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PINCHED AT THE PUMP GAS PUMP SKIMMERS *How to Avoid Being Victimized*

The Broward Sheriff's Office wants to educate the public on a credit card skimming scam that preys on unsuspecting people purchasing gas with a debit or credit card.

Please be aware when pumping gas!

Check to ensure that the security tape is in place and has an unbroken seal. If it is broken or has the words 'void' on the sticker - do not use and tell the gas station attendant. Taking a few seconds to do this quick check can help keep your identity safe and your credit card from being copied.



Additional Information:

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
[Tips to Avoid Gas Pump Card Skimmers](#)



EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ON HOAX KIDNAPPING CALLS

Several Calls Have Been Received by Weston Residents

As a follow-up to the April 4th Newsday Tuesday article on the Kidnapping Hoax calls, which have become a widespread scam throughout the nation, Mayor Daniel Stermer and Chief Kevin Butler of the Broward Sheriff's Office Weston District, were joined by other BSO officials and principal Scott Neely of Cypress Bay High School to host a press conference in order to emphasize to the public that these calls are scams meant to prey on a parent's fear in order to scam money from them.



All local news channels were in attendance to learn more about calls that have been received by parents in Weston, which have increased in the last several months.



WHAT TO DO IF YOU RECEIVE A CALL

The caller will state that they have your child or loved one and will hold them until a certain amount of money is wired to a specific account. If you receive a call **STAY CALM**, don't let panic set in. **DO NOT GIVE PERSONAL INFORMATION OR ATTEMPT TO SEND MONEY.** Try to make contact with your loved one on another phone, if possible. **CALL 911 FOR ASSISTANCE IF YOU CANNOT LOCATE YOUR LOVED ONE.** If you know that your loved one is safe, call BSO to report the call at 954-764-4357.

[Read more](#) from the Federal Trade Commission on this scam.

Stay tuned on Weston's updates regarding the hoax kidnapping calls by following us on Twitter [@CityofWeston](#), or visiting the [Happening Now](#) section of the Website.



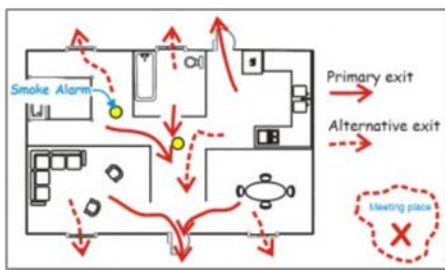
KNOW YOUR ESCAPE PLAN

Fire Safety Planning Tips for Your Home

If a fire breaks out in your home, you and your family may only have a few minutes to escape safely once the smoke alarm sounds. Everyone should know what to do and where to go if there is a fire. Planning is key. Follow these tips from the National Fire Protection Association to create your home escape plan.



PLANNING FOR A FIRE ESCAPE



⇒ Make a home escape plan. Draw a map of your home showing all doors and windows. Review the plan with everyone in your home. [Click here](#) to download a grid to start planning today!

⇒ Know at least two ways out of every room.

⇒ Have an outside meeting place that is a safe distance from the home where everyone should meet (i.e. a tree,

light pole, mailbox).

⇒ Fire drills are not just for school and work. Practice your home fire drill at night and during the day, twice a year!

⇒ Teach children how to escape on their own in case you cannot assist them.

⇒ It is recommended to install smoke alarms inside every bedroom and outside each sleeping area (i.e. hallway entrance to bedrooms), as well as every level of the home.

IF YOUR SMOKE ALARM SOUNDS...

⇒ Get out and stay out. Never go back in for people or pets.

⇒ Close the doors behind you on your way out. A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire.

⇒ Call 911 after exiting your home.

⇒ If you have to escape through the smoke, remember to “get low and go” by crawling quickly under the smoke to your way out.

Find out more about Fire Safety Planning at NFPA.org/education.



WESTON WARRIORS TACKLE FOOTBALL AND CHEERLEADING REGISTRATION



Weston Warriors is a youth organization focused on the development of children in the community. The Warriors focus on health and well-being, community involvement, education, and the life lessons required to become a productive citizen in our society. This is accomplished through sports and other recreational activities for our youth.

Registration is now open for Football and Cheerleading!

