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## 2017 MAYOR OF THE YEAR AWARD FROM BROWARD COUNTY COUNCIL OF PROFESSIONAL FIRE FIGHTERS



Weston Mayor Daniel J. Stermer was honored as *Mayor of the Year* by the Broward County Council of Professional Fire Fighters at their Annual Awards Dinner, held at the Nova Southeastern University Huizenga College of Business Atrium on August 26, 2017. The Broward County Council of Professional Fire Fighters (BCCPFF) represents over 2,500 professional firefighters and paramedics in Broward County.

According to Walter Dix, President of International Association of Firefighters, Local 4321, "Each year, the Council honors elected officials who espouse those best practices in improving their local Fire Rescue department. Mayor Stermer is credited with building a strong working relationship between BSO Fire Rescue and the City of Weston. Thanks to Mayor Stermer's dedication to improving public safety, the City of Weston is now a Class 1 ISO CFAI accredited Fire Rescue agency. Only the top 1% of all fire rescue departments in the United States have received this top rating. As BCCPFF 2017 Mayor of the Year, we congratulate Mayor Stermer on his strong stance to improving the health, safety and security of the public and all of our firefighters."

The City of Weston congratulates Mayor Stermer on this recognition and for his longstanding support of Weston's firefighters and all firefighters in Broward County.



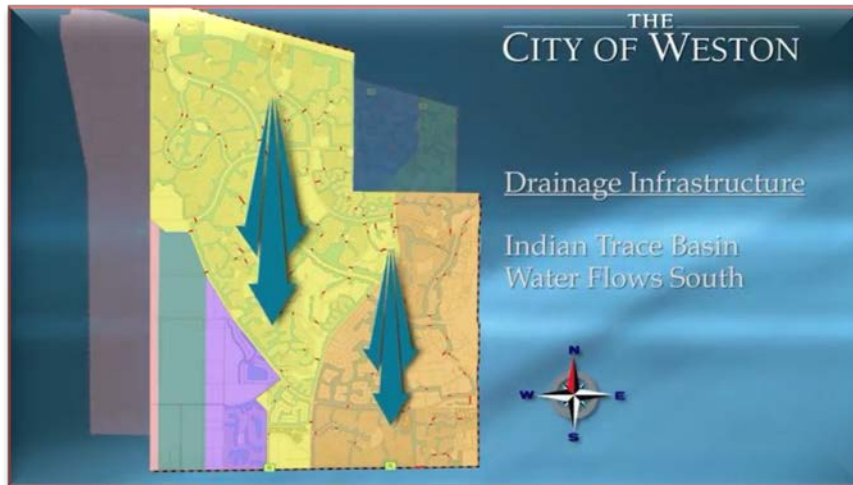
**Photos: (Left to Right)** Mayor Daniel J. Stermer, Beth Jaffe, and Walter Dix, (President IAF, Local 4321).

**Right photo:** Commissioner Byron Jaffe, Beth Jaffe, Mary Molina-Macfie, Commissioner Margaret Brown and Mayor Daniel J. Stermer.



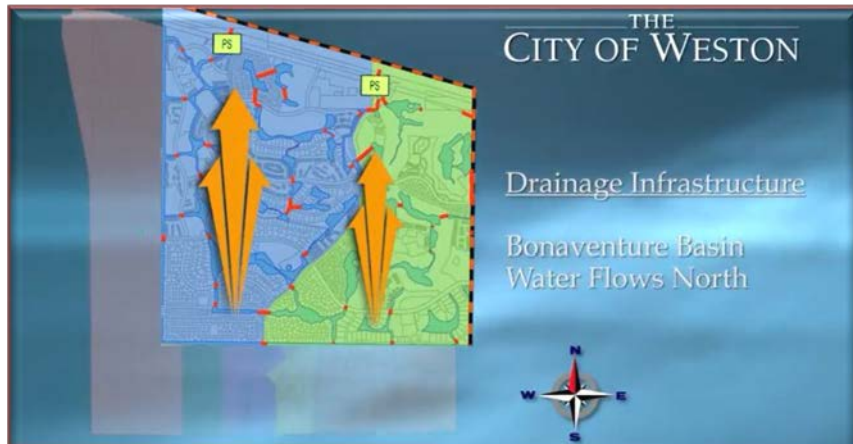
## HOW WESTON MANAGES STORMWATER

### View An Informational Video



The City of Weston has a new informational video on how the City manages the stormwater within Weston.

