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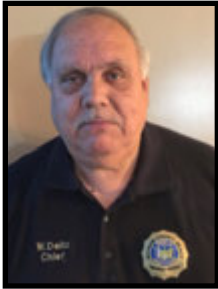
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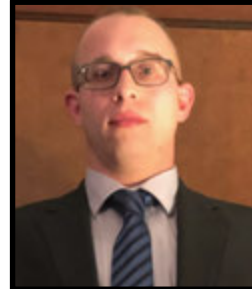


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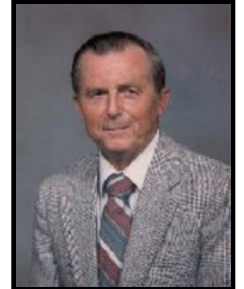
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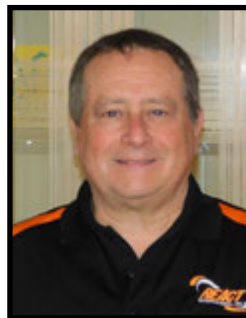


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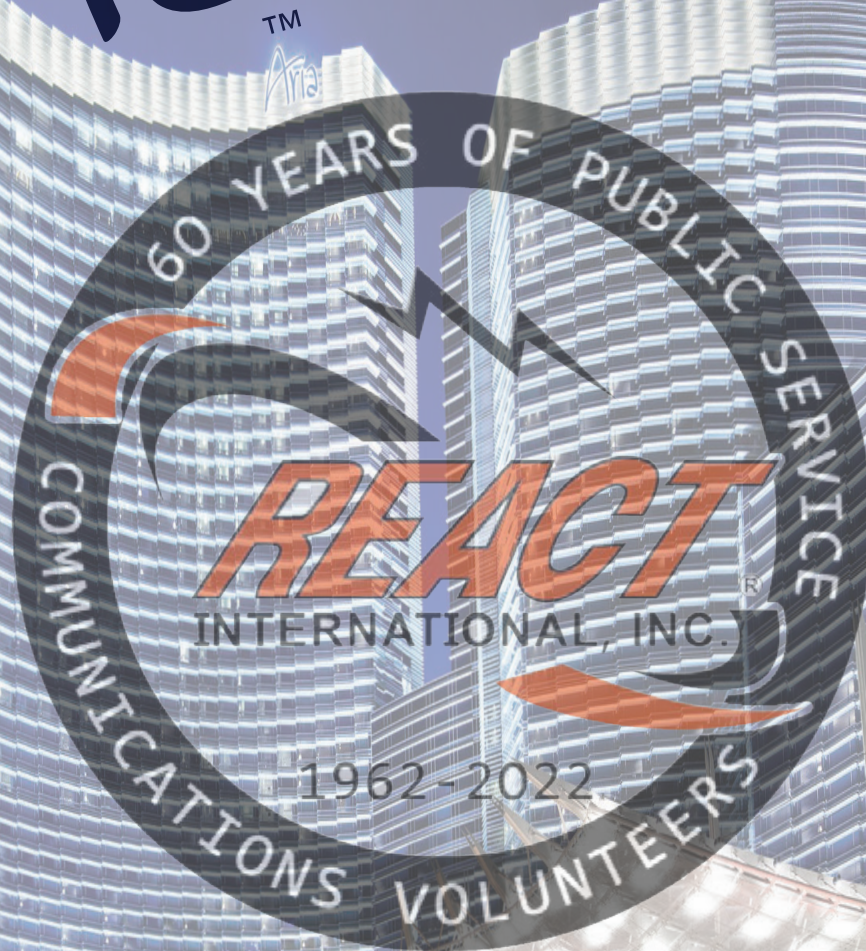


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August 8th 2022
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You WILL NOT NEED a REAL ID driver's license to come to Vegas in August!

On April 27, 2021, The federal government extended the deadline for enforcing the REAL ID® requirements to fly. This means that *REACT*ers travelling to Las Vegas for the 60th Celebration will not be required to have a REAL ID® compliant driver's license. If you do already have that license, so much the better but don't fret over it for the conference.

