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Greene County, Missouri

(417) 868-4112

Greene County Commission Commission Briefing Minutes

Friday, July 2, 2021

9:00 AM

Commission Conference Room
1443 N. Robberson, 10th Floor

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PLEASE BE AWARE: Cox Health has adopted a universal masking policy for all their properties. Masks are to be worn entering and exiting their facilities and medical office buildings as well as when in any interior common areas such as a lobby, hallway, shared bathroom, elevator, and stairwell.

Attendees: Bob Dixon, Rusty MacLachlan, Chris Coulter, Megan Applegate and

Teleconference Attendees: John Russell, Jim Arnott, Justin Hill, Cindy Stein, Andrea Stewart, Kris Inman, Mike Cagle, Larry Woods, Tina Phillips, Allen Icet and Justin Hill.

Informational Items

Health Department-Jon Mooney

- COVID-19 update 126 cases for 7 day average
- 173 currently hospitalized with COVID-19, younger individuals now being hospitalized. Most people hospitalized have not been vaccinated. Typically anyone who has been hospitalized and had the vaccine are immune compromised.
- 39% fully vaccinated in Greene County.

(EX1) Office of Emergency Management-Larry Woods

- Highlighted exhibit.

E-911-Kris Inman

- Staff update.
- Upcoming grant application.

Other:

With no other business the meeting was adjourned.

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Informational Items

Health Department

Office of Emergency Management

E-911

Items for Consideration and Action by the Commission

Discussion and Possible Vote: CARES Reserve Fund

Other:



June Monthly Report

Noteworthy Accomplishments:

- Provided tour of PSC to the Branson City Manager.
- Staff is participating in detailed tours of multiple City Utilities facilities in order to gain an understanding of both their COOP implementation, but also their overall capabilities

Administrative:

- Conducted several meetings and calls regarding the State's cutting of EMPG operational funding
- Provide EMPG briefing to the leadership of the Missouri Emergency Management Association
- Participated in FEMA Assessment Planning airport orientation

Operations:

- Provided PSC or newly promoted Springfield Fire Battalion Chief
- Several staff attended BNSF Springfield Hazmat exercise
- Conducted two EOC Level 3 activations in association with severe weather incident

Planning:

- Worked with COAD and other stakeholders to update Springfield-Greene County Recovery Plan. Updates and rewrites remain in progress.
- Created Continuity of Operation (COOP) presentation for county offices
- Collected existing COOP plans for Springfield and County offices.
- Built COOP educational materials and distributed them to city and county offices. County-wide presentation scheduled for July 27. COOP updates remain in progress.
- Participated in Ozarks Empire fair public safety planning meeting.
- Worked with OEM and public safety partners to build Honda Gold Wing Event Emergency Action Plan (EAP).
- Participated in FEMA-sponsored airport assessment planning meeting
- Continued collaboration with COAD for the Springfield-Greene County Pre-Disaster Recovery Plan rewrite
- Continued reformat/rewrite of Walnut Grove and Springfield Public Schools Emergency Operations Plans
- Conducted special event planning for GWRRA Wing Ding, OEF, Light the Way, Route 66 Festival
- Began emergency operations plan (EOP) review prep
- Assisted PIO with podcast preparation
- Assisted City/County Planner with position responsibilities
- Assisted Admin. Coordinator & Manager with SOG/SOP Template

Public Affairs and Partner Relations:

- Provided OEM overview presentation to the Springfield Leadership-ACCESS class at the Oasis Hotel.
- Completed all required annual training
- In the process of updating/editing OEM website
- Branded new OEM Podcast *Hometown Ready*, and prepared recording studio equipment in preparation for recording first podcast series
- Created 50 social media posts on multiple OEM platforms



June Monthly Report

Education, Training, & Exercises:

- Updated staff member training files to include several EMPG required courses and others
- Updated EMPG Required Training Chart
- Several staff attended mandatory training:
 - ♦ G191-ICS/EOC Interface Workshop course
 - ♦ NIMS-400 Incident Management course
 - ♦ MGT-405 Mobilizing Faith-Based Community Organizations in Preparing for Disaster
 - ♦ IS-102 Preparing for Federal Disaster Operations: FEMA Response Partners
 - ♦ NWS Summer Forecast Expectations Climate Update webinar
- Training newsletter emailed to partners and began to create the July training newsletter
- Operation: Sling Blade - Full-Scale Airport Exercise, continuing to work on after-action report
- Facilitated monthly Greene County CERT meeting

