



ADVANCED CABLE CONVERTING TO DIGITAL WHAT THIS MEANS TO YOU AND WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

Advanced Cable will be implementing a network upgrade to an all-digital delivery platform

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).





AFTER THE STORM HAS SAFELY PASSED...

HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS – A Continuing Series

Here are a few important tips for after the storm has safely passed:



- Stay tuned to local media and/or NOAA radio.
- Return to your home or venture outdoors only after local officials tell you it is safe to do so.
- Inspect your home for damage. If your home is unsafe or badly damaged, locate other accommodations. To assist BSO with emergency response priorities, participate in the [Snapshot Damage Assessment Program](#).
- Beware of fallen power lines. While electricity may be out, service can be restored at any time and lines may become "hot."
- If you have no power, use flashlights for illumination. Never use candles or lanterns because of the risk of fire. Cook outdoors using charcoal or propane grills/stoves. Do not cook over open fires, especially if debris is in the area.
- Avoid driving as much as possible. If you must be on the roads, remember that many traffic signals may be inoperative. Treat all intersections as though they are a 4-way stop.

Water treatment safety tips to follow if your water source become contaminated:

1. Begin by filtering water with a coffee filter to remove any solid materials that may be floating in the water.
2. Bring the water to a rolling boil for one minute, then allow the water to cool for 30 minutes.
3. Add 16 drops of chlorine bleach per gallon of water, or 8 drops per 2-liter bottle. The only active ingredient in the bleach should be hypochlorite of a concentration of 5.25% to 6%. Make sure the bleach does not contain any perfumes or soaps.
4. Let water remain standing for thirty minutes.
5. Use the water only if it smells of chlorine. If it doesn't, add another round of drops (16 per gallon and 8 per 2-liter bottle). If you still don't smell chlorine, discard the water and find another source.



For up-to-date information during a storm, please visit our website at www.westonfl.org or our Weston Cable Channel or AM Radio 1680.



CHILD CAR SEAT REQUIREMENTS

Florida law requires children less than 5 years of age to be properly restrained no matter where they are seated in a vehicle. Children through age 3 must be secured in a separate carrier (child safety seat) or in a vehicle manufacturer's integrated child safety seat. For children ages 4 - 5, a separate carrier, an integrated child safety seat, or a safety belt may be used. If a safety belt does not fit the child correctly, a booster set should be used to correctly position the lap and shoulder belts once they outgrow forward facing child safety seats (generally at about 40 pounds and 4 years old). Children from approximately 40-80 pounds and under 4'9" in height should ride in a booster seat.

Infants must ride rear-facing until they are at least one year old *and* weigh 20 pounds or more. Rear-facing, the infant should be semi-upright at an angle or no more than 45 degrees. A forward-facing older child should ride sitting upright



Never place a child in a child safety seat in the front seat of a vehicle equipped with a passenger air bag. Always use the back seat.

Violation of the child restraint law carries a fine of \$60 and 3 points on the driving record.

Weston Fire Rescue offers free safety seat installations or inspections twice monthly, by appointment. For an appointment please call 954-389-2015.



For more information regarding Child Car Seat Requirements, please visit <http://www.sheriff.org/safety/carseat.cfm>.

Buckle Up & Drive Safely!



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POTENTIALLY POISONOUS PLANTS FOR PETS

Many varieties of plants can cause illness and possible death of your dog or cat. Exercise caution when bringing plants into the house or allowing your pet outside. Keep animals away from these types of foliage, commonly found in Florida. Also, remember the fertilizer that keeps our plants healthy can cause havoc with our pet's digestive and gastrointestinal tracts.

1. Azalea
2. Cardboard Palm
3. Lilies/Easter Lily
4. Tulip
5. Aloe
6. Apricot
7. Avocado
8. Bracken/Brake Fern
9. Caladium
10. Carnation
11. Charming Dieffenbachia
12. Corn Plant
13. Daisy
14. Poinciana
15. Eucalyptus
16. Gardenia
17. Garlic
18. Mauna Loa Peace Lily
19. Tomato Plants
20. Yucca



For a complete list of toxic and nontoxic plants, please visit <http://www.asPCA.org/Pet-care/poison-control/plants-by-scientific-name>.

