



# Training Schedules

## Training Class Schedule SWID June & July, 2009

**Boise**  
146 South Cole Road  
Boise, ID 83709  
1-800-853-2570 x0

**Coeur d'Alene**  
411 N. 15th Street  
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83814  
1-800-853-2570 x104

**Idaho Falls**  
330 Shoup Avenue  
Idaho Falls, 83402  
1-800-853-2570 x701

**Lewiston**  
504 Main St. Suite 420  
Lewiston, ID 83501  
1-800-853-2370 x202

**Twin Falls**  
253 4th Ave. N.  
Twin Falls, ID 83301  
1-800-853-2370 x302

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or call us at  
1-800-853-2570 for more information  
on how to volunteer or donate.

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- Jun 2, 2009 Fulfilling Our Mission - 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- Jun 6, 2009 – ERV Ready, Set, Roll 9:00 am – 12:00 pm
- Jun 9, Disaster Action Team Orientation - 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm
- Jun 16, 2009 NEVO / Fulfilling Our Mission - 6:00 pm – 9:00, pm
- Jun 20, 2009 - Disaster Frontline Supervisor & Simulation - 8:30 am – 5:00 pm
- Jun 27, 2009 - Shelter Operations - 8:30 am – 12:00 pm
- Jun 27, 2009 - Shelter Operations Simulation – 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm
- Jul 10 - Jul 11, 2009 Collaborating - Ensure Effective Delivery (Day 1 & 2) 8:30 am - 5:30 pm
- Jul 14, 2009 NEVO / Fulfilling Our Mission – 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- Jul 23, Disaster Action Team Orientation - 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

To register for classes: [trainingsw@redcrossidaho.org](mailto:trainingsw@redcrossidaho.org) or [www.redcrossidaho.org](http://www.redcrossidaho.org) and/or 800-853-2570. All classes will be held at the Boise Chapter Office.

### ISU Emergency Management Upcoming Classes

Month	Dates	Time	Class	Location
June	6/2-3/2009	8AM - 6PM	ICS 300 Intermediate Incident Command System	Boise
	6/4-5/2009	8AM - 6PM	ICS 300 Intermediate Incident Command System	Ft. Hall
	6/16-17/2009	8AM - 5PM	MGT 315 Enhanced Threat and Risk Assessment	Ammon
	6/23-24-25/2009	8AM - 5PM	G-290 Basic PIO (Public Information Officer)	Twin Falls
	July	7/14-15/2009	9AM - 5PM	ICS 400 Advanced Incident Command System
7/14,15,16/2009		8AM - 5PM	332 Agriculture and Food Vulnerability Assessment Training	Twin Falls
7/27-28-29-30/2009		8AM - 5PM	(BHS) E278 Community Rating System (CRS)	Pocatello
7/28-29-30/2009		8AM - 5PM	G-290 Basic PIO (Public Information Officer)	Lewiston
October		10/1-2/2009	8AM - 6PM	ICS 300 Intermediate Incident Command System

To register for any of these classes, go to [www.idahoprepares.com](http://www.idahoprepares.com). You will need to create an account to login if you do not already have an account.

# THE RED CROSS READER



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## Volunteers, Staff and Community Supporters Recognized at Annual Meeting

At the 2009 Annual Meeting of the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho, the Chapter presented special awards recognizing the contributions of volunteers, staff and the community.

Betsy Hammar, Volunteer Manager, received the Administrative Services Award which is presented to any volunteer or staff member who assists in the administration of the Chapter and whose performance with projects or office activities has made a significant contribution to the work of the Chapter.

Robin Sowle, After-Hours Dispatch and Disaster Volunteer for East Idaho, received the Disaster Services Preparedness and Response Award which is given to a volunteer that has demonstrated leadership in the delivery of preparedness and response programs, encouraged cooperative and collaborative relationships with community and local government agencies, and demonstrated exceptional efforts to meet the disaster related needs of clients.

Brenda Wood, Director of Health and Safety, received the Health and Safety Services Award which is presented to any volunteer or staff member whose outstanding contributions has led to the improvement of health and safety programs such as CPR, First Aid, Babysitting, Aquatics

and Water Safety courses or in the administration of these programs.

