

June 1st through November 30th constitutes Florida's most active hurricane possible season. In order to make sure The Oaks of Thonotosassa residents have accurate information, this special pull out hurricane supplement has been prepared for all residents.

Information has been collected from the American Red Cross, Bay News 9, The Weather Channel and management in order that our residents have information easily referenced in the event we have a hurricane during our 2010 season.

2010 Hurricane Names

Alex	Hermine	Otto
Bonnie	Igor	Paula
Colin	Julia	Richard
Danielle	Karl	Shary
Earl	Lisa	Tomas
Fiona	Matthew	Virginie
Gaston	Nicole	Walter

Hurricane Categories

A hurricane can combine storm surge, powerful winds, tornadoes and torrential rains into a disastrous combination.

Hurricane winds are in excess of 74 mph and categories are:

1 -	74-95 mph	Minor
2 -	96-110	Moderate
3 -	111-130	Major
4 -	131-155	Severe
5 -	155 + mph	Catastrophic

Local Shelters – Partial List

Jennings Middle School

(813)740-4575 8799 Williams Rd Seffner 33584
<http://jennings.mysdhc.org/>

Burnett Middle School (Pets allowed)

(813)744-6745 1010 N Kingsway Rd Seffner 33584
<http://burnett.sdhc.k12.fl.us>

Hurricane Supply Checklist

- Flashlights and extra bulbs
- Cell phone and car charger
- Battery operated radio
- Fully charged battery-operated lanterns. (Avoid candles and kerosene lanterns, they are fire hazards.)
- Extra batteries (check equipment for sizes)
- Matches (waterproof)
- Clock (wind-up or battery operated)
- Plastic garbage bags
- Working fire extinguishers
- Scissors and tape
- Bottled water. (1 gal. of drinking water per person per day – estimated 2 weeks)
- Shelf-package juice and milk boxes
- Canned and powdered milk
- Beverages (powdered or canned, fruit juices)
- Prepared foods (canned soups, beef, spaghetti, tuna, chicken, ham, corned beef hash, fruit cocktail, pkg pudding, etc.)
- Medical Items: bandages, aspirin, antiseptic solution, tweezers, needles, disinfectant, prescription drugs, soap, sunscreen, insect-repellent sprays, etc.
- Manual can opener/bottle opener
- Paper plates, napkins, cups, plastic ware, toilet paper, baby wipes
- Coolers and ice (be sure ice is in clean plastic bags so the water will be drinkable when melted)
- Charcoal, lighter fluid and small grill
- Toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.
- Playing cards, books, quiet games
- Valuable papers (birth certificates insurance policies, property inventories, etc.) in plastic bags to keep them dry.
- Clean change of clothes, rain gear, boots
- Water purification tablets
- Pet Supplies: collar, tags and sturdy leash, medical records, current photo, immunization records, litter, scoop and pan, plastic bags, food
- Get cash. Banks and ATMs may not be in operation.
- Fill gas tank, check oil and tires

Hurricane Preparation Checklist

- ✓ Refer to a hurricane evacuation map. Locate where you live and your evacuation level.
- ✓ Decide now where you will go in an evacuation (friend, relative, shelter or outside the area) NOTIFY YOUR WORK, COMMUNITY MANAGER, HEALTH AGENCY AND FAMILY/FRIENDS IN WRITING WHERE YOU WILL BE STAYING. Remember your friends/family will call us after any storm to find out where you are; we want to be able to give them accurate information. If you are going outside the area, leave early.
- ✓ Check your Hurricane Supply Checklist for any missing items.
- ✓ Make any repairs, tack down loose roofing and siding. Trim dead or broken tree branches.
- ✓ Clear your yard of potential flying debris, e.g., lawn furniture, potted plants, etc.
- ✓ Inventory your home (a video tape is an excellent idea).
- ✓ Make sure your street number is properly marked on your home.
- ✓ Review your homeowners insurance policy.
- ✓ Protect your windows and glass doors.
- ✓ Turn off electricity, water and propane gas, appliances, etc.
- ✓ Lock windows and doors.
- ✓ If you require respirators or other electric dependent medical equipment, you should make prior arrangements with your physician. You should also register in advance with your local power authority.
- ✓ If you need oxygen, check with your supplier, make sure you have an extra supply on hand.
- ✓ If you evacuate remember to take medications, written instructions regarding your care, your walker, wheel chair, cane or special equipment along with your bedding.
- ✓ **If you will need assistance in an evacuation, please register NOW with your county Emergency Management Agency 813-272-6900.**

QUICK LIST OF THINGS TO TAKE TO A SHELTER WITH YOU

- Pillows, blankets, sleeping bags or air mattresses
- Extra clothing, shoes, eye glasses, etc.
- Folding chairs, lawn chair or cot
- Personal hygiene items (toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, etc.)
- Valuable papers in a waterproof bag or container
- REMEMBER A GOOD CONTAINER CAN BE YOUR CLEANED COVERED TRASH CAN

RE-ENTRY AFTER A STORM

- ❖ Be patient, access to affected areas will be controlled.
- ❖ Stay tuned to radio or television for emergency bulletins and aid.
- ❖ Have a valid ID. Security operations may have checkpoints. Valid ID with address may be required.
- ❖ Avoid driving. Roads will have debris. Do NOT add to congestion of relief workers.
- ❖ Do NOT go sight seeing, especially at night.
- ❖ Avoid downed or dangling utility wires.
- ❖ Enter your home with caution.
- ❖ If there has been any flooding, have an electrician examine your home before turning on breakers.
- ❖ Be careful with fire especially if you have a gas line in the house or building.
- ❖ Use your telephone only in emergencies.
- ❖ Alternate appliances to conserve fuel and electricity.
- ❖ Make temporary repairs to correct safety hazards.
- ❖ Beware of contractor fraud. Hire only licensed contractors.
- ❖ Take photos of damage before repairs for insurance purposes.
- ❖ After assessing damage, contact local building department for information on required permits. (Hills. County Building Dept. 813-272-5600). Permits are always required for any kind of demolition or permanent repairs, reconstruction, roofing, etc.

REMINDERS

After flooding, there is always a potential for bacterial contamination. Bacteria such as shigella and salmonella can lead to dehydration. Disinfect any tap water before drinking. You must purify water until you are told by officials it is safe not to do so. Bring water to a rolling boil and let it sit for 10 minutes before using.

The Oaks of Thonotosassa clubhouse is NOT a Red Cross Disaster Approved Shelter. It will not be open for resident use during emergency situations.

Management will not leave the community until ordered to do so by authorities. Your cooperation with management and authorities in any emergency is expected and appreciated.

During emergencies a community curfew of dusk will be enforced.

If the county or governor declares level 1 evacuation voluntary that means all mobile homes should consider leaving or making plans to go to a shelter. **If it becomes mandatory, and you do not leave, once the Sheriff drives through the community giving the warning of a mandatory evacuation and you choose to stay, THEY WILL NOT COME OUT TO HELP, NOR WILL EMS!!**

The Oaks of Thonotosassa

A Steiner Community

2010 HURRICANE INFORMATION

- Safety Tips
- Important Telephone Numbers
- Supply Kit Ideas
- Shelter Information
- Pet Safety
- Community Information



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

The Oaks Office	813-986-3651
The Oaks Maintenance	813-376-2418
Hillsborough Info	813-272-5900
Emergency Management	813-272-6900
American Red Cross	813-348-4820
Police, Fire, Ambulance	911