



March 11, 2014

## WONDERFUL WEATHER AND WONDERFUL CROWD FOR THE POPS CONCERT AT WESTON TOWN CENTER

On March 9<sup>th</sup>, over 500 families and friends enjoyed the free twilight concert of pops and light classics performed by the full Symphony of Americas orchestra under the baton of Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese. The Symphony played music from favorite Broadway shows, movies and hum-along favorites!



Presented by the City of Weston, the Arts Council of Greater Weston, the Weston Philharmonic Society and Weston Town Center. Thanks to all!



## WESTON FIRE STATION 81 Fire Rescue Public Education Visits

### Temple Dor Dorim:

On February 9<sup>th</sup>, Firefighters from Station 67, and Life Safety Educator Melanie Oren visited Temple Dor Dorim for a fun filled afternoon of activities, bunker gear races, and fire truck tours. This was a great opportunity for kids to have fun while learning about all that firefighters do to help the public and serve their communities.



### Weston Learning Academy

On February 28<sup>th</sup>, the children of Weston Learning Academy received a visit from Station 67, Engine Crew and Life Safety Educator Melanie Oren. The kids learned about fire safety, who to call and when to call if there is an emergency, toured the fire truck, and took pictures to capture the exciting moment. We appreciate our Weston community partners in helping us share very important fire safety information with their kids.



Interested in a tour or  
group fire safety  
presentation?

Call Fire Administration  
at 954-389-2015.



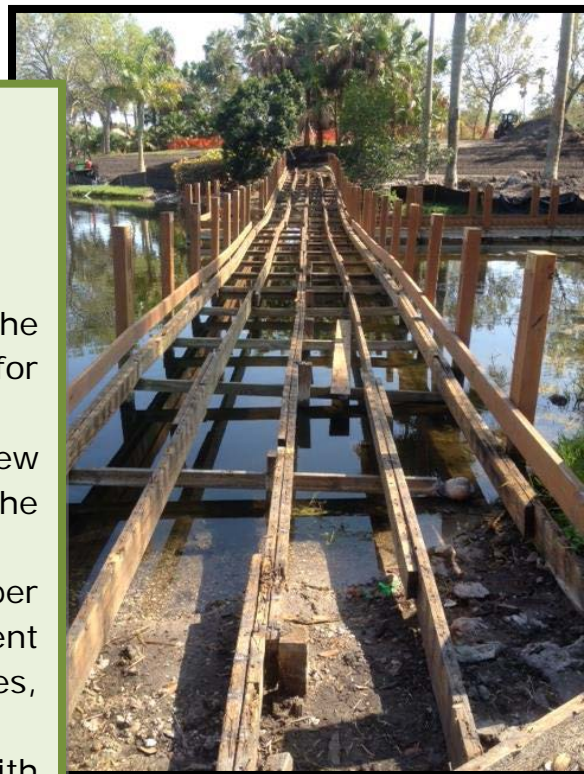
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## PEACE MOUND PARK Construction Update

Since February 27, 2014, Peace Mound Park has been undergoing construction improvements that are starting to reflect the new appearance designed for the park.

### Some of the construction work in progress includes:

- Walkway elevations being finalized
- Relocation of trees
- Improved shading towards the north end of the park by trees being positioned specifically for maximum coverage
- Preparation for concrete to be poured for new stairs that will lead from the parking lot to the playground
- Site work for a larger playground with rubber surfacing that will provide for excellent accessibility for visitors in wheelchairs, crutches, strollers, etc.
- Removal of the wooden bridge along with examination of the structure to make sure it is sound before installing the new decking



For more information about Peace Mound Park, please call **Weston Parks and Recreation** at **954-389-4321**.

Stay informed with Peace Mound Park Project progress at [http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/Peace\\_Mound\\_Park\\_Blog.pdf](http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/Peace_Mound_Park_Blog.pdf)





## URGE SUPPORT OF AFFORDABLE FLOOD INSURANCE RATES

Weston's Assistant City Manager/Finance Director David Keller is urging homeowners to call or email their U.S. House Representative and urge them to vote YES on the Homeowner Flood Insurance Affordability Act of 2014, supporting affordable insurance rates for residents.



The bill (H.R. 3370 as amended) contains measures to stop or slow skyrocketing flood insurance premium rate increases for some properties called for by the Biggert-Waters Act of 2012 (BW-12). The intent of the Act was good. It was aimed at assuring the solvency of the National Flood Insurance Program, requiring FEMA to adjust flood premiums to reflect the true flood risk. The amended legislation (H.R. 3370) will delay the implementation of rate increases until FEMA completes the affordability study and to undertake any other such amendments to BW-12 that will keep flood insurance rates affordable for primary, non-primary and business properties while balancing the fiscal solvency of the program.

The Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 (BW-12) is a law passed by Congress and signed by the president in 2012 that extends the National Flood Insurance Program for five years, while requiring significant program reform.

Florida has more than two million National Flood Insurance Program policies meaning Floridians will be hit hard by the Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012 due to the dramatic flood insurance rates that are coming as a result.

For Weston residents, Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz represents this district and her contact information is below. For business owners who may reside in another district, use the link provided on this webpage of the National League of Cities to locate your Representative. <http://cqrcengage.com/nlc/app/make-a-call?0&engagementId=41671>

Mr. Keller is well versed on the financial impacts of legislative decisions. He is a member of the Legislative Committee of the Florida Government Finance Officers Association, the Fiscal Sustainability Committee of the Broward League of Cities, a Finance and Taxation subcommittee member of the Legislative Committee of the Florida League of Cities and the Debt Committee of the Government and Finance Officers Association as well as other organizations.

### United States House of Representatives, District 23

Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz 954-437-3936 / 202-225-7931

[www.house.gov/wassermanschultz](http://www.house.gov/wassermanschultz)

10100 Pines Blvd., Pembroke Pines, FL 33025

118 Cannon HB, Washington, D.C. 20510



## NAVIGATING A ROUNDABOUT

Roundabouts are constructed to slow traffic and make roadways safer for motorists, pedestrians and cyclists. **Here is a reminder of the protocols and traffic laws regarding the use of a roundabout.**

### Vehicles

#### 1. Yield at Entry

As you approach there will be a yield sign and dashed yield limit line. Slow down, watch for pedestrians and bicyclists, and be prepared to stop if necessary. Yield to circulating traffic on the left, but do not stop if the way is clear.

#### 2. Slow Down

Drive at a slow speed through the roundabout. The posted speed limit in the roundabout is **15 mph.**

#### 3. Yield to Pedestrians

Pedestrians have the right of way as in any other marked crosswalk.

#### 4. Yield to Bicycles

Bicyclists have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists when in the roundabout. Do not turn in front of a bicycle when exiting the roundabout.

#### 5. Yield to Emergency Vehicles

Pull over **after** exiting the roundabout. Do not stop while still inside the roundabout.

### Pedestrians

#### 1. Use Roundabout Crosswalks

Walk around the perimeter of the roundabout, using the crosswalks. Do not cross the roadway to the central island.

#### 2. Watch for Traffic

Look and listen for approaching vehicle traffic and bicycle traffic. Choose a safe time to cross. Try to make eye contact with approaching drivers.

### Bicycles

#### 1. Ride with Traffic

While roundabouts do not have striped bike lanes, traffic moves slowly, allowing cyclists and motorists to more effectively share space. Merge into the appropriate travel lane as you approach the roundabout, proceed through the roundabout, and merge back onto the shoulder after exiting the roundabout.

#### 2. Share Sidewalk with Walkers

The roundabout has a wide sidewalk for cyclists and pedestrians to share. Cyclists must yield to pedestrians on the sidewalk.



The new roundabout at Saddle Club Road & Lakeview Drive is complete.



## WESTON CLEVELAND CLINIC

### Participates In Largest Nationwide Alzheimer's Disease Prevention Trial



Researchers at Cleveland Clinic in Weston are participating in a new clinical trial designed to test the effectiveness of using a currently-approved diabetes drug to prevent the development of Alzheimer's disease in people who are predisposed to develop the condition.

The trial is called TOMMORROW, a Phase 3, double-blind, placebo-controlled study and is the nation's largest prevention clinical trial for Alzheimer's disease.

The trial examines if the drug pioglitazone (AD-4833), currently FDA approved to treat Type 2 diabetes, reduces inflammation and has a protective effect in the brain that can prevent high risk-patients from developing mild cognitive disorder and Alzheimer's disease.

This trial is an example of a repositioning project, where researchers take an approved drug and study it in a new use or condition.

Researchers at Cleveland Clinic will screen hundreds of people with the goal of enrolling about 120 participants.

- Participates must be cognitively normal, exhibiting no symptoms of memory impairment, and between 65-83 years old.
- All participates must undergo a genetic blood test, which will determine if the individual has a higher or lower possible genetic risk to develop the disease.

Alzheimer's disease is an incredibly important health issue especially with Florida being home to nearly 10 percent of individuals in the United States who suffer with the disease, and, with a large senior population, it's an ideal community to draw participates for this trial.