Boise Valley Riders received the Good Neighbor Award which is presented to an individual or organization outside the American Red Cross for having made a significant humanitarian contribution to the Greater Idaho Chapter for their work and on-going support of the Ride for the Red motorcycle fundraising event.

Volunteers receiving Certificates of Appreciation for their contributions in FY2009 were: Larry Goolsby, George Symons, Ronna Waller, Robin Sowle, Shannon Miller, Bev McKay, Debbi Boyd, Bob Aiken, Bill Sowle, Lorraine Roberts, Jennifer Laraway, Nancy and Don Martin, and Dian Wood. The following volunteers were unable to attend the Annual Meeting and will receive their Certificates of Appreciation at a later date: Cahlen Humphreys, Ken Carpenter, Jan and Mario Cefalu, Zoe Weber, Sandra Westrand, Maxine Gussenhoven, Vassilkia Debarbrie, Sandi Stocks, Mike and Janice Doherty, Jen Crawford, Nancy and Cliff Codes, Laura Gleeson, Jinx McAllister, Jenny Richie, Jewell Stimpson, Sarah Crockett, Teresa Smith, and Shawn Stephens.

Years of Service Pins were awarded to the following volunteers: Paulie Calma, Bill

Sowle, Debi Boyd, Suzanne Craig, Greg Gemar, Larry Goolsby, Arlo Siegersma, George Symons, Wendi Meer, Bob Aiken, Lee Goulter, Paula Heath, Rene Kidwill, Rick Phillips, Autumn Roberts, Dane Watkins, Arlene Wilkinson, Maj. Fred Long, Karen Severns, Robin Sowle, Pat Waller, Ronna Waller, Pat Coppi, Cathi Leeming, Harold Waggoner, John Wray and Lorraine Roberts.

### Election Results

The following individuals were elected to the Board of Directors to serve a term of three years beginning July 1, 2009: Paula "Paulie" Calma, Kevin Clement, Bob Everhart, Karianne Fallow, Rene Kidwill, Nancy Lowery, Milon McDaniel, Holly Motes, and Jeff Mousseau.

Delegates elected to represent the Greater Idaho Chapter for the 2010 American Red Cross National Annual meeting are: Karen Bradshaw, Paula "Paulie" Calma, Jan Cefalu, Greg Gemar, Larry Goolsby, Betsy Hammar, Kristine Walhof, Diane Lewis, Nancy Lowery, Wendi Meer, Karen Severns, and Robin Sowle.

## South Central Idaho Red Cross Volunteers Plan while Dining

A fabulous feast was prepared by the Captain of the SCID Disaster Action Team (DAT) Wednesday evening, May 27th. In efforts to entice and encourage participation of volunteers in her area, Paulie



Calma cooked a beautiful turkey with dressing and salads and side dishes that just kept coming. Then she had dessert waiting.

The team sat around in Calma's living room discussing plans for participation of Red Cross in the local Twin Falls Western Days parade. They wish to bring a greater Red Cross



presence back to the community by reaching out and getting exposure in local community events.

Disaster training requirements were reviewed and options for pursuing training locally, on-line, and perhaps in other areas of the state were discussed. The South Central District faces some of the same challenges that other locations throughout the state encounter. Frequency of certain classes is limited where the demand is less. There are multiple qualified training instructors throughout the state hosting classes. Ultimately, all disaster training courses will be posted to the chapter's website at [www.redcrossidaho.org](http://www.redcrossidaho.org) for volunteers to view and register. It may also be possible to bring training to local areas if there are enough registered students. Check with a local DAT Captain for guidance.

## Volunteer Opportunities

Your Time, Your Knowledge, and Your Experience!

