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NEWS FROM THE CITY OF WESTON

MARCH 14, 2017

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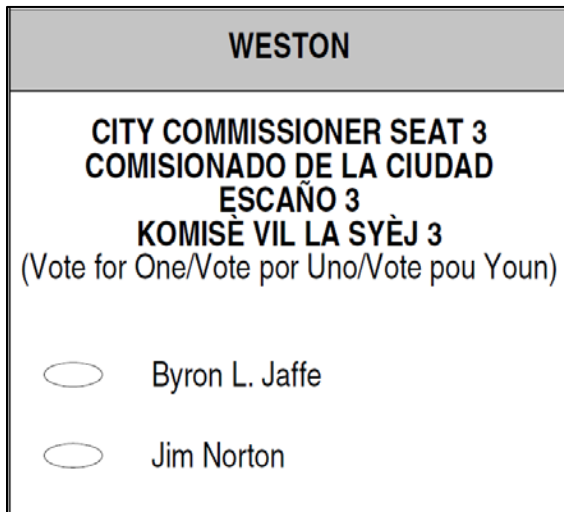


City of Weston Special Election **TODAY IS ELECTION DAY** Polls are Open 7 AM – 7 PM



Today is Election Day in the City of Weston! The Special Election is being held to fill the vacancy in City Commission Seat 3. The elected representative will serve for the balance of the Seat 3 term of office, until November 2018. The Qualifying Period for the Special Election was held in January.

At the end of the election qualifying period, two persons had successfully filed to run to fill Seat 3 of the Weston City Commission. Here is a snapshot of the Sample Ballot for today’s Special Election:



Where Do I Vote?

Your precinct is designated on your voter registration card. If you have recently registered to vote or not sure where your polling location is, please visit the Broward County Supervisor of Elections website at www.browardsoe.org or find your precinct here: <http://www.browardsoe.org/Election-Information/Precinct-Finder>

Who Can Vote?

Although the election is to fill Seat 3, **all registered voters in the City of Weston** may vote. The City is divided into four areas as shown on the [Commission Residential Seat Area](#) map. Each area is assigned a numbered seat – 1, 2, 3, and 4. The Mayor is elected at-large to a four-year term, and may reside in any area of the City.

For more details on elections in the City of Weston, visit the [City Clerk’s Office webpage on Elections](#).



Visit the Broward County Supervisor of Elections office online at BrowardSOE.org



AROUND THE WORLD IN A DAY AT WESTON WORLD FEST

The Second Annual Weston World Fest, presented by the Arts Council of Greater Weston, was held at Weston Regional Park on March 5th. Enjoy these highlights from a beautiful day in the park that took us around the world in a day to celebrate our diversity through performing arts, food, education and so much more!





FUN AND FOOD AT WESTON WORLD FEST





PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

RE-PAINTING OF STREET LIGHT POLES AND MAST ARMS

The following projects are in progress, as part of the City of Weston's Capital Projects Program, overseen by the Public Works Department.



STREET LIGHT POLE RE-PAINTING | PHASE 1

Cleaning and re-painting of street light poles to ensure that they are in mint condition and to enhance the overall look of the streetscape.

Phase 1 locations include:

- South Post Road between Weston Road & Bonaventure Boulevard
- Glades Parkway between State Road 84 and Saddle Club Road

Project duration: Project began on February 27th and will take 30 days to be completed.



MAST ARM RE-PAINTING | PHASE 1

Cleaning and re-painting of traffic mast arms to ensure that they are in mint condition and to enhance the overall look of the streetscape.

Phase 1 locations include the intersections of:

- Royal Palm Boulevard and Bonaventure Boulevard
- Royal Palm Boulevard and Weston Road
- Eagle Point Elementary School Zones

Project duration: Project scheduled to start on March 13th and end on May 14, 2017

Traffic Impact: *There will be periodic lane closures when work is being done in the listed project location areas. Work hours are 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.*

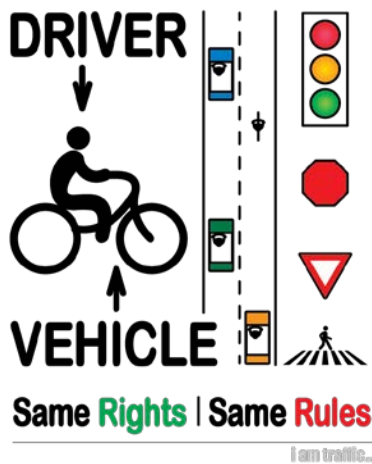
To find out more about current City projects, [click here](#).



March is Florida Bike Month



MOTORISTS & CYCLISTS SHARE THE ROAD



~ LEARN MORE ~

[FLORIDA'S BICYCLE TRAFFIC LAW](#)

[City of Weston
Bicycle Friendly
Community](#)

Florida Department of
Transportation
[Alert Today
Alive Tomorrow](#)
Pedestrian & Bicycle
Focused Initiative

Bike Month: Things to Do at a Park Near You

March is Florida Bicycle Month and there are a variety of fitness and education-centered events for riders of all ages to enjoy at various parks throughout Broward County.

The purpose of Florida Bike Month is to promote bicycle safety and education; to provide recreational bicycling opportunities for all ages and abilities; and to offer competitive/challenging cycling opportunities throughout Broward County. [Click here](#) for a list of activities at Broward County Parks.



The City of Weston is proud to be recognized as a Bicycle Friendly Community by the League of American Bicyclists – one of 21 in the state of Florida. The program recognizes communities, businesses and universities that make efforts to ensure bicycling is a safe and viable transportation option. Weston is an ideal community for cycling, offering over 46 miles of marked bike lanes to assist bicyclists to get to their destination safely. Weston's Parks offer [Fixit Bike Repair Stations](#) which provide the tools necessary to make simple repairs.



HEALTHY LIVING TIP

ADDRESS UNHEALTHY WEIGHT THROUGH HYDRATION

Although everyone has different preferences when it comes to food, there is one thing we can all incorporate into our diets that will aid our weight loss process and help us live healthier lives. What is this magical ingredient?

Water!

There are many reasons why water is important, but the key to losing weight is found in a BALANCED diet. Water is the perfect *support* we can include in our lives to guarantee weight loss success.

Water is a combination of hydrogen and oxygen. It is the basis for the fluids in the body. The importance of constantly drinking water comes from the fact that it makes up more than two-thirds of the weight of the human body.

Also, increasing the amount of water in-take can help you avoid overeating. A lot of people confuse thirst for hunger. A tip to keep yourself in check and make sure your pangs are caused by hunger, and not hydration, is to have a glass of water first before eating snacks. That way, you drink more water and teach your body how to have self-control.

Incorporating water into your life is the first seamless step you can take to lose all of that unhealthy weight!



For more information about unhealthy weight or Healthiest Weight Florida, please visit

<http://www.healthiestweightflorida.com/strategies/index.html>.

Make Drinking Water Exciting.

Drinking water is the most beneficial way of keeping hydrated. Although it tastes great as it is, sometimes it is nice to mix it up a little. Here are some tips on how to make your water more fun;

Freeze it.

Freeze fruit like berries in ice cubes for a chilled infusion.



Make it Herbal.

Adding herbs such as ginger, mint leaves or lemongrass can improve the flavour of drinking water.

Go Fruity.

Add fresh fruits such as lime and berries to make your water tastier.



OR..

Try adding cucumber for a fresh taste.



TEA ANYONE?
TEA AND HERBAL DRINKS NOT ONLY HELP YOU TO STAY HYDRATED BUT ARE FULL OF HEALTH BENEFITS.



NOAA/NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE *National Hurricane Center OPEN HOUSE 2017*



OPEN HOUSE 2017
SATURDAY, MARCH 18TH
10 AM – 2 PM

FREE for the entire family

Meet forecasters and have a
tour of the Miami facility

Learn how forecasters
inform & protect our
communities

Watch a live weather
balloon launch at 1PM

Raffle to win NOAA
Weather Radio

Hand-on demonstrations,
displays and educational
materials

11691 SW 17 Street
Miami, FL 33165

[Click for directions and more
information](#)

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Miami/South Florida Forecast Office and National Hurricane Center

The National Hurricane Center is comprised of a team of science, technical and administrative specialists dedicated to saving lives, mitigating property loss and improving economic efficiency by issuing the best watches, warnings, forecasts and analyses of hazardous tropical weather and increasing the understanding of these hazards.

4 million miles

The distance one of NOAA's polar-orbiting satellites travels in one year.





Community Center Program

LEARN TO BE A BETTER ANGLER AT BASS FISHING WORKSHOP

Bass Fishing Workshop

***Hosted by Professional Bass
Fisherman, Ron Gallo***

Tuesday, March 21st

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.

Hooked on fishing? Don't miss this interactive workshop presented by Professional Bass Fisherman, Ron Gallo. This is the final workshop offered this spring!

Learn tips of the trade to fish 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.





HAPPENINGS...

AT THE WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER

Group Swim Lessons

The Weston YMCA offers group swim lessons for ages 6 months to adults. The program focuses on 3 key elements that are used throughout the YMCA Swim Lesson skill continuums: personal water safety, swim readiness/stroke development, and character development. The fun games, drills and activities are developmentally appropriate, progressive, and enhance the program elements to transform your swimming experience. For more information visit, ymcasouthflorida.org/swim-lessons.



Tiny Tots Basketball

Join the league with 8 games guaranteed, certified referees and strategic practices with a volunteer coach. The Weston YMCA is a proud partner of our very own Miami Heat! This partnership will yield many wonderful benefits including: A Miami Heat branded game jersey, a Miami Heat game ticket and so much more! In our basketball program kids learn the fundamental skills of basketball, while having fun and practicing teamwork and good sportsmanship.



Become a Volunteer Coach

There are year-round opportunities to help develop and mentor youth in sports. Many volunteers are parents who have children on the team. All coaches attend trainings and workshops, are fingerprinted and undergo background checks to become certified as YMCA coaches. Interested in becoming a volunteer? Call the the Weston YMCA for more information 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*



UPCOMING CITY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Westonfl.org/Events



WESTON SPECIAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION

TODAY (Tuesday, March 14, 2017) Polls Open 7AM-7PM

A special stand-alone election to fill the vacancy in City Commission Seat 3, for the remainder of the term, until November 2018. All Weston registered voters are eligible to vote.

Candidates:

1. Byron L. Jaffe
2. Jim Norton

Where to Vote: Your precinct location is on your voter registration card, or click here to [find your precinct](#).



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, March 20, 2017

7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission and Oath of Office Ceremony for newly elected Commissioner.



STUDENT ARTIST SHOWCASE ON DISPLAY

April 1 - 27, 2017

Weston Branch Library, 4205 Bonaventure Boulevard

Display of works by talented artists from schools throughout Weston, arranged by The Arts Council of Greater Weston.



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[Click here to view the full event list.](#)



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, April 3, 2017

7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission



WESTON ROYAL EGG HUNT - FREE EVENT

Saturday, April 15, 2017

10:00 AM SHARP

Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road

Baseball Fields #1 through #4

Annual Royal Egg Hunt for children ages 10 and under. Over 30,000 candy-filled eggs spread onto age categorized fields. Be sure to bring a basket or bag and keep an eye out for some special "golden" eggs for an additional prize.

PARENTS: Plan to arrive at the park by 9:15AM to park and find the age appropriate field.

Photos with the Royal Bunny and bounce houses available after the egg hunt until 12 noon. ***For more information please call 954-389-4321.***

Click for [Video Promo](#).



QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK PICKUP

APRIL 2017

Single Family or Multi-family with curbside collection:

Wednesday, April 19th -or- Thursday, April 20th -or-

Friday, April 21st

Multi-family with dumpsters:

Saturday, April 22nd

Bulk trash will be picked up on your regularly scheduled garbage collection day and should be placed at the curb by 7:00AM. Please ensure your garbage cart can still be collected. For more information, [click here](#) or call 954-385-2600.



FREE PUPPET SHOW: THE FROG PRINCE

Saturday, April 22, 2017

SHOWTIMES:

1:30 PM AND 3:00 PM

Weston Community Center, 20200 Saddle Club Rd.

Wanda the Witch casts a spell on the handsome prince, turning him into a frog. To break the spell, he now must be kissed by a beautiful princess. There are a few delightful surprises!

For more information, please call 954-389-4321 or stop by the Community Center. *Shows are best suited for Pre- K through 2nd grade. Children must be accompanied by an adult.*



FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

Saturday, April 22, 2017

8:00 PM

Event Stage in Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Rd.

Featuring *The Secret Life of Pets*

What do our pets do all day when we're not home? For the critters living in a Manhattan apartment building, the answer is: whatever they want! A terrier named Max regularly invites his friends to hang out at his place while his owner is gone, but his quiet life is upended when his owner also takes in Duke, a stray mutt whom Max instantly dislikes.

Animated Comedy | PG | 90 min.

Bring lawn chairs or blankets for seating then sit back and relax – *the movie is on us!*



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 safe-haven for the City's online buyers and sellers to meet at 17300 Royal Palm Boulevard.

Download a flyer here: [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 and an on-line application, [click here](#).



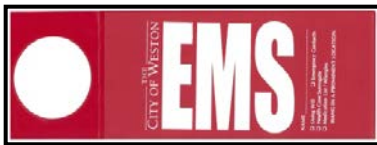
CITIZEN OBSERVER PATROL (C.O.P.) PROGRAM

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**.



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](#).



WESTON COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT

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



REGISTER FOR CODERED

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



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* 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 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.