



LEADERS SPEAK AT WESTON SYMPOSIUM METEOROLOGY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



Fire Chief Harris Bouchillon, Dr. Rick Knabb, Director of the Nat'l Hurricane Center, John Flint, City Manager and Charles Lanza, Director of Broward County Emergency Operations.

On Tuesday evening, June 18th an overflowing crowd at the Weston Disaster Preparedness Symposium received the insight and benefit of first hand information from three top leaders in their fields. Dr. Rick Knabb, Director of the National Hurricane Center in Miami, Charles Lanza, Director of the Broward County Emergency Operations Center, and John R. Flint, Weston City Manager were moderated by Weston Fire Chief Harris Bouchillon at the event sponsored by the Weston CERT program and team members.

The two hour presentation covered an array of preparedness, disaster, and response information for residents and businesses. The program was taped and will be aired starting in mid-July on the City's government access cable channel to avail all residents of this essential information.



To start off the evening, Dr. Knabb stressed that everyone should **do three things right now**, BEFORE a storm event:

- 1) Go shopping
- 2) Determine if you live in an evacuation zone, and
- 3) Visit your insurance agent.

Shopping: Hurricane preparedness lists are readily available including on the Weston website, but the shopping should be done now, not later. It is exponentially easier to grab supplies now than when everyone is in line and supplies may run out.

Evacuation Zone: If you reside in Weston you do not live in an evacuation zone. However it is likely you know someone who does. Both Dr. Knabb and Mr. Lanza encourage everyone to "adopt an evacuation zone individual". Phone a friend and offer your home as their location to evacuate too. If we all did this, there would be much less confusion and traffic on roadways during an impending hurricane.

Insurance: Now is the time to review policies and ensure you are sufficiently covered.

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Broward County EOC Director Chuck Lanza stressed that those with special medical needs register now to receive assistance by calling 954-357-6385. Also that residents with any questions can call **3-1-1** and be directed to the right location.



Another train of thought brought up by all speakers was to not get complacent because we have not been hit by a hurricane since Wilma. Whether the season is predicted to be "active" or "slow", all it takes is one storm. Secondly, every storm is different. Of course make preparations for wind, but flooding is often the cause of loss of life and property.

While Weston will certainly not see storm surge, clogged catch basins can cause extensive flooding in neighborhoods. City Manager John Flint reminded attendees to take note of the catch basin nearest your home and ensure there is nothing blocking or clogging it. Storm drains within gated communities are the responsibility of the Homeowners Association but residents are encouraged to act proactively in the event of a storm and remove any debris.



Weston City Manager John Flint provided an overview of how the City responds to a disaster, the policies, structures and funding that is in place and ensured the public that everyone would be taken care of. A caveat to that, particularly in the sense of disaster debris collection, is that someone will be first and someone will be last. All main roadways will be cleared first. As for residential debris, the areas receiving attention first will be dependent upon access, the size of equipment that first responds and other factors all of which will determine the most effective and efficient response.

Where to find more information:

Weston Hurricane Info: <http://www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/Default.aspx>

Broward County Hurricane Info: <https://www.broward.org/Hurricane/Pages/Default.aspx>

National Hurricane Center: <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/>

Twitter:

@CityofWeston

@ReadyBroward

@NHC_Atlantic

CERT – Community Emergency Response Team

To join the next Weston training class, please call

954-389-2015.



HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS – A Continuing Series

HURRICANE KIT SHOPPING GUIDE

All residents are encouraged to get prepared by creating a family hurricane plan and assembling a hurricane supply kit. These preparedness steps are the key to safely weathering a storm, or any other disaster. The Shopping Guide below identifies the basic items required to comfortably sustain you and your family for a few days following a storm that may leave you without power and potable water.

