



"A LITTLE BIT OF COUNTRY"

LINDON CITY NEWSLETTER

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Mayor

James A. Dain

City Center Offices

100 North State Street
Upper Level
785-5043

Community Development

100 North State Street
Lower Level
785-7687

Public Works

946 West Center Street
796-7954

Justice Court

100 North State Street
Upper Level
785-1971

Police

100 North State Street
Lower Level
Emergency - 911
Non-emergency Dispatch
229-7070
Police Department Offices
769-8600

Fire

Emergency - 911
Non-emergency Dispatch
229-7070
Other Fire Services
229-7327

Aquatics Center

60 West 60 North
610-4160

City Website

www.lindoncity.org

SECOND ANNUAL DRILL DOWN FOR SAFETY

On September 10, 2010 Lindon City, in partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Safe America Foundation, will again participate in a nationwide effort of partner communities to hold a city-wide emergency preparedness drill. Termed the "9/11 Drill Down for Safety" this event is scheduled near the anniversary of the terror events of 9/11 with the intent of raising awareness and agency ability in the areas of emergency management and emergency preparedness. As the smallest national partner last year, Lindon City won the TOP PRIZE with 78% of our citizens participating in our drill! Thank you all! Your efforts earned a small cash award which has been used to help purchase emergency HAM Radio gear for our emergency operations center. Last year we were in competition with some heavyweight jurisdictions in the nation, such as Chicago, Ill., Atlanta, GA., Dallas, TX., Boca Raton, Fla., York County, Maine., San Diego County, CA., Salt Lake County and Sandy City, UT. Our winning drill has been used as an example to them all in National Conferences in Chicago, Washington DC and Philadelphia. Not bad for a little city out west somewhere!

FEMA Director Craig Fugate has made citizen preparedness a priority. Director Fugate says "Personal disaster preparedness is and must be a national priority" and "While FEMA can and is making improvements to how we plan, organize, and respond in a catastrophic disaster, there remains one area of improvement that still needs considerable national attention: personal preparedness. Studies continue to indicate that far too many households do not have personal disaster plans that include provisions for assuring the self-sufficiency of their households for up to 72 hours following a disaster. A family should also think through personal preparedness plans in case of a catastrophic event that devastates their city.

Mayor Dain and Lindon City officials also wish for all of you to be prepared. We have again accepted the challenge to participate (this time as the defending champ) in this nationwide effort to drill with our community focus on communications. Our community will again utilize the LDS Church's organizational structure of Ward and Stake boundaries in conjunction with the City's 3-step program utilizing block captains to account for all residents of Lindon City. We would like to emphasize that this exercise is a COMMUNITY drill, not an LDS church drill. We are simply utilizing the structure which is already in place in the community. Please plan to participate with us regardless of your religious affiliation.

This year we will include our trained CERT members and will again drill all of our schools. As citizens, you will be reporting the number of individuals accounted or missing from each block. Watch for twists and complications to be introduced, just as would happen in a real world emergency. The primary goal is to account for the whereabouts of each individual in the city. Testing the effectiveness of our methods of communications is critical for emergency response.

Lindon City will continue to lead in the effort of personal preparedness and as a city is dedicated to promoting safety and emergency preparedness efforts among residents. Watch for further information regarding the events planned for 9/10, plan to participate and take this opportunity to make our community and our nation a safer place. (Oh yeah, and help us win again!)

Chief Cody Cullimore, Lindon City Police Department

LINDON DAYS 2010 IS UNDERWAY!!

Check the City website for details on specific events. See you at the celebration! Thanks to event Chairs, Tim & Connie Radmall and Co-chairs, Howard and Stephanie Larsen, for their hard work on the celebration!