

NEWS FROM THE CITY OF WESTON

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HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY, WESTON!



Celebrate with us at the 2017 Weston 4th of July Hometown Celebration Parade

Parade starts at 10:30 AM in the Weston Town Center area



Join us this morning at the City of Weston's 2017 4th of July Hometown Parade! Participants including elected leaders, local businesses, civic groups, schools, bands, organizations and residents gather to march in Weston's biggest and most exciting event. Click here to view video promo.

Traffic will be impacted in the area of Weston Town Center from approximately 8:30 AM until 12:30 PM (see details below.)

TEMPORARY ROAD/ LANE CLOSURES ON JULY 4TH:

6:00 – 8:30 AM For 5K Run / Walk

South Post Road: Closed between Saddle Club Road and the

Post Road

ROAD

CLOSED

Public Works Services Center at 2599 South Post Road

Weston Regional Park: Access to the park will be restricted

<u>9:30 AM – 12:30 PM</u> For Parade

Town Center Boulevard: North and southbound lane closures, between Town

Center Circle and Indian Trace

Three Village Road: Closed eastbound between Town Center Boulevard and

Bonaventure Boulevard.

Bonaventure Boulevard: Closed southbound between Three Village Road and Bell

Tower Lane.





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COMMISSIONER FEUER HONORED

Weston Philharmonic Platinum Circle Award



Weston City Commissioner Toby Feuer will be honored for her unwavering commitment and service to the arts in our community. On July 19th, the Weston Philharmonic Society will present Commissioner Feuer with their Platinum Circle Award.

The presentation fittingly takes place during an impressive presentation of the Symphony of the America's Summerfest at Temple Dor Dorim. Internationally-acclaimed musicians from around the globe will join principal musicians of the Symphony, performing pieces by Vivaldi, Mendelssohn, Elgar, Ravel, and

others, under the baton of Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese. Proceeds from the performance will benefit the Weston Philharmonic Society's In-School music program. This long-standing program brings world-class musicians directly into elementary schools in Weston, twice each year.

Commissioner Feuer has long supported the arts in Weston. Since moving to Weston in 1998, among numerous civic and governmental groups of which she is a member, she has been a constant advocate for the arts, working to provide funding, advice, encouragement and enormous enthusiasm for a wide genre of the arts.

The Summerfest Concert, which is open to the public, is scheduled for Wednesday, July 19th at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Dor Dorim in Weston, with a dessert reception beginning at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.westonphilharmonic.org.





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TEMPORARY CHANGE IN

TAP WATER CHLORINATION TREATMENT

Wednesday, July 5th - Monday, July 31st

The City of Sunrise maintains the highest quality standards to provide clean, safe drinking water to its customers, which includes the City of Weston. From **July 5**th **through July 31st**, the Sunrise Utility Department, which provides water to the City of Weston, will switch from monochloramine to free chlorine disinfection in its drinking water treatment system to provide additional protection against bacteria.



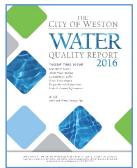
What is Chlorination Water Treatment?

This **temporary** treatment of the water system is a common practice for water suppliers that use a chlorine treatment method. This periodic program is recommended by the Florida Department of Health.

This procedure does not cause any adverse health effects. However, some individuals may notice a slight change in the taste, odor or color of the water during this time.

Special Considerations: Kidney dialysis centers, nephrologists and hospitals have been notified in order for them to make any adjustments necessary in the various processes which they operate. Any questions regarding kidney dialysis should be directed to the user's doctor or dialysis specialist.

Some aquatic and marine animal species are sensitive to free chlorine; persons maintaining aquariums with any sensitive species may wish to contact their pet supply stores regarding dechlorination.



Information about drinking water and health is available on the Environmental Protection Agency's website, and through the Safe Drinking Water Hotline: 1-800-426-4791. For details regarding the City of Sunrise's treatment system, please contact the Utilities Department at 954-888-6000.

View Weston's Water Quality Report here.





