



**Preparedness In Case of Catastrophe Is Emphasis Of Kansas 'Prepper' Expo**

Survival skills become most important in Holton and natural disaster occur.

Special training and knowledge to assist with that most serious need is now available to the public.

"The Fall 2013 Kansas Prepper Expo, a survival and self-sufficiency program, is scheduled Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Jackson County 4-H Building in Holton," announced Peter Rafferty, shown, Topeka, president of the Kansas Prepper Expo, which hosts two events annually.



In clarification, a "Prepper" is defined as "a survivalist, or someone who focuses on preparedness for worst-case disasters."

Advertised and promoted heavily on 580 WIBW and The BIG 94.5 Country, the event at Holton will open at 9 o'clock with displays and educational programs featured throughout the day.

"The Kansas Prepper Expo is a family friendly program that seeks to promote self-sufficiency, general preparedness for any disaster and a sense of community among Kansas Preppers," explained Rafferty.

There will be a free will donation charge for participation in all of the day's activities. "We believe in helping people further their knowledge in case of a disaster, and we intend to always keep admittance at a minimum," Rafferty pointed out.

More than 50 vendors, Rafferty said, "will have a myriad of goods and services," including high tech solutions to homesteading, long term food and water storage, precious metals and bullion dealers, and military surplus.

"Blackthorn USA, a non-military nature based adventure school specializing in preparedness, bush craft and wilderness survival, will be there," he added.

Five programs featuring "premier experts on key subject matter," such as "food and water handling and storage" are scheduled, Rafferty noted.

Three classes are planned during the morning, starting at 9:30, and on the hour, with a break for lunch at 12:30, and programs again resume at 1:30, through the final one at 2:30. Registration is not required.

Door prizes are to be given at every class break, and there will be a "big prize drawing," right before the final class at 2:30, Rafferty clarified.

Information about the upcoming Kansas Prepper Expo is available at [www.kansasprepperexpo.com](http://www.kansasprepperexpo.com), and on Facebook.



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*"Preparation through education is less costly than learning through tragedy."*