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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: 02/15/2008

### What's Happening



Haleigh Brook, 4, smiles with her comfort kit from the Red Cross. Jackson, Tn.

A line of thunderstorms and tornadoes swept across 5 states in the midsection of the United States last week, killing more than 50 people, injuring scores of others, and destroying dozens of homes and buildings. Red Cross chapters responded immediately during the night, opening shelters and providing comfort to those forced from their homes. Almost a week following the storms, the Red Cross relief effort begins to switch focus.

To date, the Red Cross has opened 14 shelters, welcomed 492 overnight guests, and served 9,263 meals. While many of the shelters have since closed their doors, information is still available on a blog (<http://redcrossn.wordpress.com>) dedicated to the tornado relief effort.

While the majority of Red Cross disaster assessment has been completed, Red Cross volunteers will remain hard at work in the region to assure that everyone who needs support can receive it. Several Red Cross service centers are open throughout the affected areas of Tennessee for individuals and families who need assistance.

Ken Chapin, Butch Clinton and Flo Clowes from our chapter have been in Tennessee.

### Thank you

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)



Speedy Recovery to Alice Ferguson and Janet Dyer  
Continued thoughts to Lee Dyer

## Has Everyone Made Ray Pay??



“Take me out to the Ball Game“

### Volunteers Needed

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

- ❖ We are serving hot dogs, sodas and all of those good things at 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. **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 chair our participation in Indian River County's Fireman's Fair—Call Duane or Sharon

**UPCOMING EVENTS!**



108 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**

**February**

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  
 Adult CPR-----Thursday, Feb 21<sup>st</sup> ----- -5:30PM -9:30 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) Thurs., Mar. 27<sup>th</sup> -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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