

Notes of CERT Meeting, 3-27-23

In attendance were:

Melissa, President

Karen, Outreach & Communications

Mark, Secretary

Tim Jenkins

Linda

Jimmie

Paul

The meeting began at approximately 7:30 with the introduction of Missy Tuttle-Ferrio and Anita , EMT's from Fairfax County, who proceeded to provide a seminar on the uses of duct tape in emergency situations.

Missy and Anita spent over an hour describing a disaster scenario and the steps involved in handling it, including how an Incident Commander goes about establishing a Command Center and how crucial duct tape is in developing a Command Chart that documents the details of a rescue operation.

The Duct Tape Duo then walk us thru a method of quickly triaging victims, performing quick aids to persons in extreme distress, labeling the victims and bringing the info back to the Command Center so rescue teams can be efficiently dispatched. They also demonstrated how duct tape can be used in making a splint, a tourniquet, a sling and a tight wrap to stop bleeding. The standard method of marking a building to show the status of victims inside, using duct tape, was also shown.

After this valuable presentation, Melissa reviewed the status of our two standing committees, Deployment and Evacuation, which will be meeting soon. Please sign up for one of these groups.

Melissa announced that the Web Site is up and running.

Volunteers signed up to be at our table during this Saturday's Easter Egg Roll. We can use more volunteers for this fun event.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:15 pm.