



Sarasota Bay Club

TO: All Residents
FROM: Gail Chase *Gail*
DATE: September 26, 2022

SUBJECT: Hurricane Season

I am sure you have all been following the path of Hurricane Ian. This memo is to offer a reminder of our procedures for preparedness as distributed in June of this year.

In the event Ian makes landfall that would impact us, we would expect our services to be limited to just Security/Concierge and Emergency Maintenance/Housekeeping for a short 48-hour period. This would begin the day before the storm and continue throughout the storm event. We would expect all staff to start reporting to work the day after the storm and thereby resuming services as soon as possible.

Once the storm has passed, if necessary, the Ringling Room will be properly cleaned and disinfected so that we can establish it as a 'Cool Room' in the event air conditioning is lost. As meal service could be interrupted for 48-hours during a storm, please plan accordingly. Good foods to have on hand for this period would include canned soup, tuna, peanut butter, crackers, bread, and other non-perishable foods. Please remember to have a battery-operated or manual can opener on hand as well. As always, your safety and health remain our top priority.

SHELTERING: We feel that the best place to shelter is at Sarasota Bay Club. Your option may include a county shelter, leaving the area, sheltering with a family member, or going to your other home. The decision on whether to evacuate is a personal one for each homeowner. If you decide to leave, be sure to leave early so you do not place yourself in harm's way. The buildings are well constructed and will provide good protection from the storm. We will have staff on hand to handle emergency situations. During the height of the storm sheltering will be in the corridors or a windowless room within your home. **Whatever your decision it is very important that you let Concierge know if you plan on leaving Sarasota Bay Club.**

MEDICALLY DEPENDENT PEOPLE: Sarasota County residents with qualifying medical needs are encouraged by the County to apply for registration as a Medically Dependent person (MDP). It is important to apply in advance for this program so, if qualified, you will be on the county's registry for transportation and sheltering at a medically dependent Evacuation Center during a disaster. Pre-registration helps us to help you when time is limited.

All Medically Dependent Persons must bring a caregiver to the designated medically dependent evacuation center. The caregiver must be able to:

- Assist you with all activities of daily living, including dressing and toileting.
- Lift you to/from toilet and cot and wheelchair as needed.
- Assist you with walking (with or without walker), assist with wheelchair.
- Transport food from cafeteria to you as needed.

- Assist with medication and any treatments as needed.
- Monitor your oxygen usage.
- Provide evacuation center management with a discharge plan in the event you cannot return to your home.

You are permitted to bring your spouse/significant other and dependents (limited to high school age and below, living in same household) with you in addition to your caregiver. Many times, the caregiver is a spouse/significant other; please be sure he/she can fulfill the caregiver responsibilities outlined above. If you have a computer, you may sign up for this service at: https://intwebs2ext.scgov.net/em_forms/. If you would like assistance to register for this, please see the Wellness/Clubcare nurse, Cynthia or Karyn.

COMMUNICATIONS: Communication is paramount with you and your families. In the event of a storm, we will provide information on Channel 195 and via phone blasts. Families may go to www.sarasotabayclub.net for information. In the event of a power failure or phone failure we will utilize the fire alarm system to communicate with everyone.

HOSTING: Due to Covid-19 we will not be asking residents to host employees or family.

COOL ROOM: A cool room cannot be established until after a storm passes. If air conditioning is lost a cool room will be established as soon as possible. The location of the “cool room” will depend upon intensity of the storm and any damage. It most probably will be the Ringling Room.

OXYGEN: Residents who are dependent upon oxygen, either portable bottles or an oxygen generator, should be prepared to order additional portable bottles of oxygen should a storm be approaching our area. Oxygen bottles will be in high demand so ordering **early** is a good practice. **Please let Concierge know that you are oxygen dependent.**

MEDICATIONS: If a storm is threatening our area ensure that you have a **minimum of a 2-week supply of ALL medications**. If a State of Emergency has already been declared, you may get refills early with the only restriction being that refills are available on the prescription.

