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ALPHERA

Arizona Local Public
Health Emergency
Response Association

Newsletter #21

August 2015

**ALPHERA has elected new officers for the
2015-2016 Grant Year**

President

Jeff Lee

Vice President

Stephen Everett

Secretary

Dezirae Williams



Committees

Nominations

Bruce Leeming

AAR/IPs

Elizabeth Lueck

Shelly Jacobs

Michael Fila

Capability Workgroup

All Members

ALPHERA Meeting

August 6, 2015

Conference Call #

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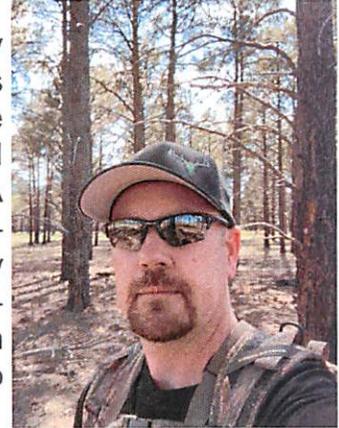
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2015-2016 ALPHERA Officers

President: Jeff Lee

Married with four children and 1 grandchild; originally from Colorado I joined the Air Force in 1995 and was stationed at Luke AFB. I served for 10 years, after the Air Force I went into mortgage loan origination while I finished up my education. I was appointed to the FEMA National IMAT – White team, where I held multiple positions in the planning section for multiple disasters. My education includes a Bachelors in Emergency Management, Masters in Public Administration and Masters in Emergency Management. My Hobbies are anything to do with the outdoors, hunting, fishing, hiking, camping..



Vice President: Stephen Everett

Stephen Everett is the public health emergency preparedness unit manager and epidemiologist for Yavapai County Community Health Services in Prescott, Arizona, where he has been for the past thirteen years. Prior to joining YCCHS, he was an epidemiologist with the Great Lakes Epidemiology Center in Wisconsin. Stephen graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago with a Master's of Public Health in epidemiology. He was born and raised in Massachusetts, so if he says a word you don't recognize, try sticking an 'R' at the end of it.

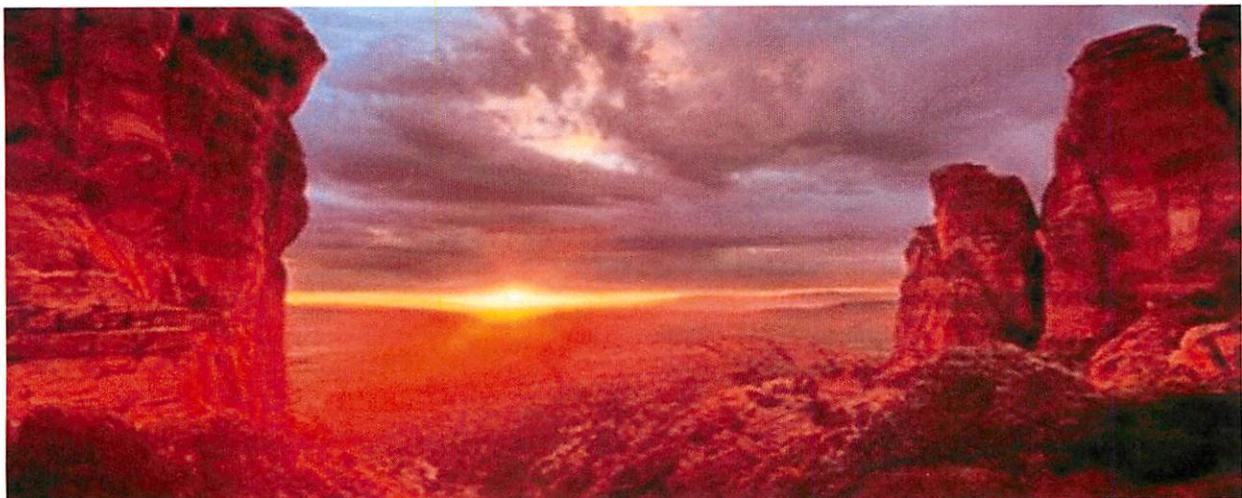


Secretary: Dezirae Williams



I am the PHEP Coordinator for Gila County Division Health & Emergency Management. This is my first job in Public Health, which thus far I have enjoyed. I've been in this position for a little over a year and have learned so much from my leadership at Gila County as well as all of you. I graduated from Northern Arizona University in 2013 with a Bachelor's of Public Health. Next year I plan to pursue a Masters of Public Health and am currently studying for the GRE.

