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WESTON'S ROYAL EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 31, 2018

Hundreds of families visited Weston Regional Park on Saturday, March 31st to enjoy the City's annual Royal Egg Hunt. Children ages 10 & under flooded baseball fields 1 – 4 of Weston Regional Park to gather their share of over 30,000 eggs. After the dash for the eggs, families enjoyed photos with the Royal bunny and children enjoyed bounce houses and cracking open their prize-filled eggs.



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Explore more photos on Flickr: 2018 Royal Egg Hunt.







SCENES FROM THE 2018 ROYAL EGG HUNT at Weston Regional Park









FAMILY FUN AT WESTON'S 2018 ROYAL EGG HUNT



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Visit WestonFL.org/Events to stay informed of events year-round.





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STUDENT ARTIST SHOWCASE

At Weston Branch Library Through April 26th

Presented by the Arts Council of Greater Weston, you don't want to miss the terrific art work on display at the Weston Branch Library, located at 4205 Bonaventure Boulevard, in Weston. Below is just a small sample from the 12 participating local schools.



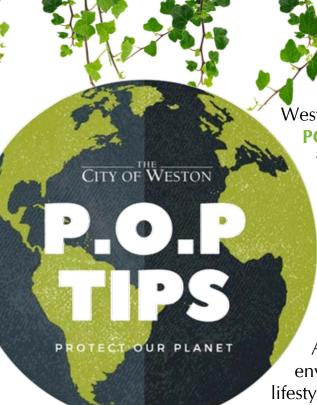




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WESTON'S "POP" TIP OF THE DAY

Look for a new tip every weekday during April



Weston will be communicating daily POP Tips of the Day throughout the month of April.

POP is short for – Protect Our Planet.

These **Green** practical tips will be promoting environmental awareness. With **weekly** action tips throughout the month of April, we can help preserve our environment through simple lifestyle choices.

Not just Earth Day (April 22nd), but every day...

How To Get Your POP Tip:

- Follow us on Twitter
- Visit our website's *Happening Now* section and the Calendar of Events (www.westonfl.org)
- View our Government Cable TV Channel
- All with no paper wasted!

Check it out... and help preserve the environment and possibly save yourself time and money in the process.







IRS.GOV/FreeFile

Taxpayers Making Under \$66,000 File Online For Free

April 17, 2018 is the deadline to file your taxes and for most taxpayers to file an extension and to pay taxes owed to avoid penalty and interest charges. Learn about the IRS' Free File program and let Free File do the work for you with brand-name software if you make under \$66,000 or free fillable forms if you make over \$66,000 per year.

The tax season was just made a little easier! Eligible residents are encouraged to take advantage of the Earned Income Tax Credit and Child Tax Credits.

www.IRS.gov/FreeFile

View video







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LOW COST RABIES CLINIC AND FREE MICROCHIP

Broward County Services for Your Pet



The Broward County Animal Care and Adoption Division will host a neighborhood Rabies Clinic for dogs and cats on **Saturday, April 7th**, from **9:00 AM until 2:00 PM**, at Delevoe Park, 2520 NW 6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, 33311.

This year, FREE microchips will be available with the purchase of a rabies vaccine and Broward County Rabies Registration License tag. The microchips are funded by a grant provided by PetSmart Charities® to help protect pets and increase their chances of getting back home if they become lost.

At the Clinic, dogs and cats will receive a one-year rabies vaccination and the Broward County Rabies Registration License tag.

- \$25 for dogs and cats that are spayed/neutered (sterilized)
- \$35 for pets that are not spayed/neutered (not sterilized)

Microchips, with free registration, will be administered at no cost. Proof of rabies vaccination and registration will be required for pet owners whose pets have already received a rabies vaccine and County license tag and wish to get their pet microchipped. A microchip is a permanent form of identification which can be scanned by a veterinarian or animal shelter if a pet is lost so it can be returned to its owner.

Debit/credit cards will be the only forms of payment accepted. Cards include Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover.

This program is for Broward County residents only. All dogs must be on leashes and all cats in carriers.