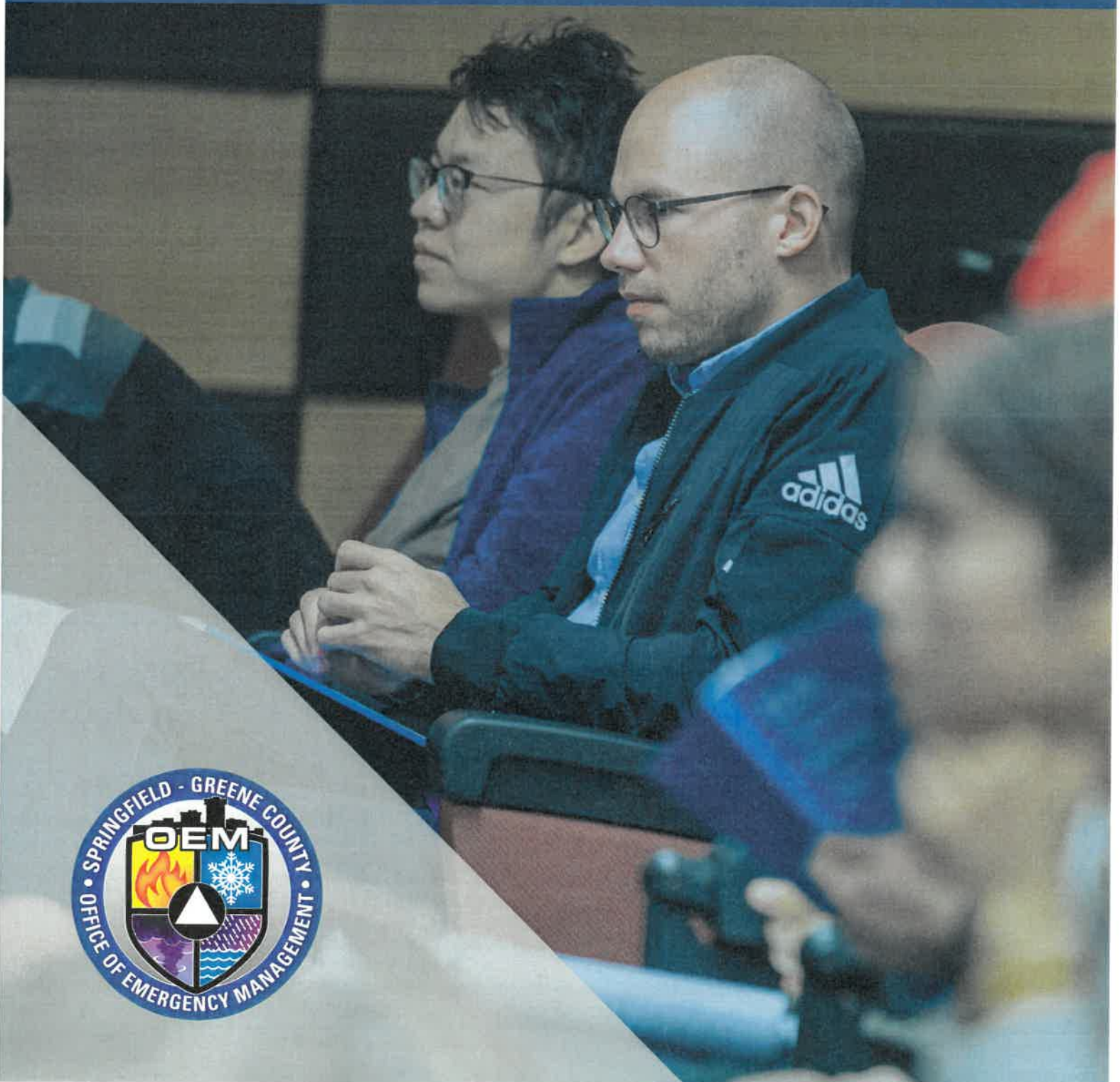
Logistics and Technology:

