

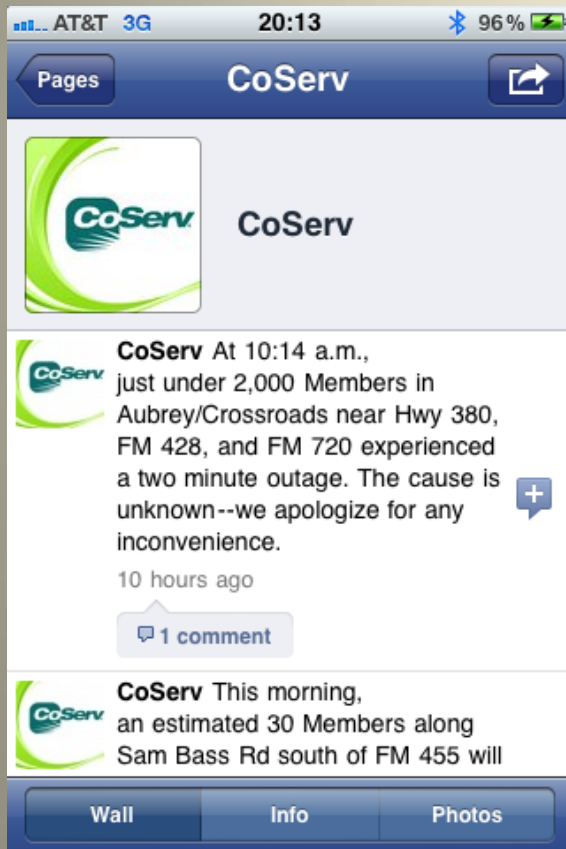


Aspects of Communications

- Computer Based
 - E-mail – dependent on electrical grid and whatever the internet provider utilizes to transmit data over.
 - E-mail Text Messages – it is possible to send text messages straight from a computer to a cell phone. This could allow you to have a distribution list already set up and send 100 people text messages at the same time.
 - T-Mobile - 8173680000@tmomail.net
 - Verizon - 8173680000@vtext.com
 - Sprint - 8173680000@messaging.sprintpcs.com
 - AT&T - 8173680000@txt.att.net
 - Skype and other chat programs
 - Remote Access - Need to know how to access your e-mail from different computers in different places.
- E-mail Alert Groups – see handout
- Last but not least....
 - Prepare for TEOTWAWKI - which means all communication systems will be inoperable - example would be high powered EMP in the upper atmosphere. That is why it is good to have a plan in place in the event of something catastrophic so all members will know what to do.