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HEADS UP ON A SNAPCHAT UPDATE

New Snap Map Feature Automatically Shares Your Location

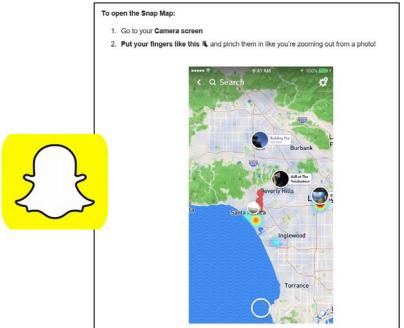
Public Safety officials want you to be aware of a new feature on Snapchat, called Snap Map, that is part of the app's newest update that came out in June. Snap Map's tracker function shows the exact location, in real time, of every friend on the site, and share's the users location with all friends that he/she is connected to on the app. It also highlights events in your area. The feature is automatically turned on when the app update is installed. Read <u>A Parent's Guide to Snapchat</u> to learn basics about the app.

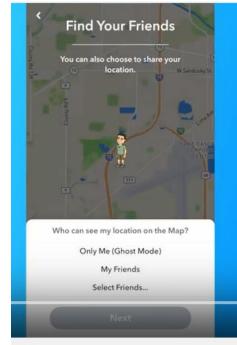
For those who do not wish to share their location with everyone, there are two options:

- Change to 'ghost mode' where no one can see where you are; or
- Select which friends can see your location.

The way to do this is to go to the Camera screen, and then pinch the screen, like you are zooming into or out of a photo. Next, select either **Ghost Mode** - only you can see your location, **My Friends** - which is everyone you chat with or accept a request from; or **Select**

Friends - you choose specific people.





The potential dangers include children sharing their location with strangers and that the map tracking feature documents a user's location at any time the app is running, noting home, school, bus stop, recreation – anywhere you are.





News Release

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WHO NEEDS A BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT?

Any new business that plans to operate Weston is required to apply for a Business Tax Receipt (BTR) before engaging in any business in the City, including home-based businesses. The purpose of the law enacted by the Florida Legislature is to prevent fraud so that businesses are properly licensed and have met all necessary requirements to operate.



For detailed information, visit:

Business Tax Receipts

HOW TO OBTAIN A BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT (BTR)

STEP ONE - Obtain a Certificate of Use

In accordance with City Code, a City of Weston Certificate of Use, issued by the City's Building Code Services Department, is required prior to applying for a Business Tax Receipt.

STEP TWO - **Submit a Business Tax Receipt Application**Download your BTR <u>Application</u> or pick up an application at City Hall.

STEP THREE – Payment due within 30 days

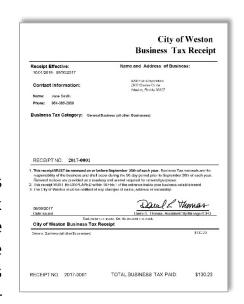
WHERE DO I FILE THE BTR APPLICATION?

Completed BTR applications, including required documentation copies and applicable fee are accepted and processed at Weston City Hall.

The following documents are required upon filing your Business Tax Receipt application:

- Copy of Certificate of Use (CU)
- Fictitious Name Registration
- Federal Employer Identification
- Payment

If you have questions regarding Business Tax Receipts or the online application process, please contact the Weston Business Tax Coordinator at 954-385-



2000, stop by Weston City Hall at 17200 Royal Palm Boulevard, or send an email to BTR@westonfl.org.





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Community Center Program LEARN TO BE A BETTER ANGLER AT BASS FISHING WORKSHOP

Bass Fishing Workshop

Hosted by Professional Bass Fisherman, Ron Gallo

Tuesday, July 11th

6:00 - 8:30 PM

Weston Community Center

20200 Saddle Club Road

\$40 per workshop

Open to all ages

No supplies needed.

Just bring a note pad and a pen.

Anglers of all ages will enjoy tips from professional bass fisherman, Ron Gallo, at his upcoming Bass Fishing Workshop at the Weston Community Center.

The workshop will provide skills in fishing for largemouth bass in the local waters of South Florida. Participants will learn tips to catch more, and larger, bass. The workshop includes fishing techniques, lure identification, tackle selection, knots, and more.

Ron Gallo is a professional bass fisherman for over 40 years, in which he has taught this course since 1979 (over 37 years), the author of numerous books/booklets on bass fishing, outdoor writer, and a Park Ranger for over 38 years.

To register for the Bass Fishing Workshop, or learn about other programs available at the Community Center, visit the center or call 954-389-4321.





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HEALTHY LIVING TIP 10 WAYS TO SUPPORT AGING WITH DIGNITY

The face of American society is changing, with people living longer than ever before. Yet right now our nation lacks a system of care and support that would enable older adults to age with dignity and independence. Fulfilling this need will take unprecedented levels of public involvement, including getting engaged in our neighborhoods and communities, and at the state and federal levels. Following are 10 ways you can help to ensure that a system of care is available for you and your loved ones should you ever need it.

