



2014 WESTON BIKE EVENT A HIGH FLYING SUCCESS WITH FAMILY BIKING AND SKILL COURSE PERFECTION



On a gorgeous Weston Sunday, hundreds of families headed out to the Weston Regional Park for this year's Weston Family Fun Ride & Bike Rodeo which also featured a heart pounding BMX Stunt Show.

On March 16, 2014 children lined the basketball courts for their turn at one of BSO's three Bike Rodeos or the Teen Challenge. While the bike rodeos taught children the basics of biking safety and roadway signage, the Teen Challenge tested skills and agility.



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The family fun ride provided a closed roadway along South Post Road for parents with children of any age to enjoy safe, fun group riding. Those who made it to any of the three distance stations were given wrist bands with bike safety messages, then received a reflective City of Weston bike bag and a ticket for an ice-cream – it doesn't get much better than that!



March is Florida Bicycle Month and Weston residents showed their affinity for the use of non-motorized transportation.







WESTON UNIVERSITY CLASS 2014 COMPLETES FINAL PROGRAM DAY

March 18, 2014



Students participating in this year's Weston University program partook in their final regularly scheduled program day on Wednesday, March 12th. They learned about fiscal responsibility and how the City of Weston's finance department manages the city's budget.

The students began their day at City Hall where they were greeted by Assistant City Manager/Chief Financial Officer,

David Keller, Budget Director, Bryan Cahen and Cindy Tao, Accounting Manager. Mr. Keller, Mr. Cahen and Ms. Tao provided the students with an overview of how the city's budget is managed and approved by the City Commission each fiscal year. In addition, students had the opportunity to offer suggestions on establishing tax rates and the allocation of resources to provide various services for Weston's residents.

After a reenergizing outdoor lunch, students began preparing for their upcoming City Commission Simulation taking place on Wednesday, April 16th at 9:30 a.m. at City Hall. Director of Communication, Denise Barrett explained to the students the formatting of the mock meeting.



From Mayor to City Commissioners, City staff, and lawyers, the students have all been assigned roles to partake in a mock City Commission meeting. Utilizing what they have learned over the past nine months, they will actually debate and vote on real items brought before



Weston city commissioners in years' past.



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REGIONAL PARK'S VOLLEYBALL COURTS HAVE NEW LIGHTS FOR NIGHT TIME PLAY!



The Weston Regional Park is happy to announce that the three sand volleyball courts are now lit for evening play.

The courts are located to the rear of the basketball courts just inside the entrance to the Weston Regional Park. Whether volleyball is your sport of choice or you're just looking for a fun activity with friends and family, come on out and play. No reservations are needed.

For more information on the City's parks, please visit <http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/ParksAndRecreation/ParksAndRecreationHome.aspx>.



DOES YOUR CHILD NEED A SCHOOL PROJECT IDEA? Weston City Information is available on our website!

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Welcome to The City of Weston Weston is a family-oriented, master-planned community that strives to embrace each and every resident. Weston's well managed growth has given rise to one of South Florida's most desirable communities, both residential and corporate.

With a culturally diverse population, Weston is comprised of the finest residential neighborhoods, and a diverse corporate, commercial and retail environment. We are a safe community with A-rated public schools, superior parks and recreational facilities, a progressive government that is financially strong and a community-wide appearance that cities around the world wish to emulate.

We welcome you to our site. You will see why thousands of families and businesses take great pride in calling Weston their home.

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Did you know that the City of Weston website – www.westonfl.org – is a great resource for school projects, history buffs or just anyone interested to see and understand the development of the Weston community?

Information on the following is only a click away on the **About Weston** landing page:

- Visitor's Guide
- Video Tour
- The City's History
- Weston Demographics
- Ratings and Rankings and Awards
- By the Numbers
- Geography
- Aerial Photo Archive of Weston

You may find the **About Weston** page at:

<http://www.westonfl.org/Residents/AboutWeston/AboutWestonHome.aspx>.



"BROWARD MEANS BUSINESS" INITIATIVE OFFERS FREE LOAN SEMINARS

South Florida businesses encouraged to learn about financing opportunities



Broward County is pleased to announce the Business Loan Seminar Series. This series is designed to increase awareness about the State of Florida's loan programs for the benefit of small businesses. There will be five free seminars conducted by subject matter experts.