Food Groups:

Bread Group Items

Crackers, dry bread sticks, pretzels, melba toast, rice and popcorn cakes, breakfast cereal, dry pasta, nutritional bars, bread (keep frozen until needed)

Meat Group Items

Canned or packaged tuna, chicken/turkey, meat, soup with beans or meat, sardines, beans, chili with meat or beans, ravioli/spaghetti, ham/pork, stew, Vienna sausage, peanut butter and nuts, and commercially prepared beef or turkey jerky

Milk Group Items

Shelf stable milk (keep chilled after opening), powdered milk (will need extra water), canned and boxed pudding, nutritional drinks (e.g., Ensure)

Vegetable Group Items

Canned vegetables, soups of all types (cup of noodles, canned), canned 3-bean salad
Fruit Group Items Canned fruit, applesauce, dried fruits (raisins, dates, apricots, etc.) and 100% fruit juice (not fruit drinks or punch)

Comfort Foods

Quick energy snacks such as trail mix, granola and fruit bars, cookies, hard candy, lollipops, instant coffee, tea bags

WATER:

At least one gallon per person per day, for 3-5 days, preferably two weeks. Extra water is needed for food preparation and personal hygiene.



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HURRICANE KIT SHOPPING GUIDE - CONTINUED

Items for Infants & Toddlers

Make sure to include ample amounts of food, formula (water), juice, diapers and wipes. If you plan to evacuate to a Hurricane Shelter, bring your baby kit along with a stroller, portable crib or play pen.

Items for Elderly

Your kit should include water and food items that address special dietary needs such as nutritional supplement drinks and low-sodium food. Be sure to include enough medical supplies and prescription drugs to last two weeks.

Note: Before purchasing instant food be sure you have enough water for reconstitution and a cooking source. Camp stoves and a chafing dish/fondue pot with sterno can be used. You can also purchase ready-to-light charcoal for your outdoor grill. Never use any of these cooking sources inside your house or garage.

Other Supplies to have on hand:

- * Flashlights and extra batteries
- * Tarpaulin for temporary roof repairs
- * Manual can opener
- * Unscented household bleach
- * Self-starting charcoal, sterno or propane for grill or camp stove
- * Paper & disposable products: plates, bowls, napkins & eating utensils, aluminum pans, garbage bags and re-sealable plastic bags
- * Tool kit including duct tape, work gloves, saw, axe, plastic safety glasses/goggles, pliers, utility knife, hammer
- * Portable am/fm radio – battery-operated or hand crank
- * Clothing including rain gear and closed shoes
- * Pet supplies
- * Fire extinguisher
- * Hard-line telephone with jack (not cordless)
- * Waterproof portable plastic container with lid for hurricane kit and important papers
- * Medicines / prescription drugs
- * Mosquito repellent, sunscreen
- * First aid kit
- * Cash





ALL CITY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES CLOSED THURSDAY, JULY 4th FRIDAY, JULY 5th

All City administrative offices (City Hall, the Community Center, the Public Works Services Center, and the Building Department) will be closed on July 4th and July 5th:

Thursday, July 4th

- All City parks will remain open until 6 p.m. on July 4th and there will be regularly scheduled garbage collection.

Friday, July 5th

- All City parks will remain open regular hours and there will be regularly scheduled garbage collection.



Don't miss the City of Weston's Annual 4th of July Hometown Parade and Celebration!!

10:30AM – FREE PARADE: Join us at the City of Weston's Annual 4th of July Hometown Parade! Participants including local businesses, civic groups, schools, bands, organizations and residents gather to march in Weston's biggest and most exciting event. This event is free and open to everyone... wear your best red, white and blue!

Parade begins promptly at 10:30 am on Thursday, July 4th at the corner of Town Center Blvd. and Three Village Road, continuing east on Three Village Road to Bonaventure Blvd. heading south briefly to Bell Tower Lane, and winding through Weston Town Center to the heart of Main Street.

For more information on this wonderful FREE community event, please visit www.westonfl.org or call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321.



