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### Ventura County Events

#### 21st Annual David Mann Chopperfest

February 9th 8am - 4pm Ventura County Fairgrounds

## 17th Annual Valentine's Day Sweethearts Dinner and Dance

February 14th 6pm to 10pm Ronald Reagan Presidential Library

#### **President's Day Celebration**

February 17th
10am to 3pm FREE
Ronald Reagan
Presidential Library

# Conejo Valley Comedy Festival in TO February 21 - 22 Tarantula Hill Brewing Co.

#### **Disaster Preparedness**



Being prepared can reduce fear, anxiety, and losses that accompany disasters. What you do now can help you and your family better respond to and recover from any disaster or emergency, as well as contribute to the overall readiness of

your community. Although there are many things that people can do to increase their preparedness for emergencies, there are some basic steps that cover most situations:

Identify your risk - What are the hazards where you live or work? Find out what natural or human caused disasters pose a risk for you. Do you live near a flood plain, an earthquake fault, or in a high fire danger area? Are you prepared for an unexpected human-made disaster that can strike any time? Does your neighborhood or community have a disaster plan?

Create a family disaster plan - Your family needs a plan that tells everyone: where to meet if you have to evacuate; who you've identified as an out-of-state "family contact"; how to get emergency information in your community; and how to take care of your family pets.

**Practice your disaster plan** - After you have sat down with your family and written your plan — practice it. Start by having family members meet at a designated spot outside your home — like you would after a fire or after the shaking stops. Know how to respond in the event of any disaster — whether to stay put indoors, or whether to evacuate your neighborhood by car. If your family needs to evacuate, know the proper evacuation procedures and routes as determined by your local OES office.



Build a disaster supply kit for your home - If you are stranded in your car or have to be self-sufficient at home until help arrives, you need to have a disaster kit with you.

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## Welcome to Ventura Management!

**Eric Hutchins** 

Happy Valentine's Day



February 14th 2025

- Need to buy or sell your home? Ask how we can save you thousands!
- Know someone who needs help with property management. We can help!

Chris Marsh has been in the real estate business and serving the Ventura County area for over 25 years. He is well versed in all types of real estate matters.



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Disaster Preparedness (cont.)

**Prepare your children -** Talk to your kids about what the risks are and what your family will do if disaster strikes.

**Don't forget those with special needs -** Infants, seniors and those with special needs must not be forgotten. Make sure that supplies for your infant are in your kit and that you have items such as medications, oxygen tank, or other medical supplies that seniors or those with special needs may require. Check out Cal OES' tips for preparing the elderly.



Learn CPR and first aid - Contact your local chapter of the American Red Cross and get trained on basic first aid and CPR. Your training could save the life of a loved one or neighbor following a disaster.

Eliminate hazards in your home or workplace - You must secure the contents of your home or office to reduce hazards, especially during shaking from an earthquake or from an explosion.

**Understand your insurance policy -** Whether you own or rent, your home and the things inside of it are probably one of your biggest expenses when recovering from a disaster. However, your homeowners or renters insurance policy may not include coverage for certain disasters. Having insurance that covers the hazards your home might face can give you peace of mind and help protect what matters to you. The first step is to check with your insurance

company to understand what is covered—and what isn't.



**Get involved, be a volunteer -** There are plenty of ways to volunteer and donate during an emergency. Whether you donate blood, join a local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), educate your neighbor, or volunteer with you local American Red Cross, the hard

work of volunteers is a critical component of a successful emergency management program.

February Quote:

"The best way to appreciate your job is to imagine yourself without one"

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