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(Neb.)-Spotter Training Courses Scheduled In Dawes County

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(Chadron)-The last thing on most people's minds as the next winter storm system is anticipated for the area is thunderstorms. However, the National Weather Service in Cheyenne is helping people to prepare for spring weather by offering severe weather spotter training classes in Dawes County.

A class will be held in Chadron on Tuesday, March 18, beginning at 6 pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Another class will be held in April at the Crawford Fire Hall. This class will begin at 6 pm on April 10.

The National Weather Service conducts spotter training sessions, which are normally scheduled throughout the Spring months each year. Attendees are taught the basics of thunderstorm development, storm structure, the features to look for, and where to find them. What, when and how to report information as well as basic severe weather safety are also covered.

The session is a multi-media presentation, which includes detailed video. These spotter classes typically take about 1½ to 2 hours, and are open to the public. No prior experience is required, and there is no registration necessary to attend.

For a list of more classes, go to www.noaa.gov/cys and click on the link for the 2014 schedule located under the top news in the center of the page.

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