THE RABIES VACCINE IS REQUIRED BY LAW

Remember, there is a \$300 fine for failing to vaccinate your pet against rabies. You can also receive a \$300 fine if your pet is vaccinated but does not have a current Broward County registration tag.





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5 COMMON FAFSA MISTAKES

Information from the U.S Department of Education



1. Not Completing FAFSA

There is no income "cutoff" when it comes to federal student aid, the FAFSA form is not just the application for federal grants such as the Federal Pell Grant, it's also the application for Federal

Work-Study funds, federal student loans, and even scholarships and grants offered by your state, school, or private organization.

2. Not Using the Correct Website

The official FAFSA website is <u>fafsa.gov</u>. That's ".gov"! You never have to pay to complete the FAFSA form. If you're asked to provide credit card information, you're not on the official government website.

3. Not Filling Out the FAFSA Form as Soon as It's Available

If you want to get the most financial aid possible, fill out the FAFSA form ASAP. Some financial aid is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, and **some states and colleges run out of money early**.

4. Not Filing the FAFSA Form by the Deadline

Each state and school sets its own deadline, and some deadlines are very early. To be sure you are being considered for the maximum amount of financial aid, fill out your FAFSA form—and any other financial aid applications required by your state or school—before the earliest deadline.

5. Listing only one college

This is a mistake unless you are applying to only one college or already know where you're going to school. Colleges can't see the other schools you've added, so you should add ALL colleges you are considering to your FAFSA form, even if you aren't sure whether you'll apply or be accepted. You can add up to 10 schools at a time.

For more information and seven more tips, visit the <u>U.S. Department of Education's</u> official blog.





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HEALTHY LIVING TIP HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES - EAT SMART



In honor of National Heart Month, check out these healthy snacks options that will help keep your heart healthy. Snacking in moderation with healthy choices can help keep you satisfied throughout the day and provide you with important nutrients. Incorporating healthy snacks into your daily life can have a positive effect on your well-being, and you'll feel good about snacking when a craving hits.

Crunchy

- Apples
- Carrot and celery sticks
- Green pepper sticks
- Zucchini circles
- Radishes
- Broccoli spears
- Cauliflower
- Unsalted rice cakes

Thirst Quenchers

- Water (try adding chopped fruit for extra flavor)
- Fat-free milk
- Unsweetened juices
- Low-sodium tomato or mixed vegetable juice
- Hot coffee or tea

Munchy

- Unsalted sunflower seeds
- Whole-grain bread or toast
- Cherry or grape tomatoes
- Low-fat or fat-free cheese
- Plain, low-fat or fat-free yogurt
- Granola bars
- Unsalted almonds, walnuts and other nuts

Sweet

- Unsweetened canned fruit
- Baked apple
- Raisins
- Dried fruit without added sugar
- Frozen bananas
- Frozen grapes
- Fresh fruit



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

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





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WESTON MOONLIGHT MOVIES AT THE PARK FEATURING

SPIDER-MAN HOMECOMING

Saturday, April 14th | Showtime is 8:00 PM Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Road



A young Peter Parker (Spider-Man), navigates his newfound identity as the web-slinging super hero. Thrilled by his experience with the Avengers, Peter returns home, under the watchful eye of his new mentor. He tries to fall back into his normal routine, but when the Vulture emerges as a new villain, everything that is most important to him is threatened.

Action | PG-13 | 133 min.

Bring lawn chairs or blankets and relax... the movie is on us! The full-length feature film is projected onto a giant inflatable screen near the event stage. Bring your own food and beverages; however, alcohol is not permitted in the park.

For more information, please call 954-389-4321 or visit WestonFL.org/Events.

For real-time event updates, follow us on Twitter at @CityofWeston.

Don't miss the last Moonlight Movie of the season!



Newsday Tuesday

Online News Article

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HAPPENINGS...