**For more information on this trial and Cleveland Clinic Florida, please call 954-659-6428 or toll free, 1-844-259-8742.**



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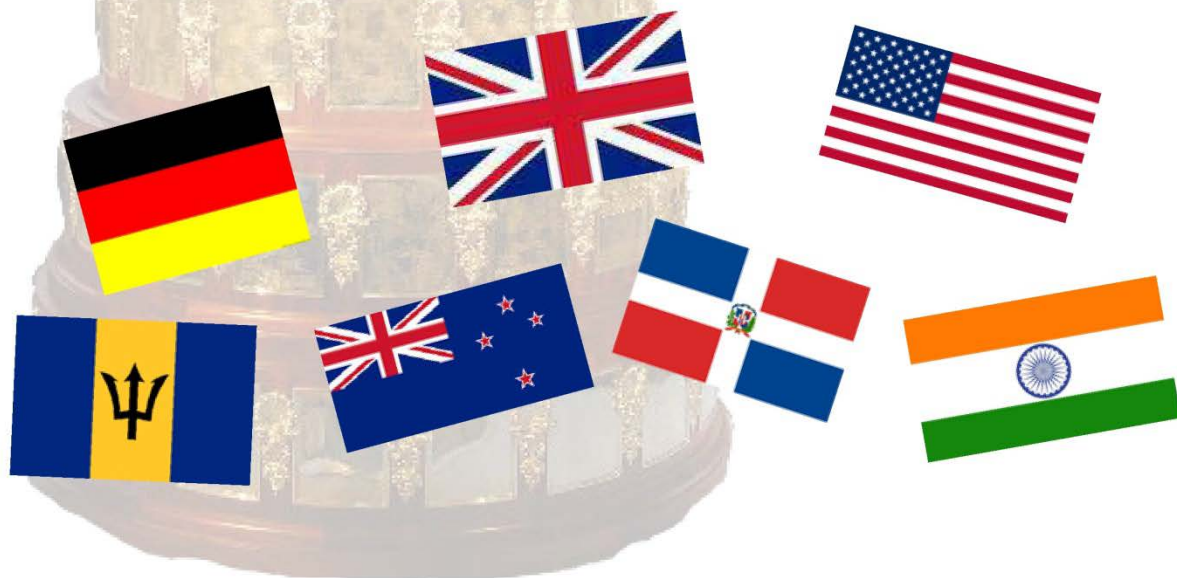
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## WESTON TENNIS CENTER

# WESTON CUP

## TEAM TENNIS CHALLENGE

at Weston Tennis Center  
Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup>



Come join us for our Davis Cup-style Team Challenge for singles, doubles and mixed! Each event will earn teams points which will determine the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place teams, who will all win prizes! Refreshments will also be provided.

**Price:**  
**\$30 per person**

To sign up, please contact Rudy Nunez  
at (954) 389-8666 or email [r.nunez@cliffdrysdale.com](mailto:r.nunez@cliffdrysdale.com)



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## WESTON FAMILY FUN RIDE AND BIKE RODEO

Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm-5:00pm

Weston Regional Park



### Open Family Fun Ride: 2:00 pm- 4:00 pm

Calling children and parents/guardians of all ages with a bike... join us at the Weston Family Fun Ride! There will be approximately 1-, 2- and 3- mile loop options for riders (children under 18 must have helmet). 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 the Weston Regional Park roundabout, south to just before the church driveway.

**Promo Video** <http://youtu.be/7F7dCGZ63xw>

### Bike Rodeo

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



**Teen Challenge** will take place throughout the day. It will be a Skills & Obstacle Course to include a slow man challenge and limbo pole as well as ramps to test biking skills and balance.



**BMX Stunt Show** will be presented at **3:30PM** by Perfection on Wheels, a BMX Pro Trick Team that specializes in presentations for students and schools. Amazing high flying stunts and skills combined with bike safety education and anti-bullying messages.

### **Additional Family Fun:**

Music, bounce houses, bike safety information, give-aways, and concession food available for purchase.

**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](http://www.westonfl.org).





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- Make healthy food choices and manage weight
- Solve problems and make informed treatment decisions
- Communicate better with family and health professionals
- Use relaxation techniques
- Manage pain and fatigue

**FRIDAYS**  
**12:00PM-2:30PM**  
**March 7, 14, 21, 28**  
**April 4 & 11, 2014**  
**Teen Center**

**SNACKS &  
REFRESHMENTS**  
**Will be served**

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Open to members & non-members



**Weston YMCA**  
**Family Center**

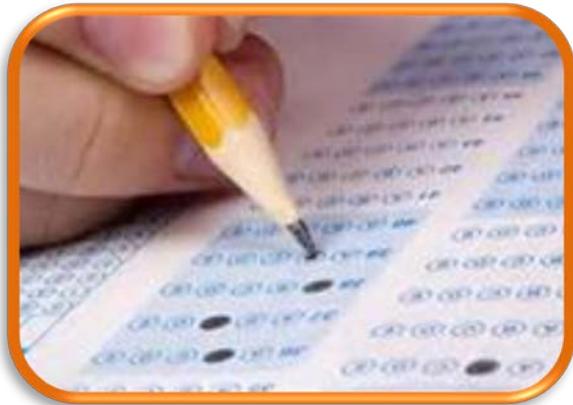
20201 Saddle Club Road  
Weston, FL 33327

Register at the front desk by March 3<sup>rd</sup>





## SAT PREP COURSE BEGINS IN APRIL FOR THE JUNE 7<sup>th</sup> TEST



The Weston Community Center offers 8-week SAT Preparatory Courses. The next session begins in April and will prepare you for the **JUNE 7<sup>th</sup> SAT TEST**. Instructed by Jeff Steinberg, this course prepares students for all facets of the College Board exam.