Volunteer opportunities are available in all Red Cross offices throughout the state. We'll help you build and refine all the skills you need. If one of the opportunities listed below is something you would be interested in volunteering for, e-mail us at [volunteer@redcrossidaho.org](mailto:volunteer@redcrossidaho.org) or call your local chapter office. You can also find more volunteer opportunities for the Idaho Red Cross at [www.volunteermatch.org](http://www.volunteermatch.org)

- E. Idaho Disaster Action Team (DAT) Members
- Instruct someone in E. ID to save a life - become a Health & Safety Instructor in your community
- Instruct someone in N. ID to save a life - become a Health & Safety Instructor in your community
- N. Idaho Disaster Action Team (DAT) Members
- N. Idaho Office Assistant Volunteer
- NC Idaho Disaster Action Team (DAT) Member
- NC Idaho Health and Safety Instructor
- NC Idaho Office Assistant Volunteer
- Protect Red Cross legacy - volunteer as Historian
- SC Idaho Disaster Action Team (DAT)
- SW Idaho Community Education Volunteer
- SW Idaho Disaster Action Team (DAT) Members
- SW Idaho Health and Safety Instructor
- SW Idaho Hour for the Red Presenter
- SW Idaho Volunteer Recruiting Assistant
- South Central Idaho Office Assistant Volunteer
- Volunteer Coordination Assistant

## Greg Gemar Receives Prestigious Clara Barton Award

Greg Gemar, a longtime Greater Idaho volunteer, was presented with the Clara Barton Award at the Chapter's Annual Meeting on May 8, 2009. The Clara Barton Award is the highest honor the Greater Idaho Chapter can bestow upon a volunteer and is awarded to an individual who has served in a number of leadership positions for the past several years within the Chapter.

Greg began his commitment to the Red Cross in 2003; joining primarily out of his strong desire to give back after receiving numerous gallons of blood during a difficult time in his younger years. While he himself is unable to give blood, Greg gives even more through his passion for teaching CPR, first aid, automated external defibrillation, CPR for the Professional Rescuer and Bloodborne Pathogens. He has taught over a thousand students these vital lifesaving skills and has also trained hundreds of new health

and safety instructors over the years. When students and businesses return for recertification, they often ask to be trained by this very special man.

In addition to his work in the Chapter's Health & Safety department, Greg appears on a local public television program to promote Red Cross services, the need for volunteers and the importance of blood donations.

Greg is willing to travel the state to spread the Red Cross message, serve in a leadership role or bring the Red Cross mission to the communities we serve. He is currently pursuing a Master's degree and as part of that demanding program, he has to complete a practicum with an organization and he of course, chose the American Red Cross.

Congratulations Greg!

## Meet Your Board Members

Each month, we will be featuring a different board member. This month, we are pleased to introduce **Paula "Paulie" Calma, Twin Falls**

Paula "Paulie" Calma is currently the South Central Disaster Action Team Captain. Prior to joining the American Red Cross of Greater Idaho team, Paulie served with Red Cross chapters in Palo Alto, Oakland, and Sacramento, California. Her Red Cross experience includes serving during 9-11, Hurricane Katrina and the Oakland, California wildfires. She has promoted disaster readiness programs with several school districts and has experience as an evaluator for mock disaster events. Paulie's work history includes 25 years experience in accounting and finance and she holds a Bachelor degree in Art History. She is completing a second degree in Business Administration and then plans to earn a Masters in Social Work.

## Starfish

One day a man was walking along a beach when he spotted another man in the distance ahead of him. This other man would stop every few feet, stoop down to pick up something from the beach, examine it, and then toss the object into the ocean.

As the first man got closer, he could see that the beach was littered with starfish that had washed ashore and were unable to return to the water. He could also see that the man in front of him was picking up the stranded starfish...one by one...and throwing them back into the ocean.

As he approached the man, he was overcome by curiosity as to why he was throwing the starfish back into the water. He looked at the man and said, "Why are you bothering to pick up these starfish? Can't you see that the beach is covered with hundreds of them? You can't possibly throw every one of them back into the water so what you're doing can't possibly make any kind of real difference."

The other man simply looked down at the starfish in his hand and before he tossed it back into the safety of the water, he replied, "Maybe not... but it will make a difference to this one."

## Motorcycle/Scooter Run

Join us for the 4th Annual Ride 4 the Red Rally on June 20, 2009. The ride will be through the Lewiston/Clarkston Valley and consists of a poker run with prizes, bratwurst lunch, and live music.

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[www.idahorideforthered.org](http://www.idahorideforthered.org)