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NEWS FOR TUESDAY, July 22, 2014

Good Weather Great Time to Prepare for Severe Weather Events

Police Advise: Prepare now & be ready for anything quickly!

During pleasant summer weather, we may forget that storms may land on our doorstep anytime. Hurricane season has begun once again and lasts until the end of November. Why not start now, during a quiet weather time, to prepare your household year-round for emergencies?

The Montgomery Twp. Police wish to remind the public that citizens always play a critical role in their own safety through



preparedness and receptivity to communications and directives.

The NJ State Office of Emergency Management (OEM) has put together an excellent on-line publication:

[NJOEM Hurricane Survival Guide](#)

Preparation steps listed in the above linked PDF document apply to most natural disasters and emergency situations, not just to hurricanes. Please take a minute to read this document, save it, share it with family and friends, and think through your personal storm preparedness.

STAY INFORMED, MAKE A PLAN, BUILD A KIT, GET ACTIVE

Stay informed - Sign up for local emergency alert systems now, listed at our [Severe Weather and Emergency Info Sources webpage](#). Make sure you use credible websites/social media for info on natural hazards and forecasts. Buy a battery or crank-operated NOAA weather radio.* More at <http://www.ready.gov/be-informed>

Make a plan - Develop contingencies for the "what ifs." What if ATMs don't work or gas stations and stores are closed? How will you care for those with special needs? What will you do with your pets?

Decide where you would go if you must evacuate. Develop a family communications plan in advance. Keep a written record of all important phone numbers with your supply kit. An out-of-area phone number may be more easily reached when circuits are overloaded. More at <http://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan>

Build a kit - Stock a supply of items listed in the above linked [Hurricane Survival Guide](#), such as needed medicines and non-perishable foods (rotate out periodically to keep fresh), important papers, and repair/clean-up supplies. Make a portable kit in case you need to evacuate quickly. More info at <http://www.ready.gov/build-a-kit>.

Consider getting involved - Volunteer & receive training in [First Aid, CPR](#), and/or CERT. There are opportunities with the [Montgomery Emergency Medical Squad](#), [Fire Co. 1](#), [Fire Co. 2](#), as well as [CERTs](#) (Community Emergency Response Teams).

*You may find yourself without power or internet connection in a storm, so besides a crank or battery-powered radio, get an extra battery pack or cranking charger for mobile devices. A smart phone can receive emailed bulletins, go on the web, or use a Facebook or Twitter app. Note: The Montgomery Twp. website is now mobile enabled.

Almost all cell phones can receive texts. In an emergency, texting will sometimes transmit when wireless calling is spotty. Receive emergency info by subscribing to Montgomery's **Nixle Police Notices** - text your zip code to 888777. Subscribe to Montgomery's Twitter feed by texting "**Follow InMontgomeryNJ**" to **40404**.

Newer phones now automatically receive wireless emergency alerts (WEAs) via **[IPAWS or Integrated Public Alert and Warning System](#)** Pay attention to these alerts when received.

Learn more about WEA at <http://www.ready.gov/alerts>

Citizen preparedness and cooperation are important to maintaining the health, safety and comfort of all members of our community during severe weather or other emergencies.

I invite you to contact me at (908)359-2311 or by e-mail at rpalmer@police.montgomery.nj.us or Andrew Armington, Deputy Coordinator of Emergency Management at (908) 533-9300 or by e-mail at aarmington@police.montgomery.nj.us with any questions regarding Montgomery Township Emergency Management.

Thank you,

Robert Palmer
Police Captain/Director
Montgomery Township Police Dept.



P.S. To assist you in your household preparation, a copy of this bulletin can be accessed from the home page of the Township website from the top drop-down menu under [news-events/ebulletin-archive](#). Do it today!

Other Community Bulletins

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Fire Co. #2 Wetdown Celebration Sat July 26th - RT. 518 ROAD CLOSURE/TRAFFIC DIVERSION

Montgomery Township Volunteer Fire Company #2 will dedicate their new Engine 46-107 E-One Cyclone II CAFS Pumper with a wetdown celebration on July 26th. A "wetdown" is a celebration when a Fire Department purchases a piece of new equipment and...

Concerts on the Lawn at Mary Jacobs Library every Tues 6:30 pm - now to August 12th

Have you heard about Mary Jacobs Memorial Library's 'Concert on the Lawn' series this summer? Hosted by The Friends of the Mary Jacobs Library for Tuesdays in July through August, local performers will be sharing their musical talents free of charge...

Senior Center Lunch & Learn: AT&T Electronic Communications Program

Monday July 28th from 1pm-3pm The Montgomery Senior Center at 356 Skillman Road, Skillman, NJ will be hosting a Lunch & Learn about Electronic Communications. AT&T will conduct an educational program on a variety of electronic gadgets that exist (i.e....

Somerset County 4H Fair Aug 6-7-8 at North Branch Park

The 2014 Somerset County 4-H Fair is August 6-8, Wednesday through Friday, at North Branch Park, Bridgewater, NJ. Fairgrounds are open to the public from 10 AM to 10 PM. Thousands of visitors have enjoyed the Somerset County 4-H Fair...

Police Press Release - 7/16/14

On Tuesday July 15th, 2014 at 11:53 p.m., police stopped Aaron R. Blanding, 23, of Hillsborough after a random plate inquiry on the vehicle he was operating indicated that Blanding had an active traffic warrant for his arrest. Blanding was...

Police Press Release - 7/15/14

On Monday July 14th, at 11:33 p.m., police stopped Evan Gillespie, 19, of Princeton on Hollow Road at County Route 518 for failing to maintain his lane of travel and having an obstructed license plate. During the motor vehicle stop...

Notice of Public Hearing July 21st - Master Plan Amendment, County Club Meadows

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING A JULY 9, 2014 LAND USE PLAN AMENDMENT SPECIFIC TO LANDS OWNED BY "COUNTRY CLUB MEADOWS' IN THE BELLE MEAD PORTION OF MONTGOMERY TOWNSHIP The Montgomery Township Planning

Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 21, 2014...

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Police (Emergency) : 9-1-1 or 908-359-3222

Recreation : 609-466-3023

Rec Sports Field Hotline: 800-731-8412

Senior Center : 609-466-0846

Food Pantry : 609-466-1054
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