



March 26, 2013

SATURDAY, MARCH 30TH ONE DAY – TWO GREAT EVENTS IN THE PARK



10AM: The egg hunts will start promptly! It is recommended to arrive by 9:15am to park and get to the age appropriate field.

There will be 20,000 CANDY-FILLED eggs for the taking!! Bring your own basket and don't be late! Golden Eggs are redeemed for a small prize.

Location: Weston Regional Park baseball fields #1-#4. 20200 Saddle Club Road, Weston

9TH ANNUAL FREE CONCERT IN THE PARK

CHRISTOPHER CROSS -and-

STARSHIP: FEATURING MICKEY THOMAS

7PM - Don't miss joining your friends and family for a night of great music under the stars! The Event Stage is close to the park's largest playground which is a plus for those with smaller children. Concert attendees do need to bring their own lawn chairs or blanket for seating. Food concessions will be available and while people are welcome to bring in their own food or beverages, alcohol is not permitted.

The concert is held at Event Stage inside of the Weston Regional Park. For more information, please call 954-389-4321 or visit www.westonfl.org.







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WESTON FAMILY FUN RIDE AND BIKE RODEO

Sunday, April 7th 1:00pm-4:00pm



Open Family Fun Ride: 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm

Calling children and parents/guardians of all ages with a bike... join us at the Weston Family Fun Ride! There will be 1-, 2- and 3-mile loop options for riders (children under 18 must have helmet). The event will begin in the Weston Regional Park and the surrounding roads will be closed to provide a safe, fun recreational riding experience. This is a perfect opportunity for children to get used to roadway biking.

Family Fun Ride Location: South Post Road (which will be closed from 11am-5pm) from the Weston Regional Park roundabout, south to Swan Lake Boulevard.

Bike Rodeo: 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm

For those just learning to bike or those needing to learn biking skills and safety rules, join us at the Bike Rodeo! The Broward Sheriff's Office will be conducting the rodeo which is a clinic to teach the children the importance of riding safely and what skills and precautions they need to develop to have a fun and safe time on their bikes.

The rodeo will take place at the basketball courts located inside the Weston Regional Park. Certified instructors from The League of American Bicyclists will be on hand to answer safety questions and provide bicycle information. The Rodeo will include sections for all ages (taddlers 12 years old) and of



will include sections for all ages (toddlers – 12 years old) and all skill levels.

Additional Family Fun:

Don't miss the additional activities at this family fun day which include: great music, bounce houses, bike safety information and booths, give-aways, and concession food available for purchase.

<u>PLEASE NOTE:</u> All children must bring their own bicycle or big wheel AND a helmet.

For more information, please call 954-389-4321 or visit www.westonfl.org.





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DON'T MISS THE ARTS COUNCIL OF WESTON AND CITY OF WESTON'S APRIL/MAY SPECIAL EXHIBITS AND EVENTS



April 1st 6:30pm-7:30pm; Book Presentation at the Weston Branch Library Meet author Tatiana Barrera of Weston as she presents her book "No Milk Please". Explore alternatives to milk and bring your questions and concerns regarding dairy consumption.

April 2nd 6:00pm; Sagemont Art Festival at Sagemont Upper School
The Art Festival will display student created art from grades 6-12. The French club will
be selling desert crepes. For more information, please contact Doris Quintero,
dquintero@sagemont.com or 954-389-2454.

April 3rd-6th 7:30pm; Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat The drama department is proud to present this great show being held at Cypress Bay High School Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 presale and \$10 at the door. For more information, please contact Cynthia Lutwin, cynthia.lutwin@browardschools.com or 754-323-0388.

April 8th-April 27th 7th Annual Student Artists Showcase/Weston Branch Library Weston's most talented young artists have a chance to display their work and the community has a chance to see their amazing creativity. Last year, every public and private school in Weston, K-12 participated, brought close to 200 pieces of art! Each school submits up to twelve original works of art in all mediums - everything from traditional drawing, painting, photography and ceramics to works in jewelry, paper, wood, metal and recycled materials. The works of art are judged and awards will be presented at a private reception attended by Weston Mayor Daniel Stermer, members of the City Commission and other dignitaries.

