



# August Training & Event Bulletin

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## By the Numbers

(July 2019 to June 2020)

- 16 events in July, 16 to date
- 24.41 hours in July, 24.41 hours of service to date
- 255 attendees to events we participated in July, 255 to date.
- 656 Emergency Preparedness Guides in July, 656 to date.
- 246 volunteer participation in July, 246 to date.
- 527.62 hours of service in July, 6,069.87 to date.

## Save the Date!

Every Monday Night  
ARES Net at 7:30 pm

CCDC Leadership Meeting  
September 4, 2019

Delco ARES Meeting  
September 9, 2019

MCM Strike Team Practice  
September 14, 2019

Pirate Fair  
September 21, 2019

DeICART Meeting  
September 24, 2019

MCM Strike Team Exercise  
November 2, 2019

## You are awesome!!! Yes, I am talking to you!

Hope everyone is having a great summer!!! We dialed it back a little bit... slowed things down. But September is just around the corner. National Night Out just happened!!! More than 25 of you handed out over 800 emergency preparedness guides in one night!!! Awesome!!! And I am sure that you have recruited several new volunteers as well. Everyone can join in this effort by sending friends and relatives to our website for the emergency preparedness guide and to the "Click to Volunteer" button. We are three months away from our volunteer recognition event but this week I received the individual volunteer hours from our fiscal year (July 2018 to June 2019). WOW!!! 64 volunteers gave more than 30 hours this past year!!!! More than double than last year. And 18 gave more than 100 hours!!! These are new records for our unit and just amazing. You are awesome. I believe that this is the best set of numbers that exist about our Corps. It really shows how committed you all are to insuring we are ready to respond and that our citizens are prepared. Congratulations to all of our CCDC volunteers, even if you just gave one or two hours, you helped make a difference. Hope to see you all soon putting in those hours!!!

**August Training & Events:** All of the links to events and trainings below have a full description of the event or training. These are also listed on the calendar at [www.delcocitizencorps.com](http://www.delcocitizencorps.com). Any volunteer from the SEPA counties is welcome to participate in all of these events or trainings. Please contact Ed Kline at [klineE@co.delaware.pa.us](mailto:klineE@co.delaware.pa.us) or 215-439-1407 if you have any questions or concerns.

## **AUGUST SAFETY MESSAGE: Avoid Distracted Walking - Head Up,**

**Phone Down For Back to School Time:** August is National Back to School Safety Month with many schools starting up again. We have probably all had a happy moment when we realized we did not have school buses on the road with us. For many areas, that period comes to an end in August. Although not as many students walk to school these days, many walk to their bus pick up point or high schoolers even walk across streets to their cars. Since 1995, there has been a noticeable change in the age of children hit by cars. Now it much more likely that a teenager will be hit by a car than a 5 - 9 year old. The National Safety Council is focused on efforts to eliminate distracted walking – specifically walking while using a mobile device and have focused on the Head Up, Phone Down slogan. Children often don't recognize the dangers of distracted walking as they have become more focused on their video devices and social media messages. The slogan is simple for them to remember and to repeat regularly. Before your children head out to the school bus or you do your daily walk, remember these year-round safety tips: Never walk while texting or talking on the phone. If texting, move out of the way of others and stop on the sidewalk. Never cross the street while using an electronic device. Do not walk with headphones in your ears. Be aware of your surroundings even in school drop off / pick up zones. Always walk on the sidewalk if one is available; if you must walk on the street, face oncoming traffic. Look left, right, then left again before crossing the street. Cross only at crosswalks or when the bus has its lights on and signs out. When walking to and from bus pick up / drop off points, wear reflective clothing. Have a safe Back to School Month and remember when walking - Head Up, Phone Down! *By Robbie Kankus.*



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**Thursday, August 8th at 7:30 pm**—Rose Tree Park Summer Festival “Jazz Ambassadors” - Join us for some fun. No handout. No recruiting. Come out in your CCDC, DelCERT, CART, or CERT shirt and join us together to listen to some great music and relax. The park is located at 1671 N. Providence Road, Media. The concert is FREE. Register at this link: <https://forms.gle/1evwc35dRqUgcoKv7>

**Monday, August 12th from 7 pm to 9 pm**—Delco ARES Meeting — At the Delco 911 Center. New and existing members of our excellent ARES team are welcome to participate. A training on ARES operations is included! Hope to see you there. No registration necessary.

**Saturday, August 24th from 10 am to 3 pm**—Chester Community Block Party—Volunteers are needed to hand out emergency preparedness materials and recruit new volunteers. Please wear your MRC, CERT, DelCERT, or CCDC shirt or vest. Register at this link: <https://forms.gle/RdiqNT1vZSPKjkcR7>

**Saturday, August 24th from 11 am to 2 pm**—Boscov’s Safety Day—Volunteers are needed to hand out emergency preparedness materials and recruit new volunteers at the local Boscov’s Store at the old Granite Run Mall on Baltimore Pike in Middletown. Please wear your MRC, CERT, DelCERT, or CCDC shirt or vest. Register at this link: <https://forms.gle/PYXC9DYiU9fzRrs8>

**Tuesday, August 27th at 7 pm.** DelCERT Monthly Meeting. Join are awesome Animal Response volunteers for their monthly meeting. E-mail [delcartpa@gmail.com](mailto:delcartpa@gmail.com) for additional details. Meetings are held in the Vairo Library at Penn State University-Brandywine.





**Our Annual  
Volunteer  
Recognition  
Training &  
Dinner will be  
on Tuesday,  
October 8,  
2019 at the  
Lazaretto  
Ballroom, 99  
Wanamaker  
Ave. Essington,  
PA 19029.**

**November 2, 2019—7 am to 7 pm—Delco MRC Strike Team Deployment Exercise.**

*THIS IS AN IMPORTANT EVENT—PLEASE PARTICIPATE!!!*

The Citizen Corps of Delaware County (CCDC) Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Strike Team will conduct a full scale deployment exercise. This is a huge event for the CCDC! We are planning on having 100 of our volunteers participate in this exercise which is part of our four state Medical Countermeasures (MCM) exercise. The goal is to set up an entire POD including all the line management, first aid, command and control, disability access, screening, dispensing, QA/QC, mass care for the volunteers, feeding of the volunteers, and transportation from our rally point to the POD location. It is all very exciting but will take a lot of work from our volunteers. We anticipate that the POD location will be outside of Delaware County. Each section of the POD will be divided up and you will have an opportunity to join a section over the summer and start training together in small groups. Each group will train through September, then we will conduct a full scale walk through in September and a full scale exercise in October before we complete the final exercise on November 2nd. Please consider joining a group for this exercise. This is our first step to collect data on those volunteers who would like to participate. Please complete the following information about yourself and chose three, only three areas where you see yourself operating during this exercise. This DOES NOT guarantee that you will serve in one of those capacities but we will do our best when making assignments. Volunteers MUST be able to participate on November 2, 2019 for the entire event, 12 hours. AND attend the majority of the exercises in advance of this event. Each group will schedule a minimum of two training events over the summer. The walk through will be on September 14, 2019 (9 am to noon) and the preliminary exercise will be on October 12, 2019 (9 am to noon). You will be assigned a position for the exercise and participate in that position during each training, walk through, preliminary exercise and the actual exercise. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns at [klinee@co.delaware.pa.us](mailto:klinee@co.delaware.pa.us) or 215-439-1407. Register at this link: <https://forms.gle/YVfQ4dDB9R1baFPn6>