Social Media

Facebook



Twitter

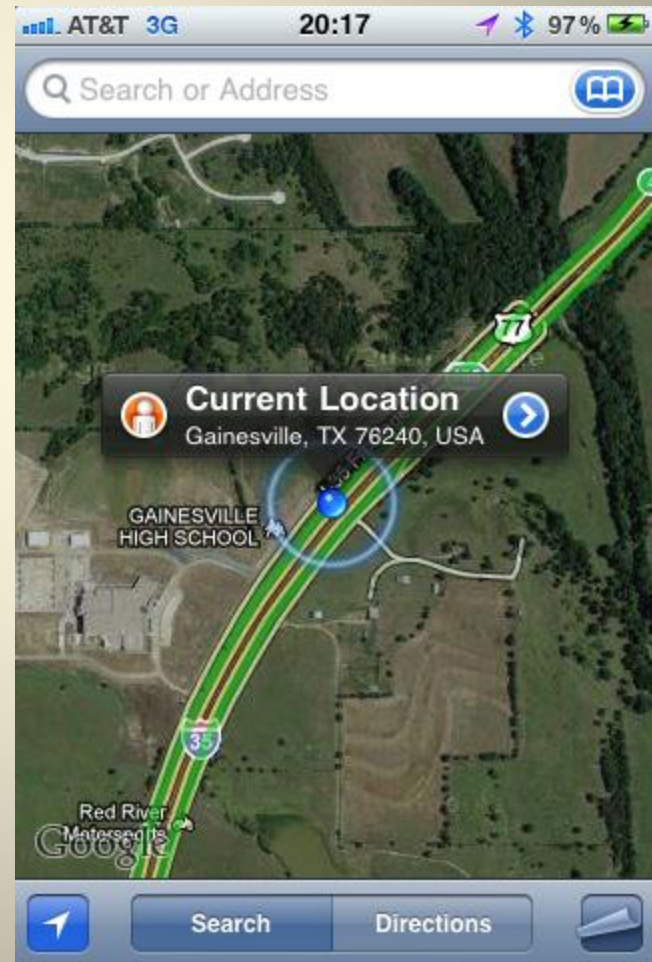


Smartphone Apps

Boltmeter

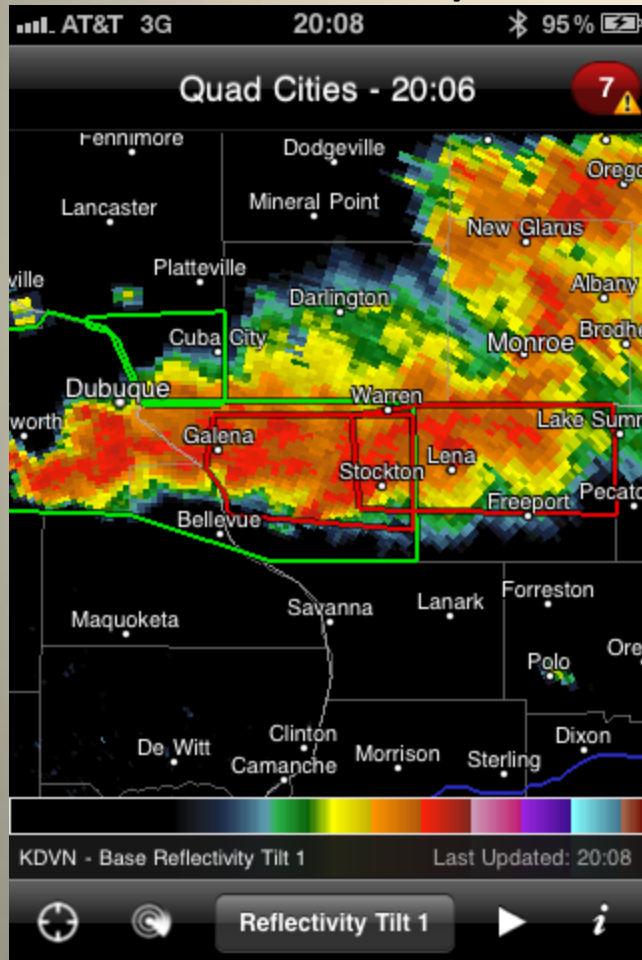


Maps

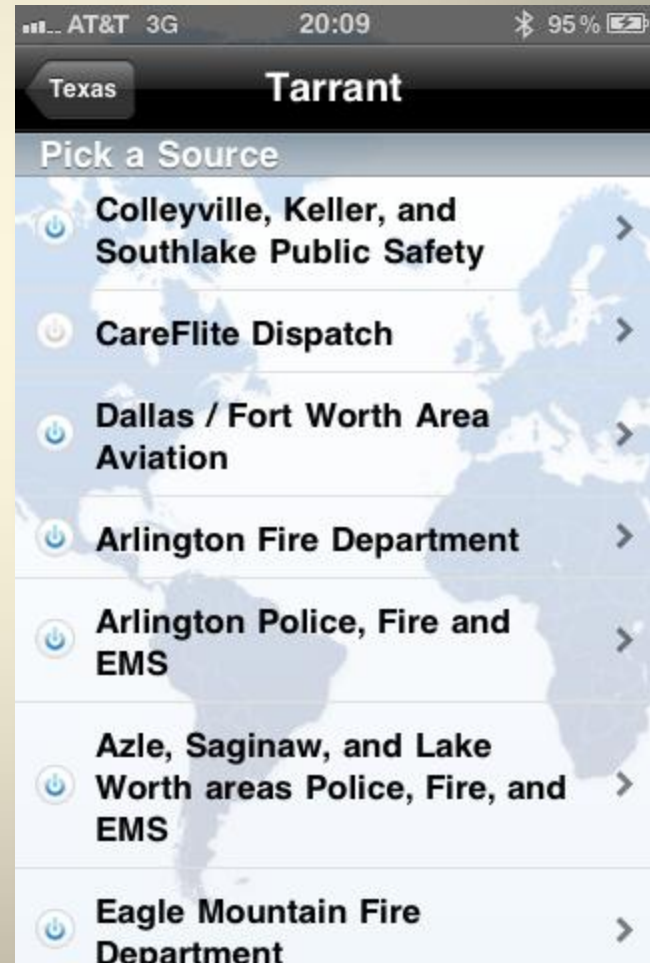


Smartphone Apps

Radar Scope



5-0 Radio



Number of New Ham Radio Users

NEW FCC LICENSES ISSUED 2006 THROUGH JUNE 2010					
Year	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Jan	1,274	1,647	1,755	1,960	1,726
Feb	1,605	2,435	2,998	2,263	2,749
Mar	2,531	3,478	2,816	3,463	3,734
Apr	1,728	2,673	3,090	3,430	3,508
May	2,283	2,607	2,562	2,717	3,136
Jun	1,967	2,281	2,402	3,011	3,417
<i>subtotal</i>	11,388	15,121	15,623	16,844	18,270
Jul	1,401	1,786	2,077	2,220	0
Aug	1,623	2,183	2,084	2,102	0
Sep	1,357	1,462	1,763	2,116	0
Oct	1,781	2,109	2,303	2,404	0
Nov	1,993	2,132	2,197	2,344	0
Dec	1,569	1,935	2,019	2,114	0
Totals	21,112	26,728	28,066	30,144	18,270



AWARENESS

Always look behind you

The Basics....

1. Fire Extinguisher?
2. First Aid Kit?
3. Smoke/Carbon Monoxide Detector?
4. Can you shut off the water, gas, and electricity to your house?

Everyday Carry....