- Coordinated annual service for Skylab generator and PSC generator
- Completed monthly underground storage tank walkthrough inspection
- Facilitated maintenance, cleaning and updating of deployment room equipment
- Cleaned and prepped the CART Trailer for deployment to the upcoming CERT Conference
- Demobilized PPE material and equipment from the Jordan Valley Clinic

SPRINGFIELD-GREENE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT THE TRAINING TIMES

OEM's Training & Exercise Newsletter

July 2021





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FEATURED TRAINING
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FEATURED TRAINING

PER211 – Medical Management of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear & Explosive (CBRNE) Events

Sponsoring Agencies



Course Description

Participants completing this program will be able to properly perform patient triage, decontamination, treatment, and transportation in the event of exposure to chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosive (CBRNE) weapons. The course consists of facilitated discussions, small group exercises, hands-on activities, and task-oriented practical applications. Course participants will use both state-of-the-art adult and pediatric human patient simulators to promote critical thinking skills while utilizing the RAPID – Care concept.

Delivery

Classroom

Location

Christian County Planning and Development Building
 1106 W. Jackson
 Ozark, MO 65721

Times

September 7-8, 2021
 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Max Attendance

30

POST Approved

Yes

Target Audience

Public Health, Public Safety Communications (911), Security and Safety, Emergency Medical Services (EMS), HAZMAT, Law Enforcement, Emergency Management, Fire, First Responders, Medical (Hospital), and Emergency Management Director

Prerequisites

N/A

Registration Info: <https://sematraining.com/courses/42/offerings/7986>




All URLs are active links. All agency logos are active links. Please report any broken or non-existent links.


Courses are color-coded according to their targeted discipline, but are not exclusive to those disciplines unless otherwise stated.


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| Fire/EMS |
| Law Enforcement |
| Emergency Management |
| All |

This is not an all-inclusive list from the identified sponsoring agencies. Refer to their respective websites for a list of all training opportunities.

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| Class # / Title: | MERC057 – Hazmat Rapid Sizeup for the First Due | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 7, 2021 | 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Monett South Park Casino (Monett, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/1725/offerings/8070 | | |
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| Class # / Title: | G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 7-8, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Columbia Fire Training Academy (Columbia, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8059 | | |
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| Class # / Title: | MERC043 – Anhydrous Ammonia Awareness | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 9, 2021 | 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Joplin Public Safety Training Facility (Joplin, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/228/offerings/8067 | | |
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| Class # / Title: | MERC057 – Hazmat Rapid Sizeup for the First Due | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 10, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Joplin Public Safety Training Facility (Joplin, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/1725/offerings/8068 | | |
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| Class # / Title: | Missouri Motor Vehicle Law | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 12, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Public Safety Center (Bolivar, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://www.mssu.edu/academics/law-enforcement/ceu-training-dates.php | | |



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| Class # / Title: | AWR376-V – Understanding Targeted Cyber Attacks | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 13-14, 2021 | 9:00 am – 1:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Virtual Instructor-Led Course | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/1641/offerings/8127 | | |



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| Class # / Title: | E0172 – Hazus for Flooding | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 19-22, 2021 | CEUs: 2.8 | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Emergency Management Institute (Emmitsburg, MD) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://training.fema.gov/emigrams/2021/1651%20-%20training%20opportunity%20-%20e0172%20hazus%20for%20flood%20fy21(july).pdf?d=4/13/2021 | | |



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| Class # / Title: | Criminal Investigation | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 19-23, 2021 | 22 hours of Technical Studies 3 hours of Legal Studies | 2 hours of Skill Development 4 hours of Interpersonal Perspectives |
| LOCATION: | MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | http://www.msdp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2021CriminalInvestigation.html | | |



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| Class # / Title: | G300 - ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 21-23, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Hampton Inn St. Robert (St. Robert, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/29/offerings/8000 | | |





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| Class # / Title: | MERC019 – Chemical Suicide: Information for Emergency Responders | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 26, 2021 | 6:30 pm – 10:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Cooper County Fire District Station 1 (Boonville, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/21/offerings/8138 | | |



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| Class # / Title: | G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | July 29-30, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Hannibal Fire Department – Station 1 (Hannibal, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8109 | | |