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SUMMER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEENS

Library Volunteer Person (LVP) Opportunities for Teens

Need Community Service Hours? You can get them at a Broward County Library, where you can make new friends and have a good time, all while you fulfill your school requirements! Volunteering is also a great way to get real-life work experience, enhance your résumé, and give a boost to your college applications.

If you are interested in honing your leadership skills, you can join the Teen Advisory Board. Almost every Broward County Library location has one, and they provide valuable input on teen programs and events as well as the selection of books and other materials.

To fast track your involvement, just stop by any branch library and see a Youth Services Librarian for details. The Weston Branch Library is located at 4205 Bonaventure, Blvd, phone 954-357-5420, or visit

<http://www.broward.org/Library/Organizations/Volunteers/Pages/default.aspx>.

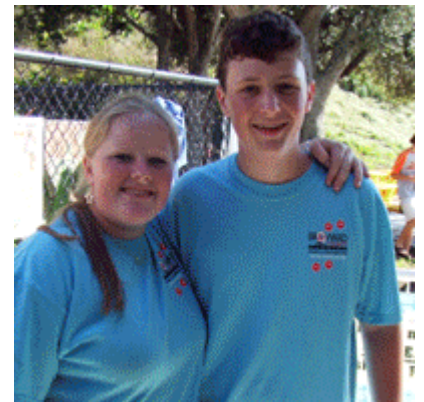


Find Fulfillment - Become a VIP at Broward County Parks

In 2010 the Broward County Parks and Recreation Division launched its revamped volunteer initiative: the VIP Program, short for "Volunteers Improving Parks." For many years the Division has depended heavily on its volunteers to augment and enhance park staff. And in these lean times, it just makes sense to use volunteers to extend our limited workforce through a more centralized and coordinated effort.

The Park system needs volunteers for maintenance assistance and general cleanup – picking up litter, painting, weeding, minor planting, etc. They need volunteers who can answer phones and assist inside the park offices and with security.

The VIP Program provides excellent opportunities not just for individuals but also for neighborhood organizations as well as businesses to become directly involved in maintaining and improving our parks, landscaped areas, greenways, and recreational facilities to help build community spirit and a sense of civic pride and responsibility. Park staff is always available to offer training, supervision, and any other resources necessary for both individuals and groups willing to contribute. For more information please visit www.broward.org/Parks/GetInvolved/Pages/Volunteers.aspx.





LOOK BEFORE YOU LOCK NEW BILLBOARDS UNVEILED TO SAVE LIVES



New billboards soon to be located throughout Broward County send a message to "Look Before You Lock," an alert to people who transport children and run the risk of leaving them locked inside a vehicle for any length of time.

"Florida ranks fourth in the nation in the number of hyperthermia deaths caused by children left in vehicles. That's a tragic statistic and not one we want to be known for," said Broward County Commissioner Lois Wexler, who unveiled the first "Look Before You Lock" billboard located in Hollywood.

The "Look Before You Lock" educational campaign is a collaboration of Broward County, Children's Services Council and the Early Learning Coalition of Broward County.

The Broward County Board of County Commissioners recently passed an [ordinance](#) requiring all child care centers and family child care homes to install safety alarms in vehicles carrying six or more passengers, effective July 1, 2013.

Broward County Children's Services Administration, the Children's Services Council, and the Early Learning Coalition have set aside a [one-time only reimbursement](#) fund to help qualified childcare providers offset the cost of the installation(s).

For more information on the Vehicle Alarm Ordinance and the "Look Before You Lock" campaign, call 2-1-1 or visit [cscbroward.org](#).





BROWARD COUNTY ANIMAL CARE AND ADOPTION STANDARD ADOPTION FEES REDUCED FOR THE SUMMER



If you are looking to add a furry friend to your life, then now is the perfect time to take advantage of lower adoption fees at Broward County Animal Care and Adoption!

The standard adoption fees for cats and dogs will be lowered to \$50 for the Summer!

