



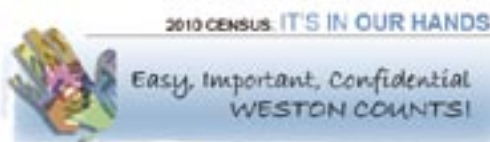
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Census 2010 – less than 6 months away... Easy, Important, Confidential... Weston Counts!

This is one of a continuing series of articles to inform and encourage residents to ensure they are counted in the April 2010 Census. Please take a moment to go over this information and for the benefit of your community, educate and urge others to participate.



THE CITY OF WESTON

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The Census is a count of everyone living in the United States every 10 years.

- The census is mandated by the U.S. Constitution and participation required by law.
- It is a form that takes less than 10 minutes to complete.
- Federal law completely protects the personal information you share during the census.
- Census data are used to distribute Congressional seats to states, to make



Make Weston count

decisions about what community services to provide, and to distribute well over \$300 billion in federal funds to local, state and tribal governments each year.

- The number of Weston residents counted will determine Weston's federal and state funding for years to come.

Who needs to be counted? EVERYONE. Every single person that is living in Weston as of

Census education materials and information will be distributed to Weston residents through April 2010. For on-line information please visit www.westonfl.org and www.broward.org/census2010/

2010 CENSUS: IT'S IN OUR HANDS



Easy, Important, Confidential
WESTON COUNTS!

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April 1, 2010 - renters; caretakers; children; parents, relatives and friends residing in your home; illegal aliens; college students; and those that live outside of the US during other periods of the year.

The federal rule is: Those who live here more than six months and a day per year — even if their other home is in Canada or elsewhere outside the United States — are entitled to fill out the census form. Simply, everyone.

The U.S. Census Bureau **does not ask about the legal status of respondents** in any of its surveys and census programs. To help ensure the nation's increasingly diverse population can answer the questionnaire accurately and

completely, about 13 million bilingual Spanish/English forms will be mailed to housing units in neighborhoods identified as requiring high levels of Spanish assistance. Additionally, questionnaires in Spanish, Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese and Russian as well as language guides in 59 languages will be available on request. When you receive the form and you need it in a different language please call City Hall at 954-385-2002.

IMPACT of Not Being Counted: The 2000 census overlooked an estimated 196,000 Floridians, a conservative figure based on a national survey. Using that conservatively low number, the undercount cost the state about

\$96 million in aid for schools and roads, according to the U.S. Census Monitoring Board.

In today's economy it is more important than ever to be counted. The more state and federal dollars the city receives, the less needed from residents to pay for city services.

"Stand up and Be Counted" for the benefit of your community.

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Sgt. Kevin McNesby



L-R: Chief Greg Page, Deputy Dave Schupp, Exec. Lt. Jeff Tozzie



The Broward Sheriff's Office, District VIII, Weston - Fond Farewells and a Warm Embrace for a not-so-new Face

Sgt. Kevin McNesby and Deputy David Schupp were both honored in August for their dedication and service to the Weston community upon retirement.

BSO Motorcycle Sergeant in charge of the Weston Traffic Unit, Sgt. McNesby has worked in Weston for the past 8 years and for BSO since 1982. The eight deputy motor unit covering Weston places an enhanced focus on major intersection and school zone enforcement, ensuring the safety of the 16,000 students that attend school in Weston each day. During major events in South Florida, Weston has been called upon time and again to share Sgt. McNesby with other agencies due to his professionalism and experience with large-scale operations, such as the Super Bowl, Presidential visits and other large motorcade operations.

Crime Prevention Specialist Deputy Dave Schupp has been a well known figure throughout the community. For the past 10 years, Deputy Schupp has been arranging school tours, presentations, bike rodeos, doing VIN etchings, installing child safety seats, organizing the Weston C.O.P.S. and S.A.L.T. programs, attending events and promoting crime prevention within Weston at every turn. He has served the Sheriff's Office since 1983. Always upbeat with a smile and a can-do attitude, this "go-to guy" will be missed by many.

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BSO urges residents to: "Lock It, Don't Lose It..." Over 60% of car burglaries in Weston are due to un-locked vehicles.



Deputy Kari Pallotto congratulates retiring Deputy Dave Schupp. Deputy Pallotto is the new Weston BSO Crime Prevention Specialist.

