



## BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH



In the United States, breast cancer is the most common non-skin cancer and the second leading cause of cancer-related death in women. Early detection of breast cancer improves the chances that breast cancer can be diagnosed at an early stage and treated successfully, so it is important for all women to get timely mammograms.

In honor of **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**, Commissioner Angel Gomez, Commissioner Toby Feuer, Mayor Daniel Stermer, Commissioner Jim Norton and Commissioner Tom Kallman are all wearing the pink ribbon that represents breast cancer awareness and encourage women to schedule a mammogram for early detection of breast cancer.



### Detecting Breast Cancer

A mammogram is an x-ray of the breast and can be used to check for breast cancer in women who have no signs or symptoms of the disease. Getting a high-quality screening mammogram and having a clinical breast exam (an exam done by a health care provider) on a regular basis are the most effective ways to detect breast cancer early.

For more information about Breast Cancer Awareness, please visit

[www.nationalbreastcancer.org](http://www.nationalbreastcancer.org).



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## **FIRE SAFETY MONTH KICKS OFF!**

### **Life Safety Educator Melanie Oren and Fire Rescue Crews visit local schools**

Fire Safety Month has kicked off with a great start! Weston Fire Rescue Crews and Life Safety Educator Melanie Oren have already made their presence with the students at Cambridge School, Sagemont School and Gator Run Elementary to share the importance of fire safety and prevention.

Students that participated in the fire safety lesson were also given the opportunity to tour the fire truck and submit an entry into the 2014 Fire Safety Month Poster Contest.

The poster contest theme is "Working Smoke Alarms Save Lives. Test Yours Every Month." All the students and teachers that participate in the contest will be recognized and winning students will receive fun prizes from BSO Weston Fire Rescue.



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**For more information about  
Fire Safety Lessons  
with LSE Melanie Oren,  
please call 954-831-8210.**







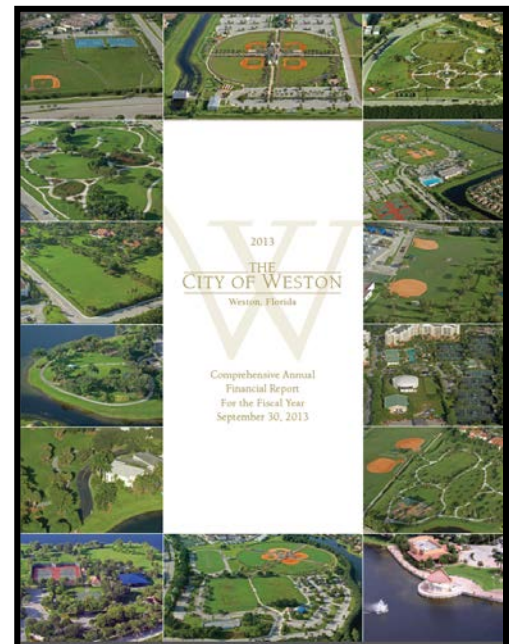
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## WESTON ONCE AGAIN AWARDED CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR EXCELLENCE IN FINANCIAL REPORTING

For the 16<sup>th</sup> consecutive year, the City of Weston has been awarded the **Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting** (CAFR) for its comprehensive annual financial report for the Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2013. The award, presented by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the U.S. and Canada, is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting.

### CAFR Program

The GFOA established the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Program in 1945 to encourage and assist state and local governments to go beyond the minimum requirements of generally accepted accounting principles, to prepare comprehensive annual financial reports that evidence the spirit of transparency and full disclosure and then to recognize individual governments that succeed in achieving that goal.



**Take a look.** Click on the CAFR cover above to take you to the document online on the Weston website, [www.westonfl.org](http://www.westonfl.org).

Congratulations are in order for the Weston Financial Services Staff:

**Cindy Tao, Accounting Manager**  
**Ana Rodriguez, Accounts Payable**  
**Dana Sampson, Accounts Receivable**  
**led by**  
**David Keller, Assistant City Manager/CFO.**



## IT'S ALMOST TIME FOR THE MAYOR'S GET FIT CHALLENGE CUP FAMILY HEALTH WALK December 14<sup>th</sup>

Mayor Daniel Stermer is challenging Weston's youngest residents to help win the 2014 Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup for their elementary school.

