



**HERE THEY ARE!**

## **YOUR WEEKLY NEWSDAY TUESDAY ARTICLES**



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## PUBLIC WORKS WEEK

MAY 17-23, 2015

**“Community Begins Here”**



National Public Works Week (NPWW) is a celebration of the tens of thousands of men and women in North America who provide and maintain the infrastructure and services collectively known as public works.

For more information please visit:

<http://www.apwa.net/discover/national-public-works-week>

## National Public Works Week

*There would be no community without the quality of life public works provides.*

There would be no community to police and protect, no public to lead or represent. Public works allows the world as we know it to be. This year's theme "Community Begins Here" speaks to the essential nature of Public Works services in support of our everyday quality of life.

Public works personnel are the often "unseen heroes" of every community. They are vital to the operation of systems and programs such as water, sewers, streets and highways, public buildings, solid waste collection, parks, lakes and canal maintenance.

While police and fire personnel come to mind as first responders after major disasters or disruptions, it is the public works professionals who first clear the streets so that emergency services can respond. They re-establish essential service and then begin the long and arduous process of cleanup and repairs throughout the community.

**Glamorous? Perhaps not. Essential? YES.**



**Thank you to all the men and women who we depend upon for daily services and our quality of life.**



## EMS WEEK

### LIFE SAVING CARE

**Emergency Medical Services Week  
May 17 – 23, 2015**

#### ***"EMS STRONG"***

The 2015 theme for National EMS Week 2015, recognizes the bond between all the members of the EMS team, which together are an indispensable part of the health care continuum.

It is important to recognize those who provide the day-to-day lifesaving services of medicine's "front line."

The EMS services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, dispatchers, educators, administrators, emergency room nurses, physicians and others who have dedicated their lives to saving others.

***Thank you  
for all you do!***

## Emergency Medical Services Week



Weston Fire Chief Harris Bouchillon and Assistant Chief Bruce Angier accepted a Proclamation for EMS Week issued by the Weston City Commission.

Emergency Medical Services is firmly established as a key component of the medical care continuum. The important role of EMS practitioners in saving lives from sudden cardiac arrest and trauma; in getting people to the hospitals best equipped to treat heart attacks and strokes; and in providing lifesaving extrications while showing caring and compassion to their patients in their most difficult moments, should be recognized and appreciated.



Each month, the Weston City Commission recognizes Fire Rescue

Employees of the Month for their exemplary skills and service to the community.



Emergency medical services teams engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education. EMS teams provide life-saving medical care 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, often in life-threatening situations.



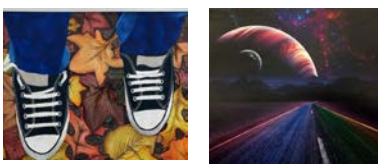
# STUDENT ARTIST SHOWCASE RECAP

The Arts Council of Greater Weston was pleased to present the ninth annual Student Artist Showcase at the Weston Branch Library.

This year there were 213 entries from twelve public and private schools in the Greater Weston area.

