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A Life Remembered: **Robert J. Duby II**

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GLADWIN -- As a firefighter and the director of Gladwin County's Office of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, Robert J. Duby II was always concerned with the welfare of the people who were victims of fires and plane crashes, said Terry Walters, a Gladwin County commissioner.

"He always thinking about where they would stay and wanted to help," Walters said.

Duby died in a farm accident Saturday at his residence in Gladwin. He was 59.

Duby retired from Ameritech in 1999 after 30 years of service. He also worked part-time for Home Depot in Houghton Lake.

He has served as a volunteer firefighter for several departments over the years, including Saginaw Township, Harrison Township, Butman Township and the Gladwin rural-urban District.

Duby was a hazardous materials awareness operations instructor as well as a hazardous materials technician and a firefighter instructor for the Michigan State Police.

Walters worked with Duby for 10 years and as his deputy for six.

"He was a super guy," Walters said. "He was very professional and went by the book. If you needed help, he was there.

"He was the kind of person who could walk into a room of 20 strangers and walk out with 10 friends."

Duby leaves his wife, Mickie; daughters Melissa Gombar of Saginaw and Heather Weslock of Breckenridge; and a son, Robert J. Duby III of Little Rock, Ark. He also leaves step-children, Shirley Kregear of Falmouth, Tina Ritchey of Redford, and son David Wright Jr. of Virginia Beach, Va.

"The whole community will miss him," Walters said.

Region 3 will also miss Bob. He has been an active member of our Advisory Committee for some years. Please keep his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Region Planning for Joint Advisory Committee and Board Meeting in October

The Regional Executive is proposing a joint meeting of the Advisory Committee and Planning Board in October to review the plans for FY 2010 and to show our appreciation for their participation. Tentatively, this will be held on October 26th.

Please watch for further information.

Job Posting – Assistant Regional Coordinator

The Region 3 Healthcare Preparedness Network is seeking an individual for the full time position of Assistant Regional Preparedness Coordinator. The selected individual will report to the Regional Coordinator and will be responsible for primary oversight of training, conferences and exercising programs for healthcare agencies and providers in the 14 counties in Region 3. The Assistant Coordinator will also assist the Regional Coordinator with administrative functions and will be the secondary operator of the Region 3 Medical Coordination Center. Interested applicants must hold a Bachelor's Degree, ideally in a health-related field and at least three years in health-related fields. They must also show experience in development of training programs and conferences as well as exercises. For full job description and requirements, contact Jim Brasseur at 989-758-3712 Submit letter of interest and resume/ CV to jbrasseur@saginawcounty.com . Region 3 is an equal opportunity employer.

Deadline for submission of letter of interest with resume or C.V. is Noon, July 31, 2009. The selected person will start work on October 1, 2009.

The full job description is as follows:

**JOB DESCRIPTION: Assistant Region 3
Healthcare Preparedness Coordinator (Short
Title: Assistant Regional Coordinator)**

(Revised 07/1/2009)

STATUS: Full time with benefits. Hired by the Regional Fiduciary Agency in consultation with the Regional Coordinator and Planning Board.

REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES:

- **Regional Healthcare Preparedness Coordinator (Regional Coordinator)** for primary oversight of daily operations. This position reports directly to the Regional Coordinator.
- **Fiduciary** for general administrative matters.
- **Medical Director** for consultation on medical matters.
- **Regional Planning Board** with the Regional Coordinator for status of the grant process and its requirements.
- **Michigan Department of Community Health/Office of Public Health Preparedness (MDCH/OPHP)** - with the Regional Coordinator for periodic reports as required by the funding grant(s).

DUTIES: Assists in the coordination of the processes of the regional medical healthcare preparedness system working under the guidance of and collaborating with the Regional Coordinator. Also works under the guidance of the Regional Medical Director, Regional Fiduciary and the Regional Planning Board. This individual works closely with pre-hospital and hospital providers, local and state public health entities, local and state emergency management and other key response agencies to promote preparedness activities in the healthcare sector.

Specific Duties:

- **Professional Duties:**
 - **Training and Exercise Coordination:**
 - **Assists the Regional Coordinator by:**
 - Coordination of all training programs and exercises sponsored or participated in by the Region.
 - Plan and execute Regional Conferences under the guidance of the Regional Coordinator.
 - Write education guidelines and plans for each grant cycle.
 - Assist in the writing of components of the grant application that relate to education, training (including NIMS compliance) and exercising.
 - Applies, or works with a suitable course sponsor, to apply for all applicable Continuing Education credits for programs sponsored by the Region.
 - Assists in the development of a plan to disseminate education to the health care organizations in regards to exposure risks and effective response.
 - Assist in the planning, organization, evaluation and conducting of regional response drills that test the use of equipment, communications, personnel and the emergency preparedness plan.

