

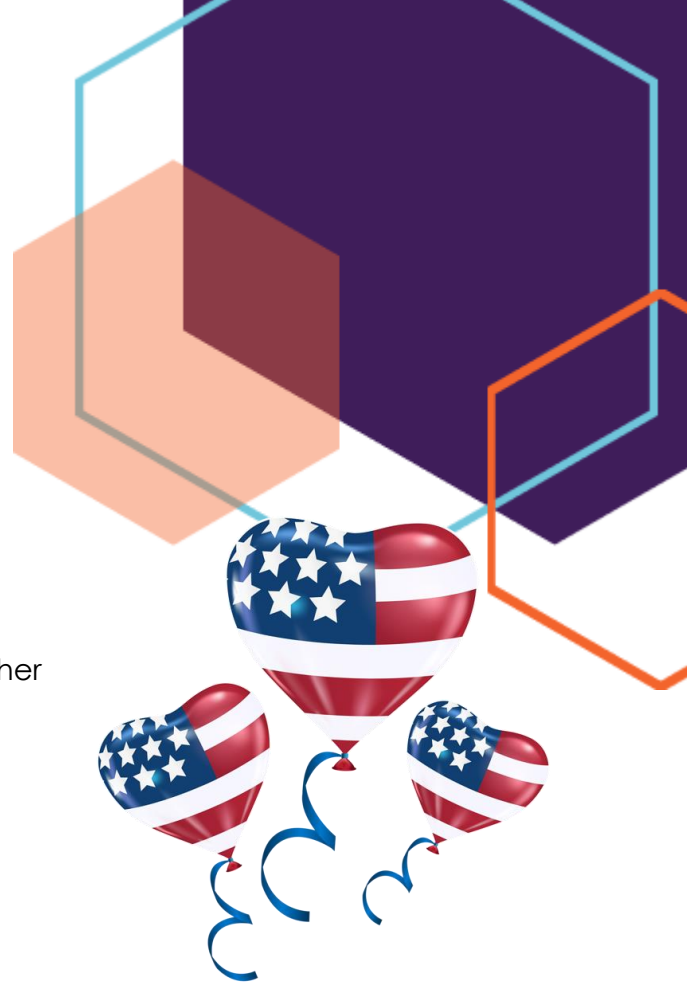
WEST LAKE NEWS

Summer 2021 • Townhomes of West Lake

IT'S SUMMERTIME!

Welcome to a **special summertime edition** of our newsletter! Inside you'll find helpful information to help you enjoy your summer while staying prepared for weather challenges the season can bring.

Wishing everyone a very happy, healthy and safe **Fourth of July** and a wonderful summer!



FUN IN THE SUN

Summer's here and with it comes beach days, camp, pool time, and outdoor activities. Everyone, regardless of age or skin tone, needs to protect themselves from the sun's harmful UV rays. Sunscreen, hats, protective clothing, and sunglasses that block UVA and UVB rays are recommended as well as seeking shade, when possible, between 10 am and 4 pm. Also, remember to take frequent breaks and stay hydrated to avoid overheating.

Pets can be adversely affected by heat as well. Be sure they have plenty of water and shade and never leave your pet in the car. If you're out in the sun together, try to keep your pet off hot surfaces like cement and asphalt. Not only can it burn paws, but it can also increase body temperature and lead to overheating.

WHAT A "COOL" TIME!

We had a great turn out for our **Memorial Day Community Bike Parade and Kona Ice Event!** Be sure to check out the photos on pages 5 – 8!

We look forward to planning more events in the future! If you have suggestions for events, please email the Spirit Committee at spirit@townhomesofwestlake.com!



ENJOY A SAFE AND HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY

When you think about the **Fourth of July**, you often think about delicious food, family, friends and fireworks. As stated in our Community documents, **fireworks**, other than sparklers, **are not to be discharged anywhere in Townhomes of West Lake, whether on private or common property.** Common property includes Fox Sparrow Road to Sheldon Road, as well as the area under the power lines. Sparklers may be used if the current County requirements permit their use, and the County is not in drought conditions.



♥ Please be respectful of your neighbors. ♥ For some, fireworks can be a source of stress, especially for those who suffer from Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, also known as PTSD. In addition, the loud noise of fireworks can result in severe stress, fear, and anxiety for and children and pets and if ingested, unused fireworks are poisonous to pets.



Some local **Fourth of July** activities include downtown Tampa's Boom by the Bay, Riverwalk Inaugural Boat Parade, Lakeland's Red, White and Kaboom and Clearwater's Celebrate America at BayCare Ballpark. Safety Harbor Waterfront Park will host children's activities, food and entertainment with fireworks at 9 pm. Legoland and Busch Gardens also have fireworks displays.



