

# MONTEREY CERT NEWSLETTER

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***CERT IS FUNDED BY THE CITY OF MONTEREY!***

**Monterey High CERT Team Receives Recognition From Congressman Jimmy Panetta!** The 31 members of the Monterey High CERT Team have all been issued special Certificates of Recognition for their completion of the FEMA CERT program, personally signed by the Congressman. This is further acknowledgement of the outstanding commitment of these teenagers, and all CERT members for their participation in and completion of the City Of Monterey FEMA CERT program.

**CERT Volunteers Giving Their Time And Skills!** Many CERT members provide services to enhance our program. Zone Captains attend monthly meetings and work very hard to maintain all the components of the 12 neighborhood containers. Zone Captain **Gene Rizzo** is working weekend mornings to install LED lighting systems in the containers



**CERT Zone Captain Gene Rizzo Installs LED Lights In The Skyline Container**

**CERT Radio Drill Every Second Monday!** On the **second Monday of each month at 8 P.M.**, our CERT communications committee holds a radio drill. This is an opportunity to strengthen and enforce our radios skills. If you have a CERT radio, tune in to CERT Channel 3 and participate. If you wish to participate, but do not own radio, contact your Zone Captain to borrow one.

**Next CERT Class For New Students In September.** Our next FEMA/CERT class for new students will start **Thursday, September 6<sup>th</sup> and continue each Thursday night through October 18<sup>th</sup>** . Class time each day will be 6:20 to 9:30 P.M. **Monterey CERT classes are free and open to everyone, regardless of where you live.** To enroll, send an email to:

[training@montereycert.org](mailto:training@montereycert.org)

## **CERT AT P.G. GOOD OLE DAYS!**



**CERT members Glenn Leon-Guerrero, Ken Pollock, Broeck Oder, Lisa Alameda, Johanna Blest and Demetrius Kastros at Good Ole Days parade, April 14th**

## **CERT “EVERBRIDGE” CALL-OUT SYSTEM AGAIN OPERATIONAL!**

We are pleased to report that the CERT call-out system is again operational. The 100 members who volunteered to undergo the police “Live Scan” background check process have all had their alert information entered into the system. When CERT members are needed for a non-disaster event, such as a search for a missing child, an alert will be sent via cell phone, text, email and home phone stating the nature of the emergency and providing the location of the Staging area. We will be testing the system in the next 30 days. **Please closely monitor you emails for notifications on the test alert.**

**Training Refresher: FEMA Video “CERT In Action”.** See A CERT Team Deploying Into Their Neighborhood After A Storm When All Communications Are Down. “CERT In Action” can be viewed at this link:

<https://www.bing.com/videos/search?q=cert+in+action+video&qpv=cert+in+action+video&view=detail&mid=0EFE5F729830439DD1340EFE5F729830439DD134&FO RM=VRDGAR>

## **ALL CERT MEMBERS NEED TO SEE THIS VIDEO!**

**Monterey CERT Classes Are Taught By Your Local FEMA/CERT Instructors, Who Are Fully Qualified to Instruct Any Group Or Module of CERT, Regardless Of Age Or Other Demographic.** Classes are taught using the 9 module FEMA curriculum and incorporate areas of CERT unique to Monterey such as our 12 neighborhood containers and our very advanced radio system. Students also receive basic training in the Incident Command System (ICS). ICS is the command system used at all major National incidents such as storms, major fires and also at local emergencies. ICS-100 is a part of the FEMA/CERT curriculum.

**Contact Your CERT Zone Captain To See Your Neighborhood Container.** Consult the list below to contact your CERT Zone Captain about seeing your neighborhood container. Located at eleven locations, plus Monterey High School, the containers serve as equipment caches and Staging Areas for local members to assemble, get equipment and go into the neighborhoods.

**Yes, It Happens Here!** On December 15, 1980, Christopher Porter, 15 months old, was brought to the surface by first responders after being rescued from a well 22 feet deep in his Del Rey Oaks backyard. This rescue took many hours to reach a successful conclusion. The young boy suffered only minor injuries. Monterey firefighters and Granite Construction Company equipment operators worked together to reach Christopher with a complex trenching and tunneling operation. Christopher was examined by his doctor on site and found to be in good condition, despite his incredible ordeal. **This is the type of non-disaster related incident CERT can be deployed in to provide support and perimeter control.**



**15 month old Christopher Porter is rescued after hours trapped in a well  
(Photo by Russ Cain, Monterey Herald, December 1980)**

# CERT ZONE CAPTAIN LIST

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Key: **CONA** Casanova Oak/Knoll, **Crml** Carmel, **DMB** Del Monte Beach, **DV** Dela Vina, **FH** Foothill, **MH** Monterey High School, **MV** Monte Vista, **NM** New Monterey, **OG** Oak Grove, **OT** Old Town, **PG** Pacific Grove, **SL** Skyline

**For those living outside the City Of Monterey:** If you live in Salinas or along the Monterey/Salinas Highway, contact Foothill. For those living in Seaside, Marina, Fort Ord or areas north, contact Dela Vina. If you live in Pebble Beach and use the Carmel Hill Gates, contact Skyline. If you live in Pebble Beach and use the PG gates, contact Pacific Grove.

**Questions? Email Monterey CERT at:**

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**REMEMBER TO HAVE SMOKE DETECTORS IN EVERY ROOM WHERE SOMEONE SLEEPS AND IN HALLWAYS ON ALL LEVELS!!!**

