Volcano Community Response Team December 8, 2018 Minutes

Deputy Team Leader Chris Corley conducted our last meeting of the year in the sanctuary of The Village Church. Afterward, we held our annual holiday potluck party complete with CERT Jeopardy, courtesy of ringmaster Bob Becker.

Chris read through and explained the Hawaii County CERT Code of Conduct, which was signed by members agreeing to follow the 18 major points of conduct. Also in attendance: Ray Burden, Jimmy Love, Cody Cochran, Tony Moorehead, Patricia Walters, Richard Bingham, Rhonda Beatty, Ellen O'Dunn, Duane Nakanishi, Balmore Vasquez, Beatrice Nakanishi, Teresa Evangelista, Lee Pennington, Kat Archer, Sharon and Dennis McCartin, Doug Wilson, Richard Turner, Angela Key, Jesse Thornton, Norman Walcott, Leigh Critchlow, Sher Glass, Debra Chaffin, Carole Slattery, Larry Roy, Volcano Volunteer Fire Capt. Paul Lakin, Claudia Ziroli and Patti Pinto.

Claudia and Patti displayed and demonstrated the containers and contents of their personal and medical "go kits." They gave folks ideas on what to pack. They noted that there are two types of first aid: personal and to help others. All sorts of things can be packed to make life nicer for you and others out in the field: snacks, simple activities for keiki, sanitary pads in individual packages for wounds, cardboard and bubble wrap for splints.

Claudia showed swimming pool chemicals come in tall buckets with great lids. If we have connections with pool service folks, it would be great to get some donated for CERT.

Teresa displayed one of the official CERT team field go-kits she is compiling for the CERT trailer.

Paul recommends 50-foot parachute cord. It's lightweight and really comes in handy in many ways.

Bob then oversaw and directed the Jeopardy game, dividing the room into 3 teams. Competition was fierce, in keeping with tradition!

Tony Moorehead, Sharon McCartin, Ray Burden, Claudia Ziroli and Patti Pinto passed the recent two-day intensive train-the-trainers course held at Mauna Kea State Park and now are trainers. Duane Nakanishi, already a certified trainer, augmented his earlier training. Patti encourages more of us to become involved in this aspect of CERT-dom.

Patti unveiled the CERT training sked for 2019.

We next meet at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 5, again at the church because Cooper Center will be serving as race HQ for a Road Runners event. February meeting details are up in the air, as Feb. 2 is a recertification day for CERTs, including Team Leader Nancy Lakin, and Feb. 9 is residential damage assessment training. Stay tuned. Respectfully submitted,

Leigh Critchlow, secretary