<u>April 10th</u> **6:30pm-7:30pm**; Weston Branch Library Book Discussion Join your friends to discuss the book, "The Light Between Oceans" by M.L. Stedman. For more information, please contact Priya Anand at 954-357-5308.

<u>April 10th</u> 8:00pm; Hot Topics and M Café at Midtown Athletic Club This event is free and open to the public with complimentary cookies. Speaker: Renee Podolsky, the Community Health Director for the Broward County Department of Health.

Please see page 2 for more fantastic events!





April 10th-11th 6:30pm; Willy Wonka Jr. at Miniaci Performing Arts Center Sagemont students present Willy Wonka, Jr. "I've got a golden ticket!" Discover the magical world inside of a chocolate factory with Charlie and the other golden ticket winners. Tickets \$15. For more information please contact, Michelle Arango, marango@sagemont.com, 954-385-5454

April 20th 8:00pm; Dallas Brass at Cypress Bay High School This ensemble will entertain us with classical, swing, patriotic music and more. Wait till you hear this brass and drum ensemble, with piano, bring us Rhapsody in Blue! And they have invited the Cypress Bay High School brass musicians to join them for part of A perfect complement to the Philharmonic in-schools program! the performance! Tickets for Dallas Brass are available at the Weston Community Center and the Community Bank of Broward. Adults \$20, students \$10 in advance, \$30 and \$15 at the door. For more information, please visit www.westonfl.org or call 954-389-4321.

May 1st 12:00pm; Distinguished Artist Series at Cleveland Clinic This series features Dr. David William Brubeck and Bronwen Rutter playing a French Music and Chopin Recital. All members from the community are welcome. For more information, please contact Amy Powers at powersa@ccf.org.

May 1st 6:30pm; Spring Chorus/Band Concert - Sagemont Upper School
The chorus and band will be performing a number of pieces from modern to classic.
Performances will include Jazz band, pep band, concert band, and the drum line, solos, and duets. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Doris Quintero, dquintero@sagemont.com or 954-389-2454.

May 3rd-4th 7:00pm; Spring Band Concert at Cypress Bay High School Tickets may be purchased for \$5.00 at the door. For information, please contact Brian Travelsted, <u>brian.travelsted@browardschools.com</u> or 954-323-0393.

May 8th 6:30pm; Spring Keyboard Concert at Sagemont Upper School
This event is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Doris
Quintero, dquintero@sagemont.com or 954-389-2454.

May 13th 7:30pm; Spring Chorus Concert at Cypress Bay High School Tickets may be purchased for \$5.00 at the door. For information, please contact Brad Franks, bradley.franks@browardschools.com or 754-323-0392.

For more information on all the above events, please visit http://artscouncilweston.com/.





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BROWARD COUNTY OFFERS CONVENIENT WAY TO PAY PROPERTY TAXES-MARCH 28TH AND MARCH 29TH

Parking Lot Kiosk Provides "Drive-Through" Service



Residents can save time, avoid long lines and reduce parking congestion traditionally associated with making property tax payments by using Broward County's drivethrough kiosk, open on two different dates this tax payment season, March 28th and March 29th. On those dates, a drive-through kiosk will be located in the parking lot of the Governmental Center Annex building, 115 S. Andrews Avenue, accepting payments from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. To access the kiosk, customers should enter the parking lot from the Brickell Avenue (west) side of the Governmental Center and follow the signs.

In order for tax payments to be accepted at the kiosk, they must be:

- Current (2012 taxes only)
- Payment in full (no partial payments)
- Properly filled out check (no cash)
- Accompanied by original tax bill stub

Payments will be processed on the day received. Residents can also go online to verify that the payment has been posted, and obtain a printed copy of their receipt by visiting **broward.county-taxes.com**. Search by property tax name, address or account number, and follow the prompts for a payment verification and receipt.

