



# CERT ALERT

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**September is  
National Preparedness Month**

**Wanted:**  
**YOU !**

*Be Bedford Prepared* is **Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup>**, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Bedford Wal-Mart at 4101 Highway 121. This event is presented by Bedford organizations, including CERT, the Fire Department, Citizens Fire Academy Alumni, Citizens Police Academy Alumni, the Amateur Radio Club, and the Red Cross.

CERT will conduct cribbing demonstrations, a moulage "injury/bandage" table for children, and information tables.

Please get the word out to family, friends, and co-workers, and please let Melanie Curl know at [bedfordtxccc@yahoo.com](mailto:bedfordtxccc@yahoo.com) if you can pitch in on the day of the event:

- setting up tent, table, and chairs,
- conducting cribbing demonstrations,
- "moulaging" injuries on children and showing bandaging techniques,
- sharing information and experiences at the CERT table,
- helping to clean up after the event.

Please come and share your knowledge and enthusiasm with other citizens!

***More upcoming events on page 2 ...***

## Events Coming Soon

- **Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup>:** CERT #7 begins. Class will be on Monday nights at the Law Enforcement Center from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Please recruit! Also, CERT members from the previous six classes are invited to attend any sessions.
- **Saturday, September 29<sup>th</sup>:** Team-wide drill. If you weren't able to participate in your class drill, it's highly encouraged that you attend this drill. Bring your CERT backpack, gloves, and any other supplies you have, and wear long pants and closed-toe shoes. More details to come.
- **Week of October 7<sup>th</sup> through 13<sup>th</sup>:** Fire Prevention Week.
- **Saturday, October 13<sup>th</sup>:** Val Roach's Emergency Responder class begins. It will be on Saturdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., except for Thanksgiving weekend, and the class will finish on approximately December 8<sup>th</sup>. If you have any questions, or would like to RSVP, please contact Val at [cpra2c2@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cpra2c2@sbcglobal.net) or 817-285-8780. Also, please check out [www.allaboutcpr.org](http://www.allaboutcpr.org).
- **Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>:** Bedford Fire Department's Open House is at Fire Station #1, 1816 Bedford Road, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- **Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>:** Smoke alarm campaign with the Fire Department and Citizens Fire Academy Alumni Association; distribute door hangers in residential areas to publicize smoke detector checks on **Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>**.
- **Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>:** Santa USA volunteer orientation and training at the Pat May Center in Bedford. The holidays will be here before you know it – find out about ways you can help bring goodwill to the community! Please visit the website at <http://www.santa-usa.org/>.

## Reminder: What's Your Zone?

If you are dispatched, report to your staging area **unless otherwise notified**.

<b>Zone</b>	<b>Where You Live</b>	<b>Staging Area</b>
<b>1</b>	South of Highway 183 to the city limits	Fire Station #3, 541 Bedford Road (station located at water tower)
<b>2</b>	North of Highway 183 and south of Harwood	Fire Station #1, 1816 Bedford Road
<b>3</b>	North of Harwood to the city limits	Parking lot between the Airport YMCA and Spring Garden Elementary on Cummings, just east of Central

## September Tip

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission at <http://www.cpsc.gov/> released a report on August 1<sup>st</sup> with these "top five hidden home hazards": (1) magnets, (2) recalled products, (3) tip-overs, (4) windows and coverings, and (5) pool and spa drains. <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpsc/pub/prerel/prhtml07/07256.html>

Bedford CERT: <http://www.ci.bedford.tx.us/council/boards/cert.htm>

*Information for the "CERT Alert" newsletter should be submitted by the 10<sup>th</sup> of every month to John and Kathi Sargent at [kc8@tx.rr.com](mailto:kc8@tx.rr.com).*