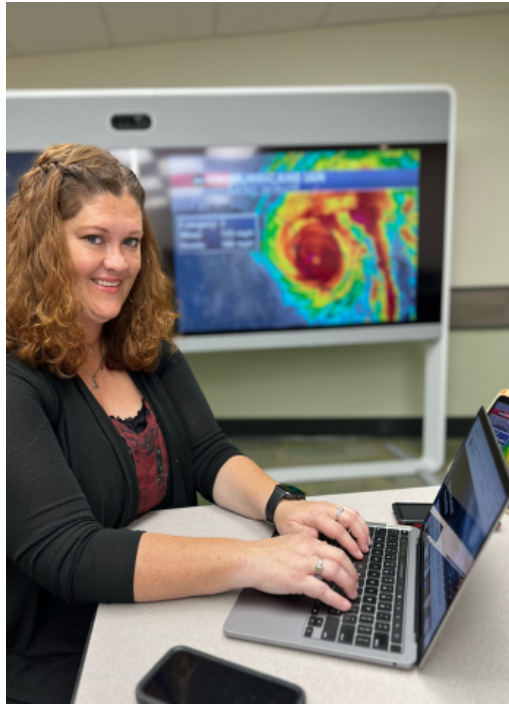




SAFETY SERIES

Meet Sue, a Hurricane Ride-Out
Crew Member

5 ways to continue National Preparedness Month beyond September ... Ready for it?

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With the Atlantic hurricane season lasting until Nov. 30, it's still a great time to make weather preparedness a priority. "The best approach to an unpredictable season is preparing well before you even know a storm is coming," Cast Member Sue mentioned. She makes magic as an Administrative Coordinator and uses her transferable skills of being detail-oriented and resourceful to be "the best team player" as part of the ride-out crew at Magic Kingdom Park.

The ride-out crew Cast Members play a vital role in pre-storm preparation, including filling and placing sandbags, moving items indoors and temporarily staying on property in a pre-selected, safe location during a hurricane.

From the early stages of weather preparedness to riding out the hurricane, Sue mentions how staying alert in your surroundings can make all the difference in the post-storm recovery when preparedness is a priority.

We encourage everyone to take extra caution year-round. Below are resources and best practices to remember during this hurricane season and for years to come.

- Visit the [Central Florida Alert HUB site](#) to stay connected with live updates during a hurricane and learn about the variety of resources available for Central Florida Cast Members.
- Make a family emergency communication plan to establish ways to reconnect after unexpected disasters and be sure to test it out.
- Assemble an [emergency kit](#) for your home and car. Consider emergency supplies for your children and pets if you have them.
- Pay attention to any Emergency Alerts you get on your phone, and utilize weather apps, local television stations, and the [National Weather Service](#) for updated weather information and protocol. Consider purchasing a weather radio to stay updated during emergencies such as power outages or natural disasters that disrupt the flow of information.
- Learn the necessary [safety skills](#) such as First Aid/CPR, how to use a fire extinguisher, etc.) or how to [prepare for a hurricane](#) because you never know what situations you could be in

As we are still in hurricane season, we are asking hourly WDW Cast Members to sign up for the [2023 Hurricane Ride-Out and Recovery Crews](#) via volunteer forms on the HUB.

To learn more about how you can prioritize preparedness year-round, check out the [Make Preparedness a Priority article](#) to keep you and your loved ones safe.