I've lived in Arizona all my life, specifically in Casa Grande for 20 years. I'm a new mom to a sweet little 1 year old boy and two pug dogs. Every year I participate in the Central Arizona College Triathlon and plan to again this year due to my growing love for fitness. I'm eager to learn new things, meet new people and learn a lot over the next year as the new ALPHERA secretary. Thank you for this opportunity.



ALPHERA GOALS 2015/2016

GOAL #1

Include any opportunity that identifies potential shared resources at every in-person meeting, and incorporate a report of those resources in the ALPHERA newsletter at least quarterly (i.e. MOU templates, policies, procedures)

GOAL #2

At least quarterly, the ALPHERA meeting agenda shall include the review of one of the capabilities by the counties and tribes. This year's focus to be Recovery, EOC Coordination and Responder Safety and Health. The review will include best practices, innovative solutions and identified barriers to the capability.

GOAL #3

Include a "best practice" presentation at each in-person meeting. Presentations should reflect this year's Deliverables (or next year's expected deliverables, if known.)

GOAL #4

Identify opportunities that support the alignment of Public Health Emergency Preparedness Deliverables and Healthcare Preparedness Deliverables.

East Region Cyber Security Training Workshop

November 10, 2015 - 8am to 5pm

Graham County General Services Building

921 Thatcher Blvd. - Safford, AZ 85546

ERMA Event #1004619

Register On-Line through ERMA at: www.erma.az.gov

Session 1 - 8am to 12pm Essentials of Community Cyber Security Course

Presented by the Texas Engineering & Extension Service, this course provides individuals, community leaders, and first responders with information on how cyber attacks can impact, prevent, and/or stop operations and emergency responses in a community.

Session 2—1pm to 5pm

Regional Threat Briefing Incident Response Plan and Tabletop Exercise

Participants Must Attend Both Sessions

AzCHER-S

2015 Meeting Schedule

Call In #: (520)222-1111 Passcode: 8686

	Time	Host(s)
January 13	9:00 am – 11:00 am	AzCHER-S
February - TBD	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	AzCHER-S and ADHS
March 10	9:00 am – 11:00 am	AzCHER-S
April 14	9:00 am – 11:00 am	AzCHER-S
May 12	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	AzCHER-S and ADHS
June 9	9:00 am – 11:00 am	AzCHER-S
July 14	9:00 am – 11:00 am	AzCHER-S
August 11	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	AzCHER-S and ADHS
September 8	9:00 am – 11:00 am	AzCHER-S
October 13	9:00 am – 11:00 am	AzCHER-S
November 10	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	AzCHER-S and ADHS
December 8	9:00 am – 11:00 am	AzCHER-S

South Region Cyber Security Training Workshop

September 15, 2015 - 8am to 5pm

Tucson Police Department—Westside Operations Division

1310 W. Miracle Mile - Tucson, AZ 85705

ERMA Event #1004588

Register On-Line through ERMA at: www.erma.az.gov

Session 1 - 8am to 12pm Essentials of Community Cyber Security Course

Presented by the Texas Engineering & Extension Service, this course provides individuals, community leaders, and first responders with information on how cyber attacks can impact, prevent, and/or stop operations and emergency responses in a community.

Session 2—1pm to 5pm

Regional Threat Briefing Incident Response Plan and Tabletop Exercise

Participants Must Attend Both Sessions

MGT341 Disaster Preparedness for Hospitals & Healthcare Organizations within the Community Infrastructure

September 14-15, 2015 - 8am to 5pm

Pima County Office of Emergency Management

3434 E. 22nd Street—Tucson, AZ 85713

ERMA Event #1004726

Register On-Line through ERMA at: www.erma.az.gov

2-day course presented by the Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service will show participants how hospitals and healthcare organizations are vulnerable to disaster. Participants will be introduced to the various natural, technological, and civil hazard to which hospitals and healthcare organizations may be vulnerable and potential impacts of those hazards. Federal guidelines and legislation that serve to aid in the preparedness for, and response to, incidents involving these hazards are discussed, as are current emergency management standards for the hospital community. Participants review response and recovery issues that should be addressed by medical facilities and organizations in preparation for a large—scale incident, including identification of critical resources necessary for response and recovery.