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| Class # / Title: | Basic Narcotics Investigation | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 2 – 6, 2021 | <i>25 hours of Technical Studies</i> <i>11 hours of Legal Studies</i> | <i>2 hours of Skill Development</i> <i>2 hours of Interpersonal Perspectives</i> |
| LOCATION: | MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2020BasicNarcoticsInvestigation1.html | | |



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| Class # / Title: | Beyond Protocols: Responding to Child Abuse in a Multi-Disciplinary Setting | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 3, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Mid-States Organized Crime Information Center (Springfield, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://www.prosecutors.mo.gov/files/2021-08-03%20Beyond%20Protocols%20Training-MOCIC(1).pdf | | |



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| Class # / Title: | Vehicle Search & Seizure | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 6, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Lawrence County Sheriff's Office (Mt. Vernon, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://www.mssu.edu/academics/law-enforcement/ceu-training-dates.php | | |






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| Class # / Title: | Crime Scene Investigation | | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 9-13, 2021 | 22 hours of Technical Studies 6 hours of Skill Development | 3 hours of Legal Studies | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO) | | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2021CrimeSceneInvestigation.html | | | |




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| Class # / Title: | Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 16-27, 2021 | <i>Continuing Education Hours: TBD</i> | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | <i>MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO)</i> | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2021DRE.html | | |



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| Class # / Title: | G191-V - ICS/EOC Interface Workshop (APS Required Course) | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 17-18, 2021 | 8:30 am – 12:30 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Virtual Instructor-Led Course | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/1703/offerings/8120 | | |





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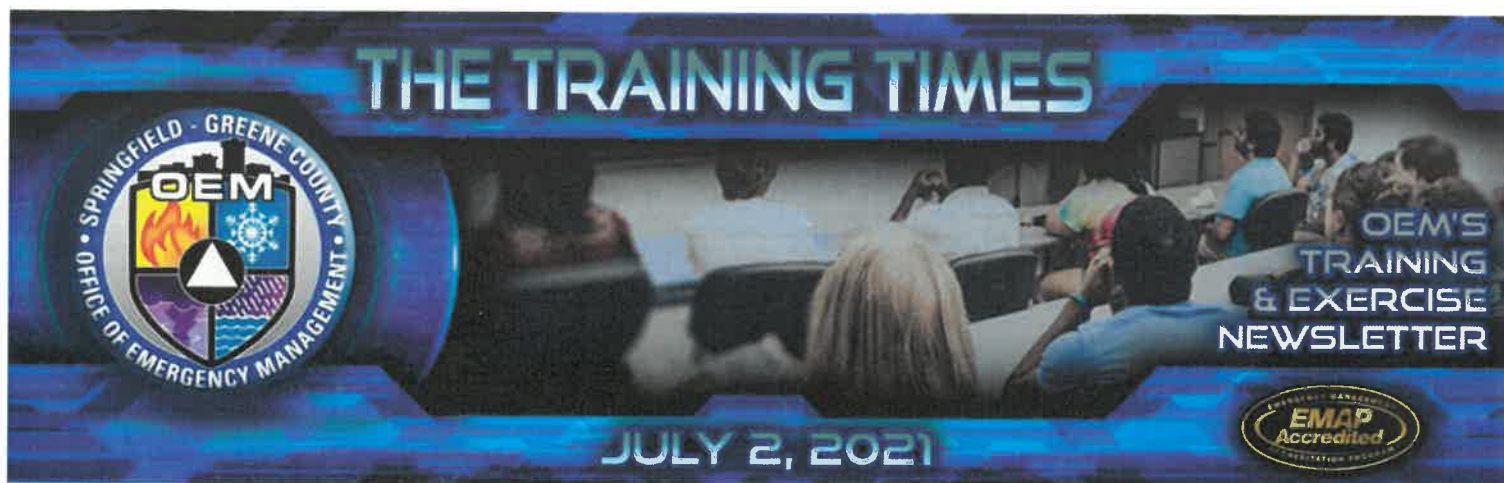
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| Class # / Title: | Beyond the Ticket | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 20, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Lawrence County Sheriff's Office (Mt. Vernon, MO) | |  |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://www.mssu.edu/academics/law-enforcement/ceu-training-dates.php | | |



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| Class # / Title: | MERC034 – Handling Propane Gas Emergencies | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 21, 2021 | 1:00 pm – 9:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Dade County EOC (Greenfield, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/92/offerings/8123 | | |