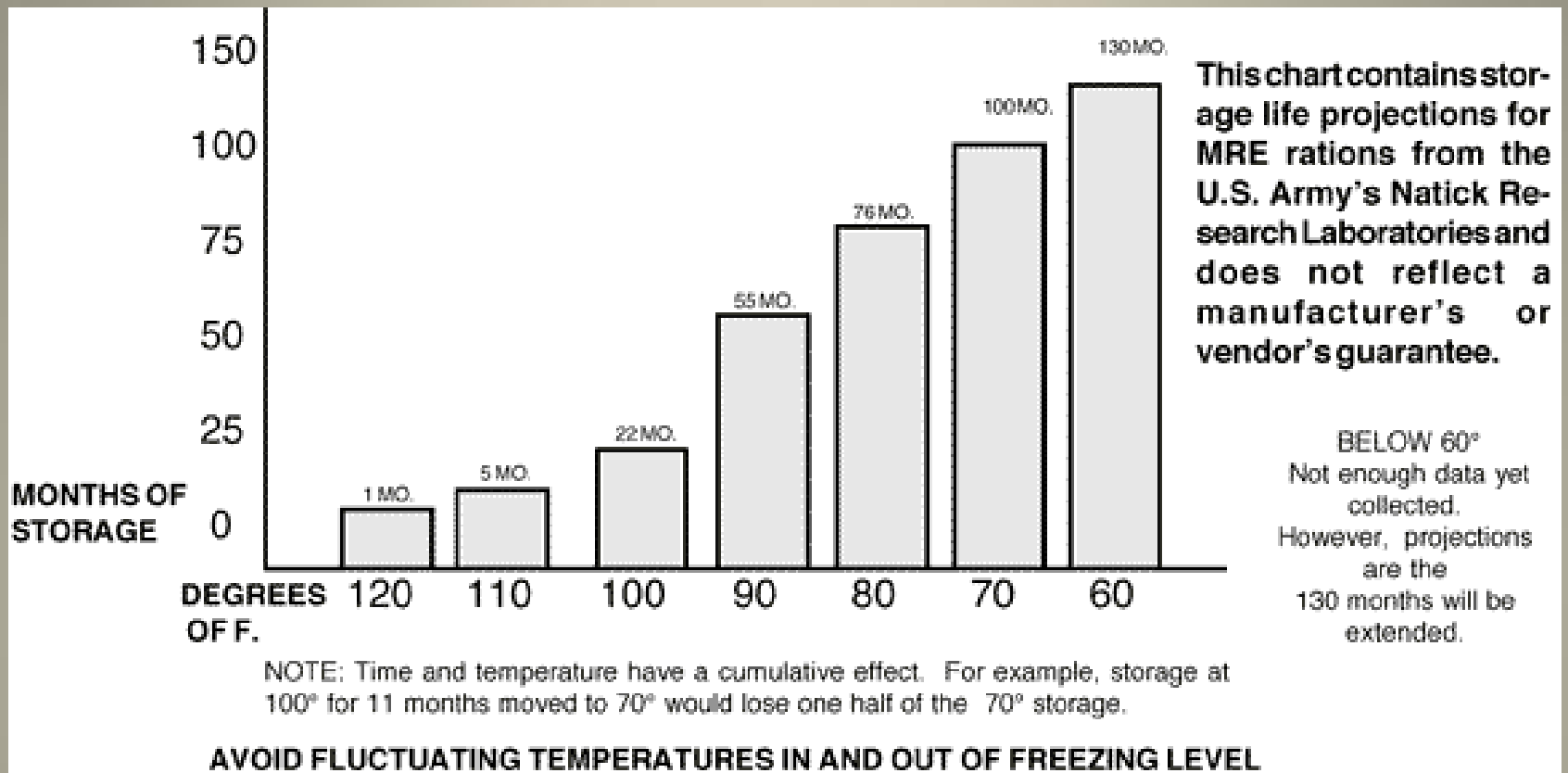
- What do you carry everyday when you leave the house?



Food

- Everyone has a room like this – right?
- Start small – buy a little extra every time you go to the store
- Be mindful of expiration dates and rotating your supplies





MRE Shelf Life Chart

Water

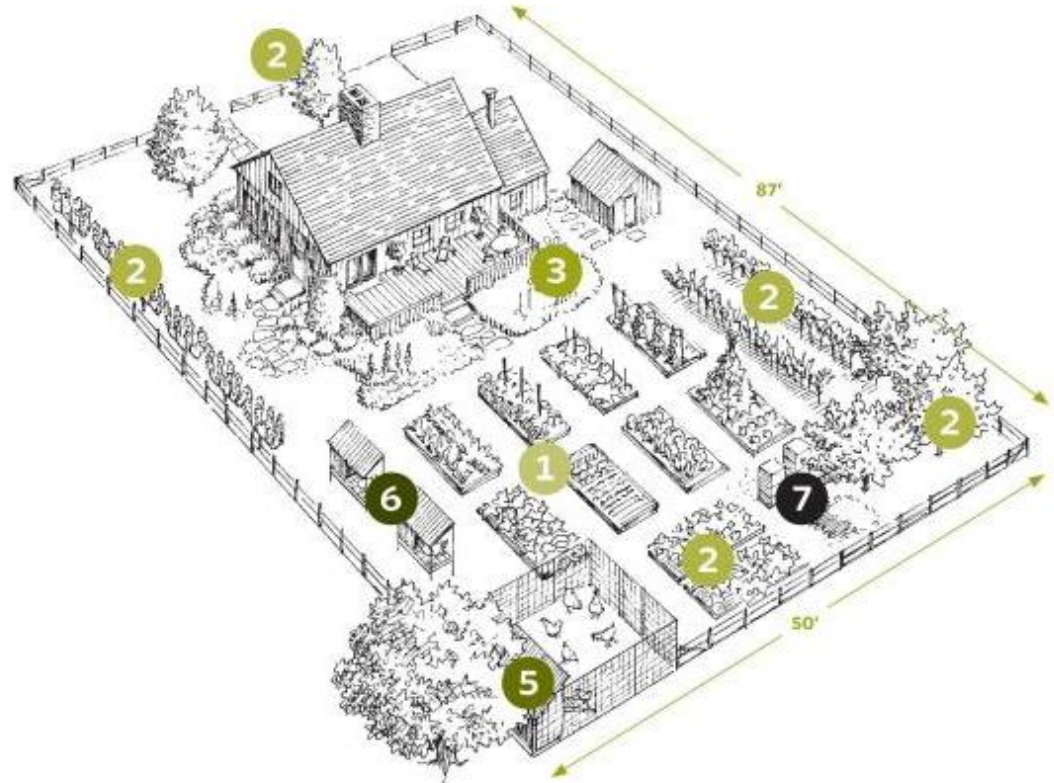
One Gallon/Person/Day!!