Lakes throughout each community are owned and maintained by the City and divided into two separate basins: Indian Trace & Bonaventure. The lakes are part of an overall drainage system and were built to accommodate and store excess rainwater.



It takes time to lower the level of our city's lakes and waterways. The city operates its stormwater pumps under regulations from the South Florida Water Management District.

[Click on either image above to view video on YouTube.](#)

Drainage systems within private communities are the responsibility of the Home Owner Association. It's important that HOAs and residents do their part in helping to reduce street flooding by keeping storm drains and catch basins clear of debris, such as leaves, palm fronds, and other landscaping waste.

Learn how and where water within your community is pumped and what you can do to assist in keeping catch basins clear and water flowing.

***The City of Weston Stormwater Management System*** is also available on the Weston website under [Flooding/Flood Insurance](#). Here you will also find [Only Rain Down the Storm Drain](#) – ***keep our environment clean one drop at a time...***



## BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT RENEWALS

### DEADLINE TO RENEW IS SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

All businesses in Weston are required to have an active Business Tax Receipt (BTR) before engaging in any business transactions in the City of Weston. This includes home-based businesses.

Business Tax Receipts are due and payable **on or before September 30<sup>th</sup>** of each year, for October 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year.

Renewal invoices were mailed out on July 1<sup>st</sup> to the mailing address we have on file. It is the responsibility of each business owner to notify the City should there be any changes.

Pursuant to Florida State Statute, Chapter 205, local Business Tax Receipts (BTR) that are not renewed by September 30<sup>th</sup> are delinquent and subject to a delinquency penalty of **10% for the month of October**, plus an **additional 5% penalty for each subsequent month** of delinquency until paid. Any person who engages in any business, occupation, or profession covered by this chapter, who does not pay the required business tax within 150 days after the initial notice of the tax due, and who does not obtain the required receipt, is subject to civil actions and penalties, including court costs, reasonable attorneys' fees, additional administrative costs incurred as a result of collection efforts, and a penalty of up to **\$250**.

Businesses that do business throughout Broward County may also be required to have a County BTR. [Click here](#) to access information on local business taxes from the Broward County Records, Taxes and Treasury Division, or call 3-1-1 for additional information.

**Avoid the Late Fee - Pay Online Today**

**City of Weston BTR Renewal [click here](#)**

**Broward County BTR Renewal [click here](#)**

**Questions? Contact us.**

**E-mail: [BTR@westonfl.org](mailto:BTR@westonfl.org) Phone: 954-385-2000**

**For detailed information, visit link: [Business Tax Receipts](#).**



## Weston Community Center NIKE MARATHON KIDS RUNNING CLUB

**Register Now**  
for the  
**Nike Marathon Kids  
Running Club**

Fall Session:  
**September 13<sup>th</sup> –  
October 25<sup>th</sup>**

Club meets every  
**Wednesday**  
**4:00 – 4:45 PM**

**\$66** for  
6-week session\*

\*plus **annual registration  
fee of \$30** payable to the  
coach on the first day of  
the session.

The next session is  
**November 1<sup>st</sup> –  
December 20<sup>th</sup>.**

Returning to the Weston Community Center again this year after a successful *run* last season is the Nike Marathon Kids Running Club program. Offered by Kidokinetics, the program is focused on training children in grades Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade to run 26.2 miles. The program will be offered in six-week sessions, from September 13<sup>th</sup> – October 25, 2017 (there will be no class on October 18<sup>th</sup>).

Running is a great way to get fit and stay healthy throughout a lifetime. Participants will learn to run/walk a full marathon, which will also develop endurance that will aid in training for other sports. Enjoy a fun, simple program that sets realistic goals and provides rewards and incentives for reaching those goals.



**For details on this and any of the other  
Kidokinetics programs,  
visit [Kidokinetics.com](http://Kidokinetics.com)  
or call 954-385-8511.**



The Nike Marathon Kids Running Club prepares participants for events like the Rotary Run for Tomorrow races (shown here) which take place in Weston on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

Details at [WestonRotary.com](http://WestonRotary.com).



## BIG DOG ADOPTION

### *Name Your Adoption Fee*



### BIG DOG ADOPTION

This Fall, from September 1<sup>st</sup> to November 17<sup>th</sup>, adopt a Big Dog (40 lbs. or more) and receive FREE pet supplies! Adopters can name their own adoption fee for all dogs. Fees for cats continue to be waived (including the Center's adoptable cats at Pet Supermarket stores located in Broward County). The \$20 non-refundable deposit applies to hold a stray/lost dog or cat.

All adoptions include spaying/neutering, all necessary vaccinations, a Broward County Rabies Registration License tag and a microchip!

### DOG SMARTS 101 CLASS

The next Dog Smarts 101 Class will take place Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, from 6 – 7 PM, at the West Regional Library, 8601 W. Broward Blvd, Plantation, 33324. The pet education class will teach dog owners (or anyone thinking about getting a pet) important information about dog behavior and why dogs do the things they do. This is the perfect class for anyone experiencing behavioral problems with their dog, such as barking, chewing and housebreaking issues. The class is FREE to all residents. **Since this is not a dog training session, no pets will be permitted to the program.**

#### [Broward County Animal Care and Adoption Center](#)

2400 SW 42nd Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312 954-359-1313 Located across the street from Employee Parking for the Broward County Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport. [Get Directions.](#)



## DON'T FORGET ABOUT FIDO! HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS FOR PETS

As you make your hurricane plans for your family, remember to plan for your pet, too. Preparing a *Pet Survival Kit* is key to ensuring that you have enough food and important pet information on hand in case you lose power or must evacuate. Details are available from [Ready.gov](http://Ready.gov) and from the [Humane Society of Broward County](http://Humane Society of Broward County).

It's best to gather supplies and put in a waterproof container with a secure plastic lid, along with a crate or carrier large enough for your pet to stand and turn:

- Leashes and collars
- Two-week supply of moist or dry food, with manual can opener
- Two-week supply of bottled water (or more if using dry food)
- Water and food dishes
- Extra cat litter, litter pan and puppy training pads (consider the fact that your dog may not be able to "potty" outside during or after a storm)
- Emergency phone numbers for veterinarian, animal shelters, friends or relatives
- Veterinary clinic address and phone number
- Veterinary records with rabies certificate and current Broward County Pet Registration Tag number
- Medications with instructions (ensure you have enough medication on hand before the storm hits)
- Cleaning supplies (newspaper, plastic bags with ties, paper towels, disinfectant)
- A photo of you and your pet together (to help prove the pet is yours), and a photo of the pet by itself, showing any distinguishing marks that will help with identification.



**Pet Friendly Shelter:** If you plan to evacuate to a shelter with your pet, it is recommended to register in advance with the Humane Society of Broward County at 954-989-3977. Broward County operates one pet-friendly shelter that is available on a first-come, first-serve basis during a storm activation.

[Click Here](#) for more information on hurricane preparedness for pets from the Humane Society of Broward County.



## WATER SMART RESPONDING TO A DROWNING IN PROGRESS

If you see a swimmer in distress, you will notice that the individual may still try to swim, but makes little or no forward progress, which causes panic. As a bystander, you can help, if you take action swiftly and you remain calm. CPR is a lifesaving tool in this instance.

An active drowning victim may be:

- o Vertical in the water, but unable to move forward or tread water.
- o Pressing down with their arms at the side to attempt to push the

An inactive drowning victim is motionless on the surface or bottom of the water



### Responding to Drowning

- If you are alone with the victim, remain calm. Immediately remove the victim from the water **if you can do so safely**. DO NOT put yourself in a dangerous situation.

#### ***If you know CPR:***

- If someone is nearby, yell for help to call 9-1-1 while you safely remove the victim from the water and begin CPR.
- If you are alone and the victim is a child, remove him/her from the water and begin CPR for the first for two minutes, then call 9-1-1.

#### ***If you do not know CPR:***

- Call 9-1-1 immediately and they will instruct you once they dispatch Emergency Medical Services.

**Drowning is preventable.** Call SWIM Central at 954-357-SWIM (7946) or visit [WaterSMARTBroward.org](http://WaterSMARTBroward.org).

**CPR saves lives.** For FREE CPR training, contact BSO Weston Fire Rescue at 954-389-2015.





**TENNIS ANYONE?**  
**GET BACK INTO THE GAME**



**RALLY FOR FITNESS**  
at Weston Tennis Center

Did you know that TENNIS can burn up to 600 calories an hour?  
Strap up your laces for the original fitness craze!

Join Rally for Fitness and we will:

- Teach you to play, rally, and score
- Introduce you to others of the same level and arrange games
- Set you up in a fun social league
- Give you the foundation to enjoy a game for life

*All you have to do is show up!*

Rally for Fitness is from **August 15<sup>th</sup> - November 30<sup>th</sup>**  
and is only: \$155 Single | \$270 Family\*

**Participants Receive:**

- 3 months of unlimited court access at Weston Tennis Center from start date
  - 4 weeks of Tennis 101 Clinics
  - 2- 30 minute private lessons
- One Tennis Sip 'N Serve session that lasts 6 weeks
- Member pricing on all programming and events

Family Memberships include one Free Jr Clinic per child & one Kids Carnival

*\*Savings of up to \$66 !! (tax not included in pricing)*

**WESTON**  
TENNIS CENTER

Have questions? Ready to sign up? Please contact Yudit Hernandez at  
954.389.8666 or [y.hernandez@cliffdrysdale.com](mailto:y.hernandez@cliffdrysdale.com)

16451 Racquet Club Rd | Weston, FL | [www.WestonTennis.com](http://www.WestonTennis.com)





## WESTON BRANCH LIBRARY

### September 2017 Programs & Events

#### ADULT PROGRAMS

#### Looking through the Lens: Photography Lecture by NSU Art Museum

**Saturday, September 16** 2:00 – 3:00 pm  
Hosted by the NSU Art Museum Docent Speakers Bureau.

#### Disability Workshop for Parents

**Tuesday, September 19** 6:30 – 7:30 pm  
Family Network on Disabilities (FND) shares information and resources for students with disabilities.

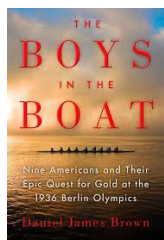
#### US Citizenship and Immigrations Services (USCIS)

**Tuesday, September 12**  
6:00 – 7:30 pm  
Get your citizenship questions answered onsite by USCIS staff.

#### Weston Library Book Club

*The Boys on the Boat: Nine  
Americans and their Epic Quest for  
Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics*

**Wednesday, September 13**  
6:30 – 7:30 pm



#### Writers Circle

**Saturday, September 9** 10:30 am – 12:00 pm  
Try your hand at writing and share your work with others.  
Meets every second Saturday of the month.

#### Papagayo Vocal Ensemble

**Saturday, September 23** 3:00 – 5:00 pm Free  
concert celebrating Venezuela Folk Music.

#### Adult Coloring

**Wednesday, September 6** 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm  
Color your world with a relaxing activity! Color sheets and coloring pencils will be provided.

#### Knitting and Crocheting Club

**Tuesdays, September 5, 19 & 26** 3:00 – 5:00 pm  
Adults 18 & over; bring your own materials.

#### Chair Yoga

**Tuesdays, September 5, 12, 19, 26** 12:00 – 1:00 pm

#### French Café Intermediate

**Thursday, September 7, 14, 21 & 28**  
10:30 – 11:30 am

#### Spanish Café Intermediate

**Monday, September 11, 18 & 25**  
10-11 am

#### English Café Beginners

**Monday, September 11, 18 & 25**  
10:30 am - 12:30 pm

#### English Café Intermediate

**Monday, September 11, 18 & 25**  
5:30 – 7:30 pm

#### Citizenship Studies

**Tuesday, September 5 & 26**  
6:00 – 7:30 pm

#### Citizenship Studies (Bilingual)

**Wednesday, September 6, 13 & 27**  
10:30am-12:30pm



## September 2017 Programs & Events

### YOUTH PROGRAMS

#### **Puppet Show: Little Red Riding Hood**

**Saturday, September 16** 11:00am – 12:00pm

Don't miss this twist on a classic, the Wolf and Red learn valuable lessons on the way to Grandma's house. Exciting AND Educational!

#### **Wags and Tales**

**Thursday, September 21** 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Children read to an Animal Assisted Therapy Dog to make reading fun and boost their confidence reading aloud. Call the library to register.

#### **LEGO Club**

Monday, September 18 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Ages 6-12

#### **Munchkin Mondays!**

Monday, September 11 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Grades K - 5<sup>th</sup>. Parents must be present.

Call the library to register.

#### **Baby Storytime**

Ages 3-11 mos.

Thursday, September 7, 21 & 28

10:30am – 11 am

#### **Toddler Storytime**

Ages 12 – 35 mos.

Thursday, September 7, 21 & 28

11:30 am - 12 pm

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Ages 3 – 5 years

Thursday, September 7, 21 & 28

12:30 – 1 pm



***Did you know that computer classes are available at the library?***

***Current classes include Introduction to Microsoft Excel and Intermediate Excel, File/Folder/Photo management and Digital Download hour.***

***Call the library for details on current and upcoming classes and to register.***



#### **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](http://Westonfl.org/Events)



### **PATRIOT DAY AND NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE**

**Monday, September 11, 2017**

Weston joins our nation in honoring and remembering the victims, their families, first responders and rescue and recovery workers, soldiers who have answered the call to defend our freedom and safety, and the volunteers who contributed their efforts in the aftermath of the attacks of 9/11. We will never forget.



### **CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**\*Wednesday, September 13, 2017**

**7:00 PM**

**Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard**

A regular meeting and first budget hearing of the Weston City Commission. *\*September meeting dates are coordinated with the Broward County School Board and Broward County Commission budget hearings, in accordance with Florida Statutes.*



### **CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

**Monday, September 25, 2017**

**7:00 PM**

**Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard**

A regular meeting and second budget hearing of the Weston City Commission.



## FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

Saturday, October 14, 2017

8:00 PM

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

Featuring *Guardians of the Galaxy Volume 2*

*The Guardians must fight to keep their new-found family together as they unravel the mystery of Peter Quill's true parentage.* Action | Science-Fiction | 137 min. | PG-13

**Bring lawn chairs or blankets 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. 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**.



Sheriff Scott Israel

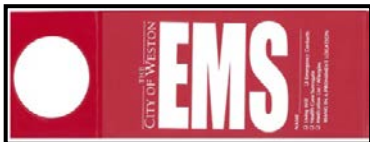
## HOMEWATCH PROGRAM

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](#).



### 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](http://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

 **Twitter:** [@CityofWeston](https://twitter.com/CityofWeston) and [@WestonFLAlert](https://twitter.com/WestonFLAlert)

 **Flickr:** [CityofWeston](https://www.flickr.com/photos/cityofweston/)

 **YouTube:** [CityofWeston](https://www.youtube.com/c/cityofweston)



### HURRICANE SEASON IS JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> – NOVEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

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](https://twitter.com/WestonFLAlert) to receive emergency notifications. Visit [Westonfl.org/Hurricane](http://Westonfl.org/Hurricane) or [Ready.gov](http://Ready.gov) for information on how to prepare your home and business. *Be Weston Ready this hurricane season!*