If you suspect that your pet may have become exposed to a harmful substance, but is not showing signs of illness, stay calm! Contact your local veterinarian or the 24-hour ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center hotline at (888) 426-4435 first.

Keep Your Furry Friend
Healthy & Happy





WESTON YMCA TO HOST FREE DINNER IS IN EVENT



The YMCA is highlighting the importance of spending time together as a family and showcasing the Y's commitment to youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. Bring your family and friends to this **FREE** event sponsored by local restaurants and bakeries on Monday, September 24th from 6:00pm – 7:00pm. Pre-registration required, please call 954-424-9622.



WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER
20201 Saddle Club Road, Weston, 954.424.9622, www.ymcabroward.org



EVERYONE SAVES WITH A BROWARD COUNTY LIBRARY CARD!

Celebrate National Library Card Sign-up Month

We all love a good time, but in today's economy even fun carries a high price tag. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average American spends more on entertainment than gas, household furnishings and even clothing. From concert tickets to movie rentals to magazines, there are endless ways to lighten your wallet in the pursuit of happiness, but at what cost to your overall budget and long-term financial security?



Broward County
Library's new BCL
WOW library card.

Savvy spenders and savers can find big savings in one small (and free) package. One of the best bargains in town is your free Broward County Library card. September is National Library Card Sign-up Month.

Top 10 Ways to Save Money with Your Broward County Library Card

1. Use a free public computer or WiFi at [library locations countywide](#).
2. Borrow a [video game](#) for free instead of buying or renting it.
3. Get [free, online one-on-one tutoring](#).
4. Read the daily newspaper for free in the library or [search their archives](#).
5. Download [five free songs a week](#) courtesy of Broward County Library.
6. [Try out an eReader](#) – for free.
7. Check out a [free feature film or kid's DVD](#) for a home movie night.
8. Take a free online class in almost anything via [Universal Class](#)
9. Get free [eBooks](#) including today's hottest bestsellers and books of all genres.
10. Learn a foreign language at home with [free online language classes](#) include Spanish, French, Chinese and even American Sign Language.

Getting Your Free Broward County Library Card – It's Easy!

Broward County Library cards are free to anyone who lives, works or goes to school in Broward County as well as free, six-month visitor cards for part-time Broward County residents. Visit any Broward County Library location to get a library card or [apply online](#).

For more information please visit, www.broward.org/library.



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DINE OUT LAUDERDALE October 1-November 8, 2012

As part of our effort to pass on information regarding free or low cost City and County programs, we recommend looking at *Dine Out Lauderdale*, your entrée into Greater Fort Lauderdale's gourmet restaurant and lounge scene. Dine out Lauderdale is not specific to Fort Lauderdale, but encompasses all of Broward County.

Join the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention & Visitors Bureau for the most tasteful event of the season, *Dine Out Lauderdale*, a six-week celebration of the area's top restaurants, chefs and cuisine.

From October 1st through November 8th, numerous Greater Fort Lauderdale area restaurants are offering specially-created, three-course menus at a \$35 per person fixed price.

Dine Out Lauderdale includes locations throughout Broward County, including Weston. Discover the mouthwatering restaurants that make dining out in Broward a unique and special experience.

For a detailed list on the participating restaurants and fine dining options in Greater Fort Lauderdale, visit the dining section at www.sunny.org/dineout.





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***FREE ADULT* BRIDGE AND MAHJONG AT THE WESTON COMMUNITY CENTER**

The Community Center, located inside the Weston Regional Park, offers a wide variety of classes and activities for all ages. Here are a few for adults on the diverse list of classes:

Open Bridge Play

Dates: Runs Continuously
Days: Monday
Times: 12:30pm – 4:00pm
Cost: FREE

Join us on Mondays for social bridge games. For more information, please call Bernice Ross, game organizer, at 954-389-8756.



Open Mahjong

Dates: Runs Continuously
Days: Thursday
Times: 12:30pm – 3:30pm
Cost: FREE

Join us on Thursdays for social mahjong games. For more information, please call Sandy Green, game organizer, at 954-446-6299.



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).



UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS

WATER METER REPLACEMENTS: Cascade Falls beginning 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 MOVIES IN THE PARK RETURN IN ONE MONTH!

Kick back and relax - the movies are on us...



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.

E-Notifications

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.