

# CHEVERLY CERT NEWSLETTER

## CHEVERLY'S COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM



December 2019 CERT Graduates

### Basic CERT Course

#### CERT BASIC MANUAL

Upon completion of the CERT Basic Training course, members receive a certificate. Each member should maintain CERT safety equipment, such as goggles, gloves, and basic first aid supplies, and have them available for use during a disaster. To maintain skill level and continually improve performance, members and their group should participate in continuing supplemental training when offered in the area. Each Basic CERT graduate learns Disaster Preparedness, Fire Safety, Disaster Medical Operations, Light Search and Rescue Operations, Disaster psychology, Terrorism and CERT, and learn the CERT Organization. Every graduate has dedicated two days of CERT training.

#### December Graduates:

Patricia W.  
Nigel S.  
Karen M.  
Joe P.

#### February Graduates:

Geneva T. (Refresher Course)



Cheverly CERT Team Back Board Training for Annual Scouts Search & Rescue Exercise

## Back Board Operations Training

#### SEARCH & RESCUE

This year Cheverly CERT will instruct youth on stretcher carries during the American Scout Search and Rescue Exercise. We have been assigned the Eagle Station to teach scouts how to organize their team, assess a victim before moving: Head/Neck & Back Injuries, secure a victim onto backboard, and transport a victim to EMS nearby.

In the above pictures, Cheverly CERT members secure Joe P to a backboard ensuring backboard straps tightly across the body. Team members simulated calling a Command Post about our location and victim injuries. Members worked together to safely lift our victim and carry him out into the parking lot. The group carrying the victim was led by a member navigator. The training was led by David A., Cheverly's Scoutmaster Troop 257.

The Search and Rescue Exercise will take place March 28, 2020 at the American Legion Youth Camp. Fort Washington CERT, Upper Marlboro CERT, Greenbelt CERT, AAA CERT, South County CERT, and Prince George's County Fire Department will all participate in search and rescue operations as well.

## Prince George’s County Office of Emergency Management Hosts CERT Meeting and Exercise Game

PG OEM MEETING

### What is the Extreme Event Game?

Extreme Event is an award-winning in-person role-playing game that gives participants a taste of what it takes to build community resilience in the face of disaster. Players work together to make decisions and solve problems during an engaging, fast-paced disaster simulation.



PG OEM, CERT Coordinator, Rasheed P. hosted all County CERT Groups to participate in the quarterly meeting followed by an Extreme Event exercise afterwards. Cheverly CERT participated in the event, finding the exercise useful in learning operational coordination in the event a disaster affect us and surrounding towns. The assigned disaster was a *Flood* which is the disaster most known to Prince George’s County.



### Upcoming Events:

<b>Cheverly CERT Meeting &amp; Brunch at Fratelli Restaurant</b>	<b>March 14 at 11am</b>
<b>Practice for Search and Rescue at Che</b>	<b>March 14 at 2pm</b>
<b>Search and Rescue Exercise</b>	<b>March 28 at 8am</b>

### Cheverly CERT

The Mission of Cheverly CERT is to provide critical support to the Town of Cheverly and assistance to residents during an emergency. To accomplish this mission, Cheverly CERT has three areas of focus:

1. Providing our members with on-going training in disaster response, emergency preparedness, leadership, and organizational skills.
2. Educating residents in Cheverly emergency preparedness.
3. Supporting the Cheverly Police Department and related emergency services in the event of a disaster.



## Community Involvement

MARVERLY N.

### TRAINING AND LITERATURE

## Our Mission

Cheverly CERT continually work to fulfil its mission by educating residence on disaster preparedness through literature and training opportunities. We have signed-up a number of residents and community organizations to receive CPR/AED/First-Aid certifications. And we release preparedness information to the community through different list serves. Our members give a lot of time towards making Cheverly a more prepared community, setting a standard in our County. Since September 2019, we have attended WebEOC training for the County, Incident Commander training for First-Responders, Preparedness Events, Basic CERT training, First-Aid, CPR/AED training, Active Shooter Training at Cheverly United Methodist Church, assisted with the Police Chief Advisory Board Town Hall Series, represented our team at both County CERT meetings, and made plans to collaborate with other county CERT groups. If you are interested in joining our team please contact us at [cheverlycert19@gmail.com](mailto:cheverlycert19@gmail.com) We would love to have you help fulfill the mission.