



WESTON WILL WELCOME TWO NEW CITY COMMISSIONERS ON NOVEMBER 15, 2010





Commissioners-elect Toby Feuer and Jim Norton will be sworn into office at the November 15, 2010 City Commission meeting. Both were elected as City Commissioners without opposition at the close of qualifying in September. Commissioner-elect Feuer will assume Seat Four as Commissioner Chermak has retired after serving eight years on the City Commission. Commissioner-elect Norton will assume Seat Three as Commissioner Stermer retired after serving more than eight years on the City Commission.

The public is invited and friends and family are encouraged to attend the swearing in ceremony on Monday, November 15, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall (17200 Royal Palm Boulevard, Weston, FL 33326) to help welcome and congratulate Commissioners-elect Feuer and Norton.

UNABLE TO ATTEND THE CITY COMMISSION MEETING?

City Commission meetings are available for viewing at anytime, any place, with internet access. Log on to www.westonfl.org, then click on "Live Commission Meetings" on the homepage then select "live" to view a meeting in progress or "archived" to view a Commission meeting that has already taken place. Meetings are also broadcast live on the city's cable channel and then re-broadcast on:

Tuesday: 9:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. & 9:00 p.m. Thursday: 10:00 a.m. & 9:00 p.m.





WESTON CLERGY GROUP MISSION STATEMENT

The Weston Clergy Group was originally organized by Roy Rogers, who worked for Arvida, the main developer of the Weston community. It was affectionately known as the "Clergy Lunch Bunch." The tradition was continued when Weston became a City, and has grown along with the growth of our community. While not an official city board, the Clergy Group is however, an invaluable community contact and resource. Clergy leaders are responsible for the spiritual well being of their congregation or group, just as city leaders are responsible for the safety and security of its constituency. The clergy have a close pulse on the needs and sentiments of their members and can get important city information out to their groups.

The Weston Clergy Group meets quarterly, hosted by the City. The group is comprised of leaders of all religious organizations in Weston and several just outside the city's borders. The City Manager, Mayor, Police and Fire Chief and other key city department representatives meet and literally "break bread" over a light breakfast at City Hall, discussing current topics of interest. At their last meeting, the clergy members presented their mission statement, to further enhance and unify its purpose.

HANDS ACROSS WESTON JOURNEY AND VISION

With thanksgiving to God, we the clergy of Weston, in pursuit of a shared vision to celebrate our diversity, come together and join hands across our beautiful city, that we might work together to promote a community of caring and respect for one another, for the common good today and for the generations of tomorrow.

One of the first times the Clergy Group was called upon was after the September 11th terrorist attacks in 2001. The City held a Weston Family Rally for America in Town Center Park. The Weston Clergy Group provided spiritual and emotional support as elected and religious leaders joined together to help our community grieve, display unity and to invoke the strength needed at that time to get through the days and months ahead.



City staff will be working with the group to prepare an event for next year's 10th anniversary of 9/11.





WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT ON NOVEMBER 11th THE SHEINBERG FAMILY YMCA OF WESTON IS IN!



YMCA FUN DAY - Thursday November 11, 2010

When school is out, the Y is in! Children in Kindergarten through 5th Grade are welcome to participate in a fun day of activities including swimming, arts & crafts, sports and snacks. The day begins at 7:30 a.m. and ends at 6:00 p.m. Cost: Y Members: \$35 and Non-Members: \$45.

REGISTER ON-LINE AT <u>WWW.YMCABROWARD.ORG</u> OR CONTACT THE YMCA AT 954-424-9622 20201 SADDLE CLUB ROAD, WESTON, FL 33327







Get Fit Weston a Perfect Fit for Indian Trace Elementary



While speaking before the annual Leadership Assembly at Indian Trace Elementary School in October, Mayor Hersh told the student audience about *Get Fit Weston*, a partnership initiative to make Weston the fittest city in Florida and help everyone adopt healthier lifestyles and become more physically fit.

Well, little did Mayor Hersh know but Indian Trace Elementary was already ahead of the curve... the school's theme for the year is "Commit To Be Fit" and he couldn't have been happier.



Indian Trace Elementary, fifth grade student Michael Bernesby views the Get Fit Weston website in his classroom.

Students even have Commit To Be Fit T-shirts that they wear on special days such as Field Day and class trips. School administration is now attempting to get all students and their families to walk as a team, in their school Commit To Be Fit shirts, in the annual 5K Run for Tomorrow, a part of the *Get Fit Weston* initiative.

City leaders are encouraging everyone in Weston to get fit and helping them do it with the *Get Fit Weston* program initiated by the Rotary Club of Weston. The City of Weston has proudly joined them in a partnership along with Cleveland Clinic Florida, Billy Beck III Personal Performance & Training Center, the YMCA of Broward County and the Midtown Athletic Club.





Get FIT is underway! For just \$20, everyone living or working in Weston can access training programs, classes, health evaluations, screenings, testing and online education that will help you to adopt healthier lifestyles and become more physically fit.

 Funding from the registration fee will benefit physical education programs at four Weston elementary schools which are being cut because of budget deficits and it will also support local and international charities that help children and families.

What you get with GetFIT:

- Unlimited Get Fit training classes (at any of the three athletic clubs)
- 10 free one-day passes to Midtown Athletic Club
- 3 free personal training sessions from Billy Beck III
- Free Cleveland Clinic educational seminars
- Access to free or reduced cost health screenings and test
- Healthy dining discounts
- A Get Fit T-Shirt
- Contests and promotions
- Free access to online fitness and wellness tips, videos and other materials to help make healthy lifestyle choices
- FREE entry into the 13th Annual Run for Tomorrow 5K or Half-Marathon (your choice) on December 12, 2010

Weston organizations have banded together to help achieve a major community goal: **to GetFit**-- all of us, no matter our age or the shape we're in. It will help you lose weight, eat healthier and become more physically fit. We're making fitness easy and fun for the whole family.