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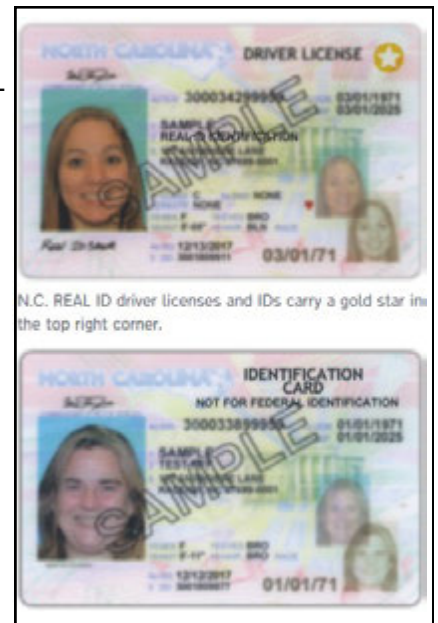
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- Visits federal courthouses, federal prisons or other federal facilities



(above) examples of the new REAL ID (top) and non-REAL ID (bottom)

Keeping all of this in mind, we will see you in Vegas on August 8th!





GORDON WEST

"GORDON WEST on REAL EMERGENCY RADIO CALLS" (appearing by Zoom at the conference)

Hear radio operators transmitting life and death radio calls during emergencies, including fires, floods, tsunamis, car crashes, and the first 911 call over two way radio. All calls were real, and offer good training on how the operator signaled for help.

Gordon West goes back to UHF CB in the early '50s, then on to 27 MHz with 11W1769, 11W2534, and KMX8483.

West was a founding member of San Pedro *REACT*, when Hal-lacrafters started the program. His favorite rigs were a Class A CB Vocaline, Class D CB International Crystal "Ice Box". He later added Ham Radio training as a lifelong hobby.





ANDERSON BENNETT

Anderson Bennett, retired FCC field agent, to speak on FCC enforcement then and now at 60th Anniversary Celebration

Anderson Bennett (K6IDF) is a recently retired field agent from the Federal Communications Commission. He worked primarily in the southwestern United States and personally performed hundreds of FCC investigations in the personal radio services, from 1975 to 1982 and again from 2004 to 2019. He received the FCC's Employee of the Year Award in 2016.

He promises a revealing presentation that will cover the history and evolution of the activities of the FCC's Enforcement Bureau in its efforts to manage the personal radio services as it evolved over a period of almost 40 years.



Search and Rescue

Technology Presentation

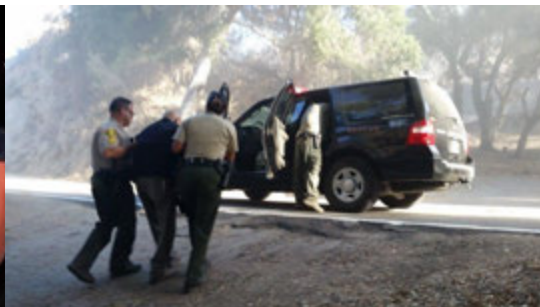


Will Richards

Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Learn how the Los Angeles County Sheriff Department Search and Rescue teams use Technology to Aid in Search and Rescue Operations. There are many different ways to search for someone lost in the forest. Searching for footprints, clues, and signs, of someone being in a particular area very vital parts of any successful search and rescue operation, however, in the 21st century, there are many technological aspects of searching that come into play. Knowing if anyone is in a specific area or not comes easily with the information gathered from cell phone providers, which is then RF mapped to determine possible areas a subject may be in. In other times using LIDAR technology to "paint" a hillside in 1-2 Hour differentials to determine anything in the first picture that has moved in the second picture. In cases where we are looking for an aircraft that has gone down we go out and DF for the plane's ELT. There are numerous ways Search and Rescue teams are able to deploy technology in the forefront of an operation to help use our time the most efficient way possible to aid in helping our patients as fast as possible.

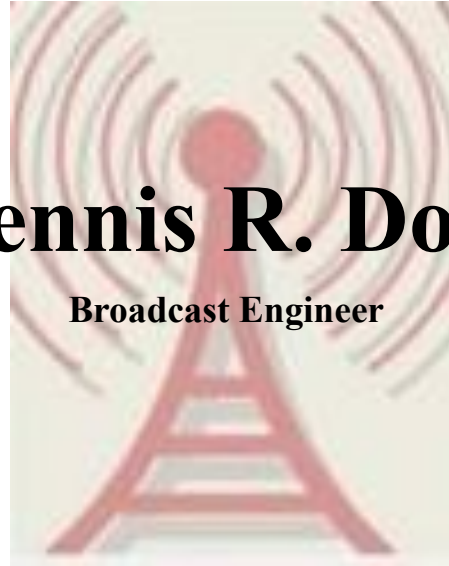
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Dennis R. Doty

Broadcast Engineer



Dennis will speak on Emergency Communications in Today's World. He will address the different types of radio services available, their pros and cons, how *REACT*ers can use each one and how we need to adapt to a changing communications scene. Dennis will present some real life examples and how they either succeeded or failed.





