



CITY TO THANK MAYOR AND COMMISSIONER FOR YEARS OF SERVICE TO COMMUNITY



At the City Commission meeting on Monday, October 15, 2012, Mayor Eric Hersh and Commissioner Mercedes Henriksson will be honored for their service to the community during a Term of Office Ceremony. The October 15th meeting will be the final regular City Commission meeting that they will each preside over, yet they will remain in office until after the election and the new members are sworn in on November 19th.

The dedication and selfless devotion of both Mayor Hersh and Commissioner Henriksson will be extolled as well as the vast accomplishments completed while in office. As public servants whose positions are part-time, they have each maintained full time professional employment and raised families, all the while making personal sacrifices of time and family to ensure that Weston's development was skillfully shaped and the city's finances remained strong. Weston's AAA credit ratings, and recognition as one of *America's Best Places to Live*, without a doubt are an embodiment of their efforts. Weston is their home and their passion and we will be forever grateful for all they have done to make it absolutely the best place to live.

Mayor Hersh is the longest serving member of the City Commission. Before Weston's incorporation, he was Vice Chair of the Indian Trace Development District from November 1993 until September 1996. After the vote on incorporation, Hersh was elected to the first City Commission from September 1996 to March 2001. Hersh ran successfully for Mayor in 2001 and has held that position ever since. His term of office now comes to a close due to term limits that he himself spearheaded for adoption while in office.

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Hersh has been a part of this City since its inception and helped to guide and protect its tremendous growth.

The young children that he and his wife Laurie hold in their arms at the opening of the City's first City Hall office suite in 1997 in the photo at left are now young adults both off in college.



Weston has been an integral part of the entire Hersh family and we are grateful not only to Mayor Hersh but to his family who have so graciously shared his time and abilities.

Commissioner Mercedes Henriksson was first elected to office on March 8, 2005 and subsequently re-elected unopposed in November of 2008. Commissioner Henriksson has a smile for all who meet her. Pictured left with her son Michael (and husband Otto who is out of frame) during her swearing in ceremony, she has not stopped smiling or listening to any constituent since.



A strong businesswoman with a heart of gold, she has been a part of hundreds of decisions and projects on behalf of the community which has made Weston what it is today.



We Thank You For Your Service

The October 15, 2012 City Commission is open to the public. It begins at 7:00p.m. inside the City Commission Chambers located in Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Boulevard.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.



Weston Mayor Throws Down Challenge For Third Year to Weston Elementary School Students **Mayor's Get Fit Challenge**

Mayor Eric Hersh and Mayor-Elect Daniel Stermer are challenging Weston's youngest residents to help win the 2012 Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup for their elementary school.

The Mayor and City Commissioners would like to see every student in Weston, and their family, participate in the **Sunday, December 9th Rotary Run for Tomorrow 1-Mile Family Health Walk**.

The challenge is to get as many students and family members as possible signed up under your Weston elementary school name.

The prizes: the school with the largest number of participants, based on a percentage of their enrollment, will win the 2012 Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup **AND** a \$500 cash prize from the Rotary Club of Weston for the school.

Prior Mayor's Challenge Cup Winners

2010: Indian Trace Elementary School

2011: Imagine Charter School at Weston

The registration form, for students in Weston elementary schools, is attached and forms will be made available at all of the schools.

Date: Sunday, December 9, 2012
Time: 9:00 AM
Location: Weston Town Center
1900 Bell Tower Lane, Weston, FL



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 in Rotary YFit and the Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup

Mayor Issues Challenge to all Weston Elementary Schools



Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup

Mayor asks all students to participate in the 1-Mile Family Health Walk at the Rotary Run For Tomorrow on Sunday, December 9, 2012.

The elementary school with the most participants will win the

2012 Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup

The Mayor would like to see all elementary students in Weston, their teachers, and families, participate in the **Run For Tomorrow 1-Mile Family Health Walk** on Sunday, December 9, 2012.

The challenge to win the 2012 Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup is to get as many people to participate as possible, signed up under your school name. The school with the largest number of participants as a percentage of their enrollment (to make it fair!) will win the **Challenge Cup AND** be awarded a **\$500 cash prize**.

SIGN UP TODAY
AND HELP YOUR
SCHOOL WIN!



