



## Rotary YFit and Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Kick Off Was a Huge Success at Imagine Charter School

Imagine Charter Elementary School was the site of the Rotary YFit & Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Kick Off on Thursday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Over 900 students, YMCA of Broward County Staff, Mayor Eric Hersh and Principal Nadine Laham participated in the event and a great time was had by all!



The Kick-Off promoted the Rotary YMCA YFit program;

a physical activity program provided in several Weston elementary schools which has been supported with funds raised during the Rotary Run for Tomorrow and Get Fit Fest. The students at Imagine Charter showed the crowd their best exercise and dance moves throughout the morning!

Mayor Hersh challenged all elementary students to participate in this year's Mayor's Challenge; the 1-Mile Family Health Walk on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> at the Rotary Run for Tomorrow. The Weston elementary school with the largest number of participants (based on the percentage of their enrollment) will win the Mayor's Challenge Cup AND a \$500 cash prize from the Rotary Club of Weston.



*Imagine Charter was the winner of the 2011 Mayor's Challenge Cup and they are vying for the position again this year!*

**We look forward to seeing all students and their families at the 1-Mile Family Health Walk on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> Rotary Run for Tomorrow in Weston Town Center.** After the 1-Mile Family Health Walk there will be tons of fun for kids and parents alike when the free Get Fit Fest kicks off!



The Rotary Club of Weston, the YMCA of Weston and the City of Weston are proud partners of the events. Registration forms will be provided through the Elementary Schools. For more information, please visit [www.westonfl.org](http://www.westonfl.org).



## FIRE SAFETY MONTH EDUCATION AT THREE VILLAGE MONTESSORI WAS A BIG HIT

The children at Three Village Montessori were recently visited by their local firefighters in honor of Fire Safety Month and enjoyed a fun opportunity to play games and learn about fire safety.



Through whole group interaction and recognition, the kids were able to identify toys that are safe for kids to play with versus tools that are not safe. The kids learned about the dangers of playing with matches and lighters as well as important safety tips and practices to implement if they encounter these items.

The kids also learned about the importance of talking to their parents to identify a safe meeting place for their family in the event of a fire in their home. The kids



were rewarded for their excellent participation by each receiving a special fire safety sticker and pencil, and a book for their classroom. Afterwards, the kids enjoyed the opportunity to tour the fire engine, take pictures, and ask the fire fighters questions. This was an event enjoyed by all.



For more information or to schedule a visit from the Fire Department, please call 954-389-2015 or visit

<http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/FireEMS/FireEMSHome.aspx>.



## BIKES ARE VEHICLES

### Sidewalk Riding Vs. Roadway Position

Bicycle operation in traffic is a cooperative activity, governed by rules along with sidewalk riding. Since not everyone has enough experience with bicycle laws and procedures when riding both the bicyclist and drivers could be at risk for possible avoidable errors/injuries.

#### Sidewalk Riding

When riding on sidewalks or in crosswalks, a bicyclist has the same rights and duties as a pedestrian. A bicyclist must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and must give an audible signal before passing.



#### Roadway Position

A bicyclist that isn't travelling at the same speed as other traffic must ride as close as practicable to the right-hand curb, edge of the roadway, or designated bike lane. A bicyclist may leave the right most portion of the road in the following situations: when passing, making a left turn, to avoid hazards, or when the lane is too narrow for a bicycle and a car to share it safely.



A bicyclist operating on a one-way street with two or more traffic lanes may ride as close to the left-hand edge of the roadway as is practicable.

Persons riding bicycles upon a roadway may not ride more than two abreast except on paths or parts of roadways set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

Persons riding two abreast may not impede traffic when traveling at less than the normal speed of traffic at the time and place and under the conditions then existing and shall ride within a single lane.

#### Wrong-Way Riding

Another cause of bicycle/car crashes is bicyclists riding against traffic. By riding against traffic, bicyclists remove themselves from the normal scanning pattern of other vehicle operators, making them more likely to be struck. In addition, the reaction time of both the motorist and bicyclist approaching one another is cut dramatically. Riding on the right, as required by law, can help prevent this crash from happening.

For further information regarding **Bicycle Laws & Safety**, please visit <http://sheriff.org/safety/bike.cfm>.