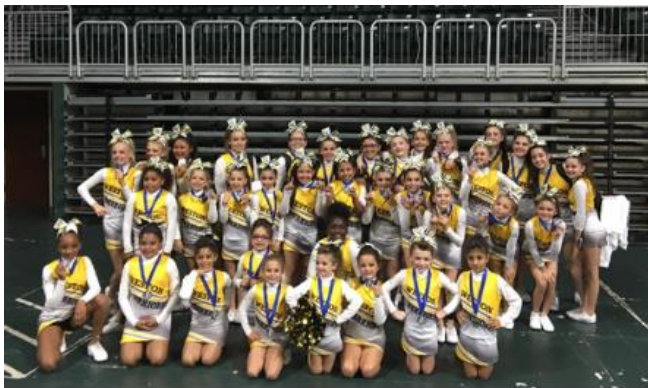
Spring Practice begins Mid-May

Regular Season runs from Aug. 1 - October

For more information, visit: www.westonwarriorssports.com.

Click on the corresponding image of the sport you are interested in to access the online registration form.

Cheerleading (K-9th Grade)



Tackle Football (5-15 yrs.)





COMMIT TO WATER CONSERVATION WATER SHORTAGE WARNING ISSUED FOR SOUTH FLORIDA

WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

[Click here](#) to learn 50 ways to conserve water.



LAWN WATERING LIMITS IN BROWARD COUNTY

In general, NO watering of lawns & landscaping on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays. Watering is allowed before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m. on the following days:

Established Landscaping

Older than 90 days

Even address:

Sunday & Thursday

Odd address:

Wednesday & Saturday

New Landscaping

Up to 30 days old

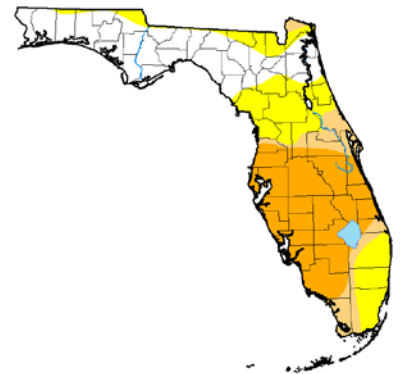
Everyday EXCEPT Friday

30-90 days old

Mondays, Wednesdays,
Thursdays & Saturdays

WATER LEVELS ARE LOW

On April 13th, South Florida Water Management issued a water shortage warning for all 16 counties in the District, including Broward county, in response to falling water levels and extremely dry conditions in the region. Residents are urged to following the existing lawn & landscape irrigation conservation measures that are already in place.



Intensity:

D0 (Abnormally Dry)

D2 (Severe Drought)

D4 (Exceptional Drought)

D1 (Moderate Drought)

D3 (Extreme Drought)



[Click here](#) to view the watering restrictions in Broward County.

CONSERVATION PAYS

Broward County also offers conservation programs such as toilet rebates, showerhead exchange program, Florida Friendly Landscape education (NatureScape Program), and more. Visit ConservationPays.com to find out more. To apply, click on "Check Eligibility" and enter your address or click Weston on the map. Note that the City of Sunrise provides water service to Weston, so interested residents can [complete the application for the City of Sunrise Water Utility online](#).



MAY IS AIR QUALITY AWARENESS MONTH

Transportation Options Help Reduce Carbon Emissions



In Broward County, air pollution is mainly caused by people and their activities. Throughout Southeast Florida, the primary pollutant of concern is ozone and because motor vehicles account for 50% of all air pollution in South Florida, we need to protect our future air quality by making more responsible transportation choices.

There are transportation options that are eco-friendly. [Click here](#) to take a look at the options to get around in the tri-county area that you may not have considered.

10 ways to leave your car at home:

1. Take the bus
2. Ride a bike
3. Walk
4. Carpool
5. Brown bag your lunch
6. Combine errands
7. Hold meetings by phone
8. Call ahead so you don't waste a trip
9. Plan ahead so you don't waste a trip
10. Have a night in instead of a night out

If you need to take your personal vehicle, you can reduce fuel costs by:

- ⚙ **Using the right grade of gasoline**
Check your vehicle owner's manual to find out what is recommended for your vehicle.
- ⚙ **Looking into Carpool/Vanpool/Public Transportation & Non-Motorized Options**
- ⚙ **Curbing your aggressive driving or speeding habits**
- ⚙ **Reducing air conditioner use**
The car a/c increases fuel cost by approximately 13%. If it is cool outside, try using the flow-through ventilation instead of rolling down windows.
- ⚙ **Eliminating extra weight or wind resistance**
Forgot about the boxes you put in your trunk? Loading your roof rack? Try to carry the load inside and unload when you reach the destination.
- ⚙ **Minimizing vehicle idling**
Idling is 0 mpg. Turn off your vehicle while waiting in the carline at school or waiting for others.
- ⚙ **Maintaining vehicle efficiency**
Regular maintenance will have your vehicle achieve its best fuel economy. Install clean air filters and keep tires inflated to their proper tire pressure.



SUMMER IS A GREAT TIME TO EARN COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

Here are a few resources for students seeking opportunities to earn community service hours this summer:

HandsOn Broward

HandsonBroward.org

Over 600 non-profit organizations in Broward connecting individuals and groups to the right organization for volunteer effort.

Broward County

Broward.org/volunteer

Offers opportunities for residents to volunteer their services to benefit their community.

Weston Branch Library

Weston Friends of the Library, for more information about the call 954-357-5420.

Broward County Parks

V.I.P Program

(Volunteers Improving Parks) Improving our parks, landscaped areas, greenways, and recreational facilities. For more information, contact the park of your choice or call 954-357-8153.

Teen Volunteer Expo

At Southwest Regional Library

**16835 Sheridan Street
Pembroke Pines, FL 33331**

Saturday, May 6, 2017

1:00 – 3:00 PM

Meet representatives from local non-profit organizations who are recruiting teen volunteers from throughout Broward County. Admission is FREE.

Bring a non-perishable food item to help stock local food pantries.

CITY OF WESTON SERVICE HOURS LIST

The City of Weston maintains a list of student volunteers that are seeking to earn community service hours each year. The volunteers are contacted as volunteers are needed for city events and special projects. The list is updated each school year, so it's important to register to be on the list annually.

[Click here](#) for more information.



HOW TO BECOME A FOSTER PARENT FOR BABY KITTENS or PUPPIES!



Broward County Animal Care and Adoption Center is in need of foster parents for kittens and puppies. Community service hours for school are awarded for participation in this program.

Interested? Follow these easy steps:

1. Thoroughly read, complete and sign the [Foster Parent Application](#).
2. Drop off the Application at the Adoption Center at the address below. PLEASE NOTE: Foster Parent Applications must be presented in person at the Adoption Center. Applications that are mailed, faxed or e-mailed WILL NOT be accepted.

Broward County Animal Care and Adoption Center
2400 SW 42 Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

Once your application is approved, you will be contacted by the Foster Program Coordinator.

Foster Program Requirements:

- Be at least 14 years old
- Have a parent/guardian complete the foster application (minors only)
- Be supervised by an adult (minors only)
- **School Service Hours awarded:**
 - 5 Hours/Day for 1-3 kittens or puppies
 - 6 Hours/Day for 4+ kittens or puppies

For student siblings who are partnering to foster pets, the School Service Hours will be DIVIDED EVENLY between the fostering siblings.



WESTON BRANCH LIBRARY

May 2017

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Baby Storytime

Ages 3 - 11 months

Thursday,

May 4, 18 & 25

10:30 – 11:00 am

Toddler Storytime

Ages 12 - 35 months

Thursday,

May 4, 18 & 25

11:30 am – 12:00 pm

Preschool Storytime

Ages 3 - 5 years

Thursday,

May 4, 18 & 25

12:30 – 1:00 pm

Yoga for Babies

Ages 3 - 11 months

Thursday,

May 11

10:30 – 11:00 am

Yoga for Toddlers

Ages 12 - 35 months

Thursday,

May 11

11:30 am – 12:00 pm

Yoga for Preschool

Ages 3-5 years

Thursday,

May 11

12:30 pm – 1:00 pm

Puppet Show: Godmother Death – A Mexican Folktale

Saturday, May 6 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Shadow Storytelling performance by David Goboff and Simply Puppets.

Weston Rocks! Rock Painting

Monday, May 8 6:30 – 7:45 pm

We are painting rocks to “hide” around Weston to spread joy and brighten people’s day. Bring a rock to decorate or chose one provided by Luscious Landscaping and Pavers.

Make a Mother’s Day Craft

Saturday, May 13 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Create something special just for Mom this Mother’s Day at this card-making workshop. Pre-registration is required. Call 954-357-5430.

Wags N Tales

Thursday, May 18, 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Children read to an animal assisted therapy dog. The intent of the program is to make reading fun and boost children’s confidence in reading aloud. Registration required. Call 954-357-5430 to register.

Zumbini

Saturday, May 27 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

Ages 0-3. For caregivers and their child to learn, bond and grow in an upbeat and happy, musical environment. One child per adult. Must pre-register at 954-357-5430.

For details on these programs, call the Youth Services Desk at 954-357-5430.

Click page to view additional programs offered in May



WESTON BRANCH LIBRARY

May 2017

ADULT PROGRAMS

English Café

Beginners

Mondays

May 1, 8, 15 & 22

10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Intermediate

Mondays

May 1, 8, 15 & 22

5:30 - 7:30 pm

Chair Yoga

Tuesdays

April 4, 11, 18 & 25

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Adults 18 and above only

Spanish Café

Beginners

Mondays

May 1, 8, 15 & 22

12:00 - 2:00 pm

Intermediate

Mondays

May 1, 8, 15 & 22

10:00 - 11:00 am

Writers Circle

Saturday, May 13

10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Meets monthly on the second Saturday. Explore writing by learning from others. For details, call Kimberly Loycano at 661-713-0515.

French Café

Beginners

Thursdays

May 4, 11, 18 & 25

10:30 - 11:30 am

Citizenship Studies

Tuesdays

May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

6:00 - 7:30 pm

Citizenship Studies

Bilingual (English & Spanish)

Wednesdays

May 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Knitting and Crocheting Club

Tuesdays

May 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Please bring your own needles and yarn.

Adults 18 and above only

The Al Matos Klezmer Band

Celebrate Jewish Heritage Month with the joyful sounds of Klezmer, which has evolved from the Jews of Eastern Europe and literally means "happy music."

Saturday, May 20

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Hearing Better for Seniors

Does hearing difficulty hamper your personal life? Learn about hearing loss and receive FREE hearing evaluations by Dr. Leigh Smith of HearUSA.

Tuesday, May 2

11:00 am - 1:00 pm



WESTON BRANCH LIBRARY

4205 Bonaventure Boulevard, Weston, FL 33332

954-357-5420 | Visit the Weston Branch Library [online](#).



UPCOMING CITY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Westonfl.org/Events



FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

FRIDAY, May 5, 2017

8:00 PM

Please note Special Friday night showing

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

Featuring **STAR WARS: The Force Awakens**

In this thrilling continuation of the epic series, ex-stormtrooper Finn, scrappy desert dweller Rey, and droid companion BB-8 get caught up in a galactic war when they find a map containing the whereabouts of the vanished Luke Skywalker. Fantasy, Sci-Fi | PG-13 | 136 min.

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



CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP

Monday, May 8, 2017

5:30 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

A Workshop meeting of the Weston City Commission



CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, May 15, 2017

7:00 PM

Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission



COMO SOBREVIVIR UN TIRADOR ACTIVO

Martes, 16 de mayo de 2017

7:00PM

Weston Community Center, 20200 Saddle Club Rd

¿QUÉ DEBE HACER SI SE VE AMENAZADO
POR UN TIRADOR ACTIVO?

Toda la presentación que se presentó anteriormente en inglés se presentará en español.

Entire presentation previously presented in English will be presented in Spanish.

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Click here to view the full event list.*



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7:00PM

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Entire presentation previously presented in English will be presented in Spanish.

Aprenda consejos de supervivencia para escenarios de tiroteo en espacios públicos. Esta presentación interactiva es gratis para el público y organizada por la Oficina del Alguacil de Broward. Presentación incluye contenido violento. Recomendado para mayores de 18 años.

Los cupos serán limitados a las primeras 125 personas



MEMORIAL DAY - OFFICES CLOSED

Monday, May 29, 2017

City administrative offices will be closed in honor of Memorial Day, a day of remembrance for those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country as a member of the United States Armed Forces. City parks will be open regular hours.

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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 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](#).



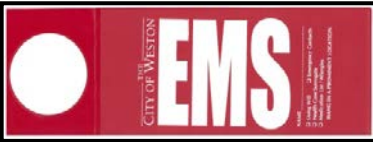
CITIZEN OBSERVER PATROL (C.O.P.) PROGRAM

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



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 INFORMATION 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

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.**

THE
CITY OF WESTON

For your style... for your life