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SHELTER-IN-PLACE

When the siren sounds

- ▶ Seek shelter
- ▶ Shut doors and windows
- ▶ Turn off A/C or heaters
- ▶ Tune radio to: 1610 or 1620 AM
- ▶ Turn on cable television
- ▶ Avoid unnecessary use of telephone

Wait until you get word of an "all clear" before going back outside.



Dedicated to Safety

As part of its commitment and dedication to the safety of Iberville Parish residents and their employees, I-CAER and Iberville LEPC recently funded the purchase of an Alertus emergency mass notification system including **Alert Beacons**, **Alert Desktop Notification** and the **Alertus Mobile App**. A total of 40 Alert Beacons are currently being installed throughout the parish, and the software-based computer desktop alerting and mobile app functionality will be installed and utilized on a large number of parish devices, including industrial sites, schools, nursing homes and law enforcement offices.

Alert Beacon

Alert Beacons are designed to serve campuses and other large facilities

that presently lack an in-building emergency notification system and where retrofitting a conventional voice public address system is impractical and cost prohibitive. Wall-mounted Alert Beacons flash and sound to capture the attention of building occupants and display a custom message from public safety/security about the nature of the emergency and the appropriate response. Mounted in prominent locations throughout the parish's facilities, these devices provide greater coverage than speakers alone for signaling attention.

Alertus Desktop Notification

Truly effective mass notification should effectively reach individuals in more than one way. Alertus Desktop

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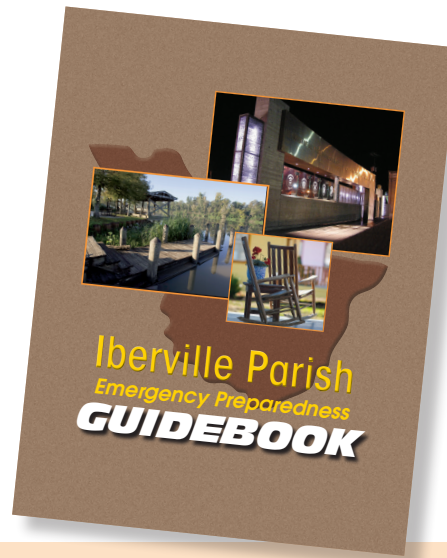
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Stay Warm and SAFE this Winter.



Turn to page 7 in your Emergency Preparedness Guidebook to learn about Home Heating Safety.



Do you know where your Emergency Preparedness Guidebook is?

Download a copy to print today from www.i-caer.org. Place it near your phone or in a place where you can easily retrieve it in the event of an emergency.

Home Heating Safety

- Read labels and follow all warning and lighting instructions.
- Keep clear space around heating equipment.
- All home fuel burning equipment should be inspected yearly by an expert. Fuel burning heaters used to warm the house should be vented to the outside. If you must use an unvented heater, be sure to leave a window open at least one inch and turn off at night.
- Do not use a gas range or oven for heating a room. Never use a charcoal grill inside. Never close a fireplace vent until the fire is completely extinguished.
- Internal combustion engines; such as automobiles, boats, lawnmowers, and generators produce lethal amounts of CO. Never run these engines in a closed or confined area.
- Inspect chimneys, stove pipes, flues, and connectors to be sure they are clean and in good repair.
- If you smell a strong gas odor, turn off the pilot light, and do not operate electrical switches. Call the gas company from another location.
- Turn off heating equipment if you smell fumes, your eyes sting, or you become dizzy or nauseous while it is operating, or if it has a fluttering or yellow flame.
- Do not use a space heater if the ceramic radiants are broken or out of place.
- Never store or use flammable liquids like gasoline, cleaning fluid or paint thinners near heating equipment.
- Never smoke while working with gas powered equipment.
- If your heating equipment has a pilot light and you have trouble keeping it lit or if the control valve is hard to operate, call the gas company to have it serviced.

FREE Smoke Detectors and Installation

In an effort to reduce fire-related deaths and injuries, the Louisiana State Fire Marshal's office launched a program which offers a free smoke detector to any homeowner who does not have one. American Red Cross, your local Fire Department, Iberville Department of Emergency Preparedness, as well as I-CAER and LEPC members support this program and strongly

recommend residents have a working smoke detector. If you do not have a smoke detector and would like a free one, simply call your local fire department or the Emergency Operations Center at (225) 687-5140. A fireman or Red Cross representative will deliver it to your home and install it for you.

Christmas Tree Safety Facts and Tips

For many people, decorating the Christmas tree is a favorite part of the holiday. The National Safety Council offers some safety tips to make sure a mishap doesn't spoil your holiday season.

Christmas Trees

- Natural and artificial Christmas trees start an average of 250 home structure fires each year, according to the National Fire Protection Association. These fires cause approximately 14 deaths, 26 injuries and \$13.8 million in property damage yearly.
- Cut off about two inches of the trunk and put the tree in a sturdy, water-holding stand. Keep the stand filled with water so the tree does not dry out quickly.
- Stand your tree away from fireplaces, radiators and other heat sources. Make sure the tree does not block foot traffic or doorways.
- If you use an artificial tree, choose one that is tested and labeled as fire resistant. Artificial trees with built-in electrical systems should have the Underwriters Laboratory (UL) label.

Tree lights

- Only use indoor lights indoors (and outdoor lights only outdoors). Look for the UL label. Check lights for broken or cracked sockets, frayed or bare wires, or loose connections. Replace or repair any damaged light sets.
- Also, use no more than three light sets on any one extension cord. Extension cords should be placed against the wall to avoid tripping hazards, but do not run cords under rugs.
- Turn off all lights on trees and decorations when you go to bed or leave the house.

Tree ornaments

- Always use the proper step stool or ladder to reach high places.
- Never place lighted candles on a tree or near any flammable materials.
- Avoid placing breakable tree ornaments or ones with small, detachable parts on lower branches where small children or pets can reach them.

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Notification grabs the attention of computer users immediately. When an emergency occurs and a warning is activated, a full-screen alert will pop up on all or select PCs and Macs across the parish's facilities, taking over the whole screen with a warning that's impossible to miss.

Alertus Mobile Phone App

The Alertus Mobile Phone app allows authorized users to quickly send emergency notification alerts to registered Android or IOS tablets or smart phones. Launching an alert via the mobile app can also activate notification alerts through the Alert Beacon and Alertus Desktop Notification override.

Keep Your Holidays Safe

NSC offers the following tips:

- Even if you're "just a little buzzed," don't drive.
- Designate a "non-drinking" driver or take a cab.
- Don't feel embarrassed to refuse a ride from an impaired driver – even if it's a friend or spouse.
- Wear your safety belt every trip, every time – even when traveling a short distance.
- Model this safe behavior, especially in front of children.
- Ensure everyone is safely buckled up before you drive.
- Place children in age-appropriate safety seats.



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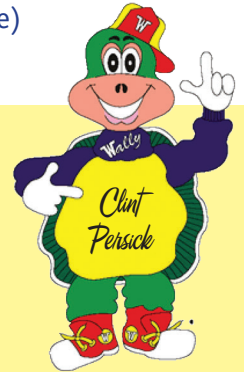
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Meet Your I-CAER/LEPC Team Member!



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*LEPC Chairman and serves on I-CAER.
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Hobby: Golf
Community: Serves in different capacities at his church
Personal: Married, two daughters

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Products made in Iberville: Styrene Monomer and Polystyrene (plastic)

End Products: End products include food packaging, plastic cups and containers, foam board used for insulation in homes, house wares, office products, home appliances, toys, containers used in medical applications and more.