

# **Dispatch** Times

#### Peer Support Training By: Melissa Bour

On December 3rd & 4th, Dispatchers (pictured below left to right with yellow highlight) Andy Jackson, April Kennard, Ashlee Rector and Supervisor, David Griffin all attended an IAFF (International Association of Firefighters) Peer Support Program Training in Colerain Township.

Whenever a difficult call or situation occurs in our County we have offered those dispatchers involved the opportunity to talk to a representative from the CISD (Critical Incident Stress Debriefing) team. Although this has been productive, we feel that in this day and time it's not enough.

During the holidays especially, we all see & read stories about those (first responders specifically) suffering from Post Traumatic Stress and depression. It is our goal as a department to form a Peer Support Team which can support our employees and neighboring counties.



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#### Mark Your **Calendar!**

January 1 New Years Day

**January 21** Martin Luther King Day

**January 31** G191 Course



# **Employee Spotlight**

# the Month

**Employee of** 

Rob Plummer Employee Since 2008

#### **Birthdays**

Shelby Davis January 10th

Nancy Machulskiy January 11th

> Kristin Miller January 13th

Emily Smitley January 23rd

Melissa Bour January 25th

#### **Milestones**

Emily Smitley - 2 years

Joey Bishop - 20 years

Ashlee Rector - 7 years

## County Christmas Challenge

Congratulations to Child Support for winning "Most Creative" & Telecom for winning "Best Theme" Below are a few pictures from our department's theme which was The Grinch.



# **Did You Know?** Ohio Alerts Training

By: Chris Dill

Recently the Communications Center hosted an Ohio Alerts Training. This training discussed when to use "alerts" for LEADS/NCIC entries for Missing Persons.

An "Alert" is an additional tool for law enforcement used to help locate a missing child or adult. Alerts utilize the media and other partners to broadcast the information. It is basically a "Media Release" sent to all media outlets statewide.

In order for an alert to be attached to a Missing Person's entry into LEADS/NCIC, it must meet certain criteria.



#### Amber Alert

- Under 18 years of age
- Law enforcement believes the abduction poses a credible threat of immediate danger of serious bodily harm or death to the child.
- There is sufficient descriptive information about the child, the suspect and or the circumstances surrounding the abduction to believe that activation of the alert will help locate the child.
- Law enforcement determines that the child is not a runaway and has not been abducted as a result of a family abduction, unless it is determined that the child is in immediate danger or serious bodily harm or death.

## **Endangered Missing Child Alert**

- A child that does not meet criteria for "Amber Alert" but is still at risk
- Under 18 years of age
- Missing child- Runaway, Lost Non-Witnessed/Non-Confirmed abduction, Child is missing with circumstances unknown.
- Confirmed missing by law enforcement and victim is in danger of serious bodily harm or death.
- There is enough descriptive information concerning the circumstances, suspect, vehicle, and victim where the public would be able to assist.

### **Endangered Missing Adult Alert**

- 65 years and older or any adult with a mental disability/impairment (disability must be diagnosed by a medical professional.)
- Confirmed missing by Law Enforcement
- The disappearance poses a credible threat of immediate danger or serious bodily harm or death to the individual.
- There is sufficient descriptive information about the individual and the circumstances surrounding the individual's disappearance to indicate the activation of the alert will help locate the individual.

# **Dispatchers Earn Personal Day (s) in 2018**

Congratulations to the following employees who earned a personal day off for no unscheduled sick time in 180 consecutive days. In some cases employees earned 2 personal days, which means they did not call off sick all year!

### <u>2 Days Earned</u>

Bob Anson Jonathan Bright Tesci Davis Shelby Davis Brad Edrington Brian Holtel Ron Kronenberger Rob Plummer Ashlee Rector Dennis Rutter Doug Short David Griffin Mike Wiggins

#### <u>1 Day Earned</u>

Amberlee Applegate Hannah Banks Joey Bishop Chris Carr Carmen Carson Chris Dill Keith Fudge Cassidy Gatio Samantha Hall Samuel LeMaster Andrew Jackson David Sauer Tramel Waddell



### **EMA Training & Exercise Survey Results** By: Lesli Holt

Warren County EMA sent out a survey to our stakeholders asking for input on 2019 emergency management trainings and exercises. The survey produced great feedback, and identified the courses and exercises that EMA will be focusing on next year to help our citizens and business get better prepared for emergencies and disasters.

