

FEBRUARY 2017: LATEST GREATER GREEN VALLEY CERT NEWS

MONTHLY MEETING ::: CERT Meeting February 22nd Topic: Emergency Communications

Monthly Meeting: The topic for our February 22nd meeting will be emergency communications. This is very timely because we just purchased new radios to replace the ageing Uniden “Walkie-Talkies” that can no longer retain a charge. We’ll review communication procedures, discuss the capabilities of the new BaoFeng UV-5R radios and then get some hands-on practice. By the time we finish, you’ll know how to use the radio to stay in touch with your team during a disaster.



Outreach Events: CERT members held two very successful outreach events this month: The Green Valley Showcase on February 1st, and the Quail Creek Business Expo on the 11th. Paul Fitch, Pam Kulbarsh and Lynn Callaway volunteered to staff our table at the Volunteer Showcase. There were many other organizations but there but the three stood out with their CERT Vests.



Alan Hutton, Sally Bryant and David and Kathe Alves worked the QC Business Expo. Shown here are Kathe and David talking to interested prospects (to the right). The volunteers said they have a good time and agreed it was worthwhile being at these events to increase awareness about CERT, provide valuable disaster preparation information, and recruit new members. Our thanks to them for giving up their time.



Pima County Emergency Alert System: Pima County is now offering a type of reverse 911 system. By signing up for it you will receive information about an emergency in your geographic area based on the types of notifications you request. Go to emergencyalerts.pima.gov to learn more.