Participants Must Attend Both Sessions



State Training Offering

MAG290: Basic Public Information Officer

ERMA Event #1004756

Pima County Office of Emergency Management, Room 308

3434 E. 22nd Street, Tucson, AZ 85713

September 9th & 10th, 2015

8:00AM – 5:00PM both days

* Register On-Line through ERMA at www.erma.az.gov using the above event number *

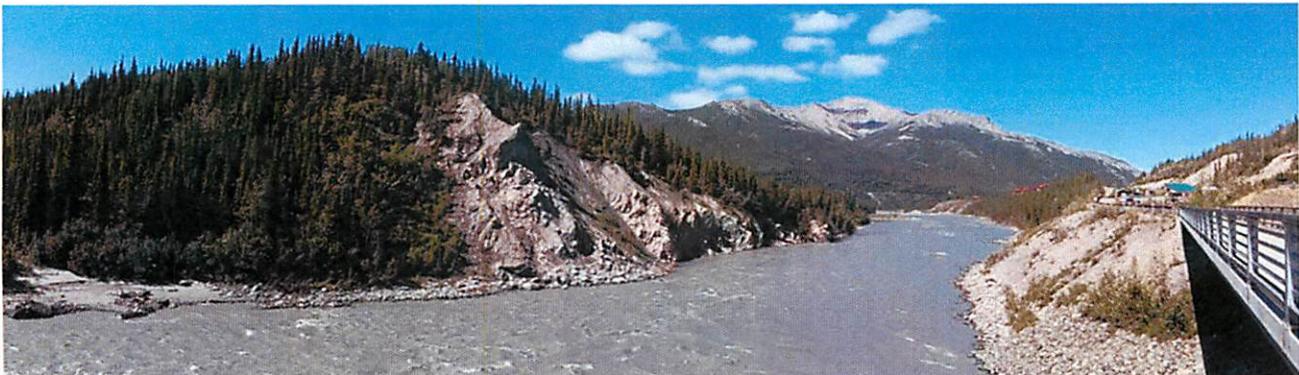
Description: This FEMA Advanced Professional Series (APS) elective course is intended for the new or less experienced Public Information Officer (PIO). The emphasis is on the basic skills and knowledge needed for emergency management public information activities. Topics include the role of the PIO in emergency management, conducting awareness campaigns, news release writing, and television interviews. Students will write a press release, do a videotaped practice interview and final interview. They will then receive feedback from the instructor(s) and their peers on these three activities.

Recommended Prerequisites: MAG289: PIO Awareness is a recommended pre-requisite and is presented in classroom format. The online independent study course, IS-29: Public Information Officer Awareness, can be taken as an alternative to MAG289: PIO Awareness & can be found online at: <http://training.fema.gov/is/courseoverview.aspx?code=IS-29>.

Target Audience: Emergency management personnel, including fire and law enforcement who have either full or part-time responsibilities for public information at the state, tribal, or local level of government.

Registration: It is recommended that participants enroll no later than 14 days prior to the start of the course. Enroll On-Line through ERMA at www.erma.az.gov. First time users will be required to create an account prior to enrollment. You must provide a valid email address and phone number for contact information.

Costs: Training is provided at no cost to eligible jurisdictions. DEMA will not provide any overtime, backfill, or travel-related reimbursements for this course.



State Training Offering

MAG300: Intermediate Incident Command System

ERMA Event #1004754

Pima County Office of Emergency Management, Room 308

3434 E. 22nd Street, Tucson, AZ 85713

August 11th – 13th, 2015

8:00AM – 5:00PM on August 11th & 12th

8:00AM – Noon on August 13th

* Register On-Line through ERMA at www.erma.az.gov using the above event number *

Description: This course covers Organization and Staffing, Organizing for Incidents and Events, Resource Management, and Air Operations. The following topics are included: ICS staffing and organization, including reporting and working relationships and information flow; transfer of command; Unified Command functions in a multi-jurisdictional or multi-agency incident; ICS forms; resource management; interagency mission planning and procurement. This course is recommended for persons with ICS supervisory positions.

Prerequisites: Successful completion of IS-700.a: NIMS, An Introduction, IS-100.b: Introduction to ICS, and IS-200.b: ICS for Single Resources & Initial Action Incidents is recommended. You can find these independent study courses at <http://training.fema.gov/IS>.