#### **Results of the survey:**

The EMA is working with state and local training authorities to schedule courses that align with gaps and training requests. Courses that have been confirmed so far include:

- G 191: ICS/EOC Interface January 31 (8-5) @ the Warren County EOC
- Brown Bag Educational Session—EOC Planning P & Tabletop Exercise- February 21 (11:30 am—1 pm)
   @ the Warren County EOC
- NWS Weather Spotter Training February 28 (6-8 pm) @ Atrium Medical Center

Biggest gaps in FEMA's 32 Core Capabilities		Most Requested Locally Offered Courses		Most Requested State Offered Courses
Cybersecurity	•	EMA 101	•	Recovery from a disaster
Economic Recovery	•	The Role of Local Officials in Disas-	•	Emergency Planning Course
Housing		ters	•	ICS/EOC Interface
• Intelligence and Information Sharing	•	Brown Bag Offerings (Subject TBD)	•	ICS for Executives and Senior Offi-
	•	School Evacuation and Reunification		cials

To get more information or register for a training, please contact Warren County EMA @ wcema@wcoh.net or 513-695-1315

# Hamilton Township: Basic Crime Scene Processing Training



Libra Forensic Consulting, LLC

<b>Basic Crime Scene Processing</b> Attendees will be taught a comprehensive overview of crime scene documentation and processing.	June 24-28, 2019 9am – 5pm	Objectives: Upon completion of the course the student should be able to:				
The course covers a wide variety of topics from evidence recognition, collection and packaging as well as more advanced aspects of analysis such the importance of bloodstain patterns and shooting trajectory.	Hamilton Twp. Police Department 7780 South State Route 48 Maineville, OH 45039	<ul> <li>Understand the importance of crime scene preservation and evi- dence recognition</li> <li>Demonstrate the ability to docu- ment a crime scene through basic photography and diagramming methods</li> </ul>				
Current methods to enhance blood and latent print evidence will also be demonstrated.	<b>Recommended Hotel</b> SpringHill Suites 9365 Waterstone Blvd.	<ul> <li>Identify basic blood patterns and understand their mechanisms and use blood search/enhancement chemicals</li> </ul>				
A holistic approach of crime scene processing is stressed and all crime scene investigators will walk away	Cincinnati, OH 45249 (513) 683-0009	<ul> <li>Demonstrate the ability to lift a fingerprint from porous and non- porous objects</li> </ul>				
with an understanding of each func- tion within the scene.	Course fee: \$495 Payment accepted through PayPal, check or purchase	<ul> <li>Demonstrate the ability to docu- ment and cast impression evi- dence</li> </ul>				
Every portion of instruction will be fol- lowed with a hands-on practical exer- cise to demonstrate a student's abil- ity.	order. Visit	<ul> <li>Identify sources of biological evi- dence and demonstrate the best practice to collect them</li> </ul>				
Crime Scene Processing is a 40-hour course and has been approved by the IAI for course hour credit.	www.libraforensics.com to register.	<ul> <li>Understand correct forensic ter- minology and be able to use it in an investigation report</li> </ul>				
	melissa@libraforensics.com	<ul> <li>Demonstrate proper packaging</li> </ul>				
	(908)380-8673					
Attendees of course should bring						

\* Camera kit - Digital SLR, separate flash unit, memory card and tripod \* USB Drive

\* Any issued crime scene equipment that attendee would like practice with

To See All of Hamilton Township Police Department's Trainings Visit Their Website

www.hamilton-township.org/police

#### Where Am I?

If you know the location where this picture was taken, email us at <u>melissa.bour@wcoh.net</u> no later than January 25th. Everyone that has the correct answer will be entered into a drawing for a gift card. Include your name, phone number, department you work for and your guess of the location and any other details. Don't forget to check back next month to see if your name was drawn!

Congratulations to Doug Short of Warren County Dispatch for guessing that last month's picture was of Texas Eastern on W. State Route 122.



## **Outdoor Warning Sirens-New Policy**

The Outdoor Warning Sirens are tested every 1st Wednesday of the month at 12:00 P.M. unless there is severe weather or extreme temperatures that may damage siren parts if sounded. The sirens are activated here in the Dispatch Center. The cities of Lebanon and Franklin activate their own sirens.

During 2018 most Warren County jurisdictions have performed maintenance on their sirens and while doing so also programmed a new zone code to allow for a 2nd type of siren sound to warn those out-doors of a chemical emergency. This siren sound is a wail tone that increases in pitch and lasts no longer than 3 minutes.

The County activated sirens can now be activated by zone, as well as county-wide. The zone activation will be based on the warning issued, location of the sighting and the direction of travel.

These sirens are meant to be heard for those that are outside who need to seek shelter! By having the ability to only activate a particular zone, it reduces the confusion for those that in the past would hear the sirens in Franklin Twp. when the warning may only be for those in the Mason area.



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