Broward County Records, Taxes and Treasury Division will continue to accept property tax payments at their offices in the Governmental Center Annex, 115 S. Andrews Ave., Suite A, Fort Lauderdale, through April 1, 2013. Payments can also be made online and at any Wells Fargo branch bank in Broward County through March 30, 2013. Property taxes must be paid no later than April 1, 2013, to pay without penalty and avoid delinquency. Tax payments received after April 1, 2013, are delinquent and subject to penalties.

For more information on paying your property tax, visit <u>broward.county-taxes.com</u> or call 954-831-4000.









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BCPS to Hold Public Hearing to Discuss 2013-2014 School Attendance Areas and School Usage Recommendations

WHAT: Broward County Public Schools Public Hearing

WHEN: Public Hearing II – Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

WHERE: Plantation High School, Auditorium - 6901 NW 16th Street, Plantation

WHY: Public hearings have been scheduled to discuss 2013-2014 school

attendance areas and school usage recommendations for all elementary,

middle, high and combination schools.

The Superintendent's final 2013-2014 school boundary recommendations based on community and School Board input can be viewed at the Demographics & Student Assignments website http://www.broward.k12.fl.us/dsa - shown below. For additional information, contact Jill Young, director, Demographics & Student Assignments at 754-321-2480.

Under the 2012-13 District approved organizational chart, the School Boundaries Department is now organized under the Portfolio Management Division, Demographics & Student Assignments Department. In addition to preparing the District's annual five year enrollment projections and facilitating the annual school boundary process, our department will now also manage all student choice assignments (Nova, Magnet, hardships, and Opportunity Scholarship Program) formerly implemented by the Innovative Programs Department.

<u>Discover</u> <u>Your School</u>	Other School Options	School Boundary Process	<u>Data,</u> <u>Maps, GIS</u>
School Locator	Reassignments	<u>Timeline</u>	All Data
School Maps	Magnet & Innovative Programs	Proposals	All Maps
School Info	<u>Nova</u>	FAQs	Planning Tool
School Grades	Opportunity Scholarship Program	<u>Presentations</u>	GIS downloads
Register	<u>Timeline</u>	News & Events	
<u>FAQ</u>	FAQ	Boundary Books	





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DON'T MISS THE SECOND OF THE WESTON SYMPHONY SERIES...

THE DALLAS BRASS

SATURDAY, APRIL 20th at 8:00 pm

This incredible evening features concert music for ages 5-95! The repertoire includes classical masterpieces, Dixieland, swing, Broadway, Hollywood and patriotic music. The show includes a unique blend of traditional brass instruments with a full complement of drums and percussion.

The performance, presented by the City of Weston and the Weston Philharmonic Society will be held at the Cypress Bay Theater at 8:00PM on March 2nd. Cypress Bay High School is located at 18600 Vista Park Blvd. and parking is free.

Tickets are just \$20 in advance or \$30 at the door, available one hour prior to the show if available. Student tickets are available at a cost of \$10 in advance or \$15 at the door.

Get your tickets today! Tickets are available at the Weston Community Center and the Community Bank of Broward in Weston. The Cypress Bay Theater is located on the campus of Cypress Bay High School at 18600 Vista Park Boulevard in Weston. Parking is free. For more information, please visit www.westonfl.org or call the Community Center at 954-389-4321.







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BROWARD COUNTY

Bike Month

Friday, March 29th - BICYCLE FEST

Roosevelt Gardens Park (Fort Lauderdale)

For ages: 6 to 17 years old **Time:** 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Cost: Free.

For After-School Program participants only.

Music, games, and refreshments will be offered.

For more information call the park at 954-327-3888.



Saturday, March 30^{th-} CITY OF LAUDERDALE LAKES SPRING FESTIVAL: **EGGSTRAVAGANZA & BIKE RODEO**

Willie Webb, Sr. Park (Lauderdale Lakes)

For all ages - (all children must be accompanied by an adult)

Time: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Cost: Free

Activities include an egg hunt, face painting, bounce house, bike safety check, an obstacle course and refreshments. For more information, contact the City of Lauderdale Lakes at 954-535-2785

or 954-535-2835.

