



SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK, LIVE! Saturday, November 20th at 1:00 p.m.

Schoolhouse Rock, the Emmy Award-winning 1970's pop culture phenomenon comes to the musical stage in the production of *Schoolhouse Rock, Live!* This multimedia treat shows a whole new generation of young people that learning can be as fun as you choose to make it!

The performance will be on Saturday, November 20th at 1:00 p.m. at Cypress Bay Theater, located at 18600 Vista Park Boulevard.



Tickets are \$10 in advance, by credit card only, or \$15 at the door by cash or credit. Tickets are available in advance at the Weston Community Center, located at 20200 Saddle Club Road. For more information, give the Community Center a call, at 954-389-4321.

Schoolhouse Rock, *Live!* is the first of three professional theater for children performances of the 2010-2011 performing arts calendar. Upcoming performances include *Rapunzel* on Saturday, January 29, 2011 and *The Frog Prince* on Saturday, April 16, 2011.

For details regarding these performances as well as other city events, check out the online calendar of events at www.westonfl.org.





A STORY TO REINFORCE YOUR FAITH IN PEOPLE

ALL SERVICE REFUSE EMPLOYEE RETURNS FOUND WALLET

On October 20th, City Hall received a call from a Weston resident who wanted to praise the honesty and integrity of two All Service Refuse employees.



Several days prior, the female resident discovered her wallet mission and had no idea where she may have misplaced or lost it. She advised that it was a very expensive Coach wallet, it contained a fair amount of cash, all of her credit cards and identification.

On the afternoon of the 20th there was a knock at her door. She opened it to find All Service Refuse Supervisor, Hopeton Lewis, asking her

name and then personally returning her wallet to her, a wallet containing everything that had been in it prior to being lost.

Upon inquiring, it turned out that All Service Refuse Driver, Gesleni Ilsant, had found the wallet and promptly turned it in to his supervisor to be returned to its rightful owner.

The grateful owner expressed her extreme appreciation for the honesty, integrity and personal service of both the founder of the wallet and the supervisor. She said it had truly rekindled her belief in the goodness of people.

All Service Refuse is contracted by the City of Weston to provide garbage and recycling collection services.





WESTON TO BE AWARDED CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

For the 12TH consecutive year, the City of Weston has been notified that it will be awarded the **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting** for its comprehensive annual financial report for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2009. The award, presented by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the U.S. and Canada, is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program (CAFR Program)

The GFOA established the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program (CAFR Program) in 1945 to encourage and assist state and local governments to go beyond the minimum requirements of generally accepted accounting principles to prepare comprehensive annual financial reports that evidence the spirit of transparency and full disclosure and then to recognize individual governments that succeed in achieving that goal.



Judging process

Each CAFR is reviewed using a checklist designed to determine compliance with both generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) and program policy as established by the GFOA's Special Review Executive Committee and the GFOA Executive Board. Reviews are performed by GFOA staff and members of the GFOA's Special Review Committee, which comprises individuals from government, the public accounting profession, and academe who possess specialized expertise in governmental financial reporting, typically as a result of either preparing or auditing a CAFR that has received the Certificate of Achievement.

Reviewers are never selected from the same state as the CAFR being reviewed or from the same firm that performed the independent audit. A Certificate is awarded only if there is consensus among reviewers that a CAFR substantially complies with both GAAP and program policy. Failure to comply with any checklist item marked by an asterisk (*) is considered, of itself, sufficient evidence to justify a determination that a CAFR has failed to substantially comply with both GAAP and program policy.

Congratulations are in order for the Weston Finance Department.

Members will be recognized at a City Commission meeting

when the plaque has been received.





18th Annual HARVEST DRIVE "Children Helping Children"

KEEP THE DRIVE ALIVE..... THIS FRIDAY

The annual Harvest Drive is <u>THIS FRIDAY</u> – Keep them in mind when grocery shopping – the buy one get one free specials are perfect for donating.



Weston Area Collection Date & Location:
WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL
Friday, Nov. 19th - 3pm - 9pm, drop off for community
Monday, Nov. 22nd - all day, Western High sorting and packing

The Harvest Drive provides needy families with children residing in Broward County with a complete Thanksgiving meal and a week's worth of groceries, as well as personal and household necessities during Thanksgiving season.