The class thoroughly reviews content of what is tested and exposes students to numerous insightful strategies for scoring well on the SAT.

Jeff Steinberg is a former University of Miami SAT Preparation Course Developer, instructor and teacher trainer as well as a former full time advisor and instructor of college preparatory and study skills courses and recipient of excellence award at Miami Dade College.

*Results from this course have produced an overall average increase of 200 points; 330 points for students who complete all homework!*

### **SPRING CLASS OFFERINGS FOR THE JUNE 7<sup>th</sup> TEST**

MORNING CLASS:	Begins April 13 <sup>th</sup> on Sundays	10:30am – 1:00pm
EVENING CLASS:	Begins April 17 <sup>th</sup> on Thursdays	7:15pm – 9:45pm
CLASS LOCATION:	Weston Community Center, 20200 Saddle Club Road	
AGES:	15-20 years old	

**Class cost is \$475 for entire 8 week course and all materials.**

For more information or to enroll, please contact Jeff Steinberg, at 954-478-0792 or email [jeffly1968@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffly1968@yahoo.com).

For a complete list of Classes and Events at the Community Center, please visit [www.westonfl.org](http://www.westonfl.org) or call 954-389-4321.



## UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS



### **FREE PUPPET SHOW: THE TORTOISE AND THE HARE**

**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 1:30PM & 3:00PM**

Free Event! A modernized version of Aesop's fable about a great race between a loveable tortoise and an arrogant hare. *Best for children ages Pre-K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade.*

**Location:** Weston Community Center, 20200 Saddle Club Road, 954-389-4321.



### **FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK SMURFS 2**

**Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM**

The evil wizard Gargamel creates a couple of mischievous Smurf-lie creatures he hopes will harness the magical Smurf-essence.

**Location:** Outdoors at the Event Stage in the Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road, 954-389-4321.

**Bring lawn chairs or blankets, the movie is on us!**



### **WESTON FAMILY FUN RIDE & BIKE RODEO** **Sunday, March 16<sup>th</sup> 2:00PM-5:00PM**

**Events include:** Family Recreational Ride on a closed roadway; Kids Bike Rodeo (3 age groups); professional BMX Stunt Show at 3:30pm; Teen Bike Challenge; Bike Safety Education; Bike & Helmet Safety Checks. There will be bounce houses, give away's, ice cream for riders and more!

**Location:** Weston Regional Park at the basketball courts.  
**Enter park via Saddle Club Road, as a portion of South Post Road will be closed for the Family Fun Ride**

The Kids Bike Rodeo will be conducted by BSO - these rodeos are clinics to teach children the importance of riding safely and what skills & precautions they need to develop to have a fun and safe time on their bikes. **Age groups:** Toddler – 12 years.

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**CLICK ON PAGE FOR MORE EVENTS!!!**



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**The Teen Challenge** will take place throughout the day. It will be a Skills & Obstacle Course to include a slow man challenge and limbo pole as well as ramps to test biking skills and balance. You must have your bike AND a helmet to participate.

**Open Family Fun Ride** available from **2pm-4pm** on South Post Road from the Weston Regional Park roundabout to approx. Swan Lake Boulevard. Music and wrist bands give out along the way. Show your wrist bands when finished and receive an extra gift!

**Bring bicycles, tricycles or big wheels and helmets**  
For additional info: [www.westonfl.org](http://www.westonfl.org) or 954-389-4321  
**Promo video:** <http://youtu.be/7F7dCGZ63xw>



## CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM

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

**INSPECTION DEPARTMENT CLOSURES**  
On Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> there will be **no inspections or reviews** from the following departments due to educational requirements:  
Structural      Electrical  
Plumbing      Mechanical  
The Building Department will be open to drop off plans

## NO INSPECTIONS OR PLAN REVIEWS

Wed., March 26<sup>th</sup> & Thur., March 27<sup>th</sup>

There will be no building department inspections or plan reviews on these dates due to mandated educational training. The Building Department will be open to drop off plans and other business. Weston Building Department 954-385-0500.



## **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. Call **954-389-2015** to schedule this FREE service for our Weston residents.



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## **REGISTER FOR CodeRED TODAY**

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. To register, visit

[www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx](http://www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx).