

Storm Spotter Training Class

On Thursday April 2nd the Gibson City Fire District and Gibson City Moose Lodge hosted a class on storm spotting techniques. Todd McNutt from the Gibson City Fire District introduced Mr. Jim Allsopp, Storm Spotter Training expert from the Romeoville National Weather Service. Mr. Allsopp had a PowerPoint presentation that explained a variety of cloud formations and weather warning situations that spotters should look for. Mr. Allsopp also passed out books that explained a lot about severe weather conditions and warnings.

Storm Spotter personnel in attendance were from Gibson City, Saybrook, Arrowsmith, Sibley, Fisher, Bellflower, Paxton, Ford County Sheriff Office and local citizens who wanted to learn what storm spotters do. Over 60 people attended this 1 ½ hour class.

Our local Firefighters and Police do storm spotting during bad weather and activate our warning siren when severe weather conditions are seen coming at Gibson City. We offer our thanks to these storm spotters who go out in bad weather anytime of day or night to help warn our community!

The storm spotter class is held every two years to keep all personnel refreshed on the latest spotting techniques.