



# VIRGIN VALLEY RESPONDER

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## Officers 2010—2011

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Mesquite Fire Department

Meeting  
Tuesday, January 4, 2011  
Fire Station #2  
1200 N. Kitty Hawk Drive  
6:00PM

### A G E N D A

1. Roll call.
2. Minutes of the last meeting.
3. IRS 501(c)(3) update.
4. Planning cooperation with the Virgin Valley Amateur Radio Club.
5. Other Business.
6. Announcements.
7. Closing Meeting.



As we enter the New Year, remember that just a couple of weeks ago, we were inundated with more rain and water than we needed.

The rain storms proved once again that we need to be prepared at all times as disaster can strike at any time.

It is a good time to check your backpacks and make sure you have all the equipment necessary.

Those who do not have new badges need to attend a meeting, fill out the form and get a new photo taken.

Send information and comments to Charlie at [clumkee@rconnects.com](mailto:clumkee@rconnects.com)

## What's New

We are early in the new year and hope that everyone had a restful and enjoyable Christmas celebration and are ready for a busy new era in CERT training.

We are planning for cooperation with the Virgin Valley Amateur Radio Club for emergency communications. Planning will begin early in the new year.

### Emergency Preparations

Early Tuesday morning, December 21, I received a phone call from Len DeJoria that we needed to be ready for a CERT activation.

Unfortunately, Yvonne and I were in Las Vegas to visit with friends from Hawaii and to celebrate our anniversary.

We returned to Mesquite as quickly as we could; in the mean time, I called Bill Oskin to check on the rising river at the Riverside bridge.

Tom Cleminson met me at the Elks Lodge and we set up a couple of our handheld radios. I was able to talk with ra-

dio amateurs in St. George through radio repeaters on Utah hill and be in communications with radio amateurs in Las Vegas at their Center of Operations.

Len asked for assistance in knocking on doors of homes on Cottonwood and Grayce Drives. Bill Oskin and I assisted Mesquite police in this assignment. For the most part, we asked residents to pack up their valuable and some clothes and be ready to evacuate.

Overton Power was along to turn off power to some of the homes closer to the river.

