Caspar Community Emergency Preparedness Meeting – 24 April 2017

Present are Margie Enos, Judith Bayer, Annie Lee, Ray Duff, Caroline Schooley, Sally Stewart, Dana Fox, Paula Glessner, Ellen Buechner and Judy Tarbell.

Upcoming Events:

Friday, May 5 – Maureen from Ukiah Red Cross will be at the Senior Center from 11:45 to 1:30 and somewhere else in Fort Bragg at 3:30.

Sunday, May 7. Paula, Dana, Marty, Ellen (the food group) will meet at Fortunate Farm. No time given.

Random ideas put forth:

Have a "DisasterFest" with fire extinguisher demos, raffle of barrel.

In lieu of CERT, do triage and first aid training from Fire Department. Ask Jim Katzel.

Collect puzzles and cards for comfort care.

Pick up shampoos and conditioner when traveling and put in jar at breakfasts and pub nights.

Buy disaster items in bulk to promote "shelter in place." Contact Jef Schultz

Food Report: The food people are Paula, Dana, Marty, and Ellen.

The plan is to be prepared to feed 100 people/day for five days.

Food from freezers (both from people's homes and from the Center) will be used first; then food from the Center's pantry (it will have bulk rice, flour, etc.); then food from the garden; then canned food, dried food, soup mixes.

Some stored food will be in the Center kitchen in containers which are regularly rotated. Some elsewhere: depending on space required it could be pickle barrels, metal truck tool containers, a utility trailer, a large container.

There will be readily accessible food like power bars and hot chocolate.

Nothing will be stored in glass!

The food group is now making menus.

Communications: Bob and Meridith Frey

They have purchased four hand-help communicators which can monitor police reports and talk to each other. Both Meridith and Bob have nasty colds and will report at next meeting.

Medical Thoughts

Jim Katzel and Kris Reiber were not able to attend. Here are thoughts from the group.

Our goal is to do all we can do. We are trying to help.

A strong wish for Basic First Aid Training Course in Caspar. This would include training in triage.

Check into the possibility of air lifting.

Probably no insulin supplies, but probably include pain killers.

The book "Where There is No Doctor" is a useful resource.

Submitted by Judy Tarbell 5 May 2017

Please send me revisions!!