



Weston University Class of 2011 Fostering Civics Education in Weston High School Students

The eighth year of the City's Weston University Program is underway with twenty-three fresh faces ready for a new civics learning experience. What has become an anticipated annual program for both students and city staff will last through May when students are issued diplomas at a City Commission meeting.

A full schedule was on tap for the student's first monthly session on October 13, 2010 where students learned about the roles of elected officials in local and state government and how the city was formed and currently operates. Speakers for the program day, that took place at Weston city Hall included Mayor Eric Hersh, City Manager John Flint, and City Attorney Jamie Alan Cole. For the next seven months, the program will highlight a different government discipline each month, culminating in a City Commission Simulation at the end of the program year.

Weston initiated the Weston University program in October 2002, to give select high school students an in-depth education on the functions of local government. Only through promoting an informed citizenry can we provide effective governance and civic health. The City of Weston does not believe that civic education is someone else's job and plans to learn as much from the students as they learn from us.

Weston Welcomes Weston University Class 2011!





WESTON CELEBRATES ONE YEAR TWITTER ANNIVERSARY!



Friday, October 15, 2010 marked the one-year anniversary that Weston joined the world of Twitter in an effort to keep residents, visitors and “followers” informed. With Twitter at the forefront of social media, it allows City staff to tweet upcoming events, latest news items, current traffic situations and more!

Join the City’s Twitter account today by accessing Twitter at www.twitter.com/CityofWeston or via the City website at www.westonfl.org and start receiving your tweets!

**Please note that the City’s Twitter account is a one-way communication, tweets sent to the City will not be answered via Twitter. Anytime you have a question or inquiry, please email City Hall at cityhall@westonfl.org or call 954-385-2000.*



REGISTER EMERGENCY CONTACT INFO ON YOUR DRIVERS LICENSE



REGISTER EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you were in a car crash, would law enforcement officers know how to quickly contact your loved ones? The Department's Emergency Contact Information program is a tool that law enforcement can use to do just that. The award-winning program reached a new milestone with 3.5 million Floridians taking advantage of the service.

The system allows licensed drivers and identification card holders to submit two contacts to notify in the event of an emergency, such as a vehicle crash. **The information can then be accessed only by law enforcement officers** to find designated contacts in the case of an emergency. Registration is quick and convenient.

It can be completed in a state or tax collector operated driver license office or from the convenience of home or at work through the Internet at www.flhsmv.gov/eci.

There is no cost to register your contact information. This month marks the fourth anniversary of the ECI program. Want to do your part to help spread the word? Tell a friend how to register online.



OCTOBER PROGRAMS AT THE SHEINBERG FAMILY YMCA OF WESTON

Register Now!



Y-Winners Indoor Basketball League

Register now for the Indoor Winter Basketball League for boys and girls ages 4-17. Games will be played inside and are open to all skill levels.

Pre-Registration Required – Register on-line at www.ymcabroward.org or call 954-424-9622 for more information.

YMCA Halloween Party – Friday, October 22, 2010

Members and non-members are welcome at the annual YMCA Halloween Party from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. There will be fun and spooky games, arts & crafts, a pumpkin patch and a family friendly haunted house!

Cost - \$5.00 per family for members and \$10.00 per family for non-members. You can pre-register at the Member Services Desk or on-line at www.ymcabroward.org.

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





UPCOMING EVENTS OCTOBER 2010

Rollover the photos to link to the Weston Events Calendar for more information regarding these events as well as other events.

Tuesday, October 19th 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.



Wonderful World of Weston – Presenting Art, Culture and Diversity
At the Hyatt Regency Bonaventure Hotel, Grand Ballroom
(250 Racquet Club Road)

A **FREE** event, hosted by the Arts Council of Greater Weston, Inc. featuring arts and cultural exhibits, refreshments, silent auction and continuous entertainment.

For more information visit www.artscouncilwestonfl.com.

