



# PREMIER IN THE COMMUNITY

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## HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS

The 2015 hurricane season, running from June 1<sup>st</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup>, is predicted to be a relatively calm one. Despite this forecast everyone should be prepared. This includes having adequate supplies of water, food, and equipment as well as having an emergency plan and knowing what numbers to call. Hurricane preparedness resources are available at Publix and all over the Internet. FEMA in particular has a risk assessment link on its map portal. Now is the time to get that hurricane kit ready.

In the event of a hurricane, Premier employees will be informed of the protocol to follow.

## DOG DAYS OF SUMMER – NO-KILL SHELTER

Abandoned Pet Rescue is one of the largest “No Kill” shelters in South Florida and the largest in Fort Lauderdale. It is devoted to the welfare of all animals and is funded solely by donations. Once again Premier is committed to helping out and donation bins have been placed in both lobbies. Please take a moment to check them out on <http://apr.rescuegroups.org/>.

They are in need of all kinds of donations for pets, however, they did mention in their wish list that they are always in need of dry and canned cat food, paper towels, garbage bags, liquid dish washing soap, liquid laundry detergent, vinegar, cotton swabs, Kong chew toys for dogs and catnip toys for cats.

Feral cats are a huge problem in South Florida and you can donate through PayPal to APR’s trap/neuter/return program. This program was in response to endless calls from people unable to deal with out-of-control cat colonies. Each year this programs remove thousands of cats from the feral population, which is estimated at 350,000 plus in Broward alone.

Check out their many events on the events page. Pet adoptions take place almost every week at different PetSmart and Pet Supermarkets. You can even click on the “animals attending” link to see if there’s a pet out there for you. If you’re interested in volunteering they need assistants for transporting and holding the dogs at the store.



## COMMEMORATIVE DAYS IN AUGUST

Have you ever thought that August is a slow month for commemorative days? Neither have we! However, August is full of interesting commemorative days such as International Youth Day on the 12<sup>th</sup>, Indian Independence Day on August 15<sup>th</sup>, and Women’s Equality Day on the 26<sup>th</sup>. World Mosquito Day is on the 20<sup>th</sup> and International Lefthanders Day on August 13<sup>th</sup>.

Interestingly, the first Friday of August is International Beer Day and the end of the month is National Sports Day. Friendship Day is on the First Sunday of August. These could easily be blended into one really good holiday where friends could play sports all day then go for a beer.

It should also be noted that July is National Ice Cream Month and the last Friday in July is System Administrator Appreciation Day. This is being mentioned for no reason whatsoever. August is Digestive Tract Paralysis Month. Again being mentioned for no reason. July 22<sup>nd</sup> was Pi Approximation Day – we hope you were close. Make today one for the record books!

## ABOUT PREMIER EYE CARE

Premier’s People, Planet, Profit triple bottom line means we are dedicated to helping the community. Contributions to 501(3)(c) charities since 2012 have topped \$600,000 and include diverse groups like the American Heart Assoc., the Drug Abuse Treatment Assoc., the Girl Scouts, Kenya Rescue, Tampa Crisis Center, Prevent Blindness, and more. Stay tuned for company-wide opportunities.



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