### Participating Schools:

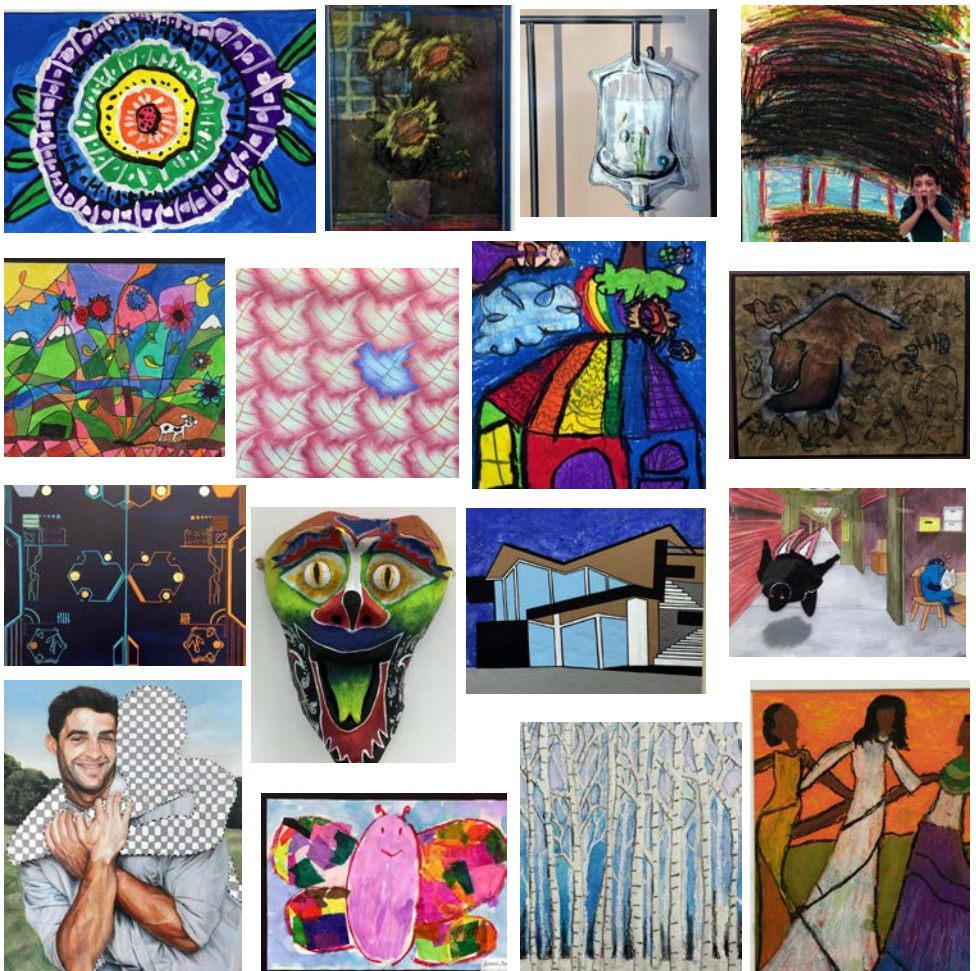
- Cypress Bay High
- Western High
- The Sagemont Upper
- The Sagemont Middle
- Tequesta Trace Middle
- Indian Trace Elementary
- Manatee Bay Elementary
- Everglades Elementary
- Eagle Point Elementary
- Gator Run Elementary
- Country Isles Elementary
- Weston Christian Academy



Each participating student artist received a certificate of participation and was invited to attend a reception with their families and teachers, where placement awards in grade categories were presented by Mayor Stermer and Commissioners Gomez, Feuer and Kallman.

Young at Art Museum was instrumental in providing professionals to assist in the judging of the student's work.

*The following images are of the work of the winners:*



[Click here to view the 2015 Student Artist Showcase Reception](#)



**Quotes:**

Jami Nix Rahn, President Arts Council of Greater Weston and Student Artist Showcase Chairperson,

"This year's exhibition shows a full range of artistic talents ranging from classic drawing, painting and film photography to digital, mixed media and fiber arts."

"It is always amazing to see the individual creativity coming from classroom assignments. When working within boundaries, students will interpret assignments in very different ways, making for some very exciting results."

Mindy Shrago, Executive Director, Young at Art Museum expressed her excitement in working with the Arts Council of Greater Weston and participating in the Judging of the Student Artist Showcase.

For more information visit:  
<http://artscouncilweston.com/>

**2015 STUDENT ARTIST SHOWCASE RECEPTION**





## DID YOU KNOW...? THE HISTORY OF WESTON'S DEVELOPMENT



*Pre-1995 - Weston  
Entry*

The 15,000 acres of land now comprising the City of Weston was first amassed in the 1950's by a gentleman named Arthur Vining Davis, the original owner of Weston's primary developer, ARVIDA.

Over the course of the ensuing years, plans were prepared as to how the land would be developed and how that development would be financed, and the area now known as Bonaventure was sold to be developed separately.

### Weston's History

The name of the Arvida development was changed from Indian Trace to Weston, and in 1984 the first homes were completed in Windmill Ranch and Country Isles, and Weston had its first residents.

Seeing Weston develop into what was appearing to be a self-sustainable community, the Board of Supervisors initiated an Incorporation Feasibility Study in April 1994 to determine if Weston should incorporate as a city, annex to a neighboring city, or remain as a part of unincorporated Broward County.

By November 1995 the Steering Committee and the Board of Supervisors arrived at the conclusion that the residents of Weston would be best served by forming a new city.

On September 3, 1996 the residents of the Indian Trace Community Development district went to the polls, and of those voting, 90% voted in favor of incorporation. The City of Weston was born.

The Bonaventure community was afforded the opportunity to vote on April 1, 1997 whether to become a part of the City of Weston, or the City of Sunrise, the result of which was to join Weston by an almost two to one margin.

Today Weston encompasses approximately 27 square miles with a population of 65,672.



*Weston before  
development  
began!*



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## NATIONAL HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS WEEK



MAY 24<sup>TH</sup> - MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>

History teaches that a lack of hurricane awareness and preparation are common threads among all major hurricane disasters. By knowing your vulnerability and what actions you should take, you can reduce the effects of a hurricane disaster.

For more information, click on this link:

<http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/ready.php>

During this week, NOAA and FEMA are highlighting the importance of planning and practicing how and where to take shelter before severe weather strikes. Being prepared to act quickly can be a matter of life and death.

Two keys to weather safety are to **prepare** for the risks and to **act** on those preparations when alerted by emergency officials.



### Plan & Take Action

Everyone needs to be prepared for the unexpected. Your friends and family may not be together when disaster strikes. How will you find each other? Will you know if your children or parents are safe? You may have to evacuate or be confined to your home. What will you do if water, gas, electricity or phone services are shut off?

### Supplies Kit

Put together a [basic disaster supplies kit](#) and consider [storage locations for different situations](#).



### Emergency Plans

Develop and document plans for your specific risks.

- Protect yourself and family with a Family Emergency Plan.
- Be sure to [plan for locations away from home](#).
- Make sure schools and daycares have [School Emergency Plans](#).
- Pet owners should have [plans to care for their animals](#). The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention offer information on [animal health impacts in evacuation shelters](#).

Please plan on attending the FREE Weston Disaster Preparedness Symposium on Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the Weston Community Center. Visit [http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2015\\_Disaster\\_Preparedness\\_Symposium.pdf](http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2015_Disaster_Preparedness_Symposium.pdf) for more information.



## MEMORIAL DAY HISTORY AND TRADITIONS

### Weston City Administrative Offices Closed on

**Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>**

**Memorial Day** is a United States federal holiday that is observed on the last Monday of May. It was formerly known as **Decoration Day**. This holiday commemorates U.S. men and women who have died in military service to their country. It began first to honor Union soldiers who died during the American Civil War. After World War I, it was expanded to include those who died in any war or military action.

Many people observe this holiday by visiting cemeteries and memorials. A national moment of remembrance takes place at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. One tradition is to fly the U.S. flag at half-staff from dawn until noon local time. Volunteers place a U.S. flag upon each gravesite located in a National Cemetery.

In addition to remembrance, Memorial Day is also a time for picnics, family gatherings, and sporting events. Some Americans view Memorial Day as the unofficial beginning of summer and Labor Day as the unofficial end of the season.

*Please note that the City Administration Offices will be closed in observance of the holiday. All City Parks will be open and there will be regular garbage collection.*



**Please take time to  
remember those who  
died in our Nation's service.**





## REMINDER TO RESIDENTS: SORT NO MORE! "All-in-One" Recycling Without Sorting



Sorting and separating recyclable paper from recyclable plastic bottles, metal cans and glass bottles & jars is a thing of the past...

The "All-In-One" single-stream system allows recyclables to all be placed together in the same container.

By recycling we conserve natural resources, save energy and reduce pollution. We also reduce our need for fossil fuels, and lower greenhouse gas emissions.

### Items That Can Be Mixed Together:

- Newspapers, inserts, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, office paper, soft-covered books, file folders, soda cartons, and crushed boxes, including tissue boxes and those from such food items as cereal, rice and pasta
- Flattened cardboard from non-food items such as shipping boxes
- Aluminum and steel food and beverage containers
- Plastic bottles with neck narrower than body, such as soda bottles, milk, water, detergent and shampoo bottles (***without the bottle caps or lids please***)
- Glass food and beverage containers
- Milk and juice cartons and drink boxes

*Participants are asked to keep recycling free of contamination by putting only acceptable items into recycling containers. When food scraps or liquids get into the batch, they can cause a whole truckload of recyclables to be wasted.*





## NEW 595 EXPRESS PARK-AND-RIDE FACILITY AT BB&T CENTER

### FROM BROWARD COUNTY TRANSIT

Broward County Transits (BCT) new Park-and-Ride facility is located on the north wing of the BB&T Center in Sunrise.

The facility includes 400 parking spaces with brightly-colored covered bus shelters and benches for customers to comfortably wait for one of three 595 Express bus routes that serve the stop.

**For more information and detailed route maps, please visit [www.broward.org/Pages/Welcome.aspx](http://www.broward.org/Pages/Welcome.aspx).**



### 595 EXPRESS

595 Express Bus Service provides free commuter park and ride locations, and travel along the major interstate highways to Miami-Dade County and downtown Fort Lauderdale on weekdays during morning and afternoon peak travel hours.

**595 Express** BB&T Center to Miami/Brickell

[Schedule](#) [Weekday \(PDF\)](#)

**595 Express** BB&T Center to Fort Lauderdale

[Schedule](#) [Weekday \(PDF\)](#)

**595 Express** BB&T Center to Miami Civic Center

[Schedule](#) [Weekday \(PDF\)](#)

The facility serves all three of the 595 Express routes that travel via the interstate to downtown Miami or downtown Fort Lauderdale on weekday mornings and afternoons. Those routes are detailed above. Customers can enter the facility through Gate 7 on Northwest 136 Avenue, and proceed to the new red bus shelter area.



**EXPERIENCE  
AND CELEBRATE  
CULTURES FROM  
AROUND THE  
WORLD**

**AT BROWARD  
COUNTY  
LIBRARIES**



Broward County Libraries go international in May and June, with programs and events to celebrate Asian-Pacific heritage month, Caribbean heritage month, and Haitian-American month.

Enjoy great films, engaging book discussions, talented performances and fun parties. Have fun while learning about people and places from around the globe. All events are open to the public and free unless otherwise noted.

*Here is a sampling of:*

**Haitian-American Heritage Month Events**

**-Wednesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>** - *Celebrating the First Black Republic*, Jan Moran Collier City Learning Library, from 6PM to 7:30 PM, 954-357-7670.

**Asian-Pacific Heritage Month Events**

**-Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup>** - *Reel To Real Talk/Film Forum with Commentary: A Maori Girl Trains Herself in the Ways and Customs of Her People and Finds Hope for the Future*. North Regional/Broward College Library, from 12 PM to 2:30 PM, 954-201-2601.

**-Thursday, June 25<sup>th</sup>** - *Reel to Real Talk/Film Forum with Commentary: A Film That Offers an Enlightening and Entertaining Look At Women Superheroes*. North Regional/Broward College Library, from 12 PM to 2:30 PM, 954-201-2600.

**Caribbean Heritage Month Celebration**

**-Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>** - *Anancy Festival: A Celebration of Caribbean Cultural Heritage and Designed With Particular Appeal to Children and Teenagers Curious About the Caribbean*. Features Storytelling, Dance Performances, Face Painting and Art Activities, South Regional/Broward College Library, from 2 PM to 4 PM 954-201-8825.

**Click on the link for more  
information:**

**[www.broward.org/newsrelease](http://www.broward.org/newsrelease)**



## SUMMARY OF UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS

### CITY EVENTS

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



#### DISASTER PREPAREDNESS SYMPOSIUM

Thursday, May 28<sup>th</sup> 6:00PM

Learn about the 2015 hurricane forecast, how to prepare and what you can expect during and after a disaster. Arrive early - limited seating. Refreshments will be served.

**Guest Speakers include:**

**Stacey Stewart**, NOAA-National Hurricane Center, Miami  
**Craig Setzer**, Chief Meteorologist, CBS-4, WFOR-TV Miami  
**John R. Flint**, City Manager, City of Weston

**Where:** Weston Community Center, 20200 Saddle Club

**View promotional video:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ut7x73Xdto>

**More information:** Fire Administration at 954-389-2015.



#### CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> 7:00PM

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.

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



#### PARADE APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE! 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.

**More information:** Click on the link below for an application and details:

[www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2015\\_Parade\\_Application.pdf](http://www.westonfl.org/media/docs/misc/2015_Parade_Application.pdf)

**CLICK HERE FOR MORE EVENTS**



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## ON-GOING CITY PROGRAMS

### BSO'S 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).



### POLICE SERVICES ACADEMY Summer Program – Ages 11-17

Introduces Weston students to law enforcement. Eight week program, once per week on Monday nights. June 15-Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>. Limited space. No fee.

Application: [Police Services Academy](#)

Application deadline, June 1<sup>st</sup>.

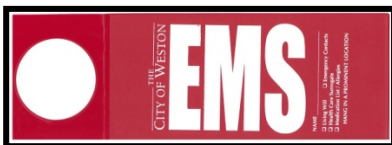


### SAFE SELLING LOCATION FOR POTENTIAL ONLINE BUYERS/SELLERS

BSO's Weston district office's parking lot serves as a safe haven for the City's online buyers and sellers to meet at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard.

### BSO'S 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).



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### **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.

### **WESTON'S COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT**

More information on the programs below: 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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