- \$50 will include a health exam, all necessary vaccinations, required Broward County pet registration tags and a microchip.
- The reduced fees are to encourage the community to adopt, rather than shop.
- Broward County Animal Care and Adoption receives about 20,000 dogs and cats each year, and this gives the animals the possibility of a second chance.
- Must be a Broward County Resident.



Also, don't miss out and take advantage of the **special pricing and adopt two cats at the single adoption fee of \$50**. Adoptable cats and kittens are available at both, Animal Care and Adoption Centers in Fort Lauderdale and Pompano Beach, as well as the numerous participating Pet Supermarket stores throughout Broward County.

The Fort Lauderdale Adoption Center, located at 1870 SW 39th Street is open from Tuesday through Friday, from 1 to 6PM., and Saturday and Sunday, from 11AM-4PM.

The Pompano Beach Adoption Center, located at 3100 NW 19th Terrace is open Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 1-6PM and Saturdays from 11AM-4PM.

Please prevent unwanted animals and have your pet spayed or neutered.

For more information about the agency, please visit www.broward.org/animal.



AARP SAFE DRIVING COURSE FOR MATURE ADULTS Saturday, July 13th

The City of Weston is offering AARP's 55 Alive/Mature Driving Program. This is a six (6) hour classroom session designed as a refresher course in safe driving.

The course is available to anyone 50 and over. A reduction in automobile insurance premium is allowed to each person 55 and over, by most insurance companies when the course is completed and the driver has a safe driving record.



AARP **Driver Safety** **Refresher Course**

Please bring a bagged lunch and AARP members should bring their card. For information on other 55+ Club events, visit www.westonfl.org/Departments/ParksAndRecreation/55PlusClub.

- DATE:** Saturday, July 13th
- TIME:** 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- LOCATION:** Weston Community Center
20200 Saddle Club Road
Located inside the Weston
Regional Park
- REGISTER:** Advance registration is required
**To register, call Sonny
at 954-385-9920.**
- COST:** \$12.00 AARP members
\$14.00 non-members



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WESTON YMCA INDOOR SUMMER BASKETBALL BOYS AND GIRLS AGES 5 – 16 BEGINS JULY 13TH

Don't miss this fun, fast and exciting league! Practices will be held at the Weston Regional Park's outdoor courts and games will be held inside the YMCA Gymnasium.

- ✓ FULL Basketball Uniforms
- ✓ Learn knowledge and awareness of game
- ✓ Certified Official for Ages 8 and Up

Option 1: Little Hoopsters (co-ed ages 5-7)

- Player and Coach requests available
- Teams will be created by YMCA staff
- No scores, standing or playoffs
- YMCA staff will officiate games

Option 2: Ballers (boys ages 8-14)

- No Player or Coach requests available
- Players must be evaluated
- Coaches will create teams through draft process
- Score, Standing and Playoffs
- Certified officials at games



Regular Registration: \$135 Y Member; \$185 Regular
(June 18th – June 30th)

Season Dates: July 13th through August 31st

For more information, please contact the Weston YMCA Family Center at 954-424-9622, 20201 Saddle Club Road, Weston or visit www.ymcabroward.org.



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LOOKING FOR SUMMER FUN? VISIT WWW.SUNNY.ORG