Target Audience: Emergency Management staff; Local, County and State Government Units; Fire, Law Enforcement, EMS, and Hospital providers; School Staff and Administrators; Volunteer Agencies active in disaster or exercise.

Registration: It is recommended that participants enroll no later than 14 days prior to the start of the course. Enroll On-Line through ERMA at www.erma.az.gov. First time users will be required to create an account prior to enrollment. You must provide a valid email address and phone number for contact information.

Costs: Training is provided at no cost to eligible jurisdictions. DEMA will not provide any overtime, backfill, or travel-related reimbursements for this course.



BP4 - ALPHERA Meeting Schedule

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Location</u>
August 6, 2015	Teleconference	
September 3, 2015	In-Person	Coconino
October 1, 2015	Teleconference	
November 5, 2015	In-Person	TBD
December 3, 2015	Teleconference	
January 7, 2016	In-Person	Cochise
February 4, 2016	Teleconference	
March 3, 2016	In-Person	La Paz
April 7, 2016	Teleconference	
May 5, 2016	In-Person	Apache
June 2, 2016	Teleconference	

*Note to Greg—Will there be a BBQ in La Paz?



Michelle Smith at the Cocopah 4th MRC event (all of the MRC!)



Please join the NORS-Foodborne team on **Thursday, August 13th from 3-4pm ET** when the National Center for Environmental Health (NCEH) and the Metro Public Health Department of Nashville/Davidson County will be presenting on the National Voluntary Environmental Assessment Information System (NVEAIS). Additionally, New York State Department of Health will be presenting on their experience participating in both NVEAIS and NORS. Call-in and log-in information will be sent the week of the webinar.

The webinars are intended for NORS users who enter foodborne outbreak data and state, local, and territorial health departments. Feel free to share this invitation with your colleagues, but please note there is limited space so attendance is on a first-come, first-served basis. Webinars are a great way for the NORS-Foodborne team to communicate with state, local, and territorial health departments regarding foodborne outbreak data and the NORS system.

To add the attached webinar appointment to your Outlook calendar, simply open the email attachment and select Save & Close. If outside of the Eastern Time zone, please make sure that the time has switched to your time zone.

If you have any webinar topic ideas or are interested in presenting in a future NORS-Foodborne webinar, please email us at NORS-Foodborne@cdc.gov.

Sincerely,

The NORS-Foodborne team



2015 National Pediatric Disaster Coalition Conference

You are invited to attend the National Pediatric Disaster Coalition Conference (NPDCC) November 2-4, 2015 at the Camelback Inn Resort and Spa in Scottsdale, Arizona. The purpose of the NPDCC is to provide clinical staff; hospital emergency management; other hospital representatives; prehospital providers; educators, school nurses and other school representatives; public health; first responders and emergency managers; behavioral health providers; and faith-based organization representatives with tools, training, resources, and information **to improve disaster preparedness for children.**

This conference is the first of it's kind and will likely not be held in Arizona again. Speakers will examine a broad spectrum of pediatric disaster response, resilience, extended care, recovery, and coalition topics as gleaned from surviving Hurricane Sandy, the Boston Marathon bombing, the Joplin tornado, the Sandy Hook shooting, and more. Continuing Education Credits are available, and accommodations are available for access and functional needs populations. The NPDCC offers a wonderful opportunity for Arizona's local government, healthcare, education, faith-based, and other stakeholders interested in disaster response for children to learn from individuals responding to disasters involving children precisely in what they learned from the incidents. The conference will assist disaster planners in improving their own disaster plans pertaining to children.

Registration has started (regular registration lasts until September 30, 2015 at \$585; late registration begins October 1 at \$685). For additional information, go to npdconference.org. For questions, contact Deb Roepke at deb.roepke@coyotecrisis.org



Arizona BioSense Work Group

Tuesday August 4, 2015

Tuesday October 6, 2015

Tuesday December 1, 2015

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

Call in information: 805-399-1200

Passcode: 813200

iLinc: <https://azdhs.ilinc.com/join/wzcxcz>

Epidemiology & Surveillance Capacity Teleconference

August 5, 2015

September 2, 2015

October 7, 2015

November 4, 2015 (In Person Meeting)