Your registration fee goes towards funding to restore physical education in elementary schools in Weston.

Sign Up!
Join In!
GetFit!

To register, go to:

www.getfitweston.com





HALLOWEEN SAFETY EXPO

Trick-Or-Treating, Games, Exhibits and More!

On Friday, October 29, 2010 the track at Tequesta Trace Park was not occupied by athletes, but rather 1,500 kids, adults and pets in costumes who attended the "Halloween Safety Expo."

This action packed evening, sponsored by the Broward Sheriff's Office, the Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital and the City of Weston, included a variety of games, arts & crafts, health and safety exhibits, give-a-ways, and of course trick-or-treating. Children and adults alike took part in a safe and fun-filled evening which included a children's costume parade, pet costume contests, live entertainment, DJ music, a pumpkin patch, bounce houses and safety exhibits from police and fire.















SHERIFF ANNOUNCES MONTH LONG, FREE COMMUNITY BATTERY EXCHANGE

You turned your clocks back, but did you remember to change the batteries in your smoke detectors?

Working smoke alarms can mean the difference between life and death when it comes to house fires. Each year 3,000 people die in residential fires in the United States. The Broward Sheriff's Office has announced a countywide free battery exchange program to promote proper smoke alarm use.

Many homes do not have working smoke alarms, not enough smoke alarms or alarms that are outdated and should be replaced. Broward Sheriff Al Lamberti said, "While smoke alarms save lives, they must be properly maintained and tested so they'll work in case of a fire." Many homes have smoke alarms that aren't working or maintained properly, usually because of missing, disconnected or dead batteries.

Through funding by the Sheriff's Foundation of Broward County, residents can get a free 9 volt smoke alarm battery when they bring in an old one at any Broward Sheriff Fire Rescue station listed below during the month of November.

- Ron Cochran Public Safety Building 2601 West Broward Blvd., Fort Lauderdale
- Central Broward Fire Station #14 791 NW 31 Ave., Lauderhill
- BSFR Haz-Mat Fire Station #17 2308 SW 42 St., Dania Beach
- Pembroke Park/West Park Fire Station #27 2610 SW 40 Ave., West Park
- Cooper City Fire Station #28 10550 Stirling Rd., Cooper City
- Southwest Ranches Fire Station #36 17220 Griffin Rd., Southwest Ranches
- Lauderdale Lakes Fire Station #37 3461 NW 43 Ave., Lauderdale Lakes
- Weston Fire Station #55 3955 Bonaventure Blvd., Weston
- Weston Fire Station #67 951 Saddle Club Rd., Weston
- Weston Fire Station #81- 17350 Royal Palm Blvd., Weston

Working Smoke Detectors Do Save Lives





18th Annual HARVEST DRIVE "Children Helping Children"

The Harvest Drive is a yearlong project that culminates in a food collection event that takes place at a number of public schools every Thanksgiving. Fundraising efforts and collections are underway throughout the fall season. This year students from over 150 public and private schools, as well as churches, temples and neighborhoods are holding drives to supply the Harvest Drive with the non-perishable food that is distributed to the families.

Keep the Harvest Drive in mind when grocery shopping – the buy one get one free specials are perfect for donating.



Weston Area Collection Date & Location:
WESTERN HIGH SCHOOL

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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:

Juice Pancake Mix Cereal/Oatmeal

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

Canned Gravy

No glass containers. For more information please visit www.harvestdriveflorida.com





WESTON GEARS UP FOR ITS DECEMBER MOVIE IN THE PARK

AVATAR

The 2010/11 **FREE Moonlight Movies in the Park** series is well underway. On Saturday, November 6th hundreds of spectators enjoyed the cool, clear fall evening as they watched the family comedy *ToothFairy*. The next movie of the FREE seven movie series, is the most anticipated film of the series.

Mark Your Calendars:

The City of Weston is proud to present December's feature film, *AVATAR*, projected onto a giant inflatable screen at the event stage in the Weston Regional Park on *Saturday*, *December 11, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.*

In this Blockbuster hit that takes place in the future, Jake, a paraplegic war veteran, is brought to another planet, Pandora, which is inhabited by the N'avi, a humanoid race with their own language and culture. Those from Earth find



themselves at odds with each other and the local culture. * Rated PG-13

- Bring lawn chairs or blankets for a fun and relaxing night out.
- Kids under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

The event stage is located in the Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road, Weston, Florida 33327. For more information call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321. For upcoming movies and dates visit the Weston Events Calendar at www.westonfl.org.





WESTON BUILDING DEPARTMENT RELOCATING DECEMBER 1, 2010

As of Wednesday, December 1, 2010 the Weston Building Department will be in a new location:

3265 Meridian Parkway, Suite 100, Weston, FL 33331.

The lease in their current space on South Commerce Parkway will be up and they are taking advantage of this opportunity to move to a physically larger space that will provide a larger reception area to better accommodate those filing for permits. The new location in the Meridian Business Campus, just off Weston Road, will also provide more convenient parking.

Only the Building
Department physical
location is changing.
Show on Google Maps

Same phone Same fax Same email Same website

Feel free to contact the Building Department with any questions at **954-385-0500**.

