

WNA Emergency Preparedness Area Coordinator meeting minutes

January 10, 2013, 7 p.m.

Oakridge Park Senior Facility

Present: Steve Allaway, Jan Hilderbrand, Jason Lang, Virginia Lagow, Leslie Lampson, Rett Russell, Will Mahoney-Watson, Katherine Purtzer, Suzanne Causer, Jim Newcomer, & Cheryl Uchida

Not Present: Chris Battista, Brad Horton, Ann Chilcote, Dick Benedetti, Greg Bowen, Ron Anderson

Introductions of those present included newest area coordinators Steve Allaway, Jan Hilderbrand, Suzanne Causer, Virginia Lagow, & Jason Lang.

Notebook was given to Steve Allaway with a promise to provide him with the Map Your Neighborhood and Red Cross Booklet. Notebook included goals of the WNA E.P. Program, recent roster of other area coordinators and assistant, map of Galewood homes, map of WNA, copy of letter to neighbors from Steve explaining our plan and copy of the mapping info survey form.

Cheryl explained the LO Neighborhood Enhancement Program grant that WNA was awarded a year ago and again for January –June 2013 to assist our neighborhood in planning, developing and implementing an emergency preparedness plan by getting to know our neighbors through volunteer efforts in designated area/street individuals and engaging interest in participating in this plan in the event of a catastrophic emergency or disaster. Through this effort we will meet our neighbors, gather useful information about their skills, tools and equipment should an emergency on their street or adjacent area occur.

A list of possible meeting topics/speakers/presentations was passed out. It was reviewed by all present. For **February** meeting we suggested that Katherine Purtzer contact Marcel Rodriquez to share his knowledge and experience with search and rescue and earthquake readiness. For **March** we will invite Larry Goff, LO assistant fire chief and/or Clackamas County to speak to us about infrastructure disruption during a disaster. For **April** we will focus on food, water & waste treatment. In **May** we will concentrate on fire suppression, basics of home fire extinguishers, and 4 in 1 tool training. In **June** we will hear about information sources and central communications center in LO and two way radio use. Another topic that was added to the list is propane and how it can be used as additional tool during disasters when utilities go out.

Plans to invite more than just area coordinators to some of this year's meeting will depend on securing a large enough location as well as readiness for area/street residents.

Headlamps were given to new coordinators present. Some already owned one. One per area coordinator and assistant coordinators is the goal.

Appropriate flashlights were briefly discussed and various kinds will be shown at the Feb. meeting. We will also determine how many and kind to order for area coordinators and assistants.

Cheryl still needs to find out who has already received the 4 in 1 tool. The following have received the 2 person, 72 hour emergency disaster kits: Ann, Will, Rett, Chris, Jim N. and Jan Hilderbrand. (still have to finalize this list).

Next meeting will feature Marcel Rodriquez, if Katherine can confirm this. If not, then we will invite Larry Goff, originally scheduled for **March's** meeting [ed. note: couldn't confirm Marcel, so we will invite Larry].

Next meeting will be Wed. Feb. 13th at 7 p.m. Location: Oakridge Park Senior facility.

Meeting minutes written by Cheryl Uchida