- Cases of Water Bottles?
- Rainwater Collection?
- Water Well?
- Pool?
- Treatment?



Preparedness
vs.
Self-Reliance
vs.
Self-Sufficiency

A Homestead on One-Tenth of an Acre



1	Vegetables	8 beds, each 4x8 feet
2	Fruits and nuts	various fruit trees, grapevines and berry canes, strawberry beds, and espaliered fruit along the fence line
3	Herbs	tea herbs like bergamot, anise, lavender, and catmint
4	Grains	not enough space to produce a reasonable quantity
5	Poultry	6 chickens
6	Meat or dairy animals	rabbits; not enough space to keep large animals
7	Wild foods	2 beehives

Financial Preparedness

- You have 30 seconds to leave your house before it is wiped out by a herd of radioactive, fire-breathing giant platypuses. What do you grab to rebuild your life administratively?
 - Bank Statements & Account Information
 - Birth Certificates
 - Contracts
 - Credit Card numbers & Account Info
 - Death Certificates
 - Deeds
 - Divorce Decrees & Settlement Documents
 - Health Records & Vaccination Information
 - Insurance Policies (life, health, automobile, house, etc..)
 - Inventory of assets & belongings
 - Marriage Certificates
 - Medical Records
 - Military Records
 - Mortgage
 - Passports
 - Photo-documentation of household contents
 - Social Security Cards & Statements
 - Stocks & Bonds
 - Wills

Evacuation

- Here comes the mutant swarm of hummingbirds – you have to evacuate....
 - What do you grab?
 - Where is it?
 - It is night and the power is off?
 - Pets and special needs

Flip The Breaker Weekend...

- Go flip your main circuit breaker this weekend and then do it again this winter sometime.
- Take notes
- Evaluate
- Learn
- Prepare
- Repeat

My Top Ten.....

1. Develop a plan with your family about what to do if a disaster strikes and where to go if you can't communicate
2. Keep vehicles at least half full of fuel at all times.
3. Keep at least two weeks worth of groceries & drinks at all times.
4. Keep \$200.00 in Twenty-dollar bills on you.
5. Get a NOAA Weather Radio with Alert capability.
6. Keep an old-fashioned touch tone phone in your house serviced by a real phone company.
7. Learn how to read a map and know how to find alternate routes on it if you are somewhere and your route becomes blocked.
8. Take a First-Aid/CPR class.
9. If you are prone to wearing high heels, sandals, crocs, flip-flops, etc... then always keep a good (broken in) pair of hiking boots or at least sturdy tennis shoes in your vehicle or in your workplace.
10. Learn how to load, operate, and shoot a gun - even if you swear you will never own one.



TINFOIL

Because the Government Really Is Conspiring Against You

“In a time of drastic change it is the learners who inherit the future. The learned usually find themselves equipped to live in a world that no longer exists.” – Eric Hoffer

Some Parting Thoughts

1. Don't let this become an obsession
2. Be careful who you take advice from
3. Be careful who you ally yourself with
4. There typically several ways to do the same thing
5. Keep some 'normal' friends



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