



**HERE THEY ARE!**

## YOUR WEEKLY NEWSDAY TUESDAY ARTICLES

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## WESTON ADOPTS LOWEST MILLAGE RATE IN BROWARD COUNTY FOR 19<sup>TH</sup> YEAR IN A ROW

Since its incorporation on September 3, 1996, the City of Weston has operated as a top-level municipal corporation, with an operational budget that is funded by the lowest millage rate in Broward County. Last month, the City Commission adopted a rate of 2.3900 mills for Fiscal Year 2016 (FY2016), October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016. This year's millage rate is the same rate as last fiscal year. This means Weston property owners will pay \$239 for every \$100,000 of taxable value. Additionally, no assessment increases were made in the Bonaventure Development District and the Indian Trace Development District. For more details on the millage rate, [click here](#). To view the FY 2016 Adopted Budgets, [click here](#).

### What Does this Mean for Weston Residents?

This year's theme for Fiscal Year 2016 is "Prepared to be Even Better". With the adoption of the millage rate and FY2016 operational budgets, the City is able to implement the following:

- Provide stability in the ad valorem millage rate for the next two years
- Maintain the current level of service for Public Safety and Fire Rescue Services
- Maintain the current level of service for Arts, Cultural and Recreation programs
- Provide for field renovations at Heron Park, Regional Park, and Tequesta Trace Park
- Install concrete walkways at Country Isles Park and Indian Trace Park
- Play equipment replacement at Emerald Estates Park
- Artificial athletic field turf installation at Regional Park and Tequesta Trace Park
- Parking lot addition at Peace Mound Park

Some of the goals for Fiscal Year 2016 are:

- Establish the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) into a fully-functioning year-round facility to manage emergency incidents and for ongoing training
- Implementation of the 2022 Strategic Value and Business Plan
- Efficient transition into the new Administrative Services Center, which now houses the Building and Code Departments, Technology Services and the EOC.
- Support the long-term goal to maintain our AAA credit rating from Moody's and Standard and Poor's, which is valuable in obtaining the most favorable interest rates and terms for the City.





## WESTON MOONLIGHT MOVIES IN THE PARK

Bring your family to our next movie night on Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>



Click on poster for Movie list

Bring lawn chairs or blankets, Then sit back and relax, The Movie is on Us...

## MOONLIGHT MOVIES ARE BACK

On a perfectly clear Saturday night in October, the return of the Weston Moonlight Movies in the Park was greeted by hundreds eager for a great family night out.

Some brought pizza, some sandwiches, others bought snow cones, but all had smiles on their faces when the feature film of the month, HOME, aired on the giant screen. Parks & Recreation Director Don Decker announced this year's lineup along with Weston's upcoming concert series, all perfect evenings for families.







## FIRE SAFETY EDUCATION



**EVERY BEDROOM  
NEEDS A WORKING  
SMOKE ALARM.**

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK  
OCTOBER 4-14, 2015

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

**Keep your family safe with a working smoke alarm in every bedroom.**

Roughly half of home fire deaths result from fires reported between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m., when most people are asleep.

Smoke alarms save lives. If there is a fire in your home, smoke spreads fast and you need smoke alarms to give you time to get out. In fact, having a working smoke alarm cuts the chances of dying in a reported fire in half!

## WESTON FIRE SAFETY EDUCATOR VISITS SCHOOLS ALL MONTH LONG

October 4 – 10, 2015 was National Fire Prevention Week, but Weston’s Fire Safety Educator Melanie Brocato and Weston Fire Rescue crews are busy the whole month long visiting schools and educating children.

Three Village Montessori



Everglades Elementary







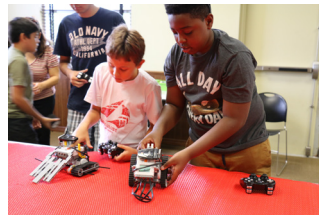
## CITY GOVERNMENT WEEK

**October 18 - 24, 2015**

The Florida League of Cities sponsors City Government Week each year in October to highlight the crucial roles played by city governments in the lives of residents. Here are highlights of some of the many different ways the City of Weston impacts its residents. For more information click on the blue titles as they are hyperlinked to the corresponding website.