60th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

August 8, 2022 - ARIA Resort & Casino - Las Vegas, Nevada

Registration Form

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See reverse side for Menu and Payment Plan

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The Awards Dinner will have a selection of three different Entrées for you to choose from. Please place a check mark in the box next to your selection.

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Seared Filet Mignon | Green Peppercorn Sauce

CHICKEN

Mary's Pasture Raised Chicken Breast | Roasted Chicken Jus

FISH

Scottish Salmon | Warm Tomato, Fennel-Orange Vinaigrette

The dinner will include Freshly Baked Bread, Butter, and a Simple Salad with a Balsamic Vinaigrette. Entrée will be accompanied with Garlic Whipped Potato, Farmed Glazed Carrots and Fava Beans. Dessert will be a Lemon Cheesecake. Beverages will include coffee (regular or decaf), tea, sodas and water.



Please Wear Business Casual Attire for the Celebration Awards Dinner

Payment Plan

I would like to pay my Registration fee in payments. I understand that the entire \$200 (Per Person) must be paid in full no later than June 1, 2022.

I also understand that if, for any reason, I change my mind or am not able to attend, any fee or any portion of that fee will be considered a donation to REACT International.

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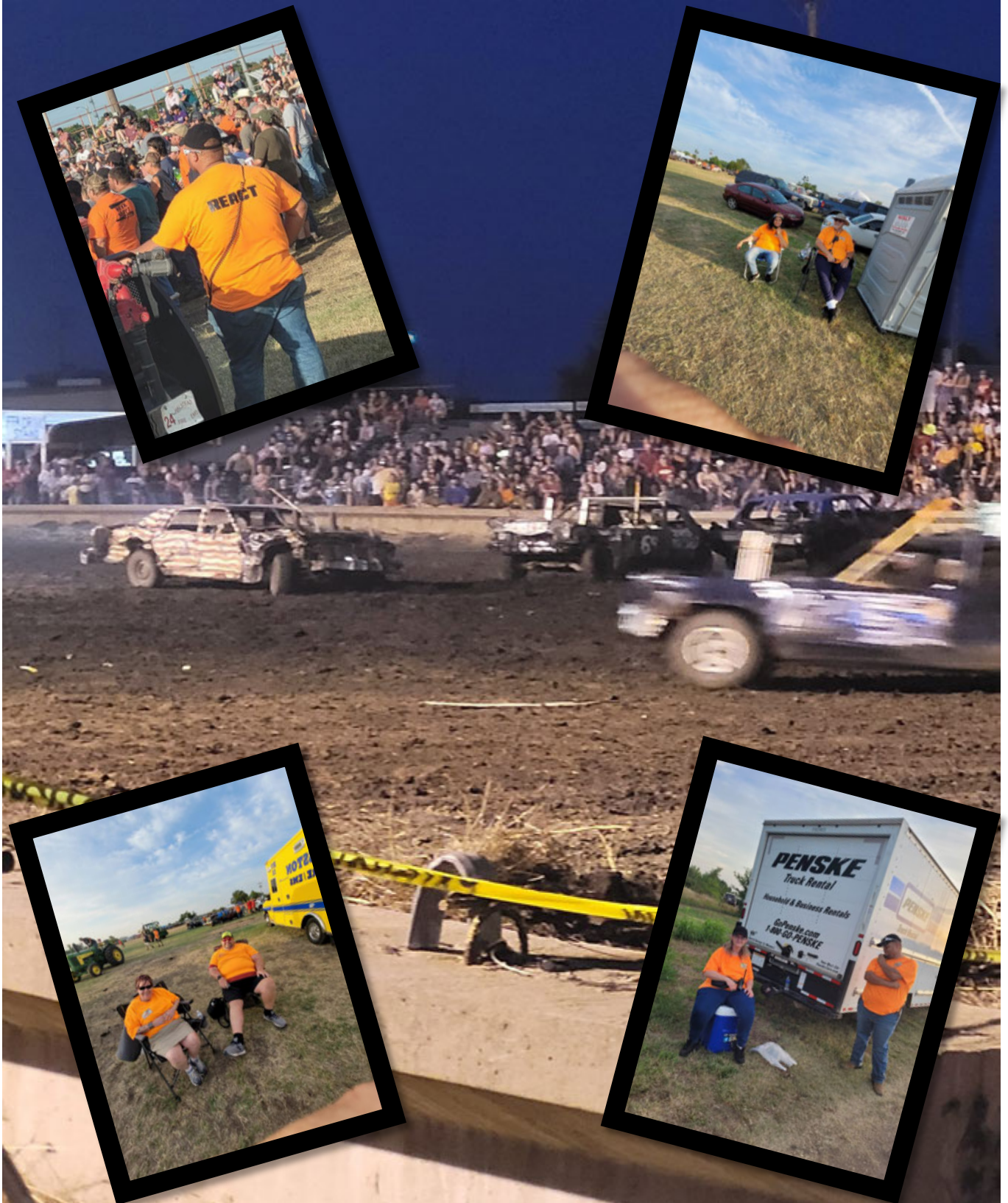
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South Central Kansas REACT #6265