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| Class # / Title: | G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 24-25, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Cape Girardeau, MO | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8017 | | |



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| Class # / Title: | MGT452 – Physical and Cybersecurity for Critical Infrastructure | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | August 31, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Christian County Planning and Development Building (Ozark, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/1167/offerings/7988 | | |



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| Class # / Title: | PER211 – Medical Management of Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear & Explosive (CBRNE) Events | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | September 7-8, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Christian County Planning and Development Building (Ozark, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/42/offerings/7986 | | |




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| Class # / Title: | G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | September 8-9, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | Hampton Inn (St. Robert / Ft. Leonard Wood) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8001 | | |





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| Class # / Title: | Occupant Kinematics in Crash Investigation | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | September 13-15, 2021 | CEUs: To be determined | Sponsoring Agencies |
| LOCATION: | MSHP Law Enforcement Academy (Jefferson City, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | http://www.mshp.dps.missouri.gov/MSHPWeb/PatrolDivisions/TND/2020OccupantKinematics.html | | |







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| Class # / Title: | AWR311-V – Small Vessel Security for Rural Communities | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | September 16-17, 2021 | 8:30 am – 12:30 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Virtual Instructor-Led Course | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/1782/offerings/8130 | | |
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| Class # / Title: | MERC051 – MC 306 Rollover | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | September 18, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Buffalo City Fire Station (Buffalo, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/254/offerings/8066 | | |
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| Class # / Title: | G271-V – Hazardous Weather & Flooding Preparedness (APS Elective Course) | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | September 21-24, 2021 | 8:00 am – 12:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Virtual Instructor-Led Course | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/1704/offerings/8128 | | |
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| Class # / Title: | G300 - ICS-300: Intermediate Incident Command System | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | September 24-26, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | West Plains Civic Center (West Plains, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/29/offerings/8079 | | |
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| Class # / Title: | G400 – ICS 400: Advanced Incident Command System | | |
| DATE(S) / TIMES: | September 29-30, 2021 | 8:00 am – 5:00 pm | <i>Sponsoring Agencies</i> |
| LOCATION: | Mosaic Life Care Foundation Building - EmpowerU (St. Joseph, MO) | | |
| REGISTRATION INFO: | https://sematraining.com/courses/18/offerings/8086 | | |
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WEBINARS

WEBINAR: ENGAGING PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

DATE(S)/TIME(S): July 22, 2021

SPEAKER(S): **DSDS HCBS Senior Project Manager Terry Black** will offer tips and strategies for better communication and engagement when working with persons with disabilities.

ABOUT THIS WEBINAR: The webinar is free of charge to prosecutors, prosecution office staff, law enforcement officers, victim advocates, adult protective services, department of mental health, probation officers, juvenile officers, juvenile court staff attorneys, children's division, medical professionals and children's advocacy center staff. All other similarly allied professionals must obtain prior approval from webinar organizers.

Please contact catherine.vannier@prosecutors.mo.gov if you are not a member of one of the above listed professions.

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://www.prosecutors.mo.gov/files/2021-07-22%20Invite.pdf>



WEBINAR: CIVILIAN RESCUE: The Reason We Exist

DATE(S)/TIME(S): July 27, 2021 12:00 pm (CDT)

Fire Engineering

SPEAKER(S): **ANTHONY KASTROS**, a 33-year veteran of the fire service, is a retired battalion chief with the Sacramento (CA) Metro Fire Department and the owner of Trainfirefighters.com. He is the author of Mastering the Fire Service Assessment Center, 2nd Edition; the video series Mastering Fireground Command-Calming the Chaos! and the video Mastering Unified Command (Fire Engineering). He was the keynote speaker for FDIC 2013 and the 2019 George D. Post Instructor of the Year. He teaches command, tactics, leadership, promotion, and officer development to fire departments throughout America.

BRIAN BRUSH, a 20-year veteran of the fire service, is a Training Division sergeant at Edmond (OK) Fire Rescue. He has a bachelor's degree in fire and emergency services administration and a Fire Officer designation from CPSE. He instructs on a national level and writes for Fire Engineering.