Sunday, March 31th

BICYCLE AND SAFETY RALLY

Vista View Park (Davie) For all ages

Time: Starts at 10 a.m.

Cost: Free

The Town of Davie Police Department will make safety cards with photos and finger prints of the children, conduct bicycle safety checks, hand out bicycle safety information and bicycle officers will lead even the smallest bicyclists (with training wheels) on a short ride around the playground. Parents are invited to bring their children and their bicycles for the event. Food trucks may be on site. For more information, contact the park at 954-357-8898.





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BROWARD COUNTY TRANSIT TO INTRODUCE NEW 40-FOOT HYBRID BUSES

NEW BUS REPLACEMENTS PART OF CONTINUOUS FLEET UPGRADES



Broward County Transit (BCT) is introducing new, 40-foot buses that consist of 28 diesel-powered and hybrid-diesel/electric buses, as part of the agency's 2013 bus replacement plan. The new buses will replace 49 of the 313 current buses in the fleet.

"The buses offer our riders a level of comfort they deserve and are in line with our commitment to offering a more cost-effective and fuel efficient fleet," Tim Garling, director of BCT Division. said

The new hybrid buses, which seat up to 38 passengers, boast the latest in new technology to provide passengers with upgraded amenities, ergonomically-designed seating for added comfort, more rugged vinyl floors to reduce the risks of slipping, roof-top air conditioning to improve cooling capacity, and lower floor access at entry and exit doors with kneeling accessibility for easy boarding. Passengers will immediately notice a more spacious interior and continue to enjoy onboard digital announcements that

provide key bus travel information. Other amenities include video cameras mounted inside and outside the bus for improved security and an increase of up to three

bicycle racks.

BCT will place the new buses into service as they are received and expects to have all 49 buses in service by July 2013. Funding was provided through Federal Transportation Administration (FTA) grants in the amount of \$27,602,988.



For more information, call 954-357-8400 or visit http://www.broward.org/bct/Pages/Default.aspx.





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WESTON BRANCH LIBRARY APRIL ADULT AND YOUTH PROGRAMS

ADULT SERVICES PROGRAMS

Literacy Programs

Janine Rodrigues (954-357-5307)

English Café Mondays 10:30a - 12:30p Tuesdays Citizenship Studies 6:00p - 7:30p Wednesdays English Café 6:00p - 7:30p 10:30a - 12:00p **Thursdays** Spanish Café, Intermediate Fridays English Café 10:30a - 12:30p 10:30a - 12:00p Spanish Café, Advanced

Book Club in a Bag Ongoing Linda Abraham (954-357-5306)

<u>Writers Circle</u> Saturdays 10:30a – 12:00p

Jumpstart, Structure and Share Your Gems Astrid 954-389-2245

Special Event April 1 6:30p – 7:30p

Meet author Tatiana Barrera of Weston as she presents

"No Milk Please"

April 3 10:00a – 3:00p

Election Connection Outreach. A representative from the supervisor of elections department will be on hand to assist with voter registration, checking your voter status and updating

your voter information.

YOUTH SERVICES PROGRAMS

Thursdays	Toddler Storytime	Ages 0-2	11:00a - 11:30a
Thursdays	All by Myself Storytime	Ages 3-5	3:30p - 4:00p
April 8	Anime Club	Ages 13–18	3:30p - 5:30p
April 19	Wags & Tales	Ages 5–12 (pre-register)	3:00p - 4:00p
April 25	Storytime Special-Yoga	Ages 0-2	11:00a - 11:30a
April 25	Storytime Special-Yoga	Ages 3-5	3:30p - 4:00p

For more information and additional classes and events, please call 954-357-5420 or visit http://www.broward.org/Library/EventsClasses/Pages/ProgramsWE.aspx.