For more "Bikes Are Vehicles" articles, please visit [www.westonfl.org/Departments/Communications/NewsdayTuesdayReader.aspx](http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/Communications/NewsdayTuesdayReader.aspx).



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## FLORIDA CITY GOVERNMENT WEEK October 21 – 27, 2012

Florida City Government Week is a time to recognize the important role played by city government in our lives and the week of October 21<sup>st</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> offers an excellent opportunity to spread the word to all the citizens of Florida that they can shape and influence this branch of government. Because city government is the government closest to most citizens, and the one with the most direct daily impact upon its residents, municipal officials feel they have a responsibility to pass along their understanding of public services and their benefits.

Cities across Florida will be celebrating City Government Week, sponsored by the Florida League of Cities (FLC), to showcase and celebrate cities and the many services they provide. The League is the official organization of the municipal governments in Florida, designed and established to meet and serve the needs of Florida's municipalities and their citizens.



During Florida City Government Week, the City of Weston supports this effort by initiating our annual seven month long Weston University program which began on October 10<sup>th</sup>. This civic education program teaches high school students about municipal government through a variety of classroom and hands-on experiences. The Weston City Commission supports and encourages educational partnerships between city government and schools and encourages all citizens to realize their potential to shape and influence government through their civic involvement.

For more information on Florida City Government Week, please visit <http://www.floridaleagueofcities.com>.



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## QUARTERLY BULK TRASH PICK UP IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD - OCTOBER

**FREE** Bulk Pick-Up will take place on your regularly scheduled garbage collection day only. Items should be curbside by 7 a.m. on that day.



- Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup>
- Thursday, October 25<sup>th</sup> **OR**
- Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>  
(on your REGULAR garbage collection day)
- Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> (multi-family units with dumpsters)

### **Bulk items include but are not limited to:**

- Furniture, mattresses, carpets and other large household items. Large and small appliance, such as dishwashers, laundry machines, and stoves.
- Refrigerators or air conditioners must have Freon removed by a certified dealer.
- NOTE: Mirrors, glass, glass top tables, windowpanes, and plate glass items should be safely placed in a rigid container to facilitate safe collection.
- Larger glass items such as table tops, shower doors and windows should be placed in separately from the rest of the bulk pick up.

**NOT COLLECTED:** Bulk items DO NOT include contractor-generated material, or vegetative waste (landscape materials) or household hazardous waste (HHW).

- Vegetative/Landscape waste is collected with your regular garbage collection.

### **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.

For questions regarding bulk pick-up please call the City of Weston Public Works Services Center at 954-385-2600 or visit the City of Weston website at <http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/BulkPickup.aspx>.



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**FREE HALLOWEEN SAFETY EXPO**  
Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 6:00pm – 8:30pm

Wear your cutest or spookiest costume and bring a bag for goodies – there will be Trick-or-Treating!

Live Entertainment  
Police & Fire  
Vehicles  
Picture Patch  
Costume Contest  
and more!

For more information, please contact the Weston Community Center, 954-389-4321 or visit our website at [www.westonfl.org](http://www.westonfl.org).

**FREE HALLOWEEN SAFETY EXPO**  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2012**  
**6PM - 8:30PM**

**Tequesta Trace Park**  
600 Indian Trace, Weston

Please join us for an entertaining, action-packed, safe Trick-or-Treating event

**LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**  
**POLICE & FIRE VEHICLES**  
**DJ MUSIC • PICTURE PATCH**  
**INFORMATIONAL BOOTHS**  
**CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES**  
**COSTUME CONTEST**

*Wear your cutest or spookiest costume!  
Be sure to bring a bag for goodies  
as there will be Trick-or-Treating...*

*Sponsored by:*  
THE CITY OF WESTON  
AND THE  
THE BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE



## HOWL-O-WEEN Halloween Safety Tips for Pets

Be sure to keep your pets  
safe and happy this Halloween!

