

Winter SKYWARN Training

Learn from a
National Weather
Service Meteorologist
about:

winter weather,
lake-effect snow,
wind storms,
measuring snow, &
reporting to the NWS

Thursday
November 16, 2023
7 PM

Concord
Senior Center
40 Commerce Drive | Springville,
NY

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SKYWARN TRAINING SESSION

The Buffalo office of the National Weather Service will be conducting a Winter SKYWARN spotter training seminar at the Springville Senior Center, 40 Commerce Dr, in Springville, NY on Thursday November 16, 2023 at 7:00 PM. The training session will last about 90 minutes and there is no cost for the training.

SKYWARN is a national effort to save lives during severe weather and winter weather emergencies with a network of trained volunteer weather spotters. SKYWARN spotters support their local community and government by providing reports of severe weather directly to the National Weather Service in Buffalo by phone using the NWS spotter hotline, or by various online reporting methods. The services performed by SKYWARN spotters have saved many lives.

The National Weather Service has a number of devices for detecting severe winter storms. Included in these are Doppler radar and satellite imagery. However, one of the most important tools for observing winter weather is the trained eye of the storm spotter. By providing observations of snow and ice, SKYWARN spotters assist National Weather Service staff in their warning decisions and enable the National Weather Service to fulfill its mission of protecting life and property. Storm spotters are, and always will be, an indispensable part of the winter warning program.

The basic training session provides a brief overview of the National Weather Service organization and our responsibilities, winter weather safety, and winter weather meteorology including how lake effect snowstorms and larger scale snowstorms develop. Anyone can become a severe weather spotter for the National Weather Service. SKYWARN training is free and open to the public.

For further information, you can call the National Weather Service at (716) 565-0204 ext. 223.

Registration is required. The registration form link and more information about SKYWARN is available on the NWS Buffalo website at <https://www.weather.gov/buf/Skywarn>

On the Web:

NOAA: <https://www.noaa.gov>

National Weather Service: <https://www.weather.gov>

National Weather Service in Buffalo: <https://www.weather.gov/buf>