REGISTRATION FORM ON BACK

Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup

1-Mile Family Health Walk at 9AM
 Sunday, December 9, 2012
 Weston Town Center



Students - \$15

Registration package includes numbered race bib, T-shirt and breakfast. *Parents or other family members not registering may walk with their child but will not receive a package.*

Family Members - \$20

Registration package includes numbered race bib, T-shirt and breakfast.

Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup

Sunday, December 9, 2012 / Town Center

STUDENT/FAMILY PARTICIPANT REGISTRATION

Turn this form in to your teacher at school with payment



Arrive by 8:00AM for packet pickup. Walk begins at 9:00AM.
ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST COMPLETE FORM.
 FEE: \$15 students / \$20 others Checks payable to: *Rotary Club of Weston*

Student Name _____ T-shirt size ____ Grade ____ School _____

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Adult Participant _____ T-shirt size ____ Grade ____ School _____

Adult Participant _____ T-shirt size ____ Grade ____ School _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Total # participants _____ Fee Enclosed: \$ _____

In consideration of accepting this entry, I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrator, waive and release any and all rights and claims for losses and damages I may have against The Rotary Club of Weston; The City of Weston; The Weston YMCA; Split Second Timing, Inc; Race Directors, their officers, members and volunteers, any and all injuries suffered by me in said event. I attest that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained for the competition of this athletic event and competition which I am voluntarily entering at my own risk. My physical condition has been verified by a licensed medical doctor. Further, I hereby grant full permission to any and all foregoing to use photographs, videotapes, motion pictures, recordings or any other records of his event for any purpose whatsoever. USE OF SKATES, SCOOTERS, SKATEBOARDS, OR HEADSETS IS NOT PERMITTED.

DATE _____ SIGNATURE _____ GUARDIAN _____
(If under 18, signature of legal guardian of participant is required)



BIKES ARE VEHICLES Night Riding & Lighting

Nearly 60% of all adult fatal bicycle accidents in Florida occur during twilight and night hours.

Many factors play a role on why riding at night is dangerous, such as:

- Motorists driving under the influence of alcohol
- Motorists abilities to see what is ahead is limited to the area illuminated by headlights
- Visibility is further reduced by the glare from lights of oncoming cars
- Roadways with motor vehicles speeds above 40 mph pose extreme risk at night
- Red reflectors on the rear of the bicycle may be mistaken for reflectors on mail boxes

New Florida Statute 316.2065

As of January 1, 2013- Every bicycle has to meet lighting equipment standards or is subject to warnings/fines issued by Law Enforcement. The act was approved by the Governor on April 27, 2012.

Every bicycle in use between sunset and sunrise shall be equipped with a lamp on the front exhibiting a white light visible from a distance of at least 500 feet to the front and a lamp along with a reflector on the rear each exhibiting a red light visible from a distance of 600 feet to the rear. A bicycle or its rider may be equipped with lights or reflectors in addition to those required by this section.



A Law Enforcement Officer may issue a bicycle safety brochure and a verbal warning to a bicycle rider who violates this subsection or may issue a citation and assess a fine for pedestrian violation. The court shall dismiss the charge against a bicycle rider for a first violation of this subsection upon proof of purchase and installation of the proper lighting equipment.

No parent of any minor child and no guardian of any minor ward may authorize or knowingly permit any such minor child or ward to violate any of the provisions of this section.



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.



ADVANCED CABLE CONVERTING TO DIGITAL Digital Platform Begins October 29th

Customers Need To Take Action To Avoid Losing Channels

Some residents will need to get a FREE digital transport adapter (DTA) to continue to receive basic cable service on older model TV sets (generally prior to 2005). Advanced Cable customers will be receiving a letter from the company explaining all of this information.

Why: It will provide more bandwidth for new programming, more HD channels and enhanced services.

When: You should act by 10/15/12 to start enjoying enhanced picture and sound quality and to avoid the possibility of losing any channels as the upgrade is completed.

Is Your TV Ready:

- If your TV is currently connected to an Advanced Cable digital converter box - there is nothing you need to do.
- If your TV has a built-in Digital QAM tuner - there is nothing you need to do. *To find out if your TV has this QAM tuner, using your TV set's remote, see if you can tune to Channel #64.1. If you can see this test channel – there is nothing you need to do.*

However, if you don't see this test screen at first, use the auto program/auto tune function of your TV set. This process will have your tuner scan for all available channels. You can usually find auto tune or auto program in the MENU of your TV. Select auto tune or auto program and follow the on-screen prompts. If you still don't see the test screen, your TV does not have the proper digital QAM tuner and you will need a DTA.

