Application

Name and contact information

Background and any past training

Photo release

Background check release

CHATHAM CERT
COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

Chatham County, NC
CERT Program
Membership Application

The following information is required – please print legibly!
When completed, turn in to an officer at any Chatham CERT meeting or submit to ChathamCERT@Outlook.com.

Full Name _____

Home Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Neighborhood / Subdivision _____

Email Address _____

Home Phone _____   Emergency Contact Information

Cell Phone _____   Name _____

Cell Provider _____   Relationship _____

HAM Callsign/ID _____   Phone _____

I am currently or was formerly:
- ☐ Military
- ☐ Medically Trained
- ☐ Fire Department
- ☐ Law Enforcement

FEMA Training ID _____

I have completed/taken the following:
- ☐ NC-317 CERT Basic Training Class (Classroom)
- ☐ IS-317 Introduction to CERT (Online)
- ☐ ICS-100 Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS)
- ☐ ICS-200 ICS for Single Resources & Initial Action Incidents
- ☐ ICS-700 National Incident Management System (NIMS) An Introduction
- ☐ ICS-800 National Response Framework, an Introduction

List here skills you feel you will bring to Chatham CERT, other CERT programs you have participated in, or requirements for accommodations. If there is insufficient space here, indicate below and continue on the reverse.

☐ Continued on reverse

As a CERT member you may be asked to work in situations which expose you to confidential data and/or exposed to confidential data or property. If you do not wish to have a free background check performed, skip this section. A background check will be required for some duties and offices.

Driver License # _____   Date of Birth _____

I give permission for any still image (photography) or video footage in which I may appear to be used for whatever purpose is deemed appropriate. I do this voluntarily and with the understanding there is no remuneration. In addition, I release any involved agencies and/or jurisdictions from any liability related to my participation in CERT activities including training, deployment, or other CERT related activities. I hereby certify the information I have provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my ability.

Signature _____   Date _____

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Members

Everyone is Welcome at our Meetings!

CERT Associate Member
- Lives or works within Chatham County, and
- Completes CERT Basic Training Class (NC-317), and
- Has approved CERT vest, and
- Attends at least 2 Chatham CERT events, training classes, or meetings per year.

CERT Team Member (in addition to Associate Member requirements)
- Has basic CERT deployment equipment, and
- Passes a Chatham County CERT background check, and
- Obtains First Aid / CPR / AED training, and
- Completes FEMA training IS.100, IS.200, IS.700, and IS.800 training, and
- Additional training as required for specific tasks, and
- Attends at least 4 Chatham CERT events, training classes, or meetings per year.

CERT Emergency Responder (in addition to Team Member requirements)
- At least three additional focused training classes, or
- Advanced first aid training, advanced SAR, HAM radio, veterinary response, or related training/certification to support to first responders

CERT Startup - Gear

- Standard vest for CERT participants: everyone buys their own '**Deluxe CERT vest – fitted with pockets and reflective stripes**' for $13.88 from www.sosproducts.com

- Optional shirt and cap (can order)
  - Not required but nice items when dealing with the community

Training & Meetings

Recent

- January (Run-Hide-Fight!)

Tonight

- Critical Incident Stress Management

Upcoming

- March – CERT community outreach
- April – Preparing your home and neighborhood for wildfire

CERT Basic Courses

- March 2019: Lee County
- April 2019: Wake County
- April 2019: Apex County
- TBD: Chatham County

Sign up at TERMS NC Training / Exercise / Response Management System

https://terms.ncem.org/TRS/

Personal Awareness Color Codes

White: relaxed and unaware of what is going on around you. This is sitting at home, doors locked, and quietly watching TV. Think 'preoccupied' or 'daydreaming'.

Yellow: relaxed, but aware of who and what is around you. If you are outside your home, you should start in condition Yellow. Pay attention to sights and sounds wherever you are at - in your home, or out in society. Be aware of what is happening. Make eye contact with strangers. Know the nearest exits. Run through 'what-if' scenarios' in your mind. Think 'alert but not paranoid'.

Orange: you have noticed something that may or may not prove to be a threat. Remain very alert and be aware of your entire surroundings. Think 'something is not right'. In this state you are anticipating a bad situation, and you should be planning to respond.

Red: you have identified a real threat. Be ready to 'Run-Hide-Fight' and take decisive action.

Being aware of your surroundings and avoiding areas where incidents may occur helps us stay out of condition Red.

Tree Cleanup and Chainsaw Safety

NC Cooperative Extension, Chatham County Center is offering a free lecture *Tree Cleanup and Chainsaw Safety for Disaster Relief* on **Wednesday, March 6 from 6:00-8:00 pm** at the Chatham County Agriculture and Conference Center (1192 US 64W BUS) in Pittsboro. This training will target workers and employers providing skilled support services, site clean-up services, and recovery activities. This includes workers in the tree care industries, landscape industry, grounds and maintenance, and **volunteers who clean up after the storm damaged trees**. Topics include OSHA regulations, insect bites and stings, electrical/electrocution hazards, hand and power tools, slips, trips, and falls, and other related topics (personal protective equipment (PPE), equipment inspection, safe carry, and safe start).

For more information, contact Matt Jones (matt_jones@ncsu.edu).
Register online:
https://go.ncsu.edu/chathamchainsaw

RARSFest

What: The 47th Annual **RARSfest convention**

Where: North Carolina State Fairground (Jim Graham Building)

When: April 20th, 2019 8 am to 3 pm

How: Tickets are currently on sale www.rarsfest.org and at RARSfest

Why: great deals on used amateur radio equipment

Shearon Harris Exercise

CERT Support

Assist with EOC operations and other areas TBD

AUXCOMM Support

Provide backup communications from EOC and other areas TBD

Minimum requirements

- Possess Chatham CERT badge (approved application and badge picture)
- Completed ICS 100, 200, 700, 800
- Participate in Rehearsal prior to Exercise

Additional CERT requirements

- Possess CERT vest
- Desired: completion of CERT basic course

Additional AUXCOMM requirements

- Amateur Radio license
- Completion of Chatham AUXCOMM Training

Tentative dates

- Rehearsal: Thursday, March 14
- Exercise with FEMA: Tuesday, April 30

CERT Alerts

The first notification sent out through Chatham County CodeRED system, then:

- Check CERT website
- Check Chatham Co Emergency Ops Twitter and Facebook
- Chatham CERT Zello channel

- CERT requests for volunteers and additional information will be on the CERT website at **http://www.chathamcert.org**

Social media

Chatham CERT Website:
http://www.chathamcert.org

Chatham CERT Twitter: **@CertChatham**

Chatham CERT Facebook: **@ChathamCERT**

Questions?