

The Center prepares for the worst with T.S. Fay but does just fine

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A note from the Director --

We're fine in Wauchula. We boarded up the office, clinic, human houses... and then planned to spend the day (and night if necessary) inside the night houses with the apes, but the storm was not as predicted (thankfully). Wind gusts took down a couple dead trees which needed to come down... and the abundant rain all day gave us "white water rapids" in our little creek. Also, we were flooded everywhere, but drained by today.

The apes are all well. And, even though they were kept inside all day, they were kept busy by their caregivers with enrichment activities, manicures, and popcorn parties.

See the Photo Gallery for some photos taken during the day... and after the storm passed. The first photo was taken Monday night before Fay hit – “the calm before the storm” sunset over the sanctuary.

Thanks for all your good thoughts and concern for us, *Patti*