HOW TO HELP: Drop off donations and/or volunteer your time.
Requested non-perishable items:

Cereal/Oatmeal Juice Pancake Mix Rice Cookies Pasta Jelly **Peanut Butter** Stuffing **Napkins** Aluminum Foil Shampoo Dish Soap Laundry Detergent Canned meats Soap/Body Wash **Canned Vegetables** Toothpaste **Canned Cranberries Canned Sweet Potatoes** Canned Fruit

Canned Gravy

No glass containers. For more information please visit <u>www.harvestdriveflorida.com</u>





CONGRATULATIONS 14U YMCA WESTON HAWKS BASEBALL TEAM RANKED #1 TRAVEL TEAM IN THE UNITED STATES

Congratulations are well deserved for the 14U YMCA Weston Hawks Baseball Team & Coaches (managed by Cliff Dickinson) who have become ranked as the No 1, 14 and under travel team in the United States by USSSA sports.

This is an exceptional feat and congratulations go out to the athletes and coaches of the first place team in the country.







NOVEMBER EVENTS AT THE SHEINBERG FAMILY YMCA OF WESTON!



YMCA GIVING TREES – TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY Thursday, November 18th

Open to the public! On Thursday, November 18th from 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m. kick-off the YMCA Annual Giving Tree gift drive. There will be cookie decorating, holiday entertainment and fun games for all to enjoy. The event is free – please bring an unwrapped toy.

Please contact Mary Ellyn Lashbrook at 954-424-9622 or mlashbrook@ymcabroward.org for more information.

<u>PARENTS' NITE OUT</u> Saturday, November 20th

Parents can drop off their children at the YMCA and enjoy a night out, while the kids enjoy a pizza party, rock climbing, arts and crafts, sports and more. Saturday, November 20th, for children ages 3-12 from 5 p.m.- 9 p.m.

Please contact Ben Freeman at 954-424-9622 or bfreeman@ymcabroward.org for more information or you may register on-line at www.ymcabroward.org.





BROWARD COUNTY OFFERS ONLINE TEXTBOOKS

Sixty electronic textbooks (e-textbooks) are available to Broward studen ts, parents and teachers online through the District's Broward Enterprise Education Portal (BEEP).

The District's e-textbook initiative began in 2006 with K-12 science textbooks and has grown with each district-wide textbook adoption since then. A full-complement of e-textbooks is available for courses with district-wide adoptions in reading, science and world mathematics, languages. In addition, publishers have voluntarily offered their available e-textbooks for secondary social studies courses.



In addition to the convenience of being able to access a textbook online, the online versions provide opportunities for practice problems and self-assessment. Parents may also read the text to struggling readers.

Students and parents can access student editions of e-textbooks by going to http://beep.browardschools.com, clicking on the Student or Parent Portal and entering their BEEP username and password, which is the same as their Virtual Counselor username and password. If a student or parent needs help with their username and/or password they should contact their school.

Log into Student Portal and enter username and password

Username and password is same as Virtual Counselor Username and Password.

Username - 10 digit student ID

Password = student birthdate entered as: mm/dd/yyyy (ie: 06/21/1993)

Available Textbooks

7-12 World Languages
6-12 Science
K-3 Reading
9-12 Reading
K-12 Mathematics
select 6-12 Social Studies

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2010 K9 Water Festivals - Last Weekend!



When the water parks close to humans in the fall, they open for one weekend just for dogs. For the past 10 years, this has been one of the most popular pet events at Broward County parks.

Last weekend:

Saturday, November 20 and Sunday, November 21 at Quiet Waters Park in Deerfield Beach (401 S. Powerline Rd., Deerfield Beach).

The park's weekend gate admission of \$1.50 per person (children 5 and under free) will be in effect.

The fee is \$5 per dog for a 50-minute session. First session begins at 9 a.m. and last session begins at 4 p.m. (small dogs only at the 4 p.m. session). Sessions start on the hour every hour.



Calling all small dogs! For pets 25

pounds or less, the last session of every day will be for small dogs only! So, if you want your small dog to only mix with other small dogs, the session for you starts at 4 p.m. and ends at 4:50 p.m. - no large dogs will be allowed in this session.

Here are the rules for the event:

- All dogs must be off leash when inside the facility and will be free to play in the water park.
- Dogs must be sociable and well behaved.
- Dogs must have proof of current rabies vaccination and county license tag.
- Water playgrounds will be closed to humans and open only for dogs (and lifeguards).
- All dogs are limited to no more than two sessions per day.

Each year the park accepts donations of dog and cat food, treats, blankets, and cash for the homeless animals at the Broward County shelters if you would like to contribute.