

# OCEAN CITY

## NEWSLETTER

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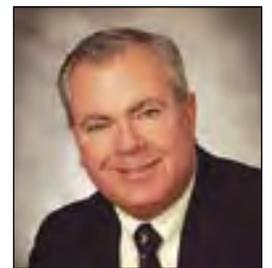
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# Be prepared, stay safe during hurricane season

The Atlantic hurricane season is from June 1 through Nov. 30. Ocean City closely monitors all tropical storms and stays in touch with the National Weather Service during any pending storms.

Hurricane watches and warnings are issued by the National Hurricane Center in Miami. A "watch" is issued for an area that could experience the effects of a hurricane within 48 hours. A "warning" is issued for an area that will experience the effects of a hurricane within 36 hours. Due to population density and the time required to evacu-

ate Ocean City during the summer months, evacuation recommendations may begin before a hurricane watch is issued.

Local emergency officials evaluate hurricane information to determine when to issue appropriate safety recommendations to the public. If necessary, the Mayor, through the Emergency Management Director, will issue recommendations and evacuation orders.

It is important to note that an evacuation order may be given while the sun is shining. This is because we must move all vulnerable residents to safety prior to the arrival of high winds or flooding roadways.

Have a family emergency plan! Leave your home immediately when requested. When an evacuation order is given, it will be issued over the town's advisory radio station 1670 AM, local radio and TV stations, on the internet at [www.oceancitymd.gov](http://www.oceancitymd.gov), on the local government access television channel, and when necessary, law enforcement, fire and other emergency officials notify people as well.

The evacuation order will be issued in phases. More information can be found at [www.oceancitymd.gov/Emergency\\_Management/hur.html](http://www.oceancitymd.gov/Emergency_Management/hur.html).

Here's how we try to get your attention during emergencies such as hurricanes: the town's new advisory radio station 1670 AM, local radio and television, cable television audio override, electronic signs, direct notification through business, community organizations and emergency officials, banner planes and the internet at [www.oceancitymd.gov](http://www.oceancitymd.gov).

During emergencies, we also update a recording for our residents and visitors. Call 410-723-6666.

## Tune into 1670 AM Your radio station for community information

To improve communication and enhance the safety of those living, working and visiting in Ocean City, the Town of Ocean City has an AM advisory radio station. The frequency of the station is 1670 KHz on the AM dial and is received throughout the Ocean City area.

While the primary use of this station is to inform the public of emergency conditions in the area such as weather events and how to respond to them, the station also broadcasts community information 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Having a non-commercial FCC license does not allow any commercial broadcasting. The portable alert AM radio station was acquired by the Town with a Homeland Security grant.

## Boardwalk bench dedication program available

The Public Works Maintenance Division continues to offer the opportunity to purchase a Boardwalk bench and plaque in honor of or in memory of a loved one or friend. The cost of the bench and plaque is \$1,400.

To date, there are 338 dedicated benches along the Boardwalk from the Inlet to 27th Street.

If you are interested in this program, contact the Public Works at 410-524-0391 to receive additional information.

