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Madison Co OEM/NWS Offers SkyWarn Spotter Training

Wampsville, NY - Madison County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) and the National Weather Service (NWS) will be delivering a basic SKYWARN Spotter Course November 5, 2018 at 6:30pm at the Cazenovia Public Library.

The Course will train storm spotters about winter storms and what to report to the National Weather Service (NWS) and Emergency Management relating to snow, ice, rain and flooding.

During the course individuals will learn about SKYWARN and its goal, the NWS mission and the importance of spotters and ground truth reports. Spotters are important and can help forecasters warn the public. The course will focus on winter weather hazards, winter weather terminology, winter storms including snowstorms, blizzards, lake effect snow, rainstorms, flooding and ice storms, winter weather and flood safety.

SKYWARN spotters are independent of any government agency and are not by definition "Storm Chasers".

Individuals who are interested in becoming SKYWARN weather spotters and feeding valuable information to the National Weather Service should attend. The class is free and open to everyone; no age requirements or previous training is required. To register go to:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeHqD7OyX9VKmNdd5wwpORWSqLmTrtzExQNwcyWF1qq23r-IQ/viewform>

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