



Date/Time: Sunday, May 22, 2016 / 6:00 PM

Location: Wegman's Restaurant, 4401 Pottsville Pike, Reading, PA 19605 610 929-2538

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Optional Program:

The Berks County Sheriff Brigade continues their yearlong Emergency Preparedness Programs with the following presentation:

What Happens to a Person During a Disaster or Crisis Situation?

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Featuring Dr. Peggy C. Bowen-Hartung, Associate Professor of Criminal Justice, Alvernia University

Dr. Bowen-Hartung has served as a licensed psychologist in the states of Oklahoma and Texas, as well as a certified trauma specialist. In fact, her unique background has made her a valuable asset to the American Red Cross, which has called on the mental health specialist to treat first responders--world-wide--after hurricanes, typhoons, and other natural disasters. Bowen-Hartung was at ground zero after September 11, 2001, and has been to all 50 states and Canada, as well as every country in South America, Asia and Europe. Currently Bowen-Hartung teaches courses at Alvernia University and the Reading Police Academy on psychology and criminal justice. Locally, Bowen-Hartung is involved in both Anti-Gang Initiatives and Public safety Advisory Committee for the City of Reading.



How would you have reacted if you lived in Canada's Fort McMurray portion of the recent 400,000 acre apocalyptic firestorm which destroyed 1/5 of the town, displaced 88,000 persons, and destroyed much of the towns water and electrical infrastructure. Some things to consider: Normalcy bias - the denial of reality, fear & avoidance, withdrawal, hopelessness & helplessness.

Our Brigade sponsors ham radio training. having your ham license will be a great communication tool during disaster.

Our program will conclude with a constitutional presentation by Mr. Bill Reil from 7:15 PM to 8:00 PM.