How To Get the Free Digital Adapter: Order online, call or pickup in person.

- Online: go to www.advancedcable.net Click on the Weston Network DIGITAL UPGRADE box and fill out the order form. It will be shipped free of charge and is easy to install.
- Call: Customer Service at 954-344-7111, or
- Pickup: At Advanced Cable's Weston office: 1274 Weston Road (rear of Country Isles Shopping Plaza).





ON GUARD FOR SENIORS



Florida's seniors are inundated with investment offers and requests for charitable contributions and are being exposed to targeted fraud opportunities. The result - *financial decisions can be overwhelming for seniors*. The State of Florida's Department of Financial Services is committed to ensuring seniors have the information they need about insurance and financial transactions, so they can stay on guard and ask the right questions to make sound financial decisions.

The Department of Financial Services, Division of Consumer Services has created [On Guard for Seniors](#), a website designed to provide specific information on annuities, reverse mortgages, long-term care insurance and identity theft to help seniors learn more about these topics, their potential pitfalls and how to protect themselves. Also, [On Guard for Seniors](#) provides educational videos and explanations of how some popular insurance and financial products work.

Any of us can fall victim to financial fraud, but unfortunately, seniors are often targeted by scam artists promising phony investment offers and bogus requests for charitable contributions. Alerts on these and other scams can be found on the [On Guard for Seniors](#) website along with online videos, information and tips to help seniors, their families and caregivers steer clear of financial fraud.

Please call Consumer Services Helpline at 1-877-693-5236 or visit www.MyFloridaCFO.com/OnGuard for more information.



October 9, 2012

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING A SUCCESS IN BROWARD COUNTY

Recycling in Broward County is up to 13 percent over 2011, thanks to the increased efforts of residents. The County is now on its way toward meeting Florida's 75 percent recycling goal as residents recycle as much as they can of paper, cardboard, plastic bottles, metal, and glass containers.



Residential recycling has increased steadily over the years, from 58,917 tons in 2006, to more than 65,590 tons last year, an increase of 11 percent, not including this year's rise.

Most Broward County cities including Weston, use the "All-in-One" recycling system (single-stream recycling), in which recyclable items don't have to be sorted from one another. Instead of placing items into two separate containers, recyclable items can all be placed in the same container.



Environmental benefits of recycling include energy savings, a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions linked to climate change, and sustainability of resources.

For more information about recycling in Broward County, call 954-765-4999, or www.Broward.org/waste.

For more information on Weston's recycling service, please visit, www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/GarbageRecycle.aspx.



BROWARD COUNTY LIBRARIES DIVISION PRESENTS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS PROGRAMS

Sponsored by Susan G. Komen for the Cure

For the eighth consecutive year, Broward County Libraries Division has received Susan G. Komen for the Cure grant funding. The grant allows the Libraries Division to offer health programs, seminars and educational information to their customers.



This October, in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Broward County Library will host a series of programs and events to educate and inform our community. All breast cancer awareness programs are sponsored by Susan G. Komen for the Cure. Customers are invited to attend the programs throughout the library system.

Main Library, Fort Lauderdale • 954-357-7443

October 11

- 4pm - 5:45pm; Be Healthy, Be Well, Be Creative. Learn about healthy eating and do a fun craft. Ages 9 to 12.

October 15

- 12pm - 1pm; Discuss advancements in breast cancer treatments.

Northwest Regional Library, Coral Springs • 954-341-3900

November 10

- 1pm - 2pm; "Through the Lens of a Warrior" photography exhibit.

West Regional Library, Plantation, • 954-382-5860

October 11

- 2pm - 3pm; A breast cancer survivor shares her experience.

October 16

- 5pm - 7:30pm, Discussion on the importance of screening, prevention, early detection, diagnosis, intervention, and forms of treatment.

October 16

- 5:30pm - 7:30pm; Book launch (*I Am A Strong Woman*) and Pink Tea.

October 17

- 2pm - 3pm; Alternative resources on coping discussion.

November 6

- 5pm - 7:30pm; Westside Medical presents a Breast Cancer Awareness Seminar.


