RF-DASH Newsletter
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Spotlight Story

Successful Farming

TIP OF THE DAY
Free Up Two Hands for Oil Changes

TALK IN MARKETING
Firefighters and Farmers Tackle Safety Together

When Firefighters and Farmers Work Together, They Can All Be Better Prepared in Case of an Emergency.

By Lisa Fredrick Pierrer
5/6/2020

Farmers aren't known for their tendency to easily place their trust in others. A long study by the Upper Midwest Agricultural Safety and Health Center (UMASH) collaboration of research and healthcare institutions found they are much more likely to trust each other than the rest of the world, but another group with a very high rating was firefighters.

This discovery led to Lisa Fredrick Pierrer, director of the National Farm Medicine Center, to UMASH partner, "We were looking for a way to deliver information about health and safety-
When Firefighters and Farmers Work Together, They Can All Be Better Prepared in Case of an Emergency.

Successful Farming is a nationally recognized agriculture magazine that has been around since the early 1900's. It has been bringing information to farmers to help improve life and their business on the farm.

Successful Farming wrote a great article on RF-DASH, interviewing Casper Bendixsen, on the ways fire and EMS can be the key connectors to improving safety and prevention on farms throughout our communities.

Click here to read about Successful Farming - Firefighters and Farmers Tackle Safety Together

Be Sure to Take Your Own Advice

Being a fire/EMS member, sometimes we may forget to take our own advice when it comes to safety and health. Safety consciousnesses is a full time job. Thanks to Ag Injury News for finding the article.

Click here to read - Brooke-Alvinston volunteer firefighter killed in crash with combine

CS-CASH 2020 Agricultural Health and Safety Course
To thank our health care providers, emergency services personnel, and those who continue to provide essential services during the COVID-19 pandemic, CS-CASH is offering the

2020 Agricultural Health and Safety Course

Free of Charge

Live via Zoom July 14 - 17, 2020
Online (on-demand) July 14 - August 14, 2020

DETAILS:

- Earn up to 36.75 hours of AMA PRA, Nursing, EMS, Continuing Education credit at no cost.
- The course will be offered live via Zoom July 14-15 (Session A) and July 16-17 (Session B), with online sessions available on demand through August 14, 2020.
- Registration is required: Go to www.unmc.edu/cce/aghealth
- Students taking this course for academic credit with the UNMC College of Public Health, must register with the college and pay course fees to receive academic credit.
- The course textbook can be purchased during registration for $90. All other course materials will be offered at no cost and will be mailed to you (at the address listed on the registration form) one week prior to the course.
- If you had previously paid for your registration, you will receive a full refund in the same form of payment that your registration was received.

AGENDA:
https://www.unmc.edu/cce/catalog/clinicmed/aghealth/agenda.pdf

CREDIT:

This live activity has been approved for AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™.
The University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Nursing Continuing Nursing Education is accredited with distinction as a provider of nursing continuing professional development by the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s Commission on Accreditation.
EMS Continuing Education Awarded

This course is supported in part by NIOSH AFF grant # 5U54OH010162

Please Plan on Joining Us!

Please forward this to health care providers, EMS personnel, safety and health professionals, and others who would benefit from taking this course.

For questions please contact Ellen Duysen ellen.duysen@unmc.edu

COVID-19 Resources and Information For Farmers and Fire/EMS

Click here: National Farm Medicine Center COVID-19 Resources
Incentives for SNA Interviews!

The RF-DASH Team is Needing Your Participation!

The RF-DASH team is still conducting interviews with RF-DASH trainers! We will be reaching out to you to schedule a time to complete the social network analysis survey. No matter your level of involvement with the project, we still want to hear from you! The call will take about 30 minutes.

We will be providing a $5.00 electronic gift card to Amazon for every social network analysis survey that has been completed.

We thank you for your time, and for making agriculture a safer and healthier community!

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Our Impact

Current and New Project Members in Our Journey to a Safer Farm Community

- Allenton, WI, Training Participants
  - John Breuer
  - Mark Steger
  - Ron Naab
  - Ryan Elbe
• **Wausau, WI, Training Participants**
  - Missy Kliebenstein
  - Dan Kliebenstein
  - Andrea Stelpflug
  - Gary Eloranta
  - Justin Athorp
  - Ella Dzubay
  - Jim Zwaschka
  - Angie Yerke
  - Andrew Yerke
  - Jeff Behselich
  - Kathy Fritsche
  - Sara Mattke

• **Elbridge, NY, Training Participants**
  - Rich Lamphere
  - Michael Plunkett
  - Ryan Peters
  - Timothy Knapp
  - Matthew Alfultis
  - Fred Laury
  - Paul Czarnecki
  - Daniel Hogan
  - Mike Caron
  - David Cawston
  - Doug Blumer
  - Floyd Duger

• **Menomonie, WI, Training Participants**
  - Dave Pike
  - Pete Hoffman
  - Dan Enestvedt
  - Randy Younker
  - Chad Smith
  - Brady Bleskacek
  - Josh Romsos
  - Christal Foreyt
  - Tony Wold
  - Kathleen Shear

• **Minneapolis, MN, Training Participants**
  - Stephen Brown
  - Nicholas Coble
  - Jason Conklin
  - Edward Kasner
  - Shari Kuther
  - Dave Kuther
  - Erik Merrell
  - Justin Norr
The RF-DASH Directory represents all of the individuals that have taken the RF-DASH training and are now Farm Hazard Analysts. Please contact the individuals in your region when seeking more information about the program. This includes farmers looking for emergency pre-planning, hazard analysis, and first aid training as well as other rural emergency responders wanting to be trained to be a Farm Hazard Analyst. For contact information on any of the above Farm Hazard Analysts, click on the button below for the University of Minnesota RF-DASH contact directory page.

Click Here For The Contact Directory

If you would like to be removed from the contact directory, please e-mail RFDASH@marshfieldresearch.org.

Click Here For The RF-DASH Success Story!
Farm MAPPER
This web tool allows for digital maps of farming operations to provide emergency responders on-site information about hazards and resources. The goal is to expedite responses to farm emergencies and protect responders who may be unfamiliar with an individual farms layout.

SaferFarm.org
SaferFarm.org is an ever-evolving online tool. Its development is led by the National Farm Medicine Center with the purpose of providing first-hand information about hazards, a process for evaluating hazards, and recommendations on correcting hazards.

Click Here For More Info

Brochure
This brochure is a tool that can be used to give information on RF-DASH to farmers, e.g. if fire departments need help explaining why they should be involved. It discusses how RF-DASH can help farmers by working together with their local fire/EMS to make their farms safer for both them and their families, as well as, the fire/EMS department. It can be difficult trying to describe to farmers what our intentions are when it comes to their involvement with RF-DASH on their farms. Despite best intentions, fire/EMS may be met with hesitation and/or unwillingness to be a part of the RF-DASH program. This is why this brochure can better inform farmers on their actual involvement. If you would like to print off some copies for yourself, you can always find it on the UMASH webpage umash.umn.edu/RFDASH.

Technical Issues?
If you are having any technical difficulties with Safer Farm, Farm MAPPER, etc., please reach out to RFDASH@marshfieldresearch.org. The RF-DASH team will help to find a solution, or connect you with someone that can.

If you ever have any questions, don't hesitate to touch base with us! You can reach out to any of the following:
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