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Councilmember Anna Johnson's June 27 Round Table Meeting Highlights Hurricane Season – Are you ready?

Guest speakers will be Joe Coates, Charleston County Emergency Preparedness Specialist, Public Information Officer Shawn Smetana and Program Liaison Coordinator Carter McMillan

<u>Charleston County Councilmember Anna B. Johnson</u> of District 8 continues to hold monthly round table discussions for citizens to learn more about <u>Charleston County Government</u> programs and services. The meetings are held at **12:30 p.m.** normally on the fourth Wednesday of every month at the <u>John's Island Regional Library</u> located at **3531 Maybank Highway on Johns Island**.

Topics for the June 27 meeting are:

- Charleston County Emergency Management Department
 - Learn what preparations need to be done before the storm hits
 - See what resources need to be in your emergency kit
 - o Learn about the CERT (Citizens Emergency Response Team) program
 - Learn about the DART (Disaster Animal Response Team) program
 - Learn the importance of having a family communications plan
 - Learn how social media is utilized during emergency events and where citizens can turn to stay up to date with the latest information
- New Pilot program at Charleston County called CITIBOT that allows citizens to text in their issues to Charleston
 County without having to make a phone call or send email.

"My purpose for holding these monthly meetings is to share information about County-related issues and to listen to citizens' concerns," Johnson said. "Each month, different speakers are invited to address topics of interest as expressed by the public."

For more information on the round table meetings, or to provide ideas for upcoming topics, contact Charleston County Councilmember Anna B. Johnson:

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