### What Does Weston Do for You?

#### PROVIDES EXCITING PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES



#### CREATES UNFORGETTABLE EVENTS FOR THE FAMILY



#### MAINTAINS WORLD CLASS SAFETY

City of Weston and BSO Fire Rescue and Emergency Services

Achieve **Class 1 ISO Rating** – Highest rating attainable

#### MAINTAINS INFRASTRUCTURE



#### **THE LOWEST MILLAGE RATE IN THE COUNTY**



## AFTER THE STORM

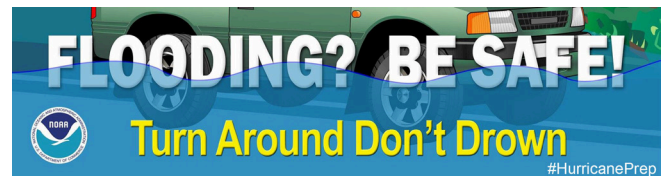
### **HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS - A Continuing Series**

- Tune in to local media for ongoing updates and instructions.
- Check-in with family and friends by texting or using social media if phone service is down.
- Return home only when authorities indicate it is safe.
- Do not drive unless it is an emergency. Watch out for debris and downed power lines. Traffic intersections without working signals should be treated as a 4-way stop.



- Yard debris may not all be picked up right away, but if properly piled, it will eventually be removed. If trash collection is suspended, regular household waste will be collected first, prior to piles of debris.

- Do what you can to prevent further damage to your property, (e.g., putting a tarp on a damaged roof), as insurance may not cover additional damage that occurs after the storm.



- Avoid walking or driving through flood waters. Just six inches of moving water can knock you down, and fast-moving water can sweep your vehicle away. Flood water may also be electrically charged from underground or downed power lines.
- Use generators safely. Follow manufacturer instructions and operate in an open area.
- Photograph the damage to your property in order to assist in filing an insurance claim. Report damage to Broward County at [gis.broward.org/reporthomedamage](http://gis.broward.org/reporthomedamage).







## HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR CITY OF WESTON PARKS?

### WESTON REGIONAL PARK 20200 Saddle Club Road



Every month we are highlighting one of the City's parks with pictures and details of the principal amenities, so our residents can be more knowledgeable when selecting from the various recreational opportunities.



#### Weston Regional Park

- Hours: 8:00 am – 11:00 pm
- 102 acre park space
- 8 Baseball/Softballs Fields
- 8 Football/Soccer Fields
- 8 Basketball courts
- 5 Roller hockey rinks
- 3 Sand volleyball courts
- 3 Picnic shelters available for rental
- 2 Futsal fields
- 2 shaded playgrounds
- Event stage
- Skate Park

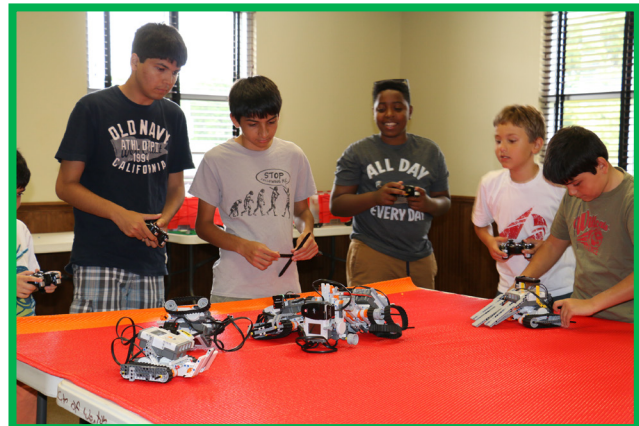
Weston Regional Park is also home to the Weston Community Center

See page 2 for additional photos





## WESTON REGIONAL PARK continued



For more information about Weston parks,  
please call the Weston Community Center at 954-389-4321 or visit [Westonfl.org/Parks](http://Westonfl.org/Parks).





October 13, 2015



# BSO SHRED-A-THON & OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET

# FREE

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2015  
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

On Saturday, October 17<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM, residents can **shred away identity theft** by safely disposing of your personal documents, check stubs, credit card offers, receipts and any other material that might contain sensitive data. This service is free of charge. There is a 5-box maximum for shredding documents. **Boxes can be no larger than 15”L x 12”W x 10”H.**



At the same time, Operation Medicine Cabinet collects any unused, unwanted or expired **medications for safe disposal**. Come early and receive a \$5 gift card while supplies last.

## LOCATION:

The Weston Police Services Building, located at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard.

For more information, please call **954-831-8902**.

**BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Needles or sharps will NOT be collected.

Broward Sheriff's Office  
**OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET**

\*\*\*There is a 5 box maximum per car.

Broward Sheriff's Office  
**SHRED-A-THON**

\*Gift cards will only be given when turning in prescription medication.

\*\*Boxes can be no larger than 15" L x 12" W x 10" H

Join Sheriff Scott Israel and help prevent prescription drug abuse.

Please bring your unused, unwanted or expired medications for safe disposal.

