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**YOUR WEEKLY NEWSDAY TUESDAY ARTICLES**

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## WESTON RECEIVES DISTINGUISHED BUDGET PRESENTATION AWARD

The City of Weston is pleased to once again announce receipt of the **Distinguished Budget Presentation Award**. The award is for the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget beginning October 1, 2014, and granted by the Government Finance Officers Association of the U.S. and Canada (GFOA).

This is the thirteenth consecutive year that the City has received award recognition. Congratulations to Budget Director, Bryan Cahen, Assistant City Manager/CFO David Keller and their team who prepared the annual budget pursuant to the GFOA guidelines and requirements and made the submittal on behalf of the City of Weston.

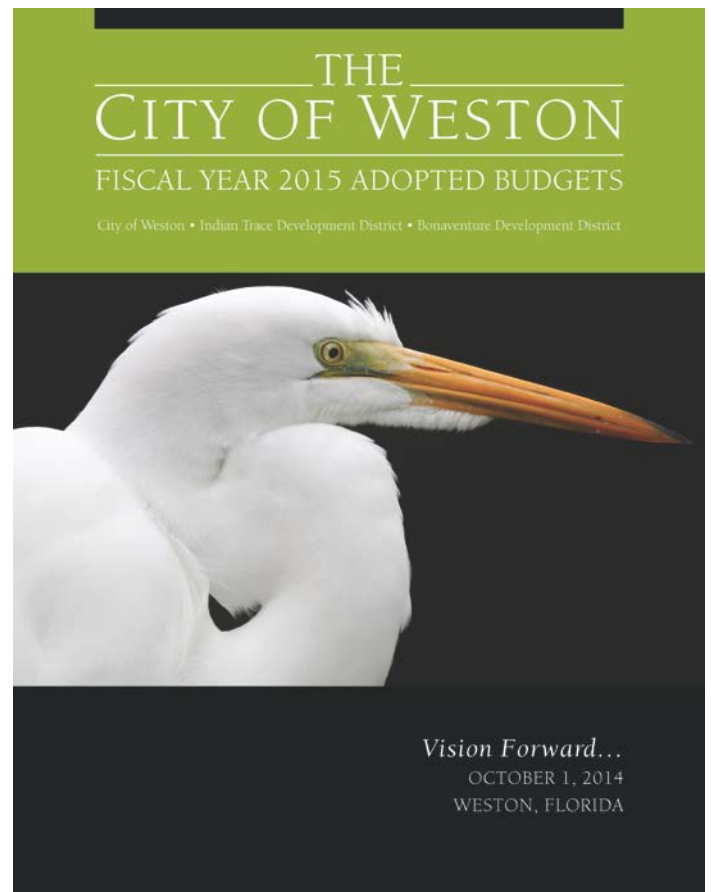
**The Distinguished Budget Presentation Award** is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting.

In order to achieve the award, the submitting entity must publish a budget document that meets the following program criteria, and the fourteen mandatory criteria within those categories:

- ✓ **It must serve as a Policy Document**
- ✓ **It must serve as a Financial Plan**
- ✓ **It must serve as an Operations Guide**
- ✓ **It must serve as a Communications Device**

GFOA is a non-profit profession association serving over 18,000 government finance professionals throughout North America. The GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

*Click her to view the  
**2015 Adopted Budget.***





**COMMUNITY FORUM**  
**THURSDAY**  
**JUNE 18, 2015**  
**7:00pm – 8:30pm**

**DANGERS OF  
FLAKKA  
AND OTHER  
SYNTHETIC  
DRUGS**

**WESTON COMMUNITY CENTER**  
20200 Saddle Club Road  
Weston, FL 33327  
*Light refreshments will be served.*

**Presented by**



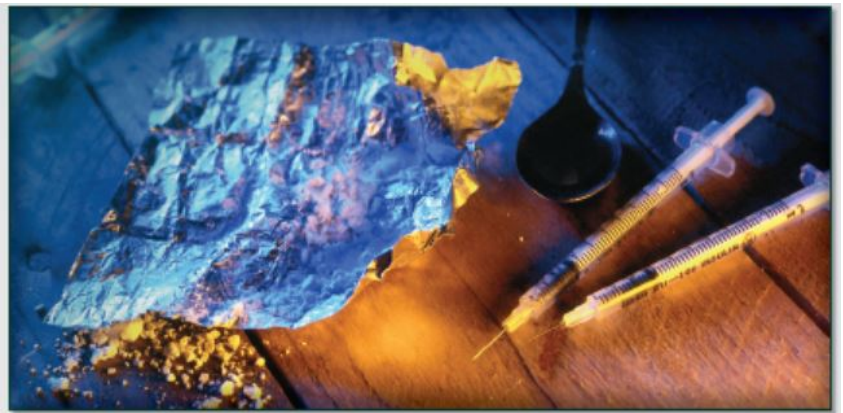
**Sheriff Scott Israel**

THE  
**CITY OF WESTON**

**NOT KNOWING  
IS NOT AN OPTION**

**THE DANGERS OF FLAKKA  
AND OTHER SYNTHETIC DRUGS**

In response to the growing epidemic of Flakka and other synthetic drugs, the Broward Sheriff's Office, in conjunction with the City of Weston, is hosting this important forum regarding the dangers of synthetic drug usage on the rise in



South Florida.

Flakka is a synthetic, highly addictive and inexpensive drug that is lethal. The drug produces symptoms that include excited delirium, agitation and paranoia.

These drugs are challenging our schools, law enforcement and the healthcare system. Over 16 deaths have been attributed to Flakka since September 2014 and it is by far the most dangerous and deadly drug in the bath salt category thus far.

Bath salts is the name given to a family of drugs that have one or more manmade chemicals related to the amphetamine-like stimulate Cathinone.

**Not knowing can be deadly. Be informed.**





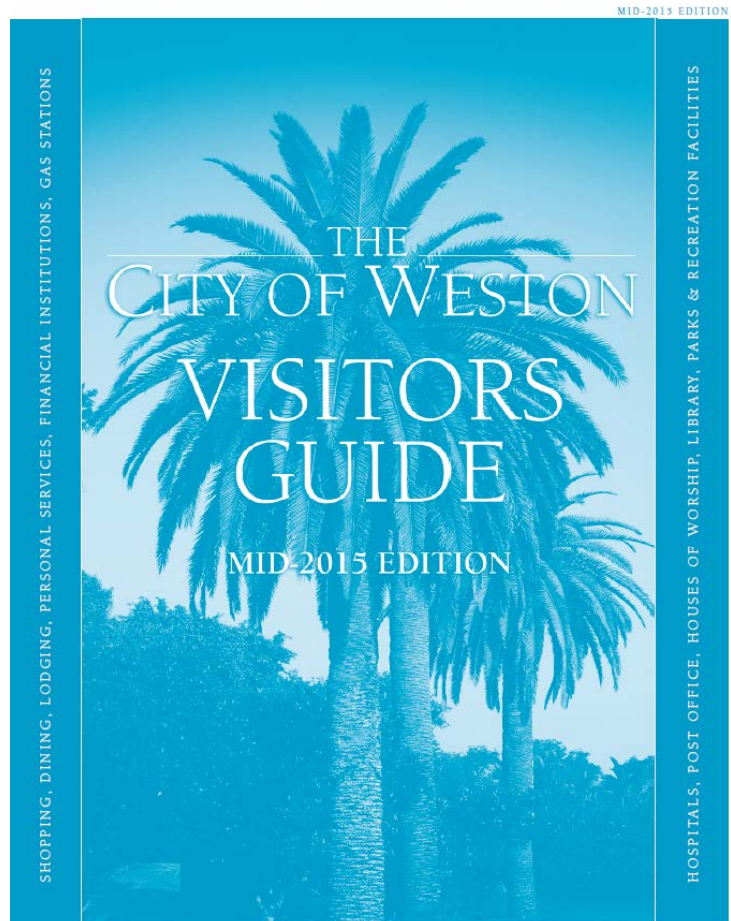
## MID-2015 EDITION OF THE WESTON VISITORS GUIDE NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

Weston's Visitors Guide is a listing of local restaurants, shops and personal service establishments as well as houses of worship, hotels, gas stations, hospitals, post offices, financial institutions and parks and recreation facilities. It is actually informative for Weston residents as well as visitors!

The Visitor's Guide is updated periodically throughout the year. To be included by the print date, local businesses must have a commercial storefront in the City of Weston **and** maintain a valid Business Tax Receipt as of the week prior to printing. Businesses that would be utilized out of town visitors are listed in the guide.

### *Desire a printed copy?*

You may pick one up at Weston City Hall (17200 Royal Palm Boulevard) or the Weston Community Center (20200 Saddle Club Road).



To view the guide online, simply click here:  
[www.westonfl.org/Residents/DiningShoppingLodging/Home.aspx](http://www.westonfl.org/Residents/DiningShoppingLodging/Home.aspx)



## BSO OFFERS FREE HOME WATCH PROGRAM REGISTER ONLINE TODAY

Planning a vacation or business trip this summer? The Broward Sheriff's Office offers a **FREE Home Watch Program** in all of its patrol areas in Weston. A BSO deputy, CSA (Community Service Aid) or COP (Citizens on Patrol volunteer) will check on your home daily for signs of break-in or suspicious activity while you are out of town.

To sign up for this FREE service visit please complete the Home Watch Request Form. Download the form by clicking on:

<http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/Police/CommunityServices.aspx>

Once you complete the form, return it to your BSO district office in Weston at 17350 Royal Palm Boulevard or send in by fax at 954-659-3541.

For more information, please visit [www.sheriff.org](http://www.sheriff.org).

When you are away be sure to take the following precautions:

- Let trusted friends and neighbors know that you'll be away.
- Make your home appear occupied. Attach timers to lights and television sets and set them to turn on and off at different times.
- Have your newspaper and mail held, or picked up by a friend or neighbor.
- Disconnect automatic garage door openers.
- Open some of the drapes or blinds on your windows. During daytime hours, it gives the appearance that someone is home, and during the evening, lights inside the house are more visible.



**For more information, please call the Broward Sheriff's Office  
Weston District at 954-389-2010.**



## YMCA WATER SAFETY EVENT RECAP



Last month, YMCA executives joined Weston leaders to discuss YMCA's water safety initiative. All attendees were asked to participate by becoming Water Watchers, pledging to keep kids safe in and around the water!

Water Watchers agreed to:

- Actively watch the children
- Keep eyes on the water
- Avoid distractions
- Pull all children out of the water and call 911 in an emergency

**FOR MORE  
INFORMATION,  
PLEASE VISIT  
[WWW.YMCA  
BROWARD.ORG](http://WWW.YMCA<br/>BROWARD.ORG).**



Left to right: Commissioner Jim Norton, YMCA of South Florida CEO, Sheryl Woods, and Commissioner Toby Feuer



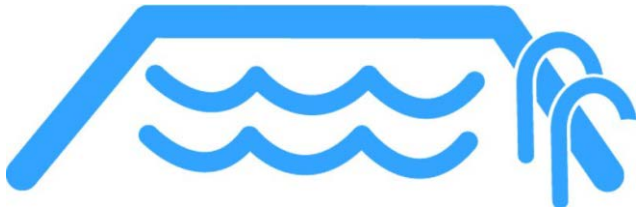
Left to right: Commissioner Toby Feuer and Commissioner Jim Norton







## DIVE IN MOVIE AT THE WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER FRIDAY, JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>



Bring your Camera for photos with...

***Anna & Elsa***



Enjoy quality time with your family and friends as you kick back and take in a Dive in Movie. Grab a noodle, lounge chair, or piece of pool deck and watch Disney's newest classic, **Frozen**, on an extra large outdoor screen.

Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>  
Fun begins at 7:30pm  
Movie begins at 8:30pm



FREE for Y Members  
Guests are welcomed with a Y Member  
*Pre-Registration is encouraged*  
954-424-9622

Weston Family YMCA  
20201 Saddle Club Road  
Weston, FL 33327

[ymcabroward.org](http://ymcabroward.org)





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## CHRISTMAS IN JULY HELP BROWARD'S HOMELESS CHILDREN

Broward County's homeless children, boys and girls – infant to 18 years need your help! Residents are encouraged to participate in **Christmas in July** by purchasing new children's items and depositing them in collection boxes located at several designated Broward County facilities.



Since inception in 2002, Christmas in July has served more than 7,500 children in Broward County. In addition to clothing, school aged children also receive school supplies for the upcoming year. Christmas in July activities culminate with a day filled with entertainment, games, food and gifts that provide homeless children, with new clothing, socks, shoes and underwear.

Please remember that only **NEW** items should be donated for a boy or girl ranging in age from **infants to 19 years old**.

The following list is a suggested list of items for donation ranked by need:

**Undergarments (toddler through teens) – Shoes/Socks/Belts  
Clothing (newborns through teens) – Diapers/Pull-Ups/Wipes  
Toiletries – School Supplies – Books – Toys/Games**

Collections will take place through July 10<sup>th</sup>.

**The Weston Branch Library is a designated collection location.  
The Library is located at 4205 Bonaventure Boulevard.**

For more information and a complete list of collection locations, please visit [www.broward.org/residents/Pages/ChristmasinJuly.aspx](http://www.broward.org/residents/Pages/ChristmasinJuly.aspx).





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## BROWARD COUNTY LIBRARY RECEIVES THREE PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS



### BCL'S AWARDS INCLUDE LIBRARY OF THE YEAR!

Broward County Library (BCL) has received three prestigious awards from the Florida Library Association (FLA), including Florida's 2015 Library of the Year. BCL also won the Betty Davis Miller Youth Services Award for Teen Programming for its "Show Us Your Bookface" contest/exhibition and FLA's Libraries Mean Business Award for its "Broward County Libraries Mean Business!" campaign.

*In celebration of the Library of the Year award, Broward County Library will issue a special, limited edition library card commemorating the honor.*

The library card will be available to customers beginning June 1<sup>st</sup>. The cards are free to new BCL cardholders and \$1.50 for those wishing to replace their old BCL card with the new, commemorative one.



For more information, please visit  
[www.broward.org/Library/Pages/Default.aspx](http://www.broward.org/Library/Pages/Default.aspx).



## SUMMER STAR GAZING AT MARKHAM PARK

Looking for a cool thing to do with your family on a hot summer night? Plan to attend the night time star gazing at the Fox Observatory inside Markham Park.



Moon through telescope

### Saturday Night Public Viewing

- Fox Astronomical Observatory at Markham Park
- 16001 W. State Road 84
- Sunrise
- 954-384-0442
- Saturdays, roughly dusk to midnight, weather permitting
- Hosted by the South Florida Amateur Astronomers Association (SFAAA).

Click [here](#) to find out more about Broward County's Markham Park.



Milky Way through telescope

### Public Viewing at the Fox Observatory

Find out what is going on in the South Florida night sky at the public viewing events hosted by the South Florida Amateur Astronomers Association (SFAAA) at the Fox Astronomical Observatory inside Broward County's Markham Park.

Every Saturday evening from dusk until midnight, SFAAA members will assist the public to star gaze through the observatory's high powered telescopes. The public is also welcome to bring their own, and some members do.

### About the SFAAA

This nonprofit organization, which dates back to the mid-1960s, staffs the Fox Astronomical Observatory and hosts public events. Group members assist the public in how to use their own telescopes as well. The SFAAA regularly meets at the Fox Observatory on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. Membership is \$20 per year and new members are always welcome.



## JUNE IS "ADOPT A CAT" MONTH



June is "Adopt a Cat" month and to celebrate, Broward County Animal Care is waiving adoption fees on kittens and cats through the month of June. The promotion also includes all felines adopted at Pet Supermarket stores located in Broward County.

If you can't adopt a cat, but wish to help, there are several other ways to make a difference:



### Foster:

Residents can lend a helping hand by fostering very young kittens. The youngsters, sometimes only days old, must be bottle fed in order to survive. Foster parents must be able to commit the time and care to ensure the health and survival of the foster pet. Fostering is also a perfect opportunity for students who need community service hours for school, since hours are awarded for each fostered litter. If you have any questions, or for more information about the Foster Program e-mail [animalcarevolunteer@broward.org](mailto:animalcarevolunteer@broward.org).

### Donate:

Make a donation to help cats in needs. "Wish list" items include:

- Canned cat food
- Dry cat food (all sizes and varieties)
- Cat toys
- Cat litter (non-clumping)
- Cat treats
- Kitten milk replacement formula
- Kitten bottles and nipples
- Newspapers
- Towels

### Volunteer:

The [volunteer program](#) offers opportunities for residents to help in unique and special ways! It provides opportunities either at the shelters or through special events.

### About Animal Care

*Broward County Animal Care and Adoption is dedicated to providing shelter for lost and homeless animals. The agency provides access to hundreds of shelter pets hoping for a new home. Please prevent unwanted animals and have your pet spayed or neutered. For more information about the agency, visit their [website](#).*





## SUMMARY OF UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS

### CITY EVENTS

<http://www.westonfl.org/Events/EventsCalendar.aspx>



#### **PARADE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE NOW! WESTON'S 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY HOMETOWN PARADE**

Applications are available online for entry into Weston's 4th of July Hometown Parade. Civic groups and organizations, clubs, schools, bands and businesses are all encouraged to participate.

[Parade Application](#) Click for an application and details.

Application deadline: Friday, June 19, 2015.

[Video](#) Click to view short promotional video: 5K & Parade



#### **WESTON'S ANNUAL 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY HOMETOWN CELEBRATION FEATURES 5K RUN/WALK AND HOMETOWN PARADE Saturday, July 4<sup>th</sup>**

**"Celebrating Our Grand Old Flag"**

**5K Run/Walk**

**Starts at 7:00AM**

**Parade**

**Starts at 10:30AM**



**4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY 5K RUN/WALK** **7:00AM**  
Join your friends and family for a holiday celebration 5K run or walk sponsored by the City of Weston and Broward Health Weston.

**Location:** Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road

**Registration:** [splitsecondtiming.com](http://splitsecondtiming.com) for pre-registration  
Race day registration begins on site at 5:30AM.

**CLICK HERE FOR MORE EVENTS**



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**4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY HOMETOWN PARADE 10:30AM**  
Join us at the City of Weston Annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July Hometown Parade. Elected leaders, local businesses, civic groups, schools, bands, organizations and residents gather to march in Weston's biggest and most exciting event. This year's **Grand Marshal is Rick Folbaum, resident and anchor, CBS 4 News, Miami.** Show off your patriotic pride – wear your red, white and blue and come out and cheer on parade participants.



**The parade begins promptly at 10:30AM,** at the corner of Town Center Boulevard and Three Village Road. It progresses east on Three Village Road to Bonaventure Boulevard then heads south briefly to Bell Tower Lane. The parade culminates by winding through Weston Town Center to the heart of Main Street where hundreds gather for the fun. For additional information, please call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321.



**CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM**  
A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.  
**Location:** Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.

**KEEP SCROLLING FOR ONGOING CITY PROGRAMS**



## ONGOING CITY PROGRAMS

### BSO WESTON POLICE SERVICES

More information on programs listed below: Call 954-389-2010 or visit [www.westonfl.org/Departments/Police/PoliceHome.aspx](http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/Police/PoliceHome.aspx).



### SAFE SELLING TRANSACTION ZONE A LOCATION FOR 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 at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard.

[Safe Transaction Zone](#)

### BSO WESTON FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

More information on programs listed below: Call 954-389-2015 or visit [www.westonfl.org/Departments/FireEMS/FireEMSHome.aspx](http://www.westonfl.org/Departments/FireEMS/FireEMSHome.aspx).



### FREE EMS GO PACKETS

These packets hold medical information and legal documents for EMS and hospital personnel can be aware of your medical conditions.



### FREE CPR CLASSES

FREE CPR classes for residents, organizations and businesses. Classes are offered at your own location (minimum of 8 persons).



### SMOKE ALARM AND BATTERY REPLACEMENT

This free service is designed to reach people who are unable to safely install smoke alarms and/or replace the batteries in existing alarms.

**KEEP SCROLLING FOR COMMUNICATIONS INFORMATION**





## WESTON COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

More information on the programs below, call 954-385-2000.



### REGISTER FOR CodeRED TODAY

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

To register, please visit:

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



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