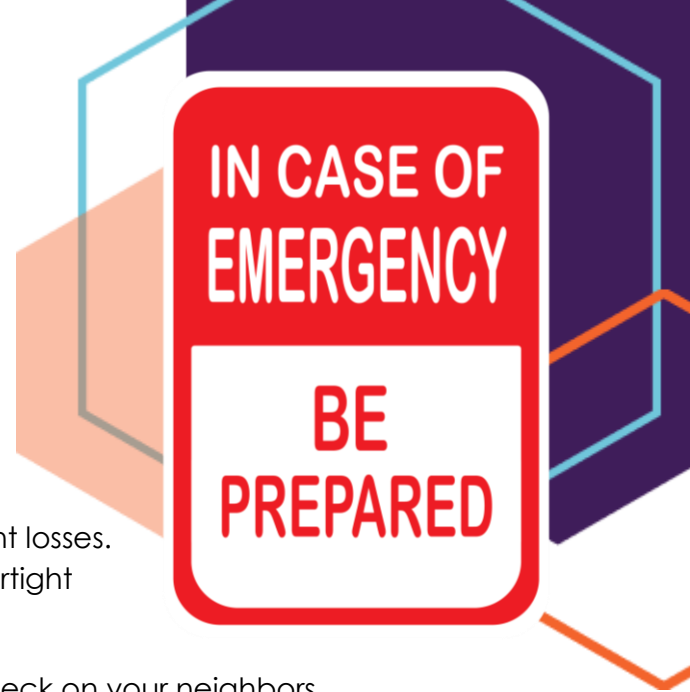
IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN...

With an **active hurricane season predicted for 2021**, all of us need to be prepared and have a plan in the event a hurricane impacts our area. We've been lucky the past few years, but that doesn't mean our luck will hold. It is critical to make preparations to stay safe before, during and after the hurricane. Stock up on supplies and create emergency plans now: Disaster supply kit for 7 days, including food, water, medicine, first aid supplies, batteries, cash, matches in a waterproof container, pet food, etc.

If a storm is imminent, remember to remove and store all furniture, plants, ornamentation, etc. from lanais, entry areas, etc. Park your car in the garage and remember to disengage the electric garage door opener. Use only the hurricane panels originally provided by the builder. Panels may be installed up to 72 hours prior to the expected arrival of the hurricane and must be removed no later than two weeks after the watch/warning is lifted. Sign up for Hillsborough County's mass notification system to keep informed. **Text StaySafe** to **888-777** or go to the [HCFL Alert webpage](#) to sign up now. If you are a Spectrum customer, the Spectrum News app Storm Season section is also a good resource.

It's That Time Again (Hurricane Preparedness) continued...

Every property is in a **flood zone**; however, risk varies. Even though we are in **Zone X**, which is a low to moderate risk area, there is still a potential for ponding and local drainage issues during a major weather event. Just a few inches of water can cause thousands of dollars of damage! Homeowners insurance does not cover flood damage. Only flood insurance covers flood damage. Remember to inventory or take photos of all personal property prior to an event in order to document losses. Make sure to have your insurance information in a watertight portable location.



Please remember to lend others a helping hand and check on your neighbors.

COMMUNITY HURRICANE & EMERGENCY RESOURCES:

EMERGENCY: 911

Disaster Planning Guide: <https://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/library/hillsborough/media-center/documents/emergency-management/hillsborough-disaster-planning-guide-english.pdf>

Hillsborough County Emergency Management Website: <https://www.hillsboroughcounty.org/en/residents/public-safety/emergency-management>

Tampa Electric Storm Center: <https://www.tampaelectric.com/stormcenter/>

Family Emergency Plans: <https://www.ready.gov/plan>

Planning for Businesses: If you are an owner of a business and want to ensure that you will be able to continue business after a disaster, visit <https://www.floridadisaster.org/business/planning-for-businesses/> to get started on planning.



Be sure to check the **Emergency Preparedness** section in the **Book of Community Standards** that addresses hurricanes, tropical storms and other storm related events for more information.

You can also check the **Emergency/Hurricane Page** on West Lake's website at for additional emergency resources at <https://townhomesofwestlake.com/community-resources-3-2/>.

Disaster Supply Kit Checklist on next page.