Attendees can expect to leave the seminar with a working knowledge of Florida's [State Small Business Credit Initiative \(SSBCI\)](#), which was created as part of the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010. Florida was allocated more than \$97.6 million by the United States Department of Treasury to implement the SSBCI. States can use these funds for programs that leverage private lending to creditworthy small businesses to expand and create jobs.

The **Business Loan Seminar** series is presented by Broward County Mayor Barbara Sharief and the [Office of Economic and Small Business Development](#) in conjunction with the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Enterprise Florida and Florida First Capital Finance Corporation (FFCFC).

Business Loan Seminar Series Schedule

Saturday, March 29th | 10:30am – 12:00pm Southwest Regional Library
Speaker: Anthony Ferretti, Florida First Capital Finance Corporation

Saturday, April 12th | 10:30am – 12:00pm Miramar Branch Library
Speaker: Anthony Ferretti, Florida First Capital Finance Corporation

Thursday, April 17th | 6:00pm - 7:30pm Broward County Governmental Ctr.
Speaker: David Rodriguez, Enterprise Florida

Saturday, May 24th | 10:30 am – 12:00 pm Hallandale Beach Branch Library
Featured Speaker: David Rodriguez, Enterprise Florida

Saturday, June 21st | 10:30 am – 12:00 pm Southwest Regional Library
Speaker: Jennifer Schrader, Florida Department of Economic Opportunity

For more information visit,
<http://www.broward.org/EconDev/Pages/Default.aspx>
or call Mayor Sharief's office at 954-357-7008.



CONSUMER SERVICES WEBSITE Florida Department of Financial Services

The State of Florida's Division of Consumer Services provides an easily navigated website and information on 26 categories of insurance.

The Division wants residents and businesses to know that their insurance specialists can assist you by taking the lead in working with your insurance company to resolve insurance issues, review coverage options and ensure the claim is processed in a timely and appropriate manner.

Also available are Consumer Guides with comprehensive overviews on specific lines of insurance and an On Demand library of educational videos and presentations of financial and insurance topics.



- Having trouble settling your insurance claim?
- Is your insurance company giving you the run around?
- Was your insurance claim denied? Do you think you are owed more?
- Not sure of your rights as a consumer?

Let the Division of Consumer Services take on your fight.

Call the toll-free helpline at 1-877-693-5236 for assistance or with questions.

Visit the informational website at www.MyFloridaCFO.com/Division/Consumers.



BE CAUTIOUS WHEN HEADING TO THE BEACH *SEA TURTLE NESTING SEASON IS UNDER WAY*

Sea turtle nesting season began on March 1st and will continue through October 31st. These large marine reptiles have begun visiting Broward County's beaches and, as a precaution, Broward County Environmental Protection and Growth Management Department wants to inform beach residents and users to be aware!

Threatened and endangered sea turtle mothers come ashore at night to deposit their egg clutches and then they return to sea. If you are on the beach at night and see a large turtle coming ashore, watch from a distance and avoid the urge to get closer.



After a short incubation period, hatchling sea turtles will leave the nest with their instinct to head in the direction of the brightest horizon. On our beaches, under natural conditions, this would be east toward the ocean due to the dark silhouettes of dunes and a starlit illuminated ocean. However, artificial lights toward the west can confuse hatchlings and cause them to search for the ocean in the

wrong direction. If members of the public see hatchling turtles heading in the wrong direction they should call the sea turtle emergency response cell phone at 954-328-0580.

Members of the public wishing to participate in organized tours to witness the nesting ritual can contact the Broward County Sea Turtle Conservation Program at [954-519-1255](tel:954-519-1255) for more information.



SAVE THE DATE FOR THE CITY'S ANNUAL ROYAL EGG HUNT – SUNDAY, APRIL 19th!

THE CITY OF WESTON 2014 ROYAL EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 19th

10:00 am - Sharp!

Egg Hunts for children ages 10 and under

Weston Regional Park
20200 Saddle Club Road
Baseball Fields #1 through #4

There will be 20,000 candy-filled eggs for the taking! Bring your own basket and search for the golden eggs!

For more information, please contact the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321 or visit www.westonfl.org.

Don't be late!

It is recommended to arrive by 9:15 am to have enough time to park and find your age appropriate field.

All Egg Hunts will begin at exactly 10:00am.

After the Egg Hunt, take photos with the Royal Bunny, enjoy the bounce houses and have fun!





JOIN THE CHESS CLUB FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AT THE WESTON COMMUNITY CENTER

Why Chess? Because chess develops great mental skills: self confidence, motivation, imagination, intuition, concentration, memory, logical and critical thinking, and reasoning skills. Learn the game in a new exciting interactive way. Open to all skill levels.

The class is taught at various levels for beginning players through advanced, experienced players. Visit www.chessartkids.com or call Julian Banos at 954-650-2562 for more information.

DATES: Ongoing
DAY/TIME: Monday from 4:45pm – 5:45pm
AGES: Boys and Girls, any age!
COST: \$85 for 4 weeks
LOCATION: Weston Community Center
20200 Saddle Club Road



The Community Center, located inside the Weston Regional Park, offers a wide variety of classes and activities for all ages.

For a complete listing of all classes, please visit the City's website at www.westonfl.org or call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321.

Don't miss out on this great new class! Sign up today!



FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT®
FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

SPRING BREAK CAMP 2014

Ages 5 to 12

Time: 9:00–4:00

Free am/pm care 7:30–9:00 am 4:00–5:45 pm

Join your friends and have a blast at the Y's Spring Break Camp
We have a full day of fantastic instructional activities that include:
Sports, Science, Nutrition and Rock Climbing.

Sign up by the day or week.

Dates:

- Monday, March 24
- Tuesday, March 25
- Wednesday, March 26
- Thursday, March 27
- Friday, March 28





Fee: Y Members: \$170
Fee: Y Members per day: \$35

Regular Price: \$205 for the week
Regular Price per day: \$45

*Please make sure to pack two healthy snacks, refillable water bottle, lunch, bathing suit, towel and sunscreen.

******Additional \$5.00 fee to register day of the program**

YMCA OF BROWARD COUNTY
Weston YMCA Family Center
20201 Saddle Club Road
Weston, Florida 33327
954.424-9622

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ymcabroward.org





UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS



INSPECTION DEPARTMENT CLOSURES

On Wednesday, March 26th and Thursday, March 27th 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 26th & Thur., March 27th

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. The Weston Building Department 954-385-0500.



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, April 7th 7:00PM

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



FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

RISE OF THE GUARDIANS

Saturday, April 12th 8:00PM

A group of the greatest heroes – Santa, the Easter Bunny, the Tooth Fairy, the Sandman and Jack Frost band together to defeat an evil spirit bent on inspiring fear in children.

Animated feature / 1hr 37min

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!



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After the Egg Hunt, take photos with the Royal Bunny, enjoy the bounce houses and have fun!

WESTON ROYAL EGG HUNT

Saturday, April 19th 10:00AM

For ages 10 and under, there will be 20,000 candy filled eggs scattered on baseball fields #1 thru #4 with age categories. Bring a basket or bag and look for some special "golden" eggs and claim a prize!

ALL EGG HUNTS GO OFF AT 10:00AM SHARP

Arrive early to park and find your age appropriate field. Bounce houses and photos with the Royal Bunny after.

Location: Weston Regional Park, Baseball fields 1-4

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QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICKUP

Single Family: Wednesday, April 23 , Thursday, April 24, or Friday, April 25th

Multi-Family: *Saturday, April 26th

Bulk trash will be picked up **on your regularly scheduled collection day**. For more information, call 954-385-2600.



DISASTER PREPAREDNESS SYMPOSIUM

Wednesday, May 7th 6:00PM-8:00PM

Free symposium will offer residents and business the opportunity to learn about the current hurricane forecast, what you can expect during and after a disaster in Broward County and the City. Refreshments will be served.

Guest Speakers: Mr. Stacey Stewart, Senior Hurricane Specialist, NOAA, National Hurricane Center, Miami
Mr. Chuck Lanza, Broward County Emergency Management Director, and Mr. John R. Flint, Weston City Manager.

Location: Bonaventure Town Center, 16690 Saddle Club Road – Theater room. Info or RSVP: 954-389-2015



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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Newsday Tuesday: A collection of city news articles, information and events.

General Notifications: Updates on construction projects; media releases; sports registrations and events.

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REGISTER FOR CodeRED TODAY

All residents and businesses should register with the City's Code**RED** Emergency Notification System. The City will only send out a message on Code**RED** in an emergency situation. To register, visit

www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx.