

Press Release



Evacuation Exercise

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The Plaquemines Parish Homeland Security Office conducted an evacuation exercise to work out any possible kinks in the new evacuation system. First responders used the Belle Chasse Auditorium as their pick up point. Emergency officials from around the region were on hand to help. About 35 CERT members were registered into the system. Then the CERT members were trained on the evacuation system so they could assist registering evacuees.



“The hard work and dedication of parish employees, volunteers, and Sheriff’s deputies are what sets Plaquemines Parish apart,” said Parish President Billy Nungesser. “Sheriff Hingle, his deputies, and CERT Members have been great team players, instrumental in helping us stay prepared through another hurricane season.”



PICTURES: (left) Nungesser talks with CERT volunteers. (right) Tom Ignelzi of New Orleans OEP, Tim Thomasson of the New Orleans Urban Area Security Initiative, and Parish president Billy Nungesser.