- 1. **Become the new face of aging.** Challenge negative stereotypes about growing older by maintaining an active role in your own community.
- 2. **Take charge of how you want to age.** Make a plan that includes where and how you will live as you grow older.
- 3. **Speak up** about the kind of care and treatment that you do or don't want. Talk with your doctor and loved ones now.
- 4. **Talk to your neighbors,** especially older adults living nearby. If you have older neighbors who live alone, check in on them from time to time.
- 5. **Become a source of knowledge** for transforming care where you live. Reach out to your local Area Agency on Aging, senior center or community center to learn about the kind of services they offer that could help a loved one who may need help in the future.

- 6. **Stand up and be heard.** Find out if there are local organizations where you can express your thoughts, concerns and experiences about growing older and the need for accessible and affordable support services.
- 8. Find out what your state leaders are doing to improve long-term care. Many states are facing budget cutbacks and trimming programs that serve seniors.
- 9. Stay on top of changes at the federal level as a result of health reform. While health care and daily support for older people happen at the local level, many programs and services are shaped by decisions made in Washington, D.C.
- 10. Harness the power of social media. Regardless of where you live, social media can be an ideal place to learn about, discuss and connect with others on issues related to growing older.







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WESTON EXPLOSION FASTPITCH TRAVEL SOFTBALL TRYOUTS FOR FALL TEAMS



Interested in playing travel softball? Mark your calendar for the following dates, as tryouts for the WESTON EXPLOSION TRAVEL SOFTBALL TEAMS have been set. Tryouts are open to all age divisions, 8U – 18U, and will be held at Weston Regional Park.

Wednesday, August 9th at 6 PM Wednesday, August 16th at 6 PM Sunday, August 20th, Time TBD Wednesday, August 23rd, 6 PM Open Work Out - ALL AGES Team Tryouts - ALL AGES Team Tryouts - ALL AGES Team Tryouts - ALL AGES

If you are interested in becoming part of Weston Explosion, please inquire by email at softball@westonexplosion.com. Additional details regarding the Fall tryouts will be posted at WestonExplosion.com.















WESTON HAWKS & WESTON RATTLERS TRAVEL BASEBALL



For tryout information for all divisions of Weston's travel baseball leagues, visit WestonTravelBall.com and click on each league's logo to access the league online.

Tryouts will be held over the summer for the upcoming Fall & Spring travel baseball seasons. For details, contact each league directly. To calculate your child's league age, visit the <u>USSSA League Age Calcuator</u> and add one year (as the calculator is currently set up for the 2016/17 season.

Interested in recreational softball or baseball play? The <u>Weston YMCA</u> and the <u>Weston Athletic League</u> offer softball and baseball programs for all ages and skill levels.



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HAPPENINGS...

AT THE WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER

Summer Camp Options

- Adventure, Sports, STEM, Teens, Fitness camps, etc.
- Field trips and swim lessons
- No additional charges for pre & post care
- Value-based programming
- In Miami-Dade, Broward and Monroe Counties

Click on image for more details about summer camp at the Y.

Click on image to register



Active Involved Encouraged Fitness Camp

This is an indoor and outdoor fitness program. Youth will perform agility training, body weight strengthening, conditioning games, yoga, swimming, Zumba, cardio kickboxing classes, nutrition tips and more.



For more information, email Taut Scott at tscott@ymcasouthflorida.org

Play to Win. Play to Enjoy.

Okapi Wanderers Rugby has partnered with the Weston YMCA once again for the 2nd annual Rugby summer camp. Train all summer with World Rugby Certified coaches.

For more information, call 954-424-9622.



YMCA of South Florida - Weston YMCA Family Center 20201 Saddle Club Road, Weston, FL 33327 ymcasouthflorida.org 954-424-9622 | Located inside Weston Regional Park





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UPCOMING CITY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Westonfl.org/Events



INDEPENDENCE DAY HOLIDAY AND FESTIVITIES

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

City administrative offices will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th in honor of the Independence Day Holiday.

City parks will close at 6 PM.

There will be regularly garbage collection.



WESTON 4TH OF JULY HOMETOWN CELEBRATION 5K RUN/WALK

Tuesday, July 4, 2017 Racetime: 7:00 AM Broward Health Weston and the City of Weston

Location: Weston Regional Park. The course is out and back on South Post Road with a lap around the park to the finish line in front of the Community Center.

Road Closure: 6:00 AM - 8:30 AM - South Post Road closed between Saddle Club Road and the Public Works Services Center at 2599 South Post Road. Park access restricted.



WESTON 4TH OF JULY HOMETOWN CELEBRATION PARADE

Celebrating the Great American Spirit Tuesday, July 4, 2017

10:30 AM

Weston Town Center and Surrounding Roads

Join us for a 4th of July traditions and walk or ride with our City leaders in Weston's biggest and most exciting event of the year.

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Newsday Tuesday

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WESTON 4TH OF JULY HOMETOWN CELEBRATION PARADE

Celebrating the Great American Spirit

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

10:30 AM

Weston Town Center and Surrounding Areas

Parade Route: The parade starts at Town Center Boulevard & Three Village Road and conclude down Main Street in Weston Town Center.

Video PROMO







Parade Route Temporary Road/Lane Closures: 9:30AM - 12:30PM

Town Center Blvd.: North and southbound lane closures, between Town Center

Circle and Indian Trace.

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CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, August 21, 2017 7:00 PM Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission.



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ONGOING CITY PROGRAMS



BSO WESTON POLICE SERVICES

More information on programs listed below call 954-389-2010 or visit the Police Page on our website.



SAFE SELLING TRANSACTION ZONE A LOCATION FOR ONLINE BUYERS/SELLERS

BSO's Weston district office's parking lot serves as a safehaven for the City's online buyers and sellers to meet at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard. Flyer: Safe Transaction Zone



LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORER PROGRAM

For young men and women ages 14-21. The program provides interaction with law enforcement and other community advisors in a serious, regimented atmosphere where students can demonstrate personal initiative. Offers students the opportunity to learn & experience lawful citizenship as they participate side-by-side with certified BSO deputies in ongoing training and community service projects. For detailed program information, click here.







CITIZEN OBSERVER PATROL (C.O.P.) PROGRAM

COP's are the additional eyes and ears of the community, assisting and enhancing BSO policing efforts. Members of the Broward Sheriff's Office of Countywide Operations professionally train volunteers. Assignments in addition to patrol, include performing checks on unoccupied residences at owner's request, checking on elderly or homebound and reporting potential problems and neighborhood hazards and assist at Weston community events. You must be 18 years of age with a valid driver's license. Interested? Please call the Weston District at **954-389-2010**.



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HOMEWATCH PROGRAM

Planning to go out of town this summer? Be sure to register for BSO's Homewatch program. BSO will check your home daily for signs of suspicious activity. Click here to download the application to complete and submit to the Weston District Office.



BSO WESTON FIRE RESCUE DEPARTMENT

More information on programs listed below, call 954-389-2015 or visit the Fire Department web page.



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. Call 954-389-2015 Monday – Friday.



COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

The Weston CERT Program educates citizens about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations. Join today! Call 954-389-2015. View Weston CERT online.





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WESTON COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

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



REGISTER FOR CODERED

Residents and businesses should register with the City's CodeRED Emergency Notification System. **Register:** www.westonfl.org/Residents/Hurricane/CodeRed.aspx



E-NOTIFICATIONS: WESTON DELIVERS THE LATEST NEWS DIRECT TO YOUR INBOX

Newsday Tuesday: The official City e-Newsletter. A once weekly newsletter delivered each Tuesday morning with city news articles, information, and events.

E-Notifications: Updates on projects; media releases; events and more. **Subscribe at:**

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



WESTON GOVERNMENT CHANNEL

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

Blue Stream - Channel #25

Comcast Cable – Channel #78

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

Government TV



WESTON GOVERNMENT RADIO 1680AM

Tune in for 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.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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Flickr: <u>CityofWeston</u>

YouTube: <u>CityofWeston</u>





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HURRICANE SEASON IS JUNE 1ST – NOVEMBER 30TH

Be ready this hurricane season by making your plan now and picking up supplies throughout the season. Don't wait until a storm threatens our area. Follow our new Twitter alert @WestonFLAlert to receive emergency notifications. Visit WestonFLAlert to receive emergency notifications. Visit Westonfl.org/Hurricane or Ready.gov for information on how to prepare your home and business. Be Weston Ready this hurricane season!