1. No trick, no treats: That bowl of candy is for trick-or-treaters, not for Scruffy or Fluffy! Chocolate in all forms—especially dark or baking chocolate can be **VERY** dangerous for dogs and cats.
2. Popular Halloween plants such as pumpkins and decorative corn are considered to be relatively nontoxic but can produce stomach upset.
3. Wires & cords from electric lights or decorations should be kept out of reach of pets.
4. Exercise caution if you chose to add a candle to your carved pumpkin. Pets can easily knock the pumpkin over.
5. Don't put your pet in a costume unless they love it because wearing one may cause undue stress. Costumes shouldn't constrict movement, hearing or impede the ability to breathe, bark or meow.
6. All but the most social dogs/cats should be kept in a separate room away from front door during peak Halloween hours. Too many strangers can be scary & stressful for pets. This will help with not wanting your pet to dart outside.
7. Always make sure your pet has proper identification!



If you suspect your pet has ingested something toxic, please call your veterinarian or the ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center at (888) 426-4435.

**For more information regarding Halloween Safety Tips, visit**  
<http://www.aspca.org/pet-care/pet-care-tips/halloween-safety-tips.aspx>.





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## 2012 GENERAL ELECTION EARLY VOTING SITES

OCTOBER 27<sup>th</sup> – NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup>

*Get out and VOTE!*



[Seventeen Early Voting Sites](#) are open Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00am – 7:00pm, for the 2012 General Election. All registered voters are eligible to vote.

**The Weston Branch Library** is the Weston Early Voting Site, located at 4205 Bonaventure Boulevard, Weston, Florida. Click on the list of sites above to find other convenient locations.

For more information visit the [Supervisor of Elections' website](#).





## COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE AT WESTON TENNIS CENTER

**Save the Date!**

You're invited! Come join us for a Community Open House at Weston Tennis Center on November 3!

This is will be a great family event with on-going programs all day for both adults and kids including networking opportunities, tennis clinics, face painting, jump houses and more! Weston Tennis Center is excited to invite you to tour the facility and find out about the benefits of being a member at the club; some of which include free court time, discounts on lessons, clinics, kid's camps, and merchandise in the pro shops. Tennis Center will also provide information on the popular team building and corporate events which offer a fun, healthy and unique opportunity for your staff to showcase their tennis skills in team competitions or learn some new ones together!



For more information regarding the Weston Tennis Center, please call 954-389-8666 or <http://cliffdrysdale.com/locations/weston-tennis-center>

For previous and future Newsday Tuesday Articles, please visit <http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/Communications/NewsdayTuesdayReader.aspx>



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## **FREE POPS CONCERT AT WESTON TOWN CENTER**

**Symphony of the Americas  
Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>**

Join your friends and family in Weston Town Center from 5:00pm-6:30pm for this *free* twilight concert of pops and light classics performed by the full Symphony of Americas orchestra. Music of your favorite Broadway shows, movies and hum-along favorites will be featured. Limited seating is available. Bring your lawn chairs and arrive early.

**Symphony of the Americas**  
AT WESTON TOWN CENTER

Join us  
**November 17th**

Symphony of the Americas  
Pops Concert at Weston Town Center  
Saturday, November 17, 2012 5:00PM – 6:00PM  
Bell Tower Lane, Weston (behind the Clock Tower)

WESTON TOWN CENTER

Arts Council of Greater Weston, Inc.

Presented by Weston Town Center, the City of Weston and the Arts Council of Greater Weston in partnership with the Weston Philharmonic Society

A free outdoor twilight concert of pops and light classics performed by the full Symphony of Americas orchestra, under the baton of Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese. Music of your favorite Broadway shows, movies and hum-along favorites will be featured. Limited seating is available

The Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup> Concert is presented by Weston Town Center, the City of Weston and Arts Council of Greater Weston in partnership with the Weston Philharmonic Society.

For more information, please contact the Weston Community Center, 954-389-4321 or visit our website at [www.westonfl.org](http://www.westonfl.org).



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## YOUTH AND ADULT KARATE Weston Community Center

Learn the basic principles of self-defense, fighting, weaponry and forms. For the youth classes, you will be providing your child with the ability to defend themselves and react with confidence. For the adult classes, you will be able to get in shape and learn to defend yourself. The instructor, David Schopp, is a 5<sup>th</sup> degree along with 4 certified Black Belts in Goju Karate.



