

## FRIDAY EVENING, JANUARY 16, 2015

6:15 PM: Wendy Lowe, Ambrose University - Opening and Prayer

6:20 PM: Wayne Cao, MLA - Welcome

6:45 PM: ALBERTA HAZARDS – Key-note Presentation

Environment Canada (EC) business is protecting the environment, conserving the country's natural heritage, and providing weather and meteorological information to keep Canadians informed and safe. You cannot prepare for everything so it is important to know the hazards which are more prevalent in our area which pose the greatest threats to family and community. We will take a look at hazards which might be concern for our area and then target our efforts to mitigate the impact of these treats.



**Bill McMurtry** has worked for Environment Canada for over 24 years at several locations across Canada. Some of his duties as a Warning Preparedness Meteorologist include: Environment Canada media spokesperson for significant or severe weather events; works with Emergency Management Organizations with respect to weather services; works on various national projects and performs storm site surveys for major impact related events.

8:15 PM: PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS – Key-note Presentation

Pandemics are characterized by the sudden onset of an extremely virulent pathogen with potentially lethal results. Though historically pandemics have been caused by a wide variety of diseases, today influenza poses the greatest risk to reach pandemic proportions



**Marg Pollon** - Due to an unexpected invitation from a Burnaby doctor in 2006 to mobilize churches across Canada to be ready to stand in the gap in the event of an Influenza Pandemic out-break, Marg accepted the challenge. Dr. Tim Foggin and Marg co-authored a discussion paper "Of Churches, Pandemics and Emergency Preparedness" that has been used extensively as a starting point for preparedness planning. Marg was the recipient of the Queen Elizabeth 11 Diamond Jubilee Medal and the Prime Minister's Volunteer Social Innovative Award (Prairies) in 2013.

**Ebola Update – Samaritan's Purse has been on the front lines in Liberia educating and caring for individuals with the deadly virus, Ebola. John Clayton will share a few of their experiences and what they have learned to help others deal with out-breaks such as Ebola and other infectious viruses.**



**John Clayton** Born in 1963 in the Abbotsford area, John moved to Calgary in September of 1990 to join Samaritan's Purse Canada. He was soon working internationally for the Christian relief and development organization, spending extensive periods of time in Somalia, Croatia/Bosnia, Kenya, and Rwanda. In 2013 he transitioned from Director of Projects to Director of Programs, being asked to take on broader responsibilities and leadership on new initiatives and strategic relationships.

On behalf of Samaritan's Purse, John often travels to areas of conflict, disaster, and poverty to establish programs and partnerships that bring relief, development, and the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

## SATURDAY MORNING – JANUARY 17, 2015

9:00 AM - FIRE SAFETY & UTILITY CONTROLS

In this unit you will learn about: Fire Chemistry, Fire & Utility Hazards, Fire Suppression Safety, Hazardous Materials...



**Randy Smith** BApp Bus:ES | **ROCKY VIEW COUNTY** Manager of Fire Services (Fire Chief) Randy has 34 Years in the Fire Service, 24 as a Chief Officer having his start in Fort McMurray. The best part of working in emergency services is that it has provided Randy with an opportunity to be a part of a team of responders that have a direct and positive impact on the lives of people in their community. He has been a volunteer with the Canadian Red Cross since 1997 working in the Disaster Management program as a trainer for volunteer groups across Canada

9:00 AM - DISASTER MEDICAL OPERATIONS

In a disaster, there may be more victims than rescuers, and assistance from medical professionals may not be immediately available. Topics covered: Treatment for life-threatening conditions — airway obstruction, bleeding, and shock — and for other, less urgent conditions; the greatest good for the greatest number of people conducting simple triage and rapid treatment



**May Mones, MD FRCPC** was a general practitioner in the Philippines before immigrating to Canada in 2012. She worked as a Bedside Physician at the Peter Lougheed Centre and Rockyview General Hospital and then went on to complete her Residency Training in Pediatrics at the Alberta Children's Hospital. She is Royal College Certified and recently started her practice as a Community Pediatrician in Cochrane.

10:45 AM - SEARCH & RESCUE



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10:45 AM - FOOD SAFETY

Jason's goal is not to 'educate', but to inform and convince people so they better understand the potential hazards of food, how to recognize risky situations, and what to do to reduce or eliminate that risk.'



The **Environmental Public Health Department** of Alberta Health Services helps to provide, protect and promote a healthy environment.

Since 2002, **Jason Feltham** has served as a Public Health Inspector with Alberta Health Services' Environmental Public Health program. For the past several years Jason has worked with this department's education team, facilitating Food Safety classes for both commercial food handlers and the public alike.

12:45 PM - DISASTER PSYCHOLOGY

Caring for Yourself, Your Buddy, and Victims. This covers how to provide "psychological first aid" in response to the impact of disaster on rescuers and victims.



Roy Langer, Major Roy Langer has served as a Salvation Army Officer since 1985. Roy is an Approved Instructor for the International Critical Incident Stress Foundation where he teaches Group Crisis Intervention, Individual Crisis Intervention and Peer Support, Emotional & Spiritual Care in Disaster and Grief Following Trauma. Roy is very active in participating in as well leading many Debriefings (CISD) and Defusings after traumatic events. He is a member of the Canadian Police Chaplains Assoc. and American Assoc. of Christian Counselors.

12:45 PM - CERT ORGANIZATION

CERT Organization; CERT Mobilization; Documentation; ICS Functions, Video – "CERT in Action", and formation of CERT teams.



Marg Pollon, Marg's medical background, as a Laboratory Technologist was a natural fit connecting church with community through Pandemic Preparedness. Since 2006, the focus broadened to Emergency Preparedness and facilitation for Community Emergency Response Team training. Collaboration and cooperation with the various sectors has been an on-going goal in order to build stronge, resilient communities.

2:30 PM - TERRORISM & CERT

What Is Terrorism? Terrorist targets, Terrorist weapons, Preparing at home, Work, and in your Neighborhood.

Integrated National Security Enforcement Team - Increase the capacity for the collection, sharing and analysis of intelligence among partners.

Cpl. Eyvi Smith, RCMP - Joined in 2001. Posted in Whitehorse; a general duty Member in an isolated fly in post in the Yukon (Old Crow); a Marine Security Enforcement Team (Niagara, ON.); liaison for the Marine Security Operation Center; NCO of the Marine Security Patrol Vessel (Robertson) and recently promoted to Calgary as the Community Outreach Officer for the Integrated National Security Team.

2:30 PM - PERSONAL PREPAREDNESS & CERT EQUIPMENT

"Yourself, your family, then your neighbours!" Your own preparedness in an emergency will make all the difference in you being able to assist your neighbours. You're personal preparedness plan should be tailored to the hazards in your community, but should include: learning about community alerts, warnings; developing household plans and conducting drills to practice; assembling/maintaining a 72-hour kit; and reducing hazards in the home.



Samaritan's Purse - Samaritan's Purse Canada is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization that has been providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world since 1970.

Brent Davis, Emergency and Disaster Response Manager for Samaritan's Purse Canada is responsible for both Canadian disasters as well as major international disasters. Brent is also the chair of the NGO Council of Alberta, a coalition of NGO's that assist in Disasters.

# Welcome

## COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