DISASTER SUPPLY KIT CHECKLIST

General

- At least two weeks supply of medication, medical supplies used regularly and a list of allergies
- List of the style, serial number, and manufacturer information of required medical devices
- Flashlight
Do not use candles and be sure to have enough batteries
- Radio
Battery operated or hand cranked radio, a NOAA weather radio
- Cash
Banks and ATMs may not be available after a storm

Pet Care Items

- Pet food and water
- Proper identification
- Medical records/microchip info
- A carrier or cage
- Muzzle and leash
- Water and food bowls
- Medications
- Supplies for your service animal

Clothing

- Include seasonal or rain gear and sturdy shoes or boots.

Special Needs Items

- Be sure to include specialty items for infants, small children, the elderly, and those family members with a disability.

First Aid

- First Aid Manual
- Sterile adhesive bandages of different sizes
- Sterile gauze pads
- Hypoallergenic adhesive tape
- Triangular bandages
- Scissors
- Tweezers
- Sewing needle
- Moistened towelettes
- Antiseptic
- Thermometer
- Tube of petroleum jelly
- Safety pins
- Soap
- Latex gloves
- Sunscreen
- Aspirin or other pain reliever
- Anti-diarrheal medicine
- Antacid
- Laxative
- Cotton balls
- Q-tips

Food and Water

- Food
Enough for at least seven (7) days, nonperishable packaged or canned food and beverages, snack foods, juices, baby food, and any special dietary items
- Non-electric can opener
- Paper plates
- Napkins
- Plastic cups
- Utensils
- Water (*1 gallon per person*)

Important Documents

- Insurance cards
 - Medical records
 - Bank numbers
 - Credit card numbers
 - Copy of social security card
 - Copies of birth and/or marriage certificates
 - Other personal documents
 - Set of car, house, and office keys
 - Service animal I.D., veterinary records, and proof of ownership
 - Information about where you receive medication, the name of the drug, and dosage
 - Copy of will
- *Items should be kept in a water proof container*

Vehicle

- Keep your motor vehicle tanks filled with gasoline

Phone Numbers

- Maintain a list of important phone numbers including: county emergency management office, evacuation sites, doctors, banks, schools, veterinarian, a number for out of town contact, friends & family

COVID-19 Supplies

- Face masks
- Disinfectant wipes
- Hand sanitizer

Source: Florida Division of Emergency Management

Website: <https://www.floridadisaster.org/planprepare/hurricane-supply-checklist/>

Download PDF: <https://www.floridadisaster.org/globalassets/plan-prepare/disaster-supply-checklist.pdf>

PHOTOS FROM
WEST LAKE'S **MEMORIAL DAY**
COMMUNITY CELEBRATION!

TOWNHOMES OF WEST LAKE

Memorial Day
BIKE PARADE
CELEBRATION

All Residents Welcome - Kids, Adults and Dogs! SHOW OFF YOUR RED WHITE & BLUE Decorate your Bikes, Scooters Wagons or Strollers!

FREE **KONA ICE** For All Residents at the end of the parade!

Flavor your own Kona shaved ice with as many flavors as you want!

Saturday, May 29 - 2:00-3:30 pm

Join the Parade Around Our Neighborhood or Cheer on Participants from Your Driveway!

Brought to you by your Townhomes of West Lake Spirit Committee




Memorial Day
Celebration
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For more photos, visit our [Album](#)
on our Facebook page!



PLEASE JOIN US! Your Community Committees need additional volunteers!

Grounds, Spirit and Covenants committees all need your help! If you're interested in joining any of these committees, please email:



Grounds Committee: Grounds@townhomesofwestlake.com

Community Spirit Committee: Spirit@townhomesofwestlake.com

Covenants Enforcement Committee: CEC@townhomesofwestlake.com

WHO YA GONNA CALL?

Maintenance, Grounds/Landscaping or HOA Issues:

Jeff d'Amours, Community Associate Manager
Greenacre Property Management
(813) 936-4164 • JDamours@Greenacre.com

County information:

Hillsborough County Information Line
(813) 272-5900

Broken Trash or Recycling Cart? Missed Pick-up?

Republic Services of Florida • (813) 272-5680

Hillsborough County Sheriff's Dept.:

Emergency: 911

Non-Emergency: (813) 247-8000

TOWNHOMES OF WEST LAKE DIRECTORY:

TownhomesofWestLake.com/Directory

UPCOMING MEETINGS

townhomesofwestlake.com/calendar/

MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS

4th Thursday of Every Month* • 6:30 pm via Zoom video conference call
Check bulletin board near mailboxes for additional information.

SPIRIT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

2nd Monday of Every Month* • 6:30 pm via Zoom video conference call
Check calendar for upcoming meetings.

** unless otherwise noted on website calendar*

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