The Mayor and City Commissioners would like to see every student in Weston and their family, participate in the **Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup/1-Mile Family Health Walk**.



**Date:** Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup>  
**Time:** 9:00 AM  
**Location:** Weston Town Center  
1900 Bell Tower Lane

**The Challenge and Prizes:** The challenge is to get as many students and family members as possible signed up under your Weston elementary school name. The school with the largest number of participants (based on a percentage of their enrollment) will win the 2014 Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup **AND** a \$1,500 cash prize from the Rotary Club of Weston for the school. There will also be a \$1,000 for the second place school!



The registration form will be available at all of the schools or can be accessed at [www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2014\\_Run\\_Registration\\_Form.pdf](http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2014_Run_Registration_Form.pdf).

After the 1-Mile Family Health Walk there will be tons of fun for kids and parents alike when the free Get Fit Fest kicks off! For more information, visit [www.westonfl.org](http://www.westonfl.org).







## NEW POLICE AND FIRE NON-EMERGENCY NUMBER FOR BROWARD COUNTY



### Non-Emergency Fire and Police Assistance = **954-764-HELP**

As part of the County's regional consolidation of E911 dispatch in Broward, which is completed as of October 1, 2014, all Broward County residents, **with the exception of residents of Plantation and Coral Springs**, have a new number to call for police and fire non-emergencies. Beginning October 1st, the new number for residents to request non-emergency fire and police assistance is **954-764-HELP**.

Residents should only call **911** in any threatening situation, to save a life, report a fire or stop a crime. The new number is part of changes resulting from the regional consolidation of 911, which is resulting in many public safety benefits including a more efficient 911 infrastructure and dispatch operation, with performance that meets or exceeds current standards. Ten emergency public safety answering points have been consolidated into three, located in Coconut Creek, Sunrise and Pembroke Pines.





## QUARTERLY BULK TRASH PICKUP IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD - OCTOBER

**FREE** Bulk Pickup takes place on your *regularly scheduled garbage collection day* and items should be curbside by 7:00am on that day.

Single Family Homes  
and Multi-Family Units  
with Curbside Collection:

Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

Multi-Family Units  
with Dumpsters:

Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

### **Bulk items include but are not limited to:**

- Furniture, mattresses, carpets and other large household items.
- Large and small appliances, such as dishwashers, laundry machines and stoves.
- Refrigerators or air conditioners must have Freon removed by a certified dealer.
- Mirrors, glass, glass top tables, windowpanes, and plate glass items should be safely placed in a rigid container to facilitate safe collection.

**NOT COLLECTED:** Bulk items DO NOT include contractor-generated material, or vegetative waste (landscape materials) or household hazardous waste (HHW). There will be a HHW collection event on May 18<sup>th</sup> in Weston at the Public Works Center. Vegetative/Landscape waste is collected with your regular garbage collection.

### **BEFORE YOU THROW – CONSIDER DONATING:**

Help those in need, keep items out of the waste stream, **and** get a tax deduction. Several national organizations will even pick-up directly from your residence – you don't have to wait for bulk pick-up day! There are many local, well-established charitable organizations that readily accept donated items.



For questions regarding bulk pickup please call the City of Weston Public Works Services Center at 954-385-2600 or visit our website at [www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/BulkPickup.aspx](http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/BulkPickup.aspx).



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

The screenshot shows the City of Weston website homepage. At the top, it says "THE CITY OF WESTON" and "Always WESTON MEDIA NETWORK". Below this is a navigation bar with links for "DEPARTMENTS", "RESIDENTS & VISITORS", "BUSINESSES", "EVENTS", and "CONTACT US", along with a search bar. The main content area includes a "HAPPENING NOW" section with news items like "EMS 'Go Packa!' Available - Perfect for Elderly, Ill and Children who Stay Home Alone" and "Weston Community Center's Class Schedule is Online". There are also social media links for CodeRED Enrollment and Twitter. A "Spotlight" section highlights several key reports and updates, including the "2014 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report", "Peace Mound & Emerald Estates Park Updates", "City Manager's PROPOSED FY 2015 BUDGET", and a "NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING" for Natural Gas Service Public Hearings in September.

Did you know that the City of Weston website – [www.westonfl.org](http://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>.





## NATIONAL FRIEND OF THE LIBRARY WEEK OCTOBER 19<sup>th</sup> – OCTOBER 25<sup>th</sup>

*Thank you to all of our wonderful "Friends"*

The Friends of Broward County Library, Inc. is an "umbrella" organization of 32 local chapters. It has been instrumental in the growth of the library system since 1975, brings together the leaders of local Friends groups at meetings at the county, state and federal level; and helps to sustain county, state and federal funding for the library system.



Monthly meetings provide opportunities for Friends to share successful ideas and plan for the future. Advocacy efforts of board members include participation in Library Days in Tallahassee and trips to Washington while Congress is in session.

The Weston Friends of the Library Inc. was founded in 1993 and continues today to support library projects and public library advocacy. Ongoing services they provide include: book fairs, volunteer recognition events, library staff recognition events, participation in local special events and special projects at the library such as computer classes, language classes and art exhibits.

# ***JOIN THE WESTON FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GROUP TODAY!***

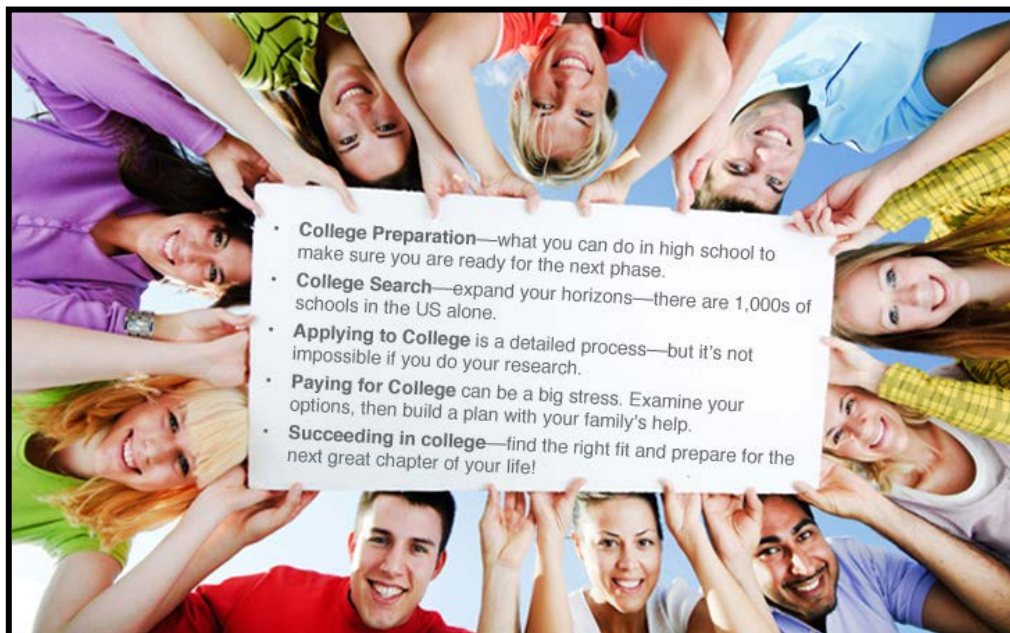
For more information, call 954-357-5420 or visit  
[www.broward.org/Library/Organizations/BCLFriends/Pages/FriendsWE.aspx](http://www.broward.org/Library/Organizations/BCLFriends/Pages/FriendsWE.aspx).



## NATIONAL COLLEGE FAIR

### Learn About College Options Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>

The Greater Fort Lauderdale National College Fair will be held on **Tuesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>** at the Greater Fort Lauderdale/Broward County Convention Center in Fort Lauderdale from 9AM to 12PM and 5:30PM to 8:30PM. This event is free and open to the public.



The Greater Fort Lauderdale National College Fair will provide valuable resources for students and parents attempting to navigate the college admission process.

As the process of applying to and selecting a college becomes more and more competitive and complex, students and parents need all the help/information they can receive.

The college fair will give students and parents the opportunity to meet one-on-one with admission representatives from a wide range of national and international, public and private, two-year and four-year colleges and universities.

Now in its 42<sup>nd</sup> year, the National College Fair program annually helps more than 675,000 students and families nationwide explore their options for higher education, making it one of the most visible college recruitment tools in the country.

**For complete information about the National College Fair or to pre-register, please call 754-321-2584 or visit [www.browardschools.com/collegefair](http://www.browardschools.com/collegefair).**





## SHOULD YOU EVACUATE?

### Who needs to evacuate in Broward County?

#### HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS – A Continuing Series

Don't wait until the last minute to decide what to do or where to go when a hurricane threatens. Generally, where you live and the location of the storm will usually determine whether you'll need to leave your home and/or your business.

#### Who needs to evacuate in Broward County?

**Plan A** (typically for a Category 1-2 hurricane): all residents in the area east of the Intracoastal Waterway should evacuate. Plan A evacuation zone residents may experience a storm surge 4-7 feet above sea level and winds from 74-110 miles per hour.

**Plan B** (typically a Category 3, 4, or 5 hurricane): all residents in the area east of U.S. 1/Federal Highway should evacuate. Plan B evacuation zone residents may experience a storm surge 7-11 feet above sea level and winds of 111 miles per hour or greater. NOTE: If you know someone living in these areas, consider offering your home as an evacuation destination.

Also, persons located in low lying areas or adjacent to tidal bodies of water should seek shelter elsewhere. All mobile home residents MUST evacuate in both Plan A and Plan B scenarios.

If you plan to evacuate outside of Broward County, leave early while the weather is still nice and be aware that roadways may be jammed and traffic slow moving. **Red Cross Hurricane Shelters typically open 4 hours after an evacuation is ordered.**



Decide on a specific place-either a family or friend's home outside the evacuation area, a hotel or a shelter. **Call (866) 438-4636 for the nearest Red Cross Emergency Shelter.**

If you have a pet, take it with you. If you go to a shelter, you must be pre-registered for a pet friendly shelter for your pet to join you. **Call the Humane Society of Broward County at (954) 989-3977 for more information.**

For more information, please visit

<http://www.broward.org/Hurricane/Pages/HurricaneEvacuationMap.aspx>.



## OPEN BRIDGE PLAY AND MAHJONG WESTON COMMUNITY CENTER ADULT PROGRAMS

### Open Bridge Play

**Dates:** Runs Continuously  
**Days:** Monday 12:30 pm-4:00 pm  
Wednesday 12:30 pm-3:30 pm  
Friday 12:30 pm-3:30 pm



Join the fun for social Bridge!

For more information on Mondays, please call Bernice Ross at 954-389-8756.

For more information on Wednesdays/Fridays, please call Mac Rosen at 954-385-3683.

### Open Mahjong

**Dates:** Runs Continuously  
**Days:** Thursday 11:30 am-3:30 pm



Join the fun on Thursdays for Mahjong.

For more information, please call Sandy Green at 954-446-6299.



For a complete list of programs at the Weston Community Center, please call 954-389-4321 or visit [www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/Class\\_Schedule.pdf](http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/Class_Schedule.pdf).





## UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS



### **CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM**

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.

**Location:** Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.



### **QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICKUP**

**October 22<sup>nd</sup> – October 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Single Family or Multi-family with curbside collection:**

Wednesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Thursday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> - or -

Friday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

**Multi-family with dumpsters:**

Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>

Pick up is on your regularly scheduled garbage collection day. For more information, call 954-385-2600.



### **TURN CLOCKS BACK – DAYLIGHT SAVING**

**Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 2:00AM**

It is suggested that you turn your clocks back on SATURDAY NIGHT, NOVEMBER 1<sup>st</sup> before going to bed. BSO Fire Rescue also recommends changing batteries in all smoke/carbon monoxide detectors/alarms.



### **GENERAL ELECTION**

**ELECTION DAY: November 4<sup>th</sup> 7AM-7PM**

**Early Voting: October 20<sup>th</sup> – November 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**Early Voting Locations/Times:** <http://www.browardsoe.org/>

Vote for Elected Offices, State Constitutional Amendments, County Question Reauthorizing Children's Services Council of Broward County, School District of Broward County General Obligation Bonds, City of Weston Charter Amendments.

View Ballot: <http://www.browardsoe.org/content.aspx?id=283>

**CLICK HERE FOR MORE EVENTS**



**THE MAGIC OF CIRQUE DE LA SYMPHONIE**  
**Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM**  
**TICKETS ON SALE NOW - THIS EVENT IS SURE TO SELL OUT!**

Artists include mesmerizing veterans of exceptional cirque programs throughout the world - acrobats, contortionists, dancers, jugglers, balancers and strong-men. Each selection is professionally choreographed to classical masterpieces and popular contemporary music in collaboration with the Symphony of the Americas orchestra under the Direction of James Brooks-Bruzzese.

**Location:** Cypress Bay Theater, 18600 Vista Park Blvd.  
**Tickets:** Advance tickets, \$20 adult/\$10 student, on sale at the Weston Community Center (954-389-4321) and the Community Bank of Broward.



**FOREIGN FILM SERIES BEGINS! ONLY HUMAN**  
**Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup> 5:00PM & 7:30PM**  
**Buy your series tickets today for all 5 films through March 2015!**

When a Spanish Jewish girl brings home her fiancé, Rafi, to meet her parents in Madrid, her family assumes he is also Jewish. He definitely is not. Hysterical pandemonium ensues. Spain/2004 – English subtitles

**Location:** Weston 8 Cinema, 1338 SW 160 Ave, Sunrise.  
**Tickets: \$30 for the entire series;** pre-purchase at the Weston Community Center, Community Bank of Broward and Friends Book Store in the Weston Library.



**VETERANS DAY**  
**Tuesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

All City Administrative Offices will be closed. All parks will be open; and there is regular garbage collection. Veterans Day is set aside to honor the members of our military, past and present. Please take a moment to give thanks to all of the men and women who have served in uniform to protect and serve our country.





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## FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

### **RIO 2**

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

It's a jungle out there for Blu, Jewel and their three kids after they're hurtled from Rio de Janeiro to the wilds of the Amazon.

**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!**



## CITY COMMISSION MEETING

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

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.  
*Swearing In Ceremony for elected commissioners.*

**Location:** Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.



## SAFE SELLING LOCATION FOR POTENTIAL ONLINE BUYERS/SELLERS

BSO's Weston district office's parking lot serves as a safe haven for the City's online buyers and sellers to meet. The Police Services Building is located at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard. The parking lot is accessible 24 hours a day.



## C.E.R.T. BASIC TRAINING PROGRAM - FREE Tuesdays; January 6<sup>th</sup> – February 24<sup>th</sup>

**Community Emergency Response Team** training program offered by the Broward Sheriff's Office Division of Fire Rescue. The program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations, including CPR certification.

**Join 80 other community members by registering now! Call 954-389-2015 to register.**



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### EMS GO PACKETS

#### **BSO Weston Fire Rescue - Free for Residents**

The EMS packets are designed to hold your important medical information and legal documents to be placed in an accessible spot so that EMS and hospital personnel can be immediately aware of your medical conditions. Call Fire Station No. 81 at 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.**



### WESTON DELIVERS THE LATEST NEWS DIRECTLY TO YOUR INBOX

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

**Newsday Tuesday:** A collection of weekly 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](http://www.westonfl.org/EmailSubscriptions.aspx).



### 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, please visit:

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