





# WESTON WEB SITE HAS A NEW LOOK AND MANY NEW FEATURES

If you're reading this article then you have logged on to Weston's newly designed web site which includes many new features including this *Newsday Tuesday* section - Weston's weekly, online news articles. Newsday Tuesday has replaced the Weston Announcer Newsletter which was printed and mailed to homes.



The website launches Weston's branding of our media network, WESTON ALWAYS ON which includes the city's website, Newsday Tuesday, 1680AM Radio Station, and  $W_{TV}$  Weston's Government Access Cable Channel. Between the use of all of these communication avenues and the use of the City of Weston Twitter and CodeRED emergency communications, Weston is quite literally, Always On.

#### New website enhancements include:

- A new design and layout that is even more user-friendly with easy to find icons.
- Online registration for Weston Community Center classes.
- The addition of the weekly Newsday Tuesday news articles.
- Happening Now previously Latest News, provides up to the minute info.
- Additional landing sites have been added, including a Landscaping Department, Employment, Moving In and About Weston.
- There is information on Weston's Environment including Wildlife and Wetland Mitigation which is showcased in the sites visual look highlighting the natural habitat which surrounds our community.
- Each city department page has a list of "Top Searches" which are the answers to that department's most frequently asked questions and provides more information than ever before.

We hope that you enjoy these enhancements as there are even more to come, including an aerial photo archive of Weston's development over the last 30 years.





### WESTON FIRE CHIEF JOHN FRAILEY RETIRING



**Left to Right:** Commissioner Angel Gomez, Commissioner Daniel Stermer, Fire Chief John Frailey, Mayor Eric Hersh, daughter Cristina Frailey, wife Battalion Chief Julie Frailey, son Michael Frailey, Commissioner Mercedes Henriksson and Commissioner Murray Chermak.

Retiring after a 30 year career with the Broward County fire service the Weston City Commission honored and thanked Chief Frailey for his service and dedication to the citizens and property owners of Weston at the March 15, 2010 Commission Meeting.

Having been first hired as a paramedic in 1980, Chief Frailey continually advanced throughout his career, to Training Officer in 1985, Captain in 1991, Battalion Chief and a District Chief in 2006, to Acting Assistant Chief in April 2007, and then to Assistant Chief in July 2007 and assigned as District Fire Chief of Weston and the Town of Southwest Ranches.





Mayor Hersh stated that the City had the great fortune to have had the leadership, experience and dedication of Chief Frailey, and that it was not only his professionalism but his personal, caring manner that will truly be missed.

Mayor Hersh, on behalf of the Commission also announced Weston will continue to receive excellent fire, rescue and fire prevention services through incoming Chief, Harris Bouchillon.

The Broward Sheriff's Office will hold a formal retirement ceremony for Chief Frailey on April 2, 2010, his last day of service, at Fire Rescue Station No. 81 in Weston, beginning at 8:30AM.









# WESTON WELCOMES NEW FIRE CHIEF HARRIS BOUCHILLON

On April 3, 2010, Harris Bouchillon will officially take over the helm as Fire Chief of the City of Weston. Chief Bouchillon comes to Weston with a wealth of experience and intimate knowledge of our city.

After serving in the U.S. Marine Corps/4<sup>th</sup> Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, Bouchillon joined Broward County Fire Rescue in 1994 and served county residents while he raised through the ranks as a paramedic, firefighter/paramedic, Lieutenant, Captain and Battalion Chief.



Bouchillon was promoted to the rank of Assistant Chief in 2007 and assigned command of Fire Rescue services for the Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport. He has also served as the SWAT/Tactical Emergency Medical Services Coordinator for the Broward Sheriff's Office SWAT Team.

With the retirement of Weston Fire Chief John Frailey, City Manager John R. Flint selected Bouchillon to serve as the City's next top fire administrator. Chief Bouchillon is already familiar with the Weston community, having served in Weston's Station No. 55 and lives in the nearby area with his wife and four children.





### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Visit the web Calendar of Events on the homepage (<u>www.westonfl.org</u>) for a complete listing of events.

### **ROYAL EGG HUNT**

This is a **FREE** event



For additional information, call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321

## Saturday, April 3, 2010

10:00 a.m. Weston Regional Park baseball fields (20200 Saddle Club Rd)

Thousands of candy-filled eggs on four baseball fields for kids <u>ages 10</u> <u>and Under</u>. There will be three age categories and ALL egg hunts will go off at **10AM sharp**. Please remember to bring a basket or bag for

your egg hunters. After the eggs are gone, enjoy a variety of bounce houses!

#### MOVIE IN THE PARK

This is a **FREE** event please bring lawn chairs and blankets
For additional information, call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321



Saturday, April 10, 2010

Madagascar 2
8:00 p.m. Weston Regional Park (20200 Saddle Club Rd)

Still together. Still lost! The sequel to 2005's "Madagascar", in which New York Zoo animals, Alex the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Melman the Giraffe and Gloria the Hippo still stranded on Madagascar, start to leave the island.

### PROFESSIONAL THEATER FOR CHILDREN

\$10 in advance (available at the Weston Community Center – 17200 Saddle Club Road) \$15 at the theater box office prior to the show For additional information, call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321



Saturday, April 17, 2010
"The Emperor's New Clothes"
10:00 a.m. Cypress Bay Theater (18600 Vista Park Blvd)

This age-old tale of conceit depicts the story of a pompous Emperor who calls upon his tailors to make him new clothes out of magic material that is invisible to those who are not good at their job or intolerably stupid.

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# Weston "POP" Tips of the Day Every Day during the Month of April

Weston will be communicating daily **POP** Tips of the Day throughout the month of April.

POP is short for - Protect Our Planet -

30 Green tips in all, promoting environmental awareness with **daily** action tips throughout the month of April that can help to preserve our environment through simple lifestyle choices.

Not just Earth Day (April 22<sup>nd</sup>) but each day...

**How?** Through the use of City of Weston Twitter, Happening Now on our Web site homepage, the City website Calendar of Events, and the Weston Government Cable TV Channel. All with no paper wasted!

Check it out... and help preserve the environment and possibly save time and/or money in the process.







# CITY OF WESTON **CODERED** SERVICE HAS NEW FEATURES

A new feature is available - you can opt to receive text message and/or email alerts, along with the emergency phone call.

To opt for the text message and/or email alerts, or to add or change a phone number including cell phones, please **revisit** the CodeRED registration page and enter your information.

# IF YOU ARE NOT ALREADY REGISTERED FOR CODERED NOTIFICATIONS THIS IS THE PERFECT TIME TO DO SO

WHAT IT IS: CodeRED is an ultra high-speed telephone communication service for emergency notifications. This system allows the City to send critical communications, to all or targeted areas within the City, in an emergency situation that requires immediate action. This system is capable of dialing the entire City within minutes. It delivers a recorded message from the City Manager's office describing the situation and any instructions for immediate or future action. If you opt-in for text message and/or email alerts, those will also be sent.

**PRIVACY:** Your contact information remains private and used for critical communications.

**CALLER ID:** This is also new - The calling number will display 866-419-5000, and to hear the last message delivered, simply dial the number back.

THIS SYSTEM WILL ONLY BE USED FOR EMERGENCY AND LIFE SAFETY PURPOSES. Examples of times when the CodeRED system could be utilized: Drinking water contamination, extended utility outages, evacuation notice and route, missing person, fires, floods, bomb threat, hostage situation, chemical spill or gas leak, and other incidents where rapid and accurate notification is essential for life safety.

### FOR RESIDENTS **AND** BUSINESSESS

HOW TO REGISTER: On the City web site click on the CodeRED icon







### **2010 CENSUS QUESTIONNAIRE**

Weston residents should all have received the 2010 Census Questionnaire in the mail. It has only 10 questions.