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APRIL IS

NATIONAL CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH



April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, a time to recognize that we each can play a part in promoting the social and emotional well-being of children and families in communities. Research how shown that these six protection factors are linked to a lower incidence of child abuse and neglect:

- Nurturing and Attachment
- Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development
- Parental Resilience
- Social Connections
- Concrete <u>Supports for Parents</u>
- Social and Emotional Competence of Children

Prevention is the best hope for reducing child abuse and neglect and improving the lives of children and families. Strengthening families and preventing child abuse requires a shared commitment of individuals and organizations in every community. The following resources discuss the framework for child abuse and neglect prevention, provide information on what to do when children are at risk for abuse or neglect, and link to State, Federal, and national organizations that support prevention initiatives.

- What is prevention and why is it important?
- Framework for prevention of child maltreatment
- When children are at risk
- Related organizations
- Frequently asked questions

For more information on National Child Abuse Prevention Month, please visit https://www.childwelfare.gov/preventing/preventionmonth/.





UPCOMING EVENTS/PROGRAMS

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WESTON ROYAL EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 30th 10:00AM sharp!

Egg Hunts for ages 10 and under. There will be over 20,000 candy-filled eggs! The Royal Bunny will be available for photos and bounce houses open after the egg hunts until 12 noon. **Location:** Weston Regional Park, baseball fields #1-4, 20200 Saddle Club Road.



9TH ANNUAL FREE CONCERT IN THE PARK

Saturday, March 30th 7:00PM
CHRISTOPHER CROSS & STARSHIP: Featuring Mickey Thomas

This year's concert is on track to be the biggest and best to date with performances by two iconic top #1 hit makers and their bands. This free, family friendly concert draws all ages, bring chairs or blankets and enjoy a fabulous show under the stars.





Location: Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road. Presented by the Rotary Club of Weston and the City of Weston. 954-389-4321



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, April 1st 7:00PM

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission. **Location:** Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.



WESTON FAMILY FUN RIDE & BIKE RODEO

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ALADDIN AND THE MAGIC LAMP Saturday, April 13th 10:30AM

Professional theater for children. This musical production will delight all. Set in ancient Persia this exciting production of The Arabian Nights' most famous tale comes alive with music, magic and mayhem. **Tickets:** \$5 in advance / \$10 at the door. Pre-sale tickets are sold at the Weston Community Center. **Performance:** Cypress Bay High School Theater



MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK – Free! Saturday, April 13th 8:00PM Note time change MADAGASCAR 3 – EUROPE'S MOST WANTED

Alex the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Gloria the Hippo, and Melman the Giraffe are still fighting to get home to New York. This time the journey will take them to a traveling circus in Europe. **Location:** Event Stage next to the Community Center in the Weston Regional Park. Bring lawn chairs or blankets, then relax, the movie is on us!



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, April 15th 7:00PM

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission. **Location:** Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.



THE DALLAS BRASS Saturday, April 20th 8:00PM

Founded in 1983, the Dallas Brass has become one of America's foremost musical ensembles. The group has established a unique blend of traditional brass instruments with a full complement of drums and percussion, which creates a performing entity of extraordinary range and musical challenges. The Dallas Brass repertoire includes classical masterpieces, Dixieland, swing, Broadway, Hollywood and patriotic

music. A Dallas Brass concert is intended for the entire family; the ideal audience ranges from 5 to 95. After a daytime Clinic for high school musicians, and a rehearsal, students are invited to join the ensemble onstage at the evening performance to perform one piece.

Tickets are available at the Weston Community Center, 954-389-4321 and the Community Bank of Broward in Weston; \$20 in advance / \$30 at the door / \$10 student in advance / \$15 student at the door.

Location: The Cypress Bay Theater, 18600 Vista Park Blvd., Weston – free parking.





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QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICKUP

Wed., April 24th, Thur., April 25th OR Fri., April 26th for Single Family Homes and Sat., April 27th for Multi-Family with Dumpsters

Bulk pickup will take place on your *regularly scheduled garbage collection day* only. Items should be placed curbside by 7AM (do not block access to the garbage cart). For Details: http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/BulkPickup.aspx



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/EmailSubsciptions.aspx.



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.