**Wednesday, October 20th; Thursday October 21st; Friday, October 22nd;
* Saturday, October 23rd**

FREE Residential Bulk Pick-Up

Bulk trash will be picked up on your regularly scheduled collection day. Bulk trash must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. For residences with dumpster service, place items alongside dumpster. *Indicates pick-up for multi-family units (condominiums & apartment complexes). *Occasionally bulk trash is not collected on its regularly scheduled collection day due to heavy volume, if this occurs it will be collected the following day.*

For more information, please call the Weston Public Works Services Center at 954-385-2600.

THINK BEFORE YOU THROW – Consider donating before tossing

Help those in need, keep items out of the waste stream, *and* get a tax deduction. Several national organizations will even pick-up directly from your residence – you don't have to wait for bulk pick-up day! There are many local, well-established charitable organizations that readily accept donated items. From your home to a New home... and don't forget pets, many pet shelters are in need of sheets and towels on a regular basis.



Friday, October 29th 6:00 p.m. – 9 p.m.



**Halloween Safety Expo
At Tequesta Trace Park
(600 Indian Trace)**

Sponsored by the City of Weston, the Broward Sheriff's Office and the Joe DeMaggio Children's Hospital, this entertaining, action-packed, safe trick-or-treating event is fun for the whole family. Don't forget to wear your cutest or spookiest costume and be sure to bring a bag for goodies!

There will be live entertainment, bounce houses, bloodmobile and plenty of kid oriented activities including a table top Teddy Bear Clinic, Poison Prevention Awareness, Child ID activity, Sports Medicine Obstacle Course, Arts and Crafts activities and much more! There will even be a pumpkin patch where kids can decorate pumpkins for a small fee! ***For more information, please call the Weston Community center at 954-389-4321.***

Friday, October 29th



**USTA 8th Annual City of Weston Tennis Tournament
(Men and Women)
Weston Tennis Center, 16451 Racquet Club Road**

This tournament will start on Friday, October 29th and continue until November 1st. It is open to both men and women. The entrance fee is \$33.00 for singles or \$18.00 per player for doubles.

Entries open on **Monday, September 27th**. ***For more information, please contact the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666.***



Get Ready...
Get Set...



The City of Weston has proudly joined in partnership with the Rotary Club of Weston, the Cleveland Clinic, Billy Beck III Personal Performance & Training Center, the YMCA of Broward County and the Midtown Athletic Club, to help make Weston the Fittest City in Florida.

Sixty days. That's all it takes.

In just two months, regardless of your current physical condition, you can be in good enough shape to participate in a 5K race! Think it's impossible? Well think again, because your plan for success is right here!

Get FIT is underway! 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.

**In just 60 days you'll look better and feel better.
There are special training programs for people of all ages
and skill levels--from novice to expert, kids to seniors--and
everyone in-between.**

Goals:

- Stimulate awareness and participation by children, adults and businesses in events and activities to adopt healthier lifestyles and become more physically fit.
- To get every participant prepared to run or walk in the 13th Billy Beck III Run for Tomorrow on Sunday, December 12, 2010, AND become the Fittest City in Florida.
- Most importantly, funding through 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

***\$20 Never Got You So Much!
27 Workout Programs! 3 Great Fitness Centers!***

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. In just 60 days we'll 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.

From Aerobics to Zumba, there is a training program for everyone, and every body.

**Sign Up!
Join In!
GetFit!**

To Register, go to:

www.getfitweston.com

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MANATEE BAY ELEMENTARY STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL WALK TO SCHOOL DAY

On Wednesday, October 6, 2010, Manatee Bay Elementary students participated in International Walk to School Day, sponsored by Fed-Ex, and coordinated through the Broward Sheriff's Office District VIII Weston. At 7:15 a.m., students and volunteers met at the Isles of Weston entrance and were chaperoned by both Citizens on Patrol (COPS) volunteers and BSO motorcycle deputies as they walked or rode their bikes to school.

Thousands of students, parents and communities representing more than 3,200 schools across America celebrated the simple act of walking and bicycling to school on October 6th. Now in its 13th year, this one-day event in the U.S. is part of an international effort in more than 40 countries to celebrate the many benefits of safely walking and bicycling to school and to encourage more families to consider getting out of the car and onto their feet on the way to school in October.