ABOUT THIS WEBINAR: This webcast emphasizes the need to refocus the fire service on civilian rescue. The fire service has done a great job of emphasizing the need for firefighter safety, especially over the past 25 years. Rapid intervention, two out, the 16 Firefighter Life Safety Initiatives, Project Mayday, and many other efforts have been a critical part of the overall firefighter safety enterprise. These groundbreaking efforts have undoubtedly saved firefighter lives.

The time has come to place an equal emphasis on civilian rescue, including quantitative and qualitative data collection, tactical considerations, and command techniques that can increase our success rate toward civilian rescue. We will look at the latest statistical data regarding civilian rescue and how this awareness may increase emphasis and training culture toward the civilian victim.

REGISTRATION INFO: <https://www.fireengineering.com/webcasts/civilian-rescue-the-reason-we-exist/>



TRAINING SPOTLIGHT

BNSF RAILYARD EMERGENCY

On June 2nd, 2021 members of the Springfield Fire Department Hazardous Materials team observed a hazardous materials exercise at BNSF railway. This exercise included all employees at BNSF, members of their regional Haz-Mat response team, BNSF Police, and representatives from the Greene County Office of Emergency Management.

The scenario originated from an actual event that occurred two years ago at the Springfield Terminal when a large tanker car carrying ethylene oxide had tipped on its side. Fortunately, the tanker was not breached and no product had spilled. The BNSF Haz-Mat team from Kansas City responded that morning and off-loaded the product to another tanker car without any problems. Springfield Fire Haz-Mat team was on site monitoring the scene should the incident escalate.



Springfield Fire Haz-Mat Response Team

The exercise included the activation of BNSF's alerting system, and evacuation of employees to predetermined areas of refuge in a timely manner. Video monitoring and radio communications were observed from the command post located in the BNSF headquarters conference room.

Members in the command post discussed the inter-action of local responders and resources with BNSF and the importance of a unified incident command. The potential impact to the community should a leak occur, communication to local authorities, and assisting BNSF with size-up and mitigation were topics during the exercise.



At the completion of the exercise, a debriefing with all of the **BNSF** supervisors took place. **BNSF** reviewed employee notification processes and accountability procedures. Greene Co. OEM has invited BNSF management to the Public Safety Center to observe resources available to assist managing large scale events.

After lunch, Springfield Haz-Mat members and OEM personnel observed the **BNSF** training tanker car and mobile classroom. Contact information with **BNSF** Haz-Mat was shared; they are available for training classes to all first responders. Information

for training can be obtained from Brian Athen, Battalion Chief of EMS/Special Operations at Springfield Fire or Darren White, Exercise and Training Specialist at Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management.



Members of the Springfield Fire Haz-Mat Team and Springfield-Greene County OEM Training on the BNSF Tanker Car



Members of the Springfield Fire Haz-Mat Team and Springfield-Greene County OEM Training on the BNSF Tanker Car

Should a rail emergency occur in your area, the emergency contact number is:

BNSF Resource Operations Call Center: 1-800-832-5452

Darren White: dwhite@greencountymo.gov

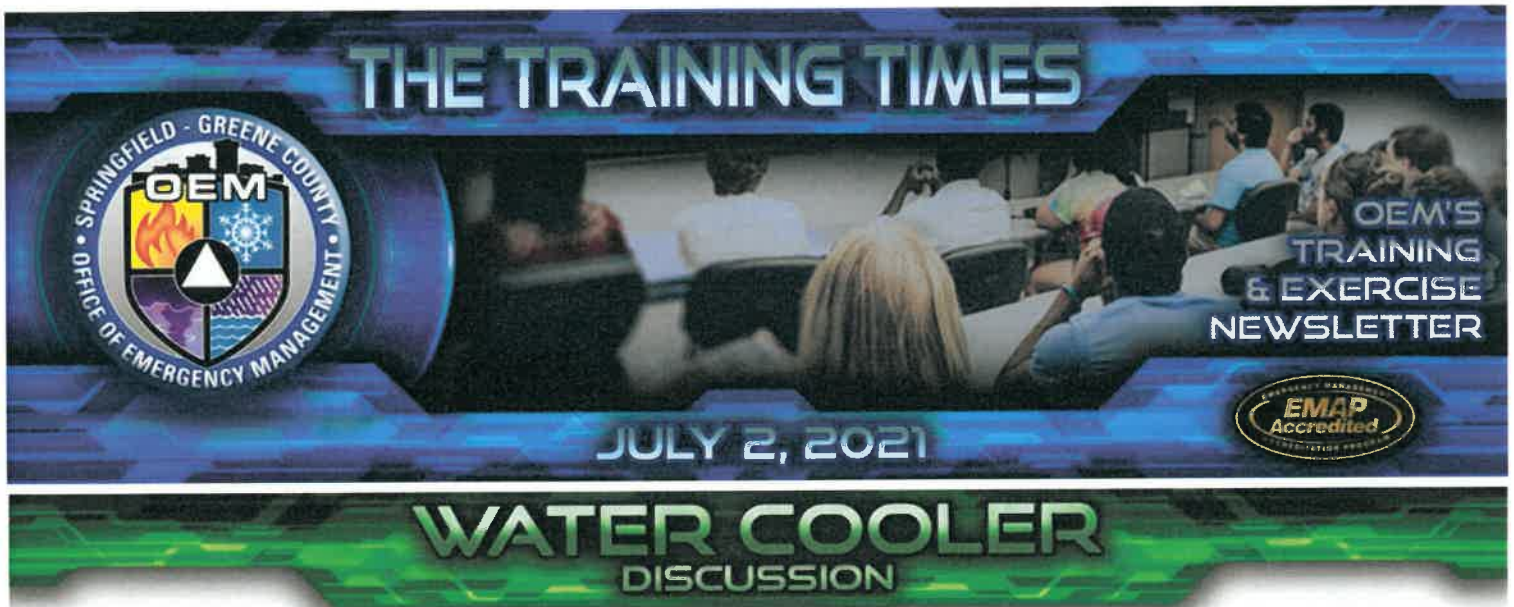
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Submitted by:
Brian Athen
Battalion Chief, EMS/Special Ops

Related Links:

- [Springfield Fire Department](#)
- [Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management](#)



FIREWORK SAFETY AND INJURY PREVENTION

Fireworks Safety Talk

We all look forward to holiday weekends to spend time with family and friends. The 4th of July weekend is no exception. The holiday is often celebrated with barbecues, swimming, boating, camping, alcohol, and the main attraction . . . fireworks. While many of us look forward to this holiday weekend, it is a weekend that results in many hospitalizations, including many firework-related injuries.



4th of July Firework Injuries

Fireworks are a staple of the 4th of July festivities for most Americans. They are inherently dangerous on their own, but when mixed with alcohol or when handled by children the dangers greatly increase. According to the Consumer Protection Safety Commission (CPSC), almost 12,000 people were taken to the emergency room for fireworks-related injuries in 2015. The majority of these injuries are sustained around the 4th of July holiday weekend.

The hands and fingers are the most often injured body parts resulting from

fireworks, but injury can occur to any part of the body. Hand safety is constantly preached at most workplaces not only because of the sheer number of injuries that occur to the hands, but also the long term effects these types of injuries can have on your life. Because of this fact, hand safety should also be a focus point at home. While injuries from fireworks are often just burns that will heal with time, many individuals experience completely losing their hand or fingers. It is important to consider how losing even just one finger will affect your life at home as well as your ability to work. If you choose to use fireworks, it is important to handle them safely.



Firework Safety Tips (source: CPSC)

- Never allow young children to play with or ignite fireworks.
- Avoid buying fireworks that are packaged in brown paper because this is often a sign that the fireworks were made for professional displays and that they could pose a danger to consumers.
- Always have an adult supervise fireworks activities. Parents don't realize that young children suffer injuries from sparklers. Sparklers burn at temperatures of about 2,000 degrees - hot enough to melt some metals.
- Never place any part of your body directly over a fireworks device when lighting the fuse. Back up to a safe distance immediately after lighting fireworks.
- Never try to re-light or pick up fireworks that have not ignited fully.
- Never point or throw fireworks at another person.
- Keep a bucket of water or a garden hose handy in case of fire or other mishap.
- Light fireworks one at a time, then move back quickly.
- Never carry fireworks in a pocket or shoot them off in metal or glass containers.
- After fireworks complete their burning, douse the spent device with plenty of water from a bucket or hose before discarding it to prevent a trash fire.
- Make sure fireworks are legal in your area before buying or using them.