- Presents programs to pertinent groups on emergency preparedness subjects.
- Works closely with the Region 3 Training and Exercise and other workgroups.
- Participates as part of the MDCH/OPHP Exercise and Training Workgroup.
- **Assistant Coordinator Responsibilities:**
 - **Assists the Regional Coordinator by:**
 - Assists in the coordination of efforts to develop a comprehensive healthcare preparedness plan and update and enhance the plan as new strategies are developed.
 - Assists in the coordination efforts to upgrade hospital and pre-hospital surveillance and reporting.
 - Assists in the coordination efforts to enhance the readiness of the hospital, pre-hospital and medical systems to deal with large numbers of casualties and patient surge.
 - Assists in the coordination efforts to expand communication and emergency response capabilities between hospitals, medical control authorities, emergency medical services, physician offices, rural centers, long term care and other healthcare providers local and state law enforcement agencies, and the Michigan Department of Community Health.
 - Assists in the coordination efforts to enhance the medical system in the region for responding to a bioterrorism event or other emergency or disaster.
 - Assists in the development of a regional medical preparedness plan that identifies personnel to be trained to receive and distribute critical stockpile items and manage a mass distribution of vaccine and/or antibiotics on a 24-hour-day, 7-day-a-week basis.
 - Attend required meetings and conferences.
 - Acts as the Regional Coordinator in that individual's absence.
 - Other professional duties as assigned.
- **Administrative Duties:**
 - Assist in the maintenance of tracking systems for projects, budgets and purchase orders.
 - Other administrative duties as assigned.
- **Duties During an Emergency or Disaster Situation:**
 - Acts as secondary operator of the Regional Medical Coordination Center (R3MCC).
 - Other emergency response duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Excellent interpersonal communication skills, administrative skills, organizational skills, ability

to work independently and take initiative. The individual must be able to work as part of a team at times under stressful situations and must be detail oriented.

- A Bachelors Degree required; Degree in health related field preferred.
- Three to five years experience in related field.
- EMTP I/C qualification preferred but not required.
- Experience in development and execution of training programs, conference planning and exercising.
- Emergency Medical & Disaster Preparedness Background.
- Good understanding of the environment of healthcare agencies and the healthcare environment.
- Good understanding of the responsibilities and functions of Region 3.
- Skilled in common office and presentation software systems.

WORKING CONDITIONS:

While generally working in an office environment, at times working out of doors is required. Lifting and moving of equipment is required with lifting up to 40 pounds.

Remember to register for the MI VOLUNTEER REGISTRY – it's a great way to help your neighbors, our community and the State! For more information, go to: www.mivolunteerregistry.org

Registration Now Open!

➤ **October 22, 2009!**
Second Annual Region 3 PIO
Conference!
(Rescheduled from April 30th)

This FREE event will be held at the Dow Event Center, in Saginaw.

Registration is available NOW at:
www.region3hon.org !

Upcoming Meetings:

Healthcare Preparedness Regional
Planning Board: July 27, 2009 from 1:00 to
4:00 PM at the Lincoln Center, 820 S.
Lincoln St, Bay City, MI

Healthcare Preparedness Advisory
Committee: AUGUST 2009
MEETING CANCELLED.

Today's Quote:

The loss of a friend is like that of a limb; time may heal the anguish of the wound, but the loss cannot be repaired."

~ Robert Southey

Please note that the August 2009 meeting of the Region 3 Advisory Committee is **CANCELLED.**

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY SUMMER!

The Region 3 Healthcare Preparedness Network

Is pleased to announce the availability of



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On Line Training.

These four modules are now available on MITRAIN (<https://mi.train.org>)

- Region 3 MCC Operations
 - Region 3 ACC Trailer
 - Region 3 MCI Trailer
- Region 3 Radio Systems

Each offers EMS CE credit!

To find the courses, after registering and logging into MITRAIN, go to the "Course Search" tab (at the top of the page) and click on "Key Word Search" under the Search Options (on the left side of the page.) Type in "Region 3" and the courses will be listed. Just select the course you want.

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