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December

Summary

The monthly IEMA and local emergency radio and siren tests were conducted. Our EMA volunteers also conducted their monthly radio test.

The Illinois Emergency Management Agency Certificate of Accreditation for the County EMA was received in December. This accreditation of the agency is for the period from October 2012 through September 2014. Also of significance was the National Weather Service awarding of the *Storm Ready* designation to Champaign County. Chris Miller of the National Weather Service, Lincoln, made the presentation to the county at the December 11th County Board meeting.

The Local Emergency Planning Committee quarterly meeting was held on 12/11. At this meeting presentations were made by Chris Miller, National Weather Service, Lincoln on technical support programs during emergencies that the NWS can provide, and by Captain John Barker, Champaign Fire Dept, on the area Highway Closure planning in the event of a hazardous material or other type of incident.

The planning continued for the April 2013 full scale exercise with the National Guard in Rantoul and Urbana. Individual sessions were held with each local stake holder group in December to plan the details of their participation and training objectives. EMA has formed a committee of representatives from Public Safety, Red Cross, and Public Health to engage our area Faith Based organizations in emergency planning and development of their resources. An initial planning meeting was held and plans were made to contact these groups and set up training. EMA hosted a planning session with the County Animal Control Dept, Champaign County Humane Society and Univ of IL Animal Sciences to develop plans and provide training for volunteers related to animal safety and health in the event of an emergency or disaster.

EMA was successful in obtaining donations from the Atkins Group, Champaign County Fire Chief's Association and the county MABAS 28 Fire Service group to purchase a sonar system for the County Dive Team. This sonar system will provide the Dive Team with the capability to search in deep water and record findings for evidence.

Training Events

- Exercise Planning Meetings were held with the National Guard for the 2013 Prairie North exercise 12/19 and 12/20
- County Search and Rescue Team meeting 12/3
- IEMA Regional Quarterly training meeting 12/11

Emergency Activations

- E-1 Command Post was activated for CPD Armed Suspect Shooting incident 12/9- 12/10

Community Outreach

- EMA held planning meeting for developing area Faith Based Organizations in Disaster planning 12/18
- EMA attended Champaign Area Citizens' Corps council meeting 12/5

Volunteer hours

EMA volunteers participated in the monthly EMA radio drill, Search and Rescue Team meeting and planning, photographing events and updating our EMA web site and face book.

December: 10 hours of volunteer member's time

40 volunteers attended search and Rescue team meeting (1 ½ hour)