9:00 am to 10:00 am

Call in information: 605-562-3140

Passcode: 581664

THE SOUTHERN ARIZONA INTER-
AGENCY PEER SUPPORT TEAM
PRESENTS

**The Critical Incident Stress
Management GRIN COURSE
(Group and Individual Course)**

OFFERED TWICE and with NEW DEVELOPMENTS

WHEN:

GRIN for SEPTEMBER 24, 25, & 26, 2015 (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, from 9 to 5)_____ Check here and below for this course

GRIN for NOVEMBER 5, 6, & 7, 2015 (Thursday, Friday, & Saturday, from 9 to 5)_____ Check here and below for this course

Both the Group and Individual courses will be combined into the GRIN and consolidated into 3 days instead of 4

WHERE: The Todd Ponder Café at Tortolita Middle School, 4101 W. Hardy

Registration is \$150.00. Registration must be received by the dates listed on the form below for the course chosen. For additional information regarding registration, please call Cynthia Dowdall, at (520) 906-1227, after 5pm. Please register early to gain admission into the class. The class will close upon the receipt of 40 registrants per class. A waiting list will be made available.

Critical Incident Stress Management Training

Registration Form on next page

Critical Incident Stress Management Training - *Registration Form*

(Must be received by Tuesday, 9/1/2015 for GRIN September and

By Tuesday, 10/6//2015 for GRIN November)

Name

Organization

Mailing address

Phone Number

Cell

City, State, Zip

Email address

Be sure to mark your calendar

GRIN SEPTEMBER _____ \$150.00

GRIN NOVEMBER _____ \$150.00

Total amount of Check \$ _____

Enclose this form with a check payable to

AIM Well

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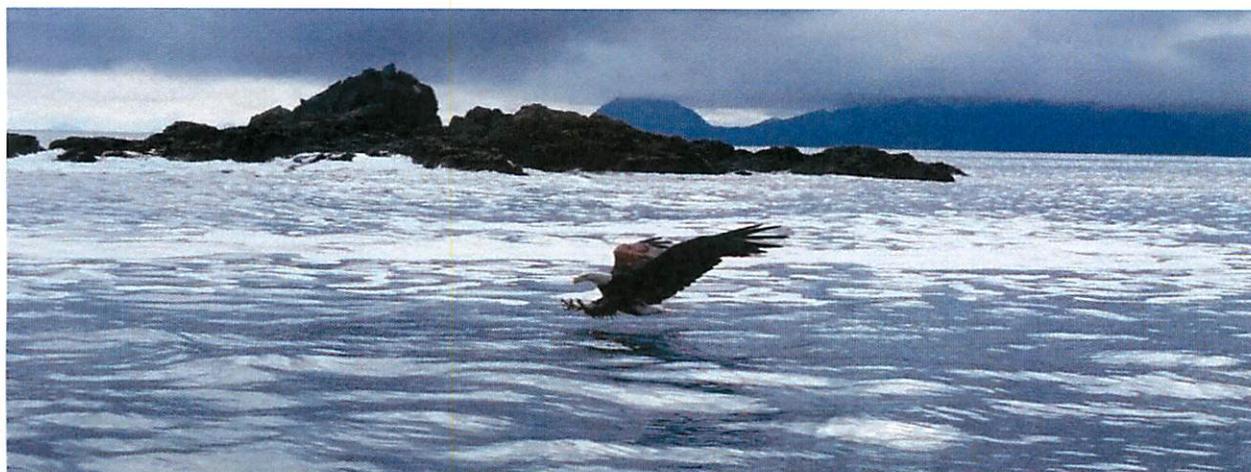
AIM Well

Attention: Dr. Cynthia Dowdall

8987 E. Tanque Verde Ste. 309-108

Tucson, Arizona 85749

NON-REFUNDABLE



Graham County Back to School Resource Fair

Graham and Greenlee County have a very active Community Network Team and the Health Department is active in this organization. Many organizations are members and meet monthly to discuss programs and community events. There are many Community Teams around the State for your Department to get involved with if you are not already. For Graham and Greenlee we have been able to develop MOU's, contacts, a communication network and take part in community events along side of other organizations which serve our communities. This weekends 'Back to School Resource Fair is a good example of all organizations working together to promote good will and service.

Many free services were offered such as eye screening, dental information, sports physicals, immunizations, clothing exchange, back packs etc. More than 20 local organizations and businesses took part along with the Health Department and Mt. Graham Regional Medical Center.

