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## AMERICAN RED CROSS VOLUNTEER NEWS OF THE WEEK

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To: All Volunteers  
From: North Treasure Coast Chapter  
Subject: Weekly What's Happening  
Date: 02/08/2008

### What's Happening



Across five southern states, Red Cross people and supplies are flowing in to provide care and comfort to those affected by the devastating tornadoes. In nearly every tornado-affected community Red Cross workers began working last night, and remain on the job, providing shelter, feeding victims and search and rescue workers and lending emotional support to all.

More than 350 people stayed in shelters last night as a rash of 60 tornadoes scarred Tennessee, Arkansas, Alabama, Mississippi and Kentucky. Wednesday morning has brought to light the stark realization of damage done. 55 people have lost their lives and major damage was sustained to structures in rural and suburban communities alike.

Ken Chapin, Butch Clinton and Flo Clowes from our chapter are on the way to Tennessee.



- To all our DAT team members for their dedication. Local Disaster Response is organized by each Chapter through a [Disaster Action Team \(DAT\)](#). (Indian River County) George Douglas, Andy Patterson, Ann Lau, Marlen Pachon, John Johnson, Flo Clowes, Mark Timblin, Cathy Mayer, Cricket Crum, Brian Cook, Bob Benson, Kelly Hughes, Susan Boals, (St. Lucie County) Norciss Plummer, Betty Bradwell, Ron Jones, Celie Mae Payne, Walter Miller, Lucia Berry, Mary Coleman, Bill Condon, Heidi Condon, David Reid and a welcome to new members Rhoda Barnett and Helene Wilson (Indian River County)



“Take me out to the Ball Game“

### Volunteers Needed

**Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Mets stadium in Port St. Lucie**

- ❖ We are going to be manning the concession stand for the NY Mets vs. Baltimore Orioles baseball game. It is an afternoon game and volunteers will need to show up at 9:30 am on the day of the game. David and Linda Landsberg, Cricket Crum, Joanne Clemons, Rita Swank, Mary Alice Drewer, Andy Patterson, John O'Kane, Duane Duncan, Bob McCarthy, plus Carolyn Rayner, are going to the ball game. We could use at least 10 more volunteers. **If anyone is interested, contact Duane.**

### Volunteers are needed for several projects:

1. Building shelves in the storage unit. —Ken Chapin has volunteered but he needs some assistance
2. Someone to run our participation in Indian River County's Fireman's Fair—Call Duane or Sharon



Heroes are still needed.

Are you ready? Want your picture in the paper as recognition of your heroics? Call Bob at 562-2549 before Feb 15 to become a HERO for the American Red Cross!

## UPCOMING EVENTS!



115 days till June 1<sup>st</sup> and Hurricane Season  
It is important to get training before it arrives.  
CALL DUANE NOW!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**CLASSES --Pre-Registration for classes is required. There is no fee for classes for active volunteers.**

- ❖ **Reminder--- Fulfilling Our Mission, now a self study only is a prerequisite for all disaster classes. The DVD and book are available at both the Fort Pierce and Vero Beach offices.**  
**\*\*New Addition—See below**

\*\*\*\*\*All Disaster volunteers are encouraged to take Disaster Mental Health and International Humanitarian Law. These classes are not offered frequently so everyone is encouraged to take them now.

### February

Shelter Simulation (Shelter Operations required)  
Tues. February 12<sup>th</sup>-----5:30 pm – 9:00 pm ----- Fort Pierce  
Standard First Aid-----Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> -----5:30pm – 9:30pm-----Vero Beach  
Logistics: An Overview ----Tues. February 19<sup>th</sup>----- 5:30 pm – 8:30 pm -----Vero Beach  
\*\*International Humanitarian Law----Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup> -----9:00 AM -1:00 PM –Vero Beach  
Logistics Simulation (Logistics: An Overview required)  
Wed., February 20<sup>th</sup>-----5:30 pm – 9:30 pm-----Vero Beach

### March

Shelter Operations-----Wed. March 26<sup>th</sup>-----5:30 pm – 9:30 pm-----Vero Beach  
Shelter Simulations (Shelter Operations required) -----5:30 pm - 9:30 pm-----Vero Beach

- ❖ **New disaster courses available:**  
Disaster Public Affairs Overview (available online through LMS)  
(Fulfilling Our Mission is a prerequisite)  
Basic Food Handling (Self Study)

Contact Duane for info on taking the online class

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