Harvey County Fair

Demolition Derby



Richmond County *REACT*

National Night Out



The Richmond County React Team of Staten Island NY TEAM 6269 participated in NATIONAL NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME 2022

We handed out 200 bags of popcorn made on the scene approximately 900 bottles of free hand sanitizer and 150 bottles of water along with 5 boxes of free airport giveaways to the patrons of this event.

We even assisted in helping a lost little girl that lost her mom while walking through the crowd .



National night out is a yearly event happening across the United States all on the same night to tell the Community about non-for profit 501(c)3 organizations and other government facilities that are able to help out with any needs that the community may have .



REACT Interviewed by Carifin

Submitted by: Ravindranath “Robby” Goswami, 9Z4RG/NZ4RG, Region 9 Director

A question that often comes up is how to promote *REACT* and let the public know what we do. Benefits can include general awareness about the organization, recruitment of new members, and offering to be of service to agencies, organizations, and the general public. One possible way is to appear on live or recorded programs, whether via traditional TV, radio, print media, or streaming via social media/Internet.

Such an opportunity was undertaken by *REACT* Team 6005 under the leadership of Team President Rohan Rampersad, *REACT* Unit 501, to participate in an interview by a served agency, the Carifin organization. The interview took place on the Carifin Connect programme on Thursday 30th June 2022 at 8:00 pm. The event was streamed online and broadcast via the Facebook platform.

The host was Wayne Roberts, and panelists were Rohan Rampersad, *REACT* Unit 501, Ravi Missir, *REACT* Unit 504, and Ravindranath Goswami, *REACT* Unit 104.



The interview lasted almost 2 hours and touched on *REACT*'s involvement with the Carifin games for over 25 years, the purpose of *REACT*, and the future of the organization. A recording of the interview is available at the link <http://carifin.ttreact.com/>.

Let's continue to spread the word about *REACT*!

Trinidad/Tobago Team Holds BBQ Fundraiser

Story and Photos submitted by Robby Goswami, Region 9 Director

Fundraising is important to voluntary non-profit organizations like REACT. In order to serve and live up to our motto of “Public Service Through Communications”, there are expenses to be met, equipment to acquire and maintain, consumables such as batteries, and other incidentals, plus longer-term goals such as having an office.

The project was led by Team President Anwar Mondol, REACT Unit 701, and involved the Team management and membership contributing to the efforts through planning, ticket sales, venue preparation and distribution.



With that in mind, REACT Team 6007 recently held a fundraising Bar-B-Que. Tickets were available for several weeks for members and the public to support the effort.