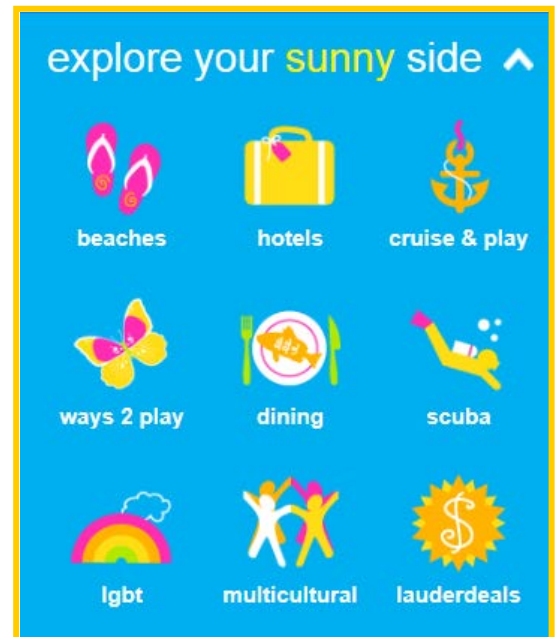


Act like a tourist in your own backyard and discover a new Fort Lauderdale! Visit Greater Fort Lauderdale Visitors and Convention Bureau's Website for fantastic ideas on things to do this summer in and around town.

- [Live! Beach Cam](#)
- [Vacation like a VIP](#)
- [Summer 2-for-1 Savings Pass](#)
- [Information on Beaches, Hotels, Cruises and Weddings](#)
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(download their new app – Fork Lauderdale)

<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/fork-lauderdale-dining-app/id558029528?mt=8>



There is also a great free vacation/sightseeing planning guide available for download or printing: <http://www.sunny.org/free-visitor-guide>. Have a fun and adventurous summer right around the corner. For more information and for a full listing of events in and around Fort Lauderdale, as well as other offers, visit <http://www.sunny.org/ways-to-play/summer/>.



UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS



WESTON ROAD REPAVING PROJECT

Segment Three – Final Phase:

Royal Palm Blvd. to South New River Circle

Segment Three encompasses Weston Road, between Royal Palm Blvd. to South New River Circle, (located north of Country Isles Plaza). Please visit www.westonfl.org/NewsItem.aspx?ID=1643 for daily updates of the project location.

- Approximate completion date of June 28th
- 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- Monday through Friday

There will be intermittent lane closures and traffic delays. *All dates are tentative and subject to change due to weather.* For more information, please visit <http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/DevelopmentServices/Projects/Roadways.aspx>.

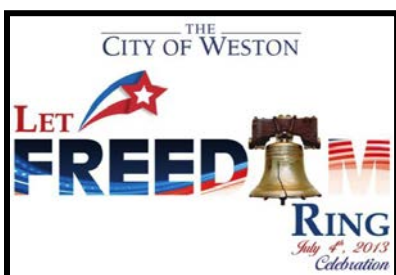


CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, July 1st 7:00PM

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.

Location: Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.



REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED TO REGISTER FOR THE CITY OF WESTON'S 4th OF JULY HOMETOWN PARADE!

Thursday, July 4th 10:30AM – Parade

*The deadline to register to be in the parade has been extended until **Friday, June 28th**.* Parade spaces fill up quickly, so register today! All groups, organizations, businesses and bands

are welcome to march in the Hometown Parade! Join us at 10:30AM in Weston Town Center for a 4th of July tradition, and walk or ride with our Grand Marshals in Weston's biggest and most exciting event of the year. Download a parade application and get this party started at or call 954-389-4321 for more information. Application link: www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2013_July4th_Parade_Application.pdf.

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CITY OF WESTON'S 4th OF JULY 5K WALK/RUN Thursday, July 4th 7:00AM
New location this year – Weston Regional Park!
Join your friends and family for a holiday celebration 5K run or walk sponsored by Broward Health Weston and the City of Weston. The race will take place at the Weston Regional Park with registration beginning

at 5:30am and race start time at 7:00am. To pre-register, visit www.splitsecondtiming.com or www.active.com/running/weston-fl/weston-hometown-july-4th-celebration-2013



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.



WESTON DELIVERS THE LATEST NEWS DIRECTLY TO YOUR INBOX

Select from two options (*we recommend BOTH*):

- **Newsday 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.



REGISTER FOR CodeRED TODAY

Hurricane Season began June 1st – be prepared!

All residents and businesses should register with the City's CodeRED Emergency Notification System. The

City will only send out a message on CodeRED in an emergency situation or to update residents after an emergency. To register, please visit <http://www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx>.