For more information, please visit:

<http://webapps.broward.org/newsrelease/AdminDisplayMessages.aspx?intMessageId=3950>.



BOOK PRESENTATION

Weston Branch Library

<p>Book Presentation & Signing</p> <p>el HIJO del CANDIDATO By Ernesto Morales Alpizar</p> <p>Wednesday, October 17, 2012 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (Weston Branch Library)</p> <p>The presentation will be in Spanish.</p>	
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This event will be held at the Weston Branch Library.

The Library is located at 4205 Bonaventure Blvd. Weston, FL 33332.

For more information, please contact, Waleska Díaz at (954) 389-2098 ext. 244.

OR

For further information on community activities and programs, please visit,

<http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/Communications/CommunicationsHome.aspx>.



October 9, 2012

FUN IN SPANISH FOR CHILDREN (DIVERSIÓN EN ESPAÑOL) Weston Community Center



Calling children ages 2 – 5; don't forget your Spanish! The only way to hang on to your roots is to practice! Learn and practice Spanish with Latin kids and others that wish to learn in a playful, musical and artistic environment. This class is open to both Spanish speaking and non-Spanish speaking children.

DATES: Runs continuously through the year

DAYS: Ages 2-5, Fridays at 11:00am – 11:30am

COST: \$40 per month



For more information, please contact Maria at 954-822-7528
or email funinspanish@hotmail.com.

For a complete listing of all Community Center classes and to register, please visit 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).



October 9, 2012

PROFESSIONAL THEATER FOR CHILDREN Begins on Saturday, November 10th with Sleeping Beauty

THE CITY OF WESTON
presents

Professional Theater for Children

**Saturday, November 10, 2012
10:30 A.M.**

SLEEPING BEAUTY
A sleeping princess, a spell-bound Prince and more fairies than you can shake a stick at are all part of this quirky adaptation of the popular tale. The evil Queen of the Fairies exacts her revenge on the royal family by sending the beautiful Princess into an everlasting sleep. To the audiences delight, more than one spell is about to be broken by the kiss of a handsome Prince.

Saturday, April 13, 2013 10:30 A.M.

ALADDIN AND THE MAGIC LAMP
Set in ancient Persia, this exciting adaptation of The Arabian Nights' most famous tale comes alive with music, magic and mayhem. Will Aladdin marry the beautiful princess? Will the wicked magician reclaim the magic lamp? Will the all-powerful Genie of the lamp help Aladdin to achieve his dreams? There is only one way to find out. Join us for all the fun and adventure in Stages Productions' newest musical!

Performances at 10:30AM at the Cypress Bay Theater
18600 Vista Park Boulevard, Weston
Tickets: \$5 in advance of \$10 if purchased at the door
Advance Tickets: The Weston Community Center
20200 Saddle Club Road, Weston, FL
Inside the Weston Regional Park · 954-389-4321
Professional Theater for Children by Stages Productions

Pre-Sale tickets are available at the Weston Community Center, 954-389-4321, 20200 Saddle Club Road (within the Weston Regional Park). For more information, please visit our website at www.westonfl.org.



October 9, 2012

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



FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

Dolphin Tale

Saturday, October 13, 2012 at 8:00 p.m.

An amazing true story of Winter, a young dolphin who loses her tail, and Sawyer, and 11-year old who befriends her, convincing locals to build her a prosthetic replacement. For more information and the full schedule of movies and dates, visit http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2012-2013_Movie_Flyer.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.

Think Before You Throw – Consider donating before tossing.



HALLOWEEN SAFETY EXPO

Friday, October 26, 2012 6:00PM-8:30PM

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

DOUBLE CLICK ON PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL EVENTS



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)



Weston now delivers the latest news direct to your inbox. Select from two options (*we recommend BOTH*):

- **Newsday Tuesday:** sent each Tuesday, a collection of city news articles, information and events.
- **General Notifications:** Updates on construction projects; media releases; sports registrations and events. Subscribe at www.westonfl.org/EmailSubscriptions.aspx.



CPR SAFE COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

BSO Weston Fire Rescue

This program offers FREE CPR classes to residents, organizations and businesses and their employees. Convenient weeknight and weekend CPR classes are offered as well as training right at your own location at a time convenient for you (min. 8 persons) **Call 954-389-2015** today.



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.