

Community Newsletter

June is here and so is the start of hurricane season. Make sure you are prepared for the season. Need some extra help with what to do? Join the Pinellas app to help you stay aware of the notices for our zone. There is also a meeting about preparedness being held by the county, plan to go if you need some help.

It is time to check those batteries in your smoke detectors, check you flashlight batteries and make sure you have some fresh batteries just in case. Stock up that first aid kit and get extra of your medications. Did you know that if you shelter in place, that you need 2 gallons of water per person per day, and non-perishable foods to eat that do not require heat to eat.

If you stay no emergency help can get to you until it is safe, if you call in the heart of the storm they will not come. Please remember that when making your storm plans.



OUTSIDE ITEMS

In the event of a storm, please secure any of your outside items, these include kayaks, paddleboards, bicycles and your cars. If you can take the smaller items to your unit until the storm passes that would be ideal. For cars, ensure that all windows are up securely, no loose items are on the car or in the bed of a truck and push in any mirrors you can. Make sure you have enough gas to evacuate.

POOL

The pool is in full swing, and it is time for grilling too. When you use the grill, please follow the instructions for safe operation and clean up after you have used the grill.

When you leave the pool, take all your trash with you, or place it in the trash can provided. No fishing bait or fish are to be placed in the trash

EMERGENCY MEETING LOCATION

In the event of an emergency in the building that requires evacuation, go quickly. Remember the elevators may not be functioning in an emergency.

After getting out of the building the meeting location is the rock area between row two and three of the parking area. There is a sign designating it also.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June 17 at 6 pm - Board Meeting in the conference room

WEBSITES

<https://islandpointcondos.org>

<https://www.myislandstates.net>

Hurricane Checklist

1. Pinellas Ready App
2. Barrier Island Re-entry Permit
3. Copies of Insurance Policies or Card
 - a. Health Insurance
 - i. Personal Medication List
 - b. Home Insurance
 - c. Boat Insurance
 - i. Copy of Registration
 - d. Car Insurance
 - i. Copy of Registration
4. Printed List of Emergency Phone Numbers
 - a. Doctors Numbers
 - b. Pharmacy Numbers
 - c. Family Numbers
 - d. Friends Numbers
 - e. Veterinarian Numbers
5. Full Charge on Your Cell Phone
6. Full Charging Station for your Cell Phone
7. Charging Cord for your Cell Phone
8. Working Smoke Detectors
9. Fully Charged Fire Extinguisher
10. Stocked First Aid Kit
11. Thirty (30) Day Supply of Medications
 - a. For You and Your Household
 - b. For Your Pet
12. A Weeks Supply of Non-Perishable Food for Your Family
 - a. Food That Requires No Heat for Preparation
 - b. Food for Your Pet That is Ready to Feed
13. Two (2) Gallons of Water for Everyone in your household
14. Have a To-Go Bag for Your Household
 - a. Change of Clothes
 - b. Medications
 - c. Documents
 - d. Pet Food and Medications
 - e. Crate and Toys for Pet
15. Prepare Your Unit
 - a. Move Small Items Away from Windows
 - b. Unplug Electronics to Prevent Surges
 - c. Have Towels at the Ready for Any Water Leaks
 - d. Have Flashlights Close
 - e. Books or Games to Keep Busy
 - f. Check In on Your Neighbors

This is not a comprehensive list but a starting point.

Fire Safety

On Sunday we had a near miss with a fire next to the building. All of us were extremely lucky a resident saw it before it was able to reach the transformers on the back of the building and was able to get the fire under control and subsequently out.

Here is a picture of the burned area.



As you can see in the photo the burned area is right by the wall and has left the wall with some damage. Had this fire continued around the corner it would have reached the electrical boxes and could have destroyed the building as it could have burned unchecked through the electrical system. We must all be vigilant around the building. If you are smoking, make sure that you put all smoking material in a proper receptacle. If you see something, say something. This is our home, and we must take care of it. The outside areas of the building are now monitored by cameras so we can have more security.

We are aware the lawn is extremely dry, and we are having unusually hot and dry weather. The sprinkler system is down, and measures are being taken to remedy that situation.