Summary

Holiday weekends are meant to be enjoyed. The 4th of July is a major holiday for most Americans. If you choose to celebrate with fireworks please do so safely. Protect not only yourself, but your loved ones as well, especially children. Injuries sustained resulting from making a poor decision can last a lifetime.

Discussion point:

1. Has anyone experienced a serious firework-related injury?

Downloads (source: National Fire Protection Association)

1. [Fireworks Safety Tip Sheet](#)
2. [Injury Infographic](#)





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WEATHER

Hazardous Weather Outlook

This afternoon and tonight:

Showers and thunderstorms will continue into this evening. An airmass with high moisture content currently resides across the region, which will facilitate high rainfall rates with these storms. Any areas of training or repeated thunderstorms will carry a risk for flash flooding. Thunderstorms will linger into tonight, also carrying a risk for flash flooding. A few strong to severe storms with strong winds will be possible into this evening, mainly across south central Missouri.

Days two through seven, Saturday through Thursday:

A slow moving frontal system will approach from the north early Thursday morning. This system will reinforce the development of showers and thunderstorms. With high rainfall rates expected, a risk for flash flooding will continue through Thursday afternoon. This activity is expected to finally exit the region by Thursday night.

National Weather Service Situation Report

Graphical Hazardous Weather Outlook



- ✓ Flash Flood Watch in effect from noon today through 1900 hours Thursday for southeast Kansas and most of the Missouri Ozarks.
- ✓ Widespread rainfall amounts ranging from 1 to 2 inches. Pockets of 3 to 5 inches are possible. High rainfall rates could lead to flash flooding.
- ✓ Rapid stream rises could cause flooding of low water crossings or low lying campgrounds near flashy streams. Low lying roadways could become impassable to motorists.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

Fireworks Safety

Ready Campaign

Each July 4th, thousands of people, most often children and teens, are injured while using consumer fireworks. Despite the dangers of fireworks, few people understand the associated risks—devastating burns, other injuries, fires, and even death... [READ MORE](#)

[Fireworks Safety Tip Sheet \(PDF\)](#)



Source: Ready.gov

Extreme Heat Safety

Ready Campaign

Extreme heat is a period of high heat and humidity with temperatures above 90 degrees for at least two to three days. In extreme heat your body works extra hard to maintain a normal temperature, which can lead to death. In fact, extreme heat is responsible for the highest number of annual deaths among all weather related hazards... [READ MORE](#)

[Extreme Heat Information Sheet \(PDF\)](#)

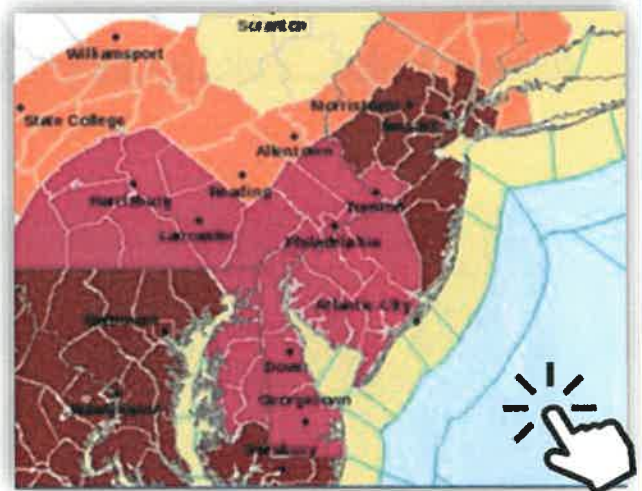


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Heat Watch vs. Warning

National Weather Service—WRN

Each National Weather Service Forecast Office issues some or all of the following heat-related products as conditions warrant. NWS local offices often collaborate with local partners to determine when an alert should be issued for a local area... [READ MORE](#)



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THE BRIEFING ROOM

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'Grueling' Rescue Effort Continues at Surfside Condo

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Springfield, MO | Published: June 22, 2021

Unvaccinated Individuals at higher risk of contracting dangerous COVID-19 Delta Variant

The highly contagious COVID-19 Delta variant continues to take a toll on our community, especially among younger adults who are not fully vaccinated... [READ MORE](#)

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