FOOD: All residents need to be prepared with **non-perishable food**, enough for one week. Each storm creates its own set of problems and Dining Service is reliant upon power and staff. If there is a disruption in these services, we will do our best to provide a simplified meal to our residents. If you are able to prepare your own meals it would be encouraged and appreciated. This will allow us to extend our food supply if necessary. Good foods to have on hand are canned soup, tuna, peanut butter, crackers, bread and other non-perishable foods. **It is very important that everyone own a battery operated or manual can opener.**

REFRIGERATOR: **If a storm is approaching you will be advised when to turn your refrigerator and freezer to the coldest settings.** Should your refrigerator fail, please notify Concierge as soon as possible. **Your refrigerator is not on the generator.**

WATER: In the event of a storm, drinking water could be turned off due to power outages or breaks in the main water lines. There are two options in the event this should happen.

Option 1: Store water in 1-gallon containers with 3 gallons per person per day with a 3-day minimum.
Option 2: Purchase a WaterBOB® that will fit within a bathtub and store up to 100 gallons of water up to 16 weeks. We highly recommend this low-price product. The WaterBOB can be purchased at either www.Amazon.com for \$34.95 no shipping for Prime members or <https://waterBOB.com> for \$39.90

includes shipping. You can also see Lynne Minguez in Administration at Sarasota Bay Club and she will check prices and availability for you. Charges for the WaterBOB will then appear on your monthly invoice.

INSURANCE: Each home should have insurance also known as a HO-6 or HO-4 (renter) insurance policy. Please review your policy yearly. If you choose to supply us with your policy information, we will safely keep it filed for the year.

POWER: In the event of a storm, we may lose power. The air conditioning system is not powered by the generator. To help stay as cool as possible open your windows and close your blinds. After the storm a “cool room” will be established.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS: Now is the time to ensure we have current information on your emergency contacts. Please verify by reviewing the information in this packet. If your emergency contacts are correct, no action is required. Please cross out any incorrect information and provide correct information on sheet provided. Please return to Concierge desk.

LONG TERM ABSENCE: If you will be away for any length of time, greater than 1 week, please let concierge know where you will be and the best way to contact you. It is also recommended that you lock your windows and if you have a balcony, you must bring everything in during your absence.

Hurricanes are stressful for everyone. Patience and understanding are necessary for both residents and staff. Your routine will be thrown off. You will experience inconvenience. We are here to assist you in planning and preparing for your safety and to minimize the trauma during the aftermath and recovery.

We all hope that this storm will not threaten our area but being prepared is vital. We will need your help in getting prepared. **With everyone doing their part we can weather any storm together.** Please do not wait to get prepared.

WHAT DOES THE GENERATOR POWER

1. Only the foyer in your home – you should have two-night light/flashlights we distributed 2 years ago. They should be plugged in your master bedroom and your living room.
2. One elevator in each tower.
3. Emergency lights throughout the building.
4. Power outlets in the Ringling Room and 1st floor hall.
5. Refrigerator and freezer in kitchen.

TUESDAY

SEPTEMBER 27th

11 A.M.

If you have any questions or concerns we have not addressed in this memo, we will be in the Ringling Room at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

Resident Preparation Checklists

DISASTER SUPPLIES KIT

- Two (2) weeks supply of prescription medicines
- Two (2) weeks supply of non-perishable/special dietary foods (cereal, canned tuna, canned fruits, ready to eat soups, peanut butter, jelly, bread, crackers, energy snacks, etc.)
- Drinking water/containers – 3 gal/per person/per day (minimum 7 days)
- Flashlights and batteries for each person, headlamps recommended.
- Portable radio & batteries
- Battery Pack that will charge your cell phone
- Weather Radio with spare batteries
- First aid kit including bandages, antiseptic, tape, compresses, aspirin and aspirin pain reliever, anti-diarrhea medication, antacid, mosquito/insect repellent
- Fire Extinguisher (small canister ABC type)
- Instant tire sealer (if you own a car)
- Full tank of fuel (if you own a car)
- Clean-up supplies (mop, buckets, towels, disinfectant)
- Camera (phone camera ok)
- Non-electric or battery can opener
- Extra batteries for camera, flashlights, radio, lamps, etc.
- Plastic trash bags
- Toilet paper, paper towels and pre-moistened towelettes
- Pet supplies (two week supply of food, medicines, etc.) as applicable

PRECIOUS COMMODITIES BEFORE & AFTER A DISASTER

- Cash (with no power, banks may be closed; checks & credit cards not accepted; and ATMs may not be operational)
- Keep fuel in your vehicle(s) as gas stations may be closed and gas pumps may not be operational
- Ice and cooler to store ice