AT THE WESTON YMCA FAMILY CENTER

Full Day Camp

(Traditional Summer Camp)

June 11 - June 15 Week #1

Heroes Week: Create your own Super Hero and join with other campers to solve a quest each day to save the camp. Community heroes will make special visits to camp. Go, go

June 18– June 22 Week #2

Water Wars: Wet fun for all to enjoy. Keep cool with a week of water adventures guaranteed to make every day wet and wild. Who is ready to jump in? June 25 - June 29 Week #3

Back to the Future:
Campers will experience a different decade each day of the week! Learn about the music, history and highlights of that decade and have fun dressing up in the look of the decade. See you

July 2 – July 6 Week #4

Discover and explore nature, new talents, new activities. Gain friendships,

independence and memories. Have a Blast! Include Sports, Music, Dance,

Swimming, Outdoor Activities, Field Trips and Special Events.

Ages 5 to 12 years old. YMCA Members \$ 170 per week

Florida Adventures:
Campers will learn
about all the fascinating
destinations in Florida
including a National
Park and enjoy special
activities across
Broward, Dade and
Monroe county. Ready
to Explore?

July 9 –July 13 Week #5

Sports Extravaganza: Experience a variety of sports, fitness and games geared for girls and boys. Increase agility, strength and skills while having fun. Ready to play ball?

YMCA Camp is BACK!

Traditional (Full Day) Summer Camp

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Ages: 5 to 12 years old

For more information about the YMCA's main day camp, visit http://www.ymcasouthflorida.org/camp/



NEW EQUIPMENT

Coming Soon!

The Y is committed to helping you reach your fitness goals and providing all the resources to be successful in your wellness journey. Join today and receive a small group personal training pakage to start your fitness journey! Value of \$120, promotion code: **WELLRENEW**



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



BSO ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE PRESENTATION

Wednesday, April 4, 2018 6:30 PM Weston City Hall, 17200 Royal Palm Boulevard

The Broward Sheriff's Office, Weston will host this presentation to give residents survival tips when faced with an active shooter in a public space. The presentation will also include information on situational awareness to assist you in your everyday lives. Presentation contains violent content. Recommended for 18 and over (children & teens under 18 can attend with their parents).

Seating is LIMITED. First-come, first-served on seating. Questions or concerns? Contact BSO Weston District at 954-389-2010.



FREE MOONLIGHT MOVIE IN THE PARK

Saturday, April 14, 2018

8:00 PM

*Note later time due to Daylight Saving Time
Event Stage in Weston Regional Park, 20200 Saddle Club Rd.
Featuring SPIDER-MAN

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CITY COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, April 16, 2018 7:00 PM Weston City Hall, 17200, Royal Palm Boulevard

A regular meeting of the Weston City Commission will be held in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.



QUARTERLY RESIDENTIAL BULK TRASH PICKUP

The Quarterly Residential Bulk Trash Pickup will occur in January on your regularly scheduled garbage collection day as follows.

Single Family & Multi-family with curbside collection:

Wednesday, April 18, Thursday, April 19 OR Friday, April 20

Multi-Family with dumpsters ("Containerized Service"): Saturday, April 21

FREE Bulk Pickup will take place on your regularly scheduled garbage collection day and all items should be curbside by 7 a.m.

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 to facilitate safe collection.
- Customer-generated vegetative debris (tree branches must be 6" in diameter or less).

NOT COLLECTED: Bulk items DO NOT include contractorgenerated material or household hazardous waste (HHW). For questions please call the City of Weston Public Works Services Center at 954-385-2600 or visit our website at www.westonfl.org/Departments/PublicWorks/BulkPickup





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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL & ELECTRONICS COLLECTION EVENT

Sunday, April 29, 2018 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM Weston Public Works Services Center, 2599 South Post Rd.

FREE - Properly dispose of household hazardous waste and recycle electronics! **Just drive up – Crews remove items for you.** Items include paints, thinners, pesticides, fertilizers, pool chemicals, motor oil, tires, mercury, batteries, and light bulbs as well as electronics including old televisions, computers, keyboards, printers, stereos, copiers, and phones. **For a full list of items accepted click <u>here.</u>** The list is the same as the items allowed at the drop-off center program.

ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ACCEPTED:

Business and government generated waste, explosives, biohazardous waste, appliances, microwave ovens. For additional information, please call 954-385-2600.







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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? 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 and submit it 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



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.





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