

BECoN

(Basic Emergency Communication Node)

Help staff a temporary information site in your own neighborhood; **Basic Emergency Communications Node**. During an emergency these nodes are set up in strategic places throughout Sudden Valley to act as an information source and exchange between neighborhoods and the community command center. BECoN Nodes are staffed by volunteers trained to provide situational and resource information when more conventional communications systems are unavailable. Training is provided.

CERT

(Community Emergency Response Team)

Be part of a nationwide program of residents helping residents in emergency situations. CERT is under the Whatcom County Department of Emergency Management, but with CERT trainers in Sudden Valley, you can become trained to be part of this important team. CERT members are trained in first-aid, search and rescue, fire safety, and more.

Training consists of 24 hours of instruction and ongoing monthly training sessions.

SVARC

(Sudden Valley Amateur Radio Club)

Our purpose is to encourage innovation in amateur radio, sharpen our radio skills, exchange ideas, and provide public service to our neighborhood, that includes providing assistance in CERT exercises, offering educational opportunities at safety fairs, and fostering goodwill within our community while having fun in the process! Attend our local classes to achieve your Technician, General or Extra Ham Radio license. When cell towers are down and power is out, you will be able to connect with others across the county and the globe. The Sudden Valley Amateur Radio Club provides communication services to Sudden Valley and keeps us connected to the Whatcom County Department of Emergency Management.

<http://www.suddenvalleyarc.com>

SEE YOU AT THE BARN!



STAY SAFE...BE PREPARED

SAFETY FAIR

AT THE DANCE BARN

May 19, 2018

10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

STAY SAFE!

What can the Safety Fair do for you?

LEARN FAMILY, HOME, AND PET SAFETY.

The SAFETY FAIR is organized by the Sudden Valley Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC), and it's one of their biggest events. There will be representatives from several businesses and organizations to help you prepare for the unexpected.

Demonstration stations will show Sudden Valley residents how to get information about where to go for help, shelter, medical care, and news.

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary will bring one of their 40' rescue boats and talk about water safety. The Fire Department will bring trucks and equipment for the kids to climb on and the "smokey house" to escape from.

PSE will have their not-be-missed electrical safety demonstrations.

The SAFETY FAIR is a fun, entertaining way to pick up information that could perhaps save you, your family, your neighbors, and your pets!



BE PREPARED!

At Home: Learn about go-kits, food and water storage, sheltering in place, fire safety and more.

Your **first priority** should be taking care of yourself and your family. Once you have done that, you may want to become involved helping in one or more community emergency preparedness groups like VMC, BECoN, CERT, and the SVARC.

At the Safety Fair, you will find information and meet representatives of the EPC, VMC, BECoN, CERT, SVARC, and other organizations and committees.

Volunteer Mobilization Center!

Be part of a volunteer group where you can offer help to your community during a disaster. As a member of the Volunteer Mobilization Center (VMC) you will help to process spontaneous unaffiliated volunteers who show up to help during a disaster and deploy them where needed to aid first responders or assist in recovery efforts. Monthly meetings are held and training is offered to prepare you for a role in the Volunteer Mobilization Center.