Come early and receive a \$5 gift card while supplies last.\*

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**SDD SafeGuard**  
DOCUMENT DESTRUCTION

**FREE SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

**Saturday, October 17, 2015**  
**from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**  
**Weston District Office**  
17300 Royal Palm Blvd., Weston, FL 33326

**99 JAMZ**  
Miami Ft. Lauderdale

**WSVN 7**

Sheriff Scott Israel  
sheriff.org

For more information about events, call **954.831.8902**



## WESTON'S BULK TRASH PICKUP SCHEDULE OCTOBER 2015

**FREE** Bulk Pickup occurs quarterly throughout the year. Pickup takes place on your *regularly scheduled garbage collection* day.

### October 2015:

#### **Single Family Homes and Multi-Family Units with curbside collection**

On the day of your regularly scheduled garbage collection:

Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>; Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>, or Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

#### **Multi-family units with dumpsters**

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

### FUTURE DATES:

January 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</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.



**NOT COLLECTED:** Bulk items DO NOT include contractor-generated material, or vegetative waste (landscape materials) or household hazardous waste.

### **THINK BEFORE YOU TRASH – CONSIDER DONATING ITEMS:**

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.

**For more information on residential bulk trash service,  
please call 954-385-2600 or [click here](#).**





## UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS AT THE WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER

### **Senior Olympics**

**Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 10 AM**

The YMCA is hosting the Senior Olympics. This is a great opportunity to improve and maintain your overall fitness through recreational, social and competitive events!

### **Afterschool Childcare Program**

The YMCA has an afterschool childcare program custom fit for your child. Additional tutoring is available for students in need of extra help or who are ready for an added challenge. Space is still available in the elementary and middle school programs.

### **Prenatal Water Fitness Class**

**Tuesdays at 10:30 AM**

The Y is excited to support your growing family. Join us at 10:30AM on Tuesdays for our new Prenatal Water Fitness Class. Come for a complimentary trial class and feel free to bring a friend. Non-members are welcome to try the class and utilize childcare for the first month with class registration for no additional cost.

**YMCA of South Florida  
Weston YMCA Family Center  
20201 Saddle Club Road  
Weston, FL 33327  
[www.ymcasouthflorida.org](http://www.ymcasouthflorida.org)**



## BROWARD COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO HOST FREE ANNUAL COLLEGE FAIR



• Free and Open to the Public  
• Registration NOT required  
• Workshops begin @ 5PM  
• Fair opens @ 6PM

OCT  
20  
Tuesday

5PM  
TO  
8PM

3301  
College Ave.  
Fort Lauderdale,  
FL 33314

Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) will host its annual district-wide College Fair on **Tuesday, October 20, 2015**, at **Nova Southeastern University** in Fort Lauderdale, from **5 – 8 p.m.** The BCPS College Fair is free and open to the public.

As the process of applying to and selecting a college becomes more and more competitive and complex, events such as this help by providing valuable resources to help navigate the college admissions process. The annual BCPS College Fair is a great opportunity for students and parents to:

- Learn about college options, academic programs
- Find out about admission requirements and financial aid options
- Meet one-on-one with admission representatives from a wide range of national and international, public and private, and two-year and four-year colleges and universities.
- Attend workshops on admissions requirements, financial aid, course offerings and campus environments, as well as other information pertinent to the college selection process. Workshops will be conducted in English, Spanish, Portuguese and Haitian-Creole. Interpreters will also be available.
- Visit the Counseling and Resource Center at the Fair to receive personalized assistance and information on the SAT/ACT, FAFSA, Bright Futures Scholarships and more. College representatives and, high school counselors and advisors will be on site to provide information and answer questions.
- Students with special needs will be able to learn about programs and services at colleges and universities for students with disabilities.

**The 2015 Broward County Public Schools College Fair**  
**Nova Southeastern University's Don Taft University Center**  
**3301 College Avenue, Fort Lauderdale**  
**[browardschools.com/collegefair](http://browardschools.com/collegefair) or 754-321-2584**

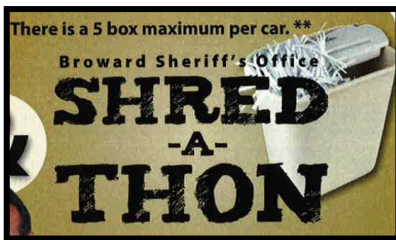




## SUMMARY OF EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

### CITY EVENTS

[Westonfl.org/events](http://Westonfl.org/events)



### **BSO SHRED-A-THON & OPERATION MEDICINE CABINET – FREE**

Saturday, October 17, 2015 10AM - 1PM

Weston Police Services Building, 17300 Royal Palm Blvd.

Residents can shred away identity theft by safely disposing of their personal documents, check stubs, credit card offers, receipts and any other material that might contain sensitive data. Operation Medicine Cabinet collects any unused, unwanted or expired medications for safe disposal. Come early and receive a \$5 gift card while supplies last. For more information, call 954-389-2010.



### **CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

Monday, October 19, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.

### **QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICKUP**

October 21 - 24, 2015

Single Family or Multi-family with curbside collection (on the day of your regularly scheduled garbage pickup):

- Wednesday, October 21<sup>st</sup>
- Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> **OR**
- Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

Multi-family with dumpsters:

- Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup>

**Bulk trash** will be picked up on your regularly scheduled garbage collection day and should be placed at the curb by 7:00 AM. Questions? Call 954-385-2600



[CLICK HERE FOR MORE ONGOING PROGRAMS](#)



## END OF DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

**Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 2:00AM**

**Turn clocks back Saturday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> before bed**

Also change batteries in smoke alarms/detectors.

Elderly or disabled and need assistance changing smoke alarm batteries? Call Weston Fire Rescue 954-389-2015.



## CITY COMMISSION MEETING

**Monday, November 2, 2015 at 7:00 PM**

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

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.



## FREE MAGIC SHOW FOR CHILDREN

**Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> 1:30 PM & 3:00 PM**

**Weston Community Center inside Weston Regional Park,  
20200 Saddle Club Road**

Join Magician Dave Kaplan at this free family event! Coins, cards, ropes, scarves & rings... the magic happens right before your eyes. The show is for boys and girls of all ages; children need to be accompanied by an adult. Call 954-389-4321 for details.



## FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

Featuring **ANNIE**

**Saturday, November 7, 2015**

**7:30 PM**

**Outdoors at the Event Stage in the Weston Regional Park,  
20200 Saddle Club Road**

*A foster kid, sees her life change when a business tycoon and New York mayoral candidate makes a thinly-veiled campaign move and takes her in. Drama, Family, 108 min. Rated PG.*

**Monthly movies through April.**

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





October 13, 2015



## VETERANS DAY

Wednesday, November 11, 2015

Today we honor the members of our military, past and present.

All City Administrative Offices will be closed. City parks will be open and there is regular garbage collection service.



## CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, November 16, 2015 at 7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Blvd.

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.



## WestonNights

### CONCERT IN THE PARK DISCO FEVER

Saturday, November 21, 2015

7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Event Stage at Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road

The first of three FREE themed, Concerts in the Park. Weston is bringing back the hot disco nights as we pay tribute to the 70's with DISCO FEVER. The band Playlist will be live onstage with songs such as *Superfreak*, *Disco Inferno*, *Celebration*, *I Will Survive* and many more favorites from the hit list.

Feel free to break out the bell bottoms, sequins, platforms and big hair... **WestonNights** is the perfect date night or family fun night. [WestonFL.org/Events](http://WestonFL.org/Events)

**Bring lawn seating or blankets.**

**FOOD TRUCKS will be on site.**





## MAYOR'S GET FIT CHALLENGE CUP WALK Elementary Students – Registration is OPEN!

Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup> 9:00 AM

Cypress Bay High School, 18600 Vista Park Blvd.

**Special pricing of \$10 per student includes entrance, race bib, T-shirt and breakfast!**



All Weston elementary students are invited & encouraged to participate in a special 1-Mile *Mayor's Get Fit Challenge Cup Walk*. **The trophy cup and \$1500** will be awarded to the school with the most participants, and **\$250** to each participating schools leading classroom.

[Click here and Register Today!](#) Forms are also available at your school and the Weston website [westonfl.org](http://westonfl.org)

## 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.

Download a flyer here: [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 Weston Fire Station No. 81. Classes are also offered at your own location with a 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.

## 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).





## Notifications

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

- \* **Newsday Tuesday:** A collection of weekly city news articles, information and events.
- \* **General Notifications:** Updates on projects; media releases; sports registrations, events and more.

**Subscribe at:**

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



### **WESTON GOVERNMENT INFORMATION CHANNEL**

The Weston government access channel can be found on these channels with local cable television providers:

Advanced Communications – Channel #25

Comcast Cable – Channel #78

AT&T U-verse – Channel #99, scroll to Weston Government TV



### **WESTON GOVERNMENT RADIO 1680AM**

Information on City events, programs, services and more. In the event of an emergency, all broadcasts will be interrupted and emergency notifications will be provided. This AM channel can be accessed in your car while in and around the City of Weston. Tune in today.

## **Hurricane Preparedness**

### **HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS INFORMATION**

Visit [Westonfl.org/Hurricane](http://Westonfl.org/Hurricane) for tips on how you can prepare your home, family and business throughout the hurricane season – June 1<sup>st</sup> through November 30<sup>th</sup>.