REACT Partnerships and Team Charters

Submitted by: Ravindranath “Robby” Goswami, 9Z4RG/NZ4RG, Region 9 Director

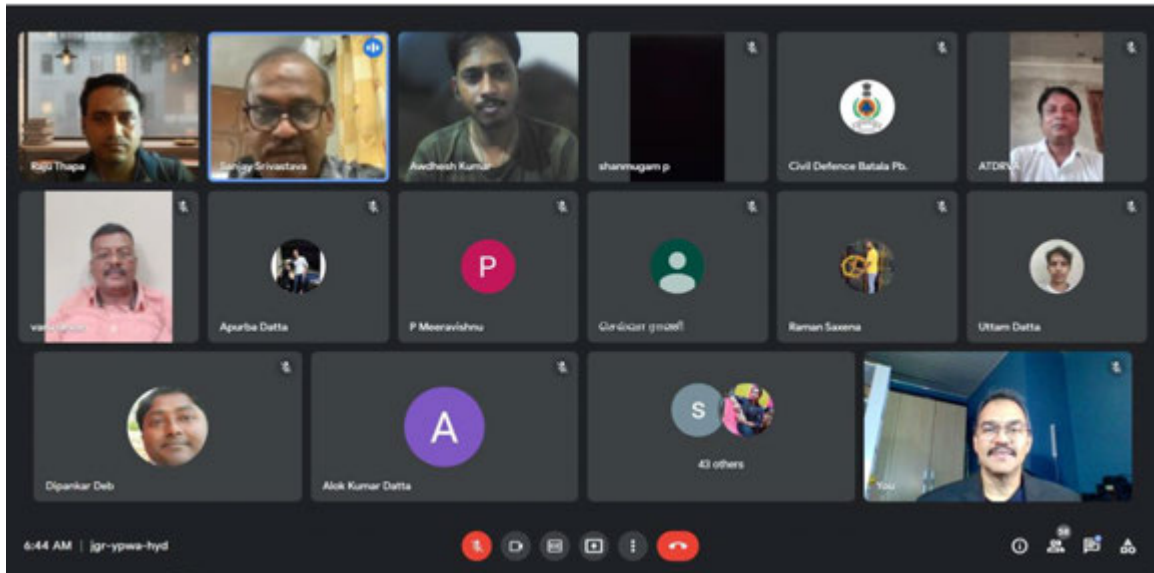
It is said “*no man is an island*”, meaning that we all rely on others. This is certainly true when it comes to emergency management and disaster risk reduction. Towards a collaborative and cooperative effort, *REACT* has several long-standing relationships with various partner organizations, many of which are formally documented. ARRL, Red Cross, National Weather Service, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters (VOAD), and the Salvation Army are some of the organizations that *REACT* International, Inc. would have previously established memoranda of understanding (MOUs). The distinctive capability of *REACT* in providing trained volunteer communicators meshes well with all organizations involved in public service, emergencies, and disasters.

REACT's continued partnership with such organizations and served agencies is critical to ensuring that in the event of a disaster, everyone can work as smoothly as possible, notwithstanding the likely crisis situation that may exist. Formally establishing relationships can enable regular meetings, exchanging of ideas, familiarization with key personnel, shared drills, and exercises. Lessons learned can be shared and result in more effective and efficient operations when the time comes to respond.

Through contact with David Alexander, *REACT* 507 of Team 6005, linkages were established with Arup Dhar of All Tripura Disaster Response Volunteers Association (ATDRVA) located in India. Discussions were held on the establishment of a *REACT* Team there. It should be stated that many challenges exist, particularly of an economic and resourcing nature. However, it is admirable what ATDRVA has been able to achieve with preparedness activities, advocacy, and responding to disasters. Based on the preliminary discussions, two events were convened by ATDRVA with *REACT*'s participation. The first session entitled “*Community Preparedness Lightning & Thunderstorm: Risk Reduction & Safety Measures*” was held on Saturday 9th July 2022, at 5:30 am EDT. The second session, entitled “*Community Voice on Landslide Preparedness & Safety Measures*” was held on Saturday, 17th July 2022, at 5:30 am EDT. Both sessions ran for almost 3 hours and were very informative as all speakers were experts in their respective fields.



Further collaboration is in the works and augurs well for both ATDRVA and *REACT* with the possible expansion of *REACT* into India, Nigeria and Bangladesh.



Screenshot of the Virtual Presentation

A recording of the first session is available at the following link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5DfmVKnjSS8>.

The critical role that *REACT* plays as a voluntary organization in emergencies and disasters suggests that a *REACT* Team should exist in every community on the globe. *REACTers* embedded within communities and with communications capability can make a difference in ensuring that responder agencies can be provided with situation reports on the ground from a trusted source.

If you are reading this article and located in a community in which a *REACT* Team does not currently exist and you are interested in *REACT's* motto “*Public Service Through Communications*”, please consider starting a *REACT* Team. If you are a former *REACTer*, please consider volunteering again. **REACT needs you!** It takes just three (3) persons to establish a Team. A Charter Application form is required, along with a couple of other administrative forms. Please send an email to RI.HQ@reactintl.org and we will be happy to send further details. If you are outside of the United States, you can also send the author an e-mail at r.goswami@reactintl.org or contact via WhatsApp 1(868)682-2212.

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