The information obtained from the Census forms is vital because governments use the data to allocate hundreds of billions of dollars in funding for government programs, including healthcare for the poor, highways, public safety and transportation and schools.

Ensuring as full and accurate a count as possible will boost Weston's chances of getting our fair share of aid.

# CENSUS TAKERS WILL VISIT HOUSEHOLDS WHERE A FORM IS NOT MAILED BACK

- A census taker will visit that home up to three times, each time leaving a door hanger featuring a phone number; residents can call the number on the hanger to schedule the visit.
- The census taker will ONLY ask the questions that appear on the census form.

#### Do I have to talk to the census taker?

Yes. Your participation in the 2010 Census is vital and required by law, (Section 221, of Title 13 of the U.S. Code). However, the Census Bureau is very successful in getting participation by explaining the importance of the questions asked and how it benefits our communities.

**Privacy and Confidentiality is a priority.** The census taker is sworn for life to protect your data under <u>Federal Law Title 13</u>. Those who violate the oath face criminal penalties of up to \$250,000 fine or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

Residents needing help filling out forms or need one in a different language should contact the **City of Weston at 954-385-2000**.

Help is here for anyone who needs it.





# FIRE RESCUE

# TO THE RESCUE...



On March 15 2010, a dump truck traveling northbound on I-75 overturned at Royal Palm Boulevard due to a tire failure, spilling rocks and dirt across the interstate.

The Broward Sheriff's Office Fire Rescue Weston, along with the BSO Technical Rescue team responded to the scene. Crews had to use hydraulic tools to free the 34-year old driver, trapped behind the steering wheel with serious injuries. Once extricated from the truck he was flown by BSO Air Rescue to Broward General Medical Center.

Fortunately no other vehicles were involved.







#### FUN IN THE SUMMER SUN AT THE WESTON TENNIS CENTER

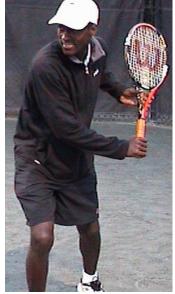
Weston is heating up and so is the action at Weston Tennis Center. Along with action-packed summer camps on the horizon for both recreation and academy players, the Tennis Center is also pushing to keep the adults busy with in-house leagues catering to all members.

Excited about the start of summer, it's a great opportunity to hit the courts and work on that skill that could improve your match at 5-5 or 30-30 when the pressure is on. Confidence in your game only stems from belief in your stroke and your ability. Specials are available and everyone, regardless of the level of skill-set, is welcome to partake in

the fun and one-of-a-kind tennis experience that is the Weston Tennis Center. For more information call the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666.











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# WESTON ROCKS THE NIGHT AWAY 2010 ROCK & POP MASTERS CONCERT "LIGHTS UP WESTON"

The Rock and Pop Master's Concert in the Weston Regional Park is one of Weston's most anticipated, free events of the year. On Saturday, March 20, 2010 the evening began with a warm welcome from Weston City Commissioners and City Manager, John R. Flint and State Representative Franklin Sands. Within minutes the stage lit up and well over 5,000 spectators were "Dancing in the Moonlight" as they enjoyed listening, dancing and singing along, to hits from the 70's and 80's.

The Rock & Pop Masters band is comprised of original lead singers from some of the biggest and best bands in rock history including: Edgar Winter, Larry Hoppen (Orleans), and many more. This year even Weston resident, Steve Miller took the stage and jammed out with the band on guitar for a few songs – making for an evening of true FUN, ROCK, and POP!

This sixth annual Concert in the Park is a partnership between the City of Weston and the Rotary Club of Weston with over 50 Rotarians volunteering their time to help put on this great community event. In the spirit of this year's theme "Light Up Weston", the Rotary Club handed out glow necklaces, which made for a sea of brightly lit color throughout the crowd. Donations accepted by the Rotary totaled \$5,000 for their Disaster Relief Fund for Haiti. *Truly a great event in so many ways.* 









