

# CERT

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## Upcoming Events

- November 3rd- CPR Training at the EOC
- November 5th- Veterans Road Race at Edwards Park
- December 8th- CERT Christmas Party and End of Year Recap

## It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas

Ok so maybe not quite yet BUT it is coming up on shopping season. December 8th we'll be having our annual year-end review and Christmas party. We'll have food, laughs, Preparedness Santa, and an ugly Christmas sweater contest. For Preparedness Santa you can bring a preparedness-related item (up to \$10) to swap and steal from your team mates.

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## National Night Out

Dalton Police Department hosted its annual National Night Out event on October 4th in Burr Park. There were representatives from all sorts of public safety from GSP, local law enforcement, both fire departments, EMS, EMA, and Lifeforce. CERT was on hand to help hand out preparedness information, goodybags for the kids, and prizes. Thank you to all who came out to help!



## October Training

Thursday, October 6th we had a positively spooky time at CERT monthly training. Christina Byrd taught a class on some basic moulage techniques such as bruising, impaled objects, and lacerations. Participants got to practice on their own and received a go-bag of some basic items- just in time for Halloween!

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### The Home Depot Kids Safety Event

Before COVID-19 we would participate in The Home Depot's Kid's Safety Event in October. This event gave us the chance to interact with the public providing preparedness information, prizes, and tours of the Mobile Command Truck.

When we got the call that it was back this year we were happy to accept- even happier when CERT was specifically requested! It was a great team-building opportunity for the members present and went smoothly. Thank you to all who came out!

### Facebook Group

Need a handy way to keep up with team happenings? Found an interesting article, or Facebook post, or want to discuss something with your teammates before the monthly training?

Join the Whitfield County CERT Members Facebook group. Here we post reminders, photos, and events such as training that won't be visible to non-members. Join us today at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/whitfieldcert>



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### Fall Search and Rescue Exercise

On Friday, October 22nd a mom and daughter went missing in Rocky Face Ridge Park. After searching through the night the first responders needed a break and so CERT was called in. While the responders were able to locate the mom they still hadn't found the daughter.

This was the scenario for our fall Search and Rescue Exercise (SARX). Overall the exercise went well!



### Ratcliff Elected to Board

Our very own Sharon Ratcliff was elected to the board of directors by the Georgia Records Association! Congratulations Sharon!!