DATES:	Runs continuously through the year		
DAYS/AGES:	Ages 6-8	Wednesday	6:00pm – 7:00pm
	Ages 9-14	Wednesday	7:00pm – 8:00pm
	Ages 14 and up	Wednesday	8:00pm – 9:30pm
	Advanced	Monday (available to returning students)	
COST:	\$125 for 3 months		

For a complete listing of all Community Center classes and to register, please visit [www.westonfl.org/Departments/ParksAndRecreation/ParksAndRecreationHome.aspx](http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/ParksAndRecreation/ParksAndRecreationHome.aspx) or call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321. The Community Center is located inside the Weston Regional Park (20200 Saddle Club Road).



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## UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS

### **WATER METER REPLACEMENTS: Jasmine Island & Maple Island in October**

Water meters in residential communities are being systematically replaced. For more information: [www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2012\\_Residential\\_Water\\_Meter\\_Replacement.pdf](http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2012_Residential_Water_Meter_Replacement.pdf)

### **FREE QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICK UP**

**Wed., Oct. 24, Thur., Oct. 25, or Fri., Oct. 26. Multi-Family: \*Sat., Oct. 27**

Bulk trash will be picked up **on your regularly scheduled collection day**. Bulk trash must be placed curbside by 7AM for single family residences. For residences with dumpster service (\*condominiums & apartment complexes) place items alongside dumpster.

*For more information, please contact Public Works at 954-385-2600.*

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Tequesta Trace Park, 600 Indian Trace

Join us for an entertaining, action-packed, safe Trick-or-Treating event.

Tons of Safe FUN! Children's costume contest, a "Picture Patch" to have photos taken with a Halloween background, bounce houses, activities for kids, informational booths (all with candy...) food concessions and a DJ spinning tunes. The Broward Sheriff's Office will have a wide range of vehicles on site for exploring including fire trucks, helicopter, rescue trucks, police motorcycles, SWAT truck, K-9 demonstration and much more!!!



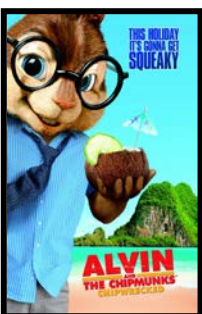
### **EARLY VOTING 7AM-7PM**

**Saturday, October 27 thru Saturday, November 3**

**General Election: Federal, State, County and City elections**

There are 17 Early Voting Sites. In Weston: the Weston Branch Library, 4205 Bonaventure Boulevard.

For additional locations or questions visit [www.browardsoe.org](http://www.browardsoe.org)



### **FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK**

**ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS: CHIPWRECKED**

**Saturday, November 3, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.**

Dave Seville, the Chipmunks and the Chipettes are taking a luxury cruise to the International Music Awards. Of course, Alvin cannot resist the urge to create havoc. For more information and the full schedule of movies and dates, visit [http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2012-2013\\_Movie\\_Flyer.pdf](http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2012-2013_Movie_Flyer.pdf).

### **DOUBLE CLICK ON PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL EVENTS**

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## **TICKETS ON SALE NOW FOR SLEEPING BEAUTY**

**Saturday, November 10, 1012 10:30AM**

The City offers a professional theatrical presentation for children of Sleeping Beauty. A sleeping princess, a spellbound prince and more fairies than you can shake a stick at are all part of this quirky adaptation of the popular tale.

Performance Location: Cypress Bay Theater, Cypress Bay High School, 18600 Vista Park Blvd.

**Tickets:** \$5.00 in advance or \$10.00 at the door. Tickets are purchased at the Weston Community Center, 20200 Saddle Club Road (inside the Weston Regional Park)



## **VETERANS DAY OBSERVED**

**Monday, November 12, 2012 – City Offices Closed**

All City administrative offices will be closed in observance of Veterans Day.

Veterans Day is a day set aside to honor the members of our military, past and present. Please take a moment to pause and give thanks to all of our men and women who have served in uniform, and for those protecting our country today.

*All city parks will be open and there is regular garbage collection.*



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## **SMOKE ALARM AND BATTERY REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

**BSO Weston Fire Rescue**

This program is designed to reach resident seniors or the disabled who are unable to safely install smoke alarms and/or replace the batteries in existing alarms. Please call **954-389-2015** to schedule this FREE service for our Weston residents.