Weston Welcomes New Crime Prevention Specialist, Deputy Kari Pallotto

You may recognize Deputy Pallotto from seeing her on your television screen or perhaps on the Weston web site video encouraging residents to "Lock It, Don't Lose It...". Kari is the BSO spokesperson Weston used in a crime prevention public service announcement touting locking vehicles at all times. Deputy Pallotto has worked in Weston for over 6 years and has been a law enforcement officer for over 10 years, working in the detective division, road patrol, narcotic division (SET Team) and now as a crime prevention specialist. She has the large shoes of former Deputy Dave Schupp to fill and all of the activities that go along with the office of crime prevention.

Something many don't know about Kari is that in June she swam five events in the Florida State Police and Fire Olympics, earning five first place finishes and high-point winner, all just 3 months after having her second child. Incredible job Kari, and we know you'll do an incredible job as Crime Prevention Specialist as well.



Welcome Sgt. "Mack" McElhaney!

Weston Welcomes Sgt. "Mack" McElhaney Traffic Sergeant

With the retirement of Sgt. McNesby, Sgt. McElhaney was recruited for the position of Weston Traffic Sergeant in charge of the motorcycle unit. It seems last names starting with "Mc" have the perfect combination of experience, professionalism and personality befitting this position!

Sgt. McElhaney or "Mack" as he prefers to be known, comes to Weston with a wealth of experience: 26 years in law enforcement in South Florida, 23 years of that with the Broward Sheriff's Office. He spent 10 years as a narcotics Sergeant in the Strategic Investigations Division, and preceding that, the BSO Motorcycle Unit assigned to West Broward and the Fort Lauderdale International Airport. Welcome to Weston Mack.

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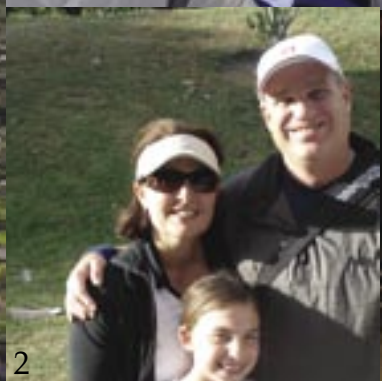
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Happenings

The Weston Tennis Center
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Tennis Center Regulars

- 1) Peter White and Dawn White and John Jefferson
- 2) Jeff and Nellie Duplessis with daughter Alyssa
- 3) Fernando with the kids
- 4) Tom Perkins and Marla Tran playing in the playoff Pro-Am for the Margarita Mixer Championship
- 5) Weston Congratulates Wayne Odesnik!
Career high ranking of #80 ATP

Wayne Odesnik, who trains with Kyle Mayberry at the Weston Tennis Center, has reached a career high ranking of 80 on the ATP (Association of Tennis Pros) tour. He had a great summer in 2009 with impressive results in Los Angeles and a quarter final outcome in Indianapolis losing to Fernando Gonzales. He was riding high going into this year's US Open for his second straight main draw appearance. Congratulations Wayne and good luck we will all be rooting for you!

Happenings on and off the Court at the Weston Tennis Center

The Weston Tennis Center Welcomes a New Director

By Reza Tompsett, Tennis Center Director

Dear Tennis Players,

Thank you for the warm welcome, it feels great to be here at a world-class club located in this active community. I look forward to meeting all of you at our upcoming clinics and events that will take place in the next few months. Tennis is my passion and I can't wait to bestow upon you the workout of your life while simultaneously enjoying the greatest game in the world!

TUNE IN to Weston Community Radio 1680AM while outdoors or in your car for current city information and a monthly tennis tip - courtesy of the Weston Tennis Center.

6th Annual City of Weston USTA Tournament Saturday, October 31st & Sunday, November 1st

Open division for men and women (ages 30, 40, 50 and over) singles and doubles. To register for the tournament visit www.usatennisflorida.usta.com and go to the adult tournament part of the website or

call the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666 for more information.

Davis Cup Challenge

Saturday, November 14th 9:30am - 1:00pm

Eight teams in each division will have a CDT Pro captaining their respective teams to try and win the Davis Cup. The teams, men and women's doubles and singles, will be drafted from the list of participants. After the challenge a catered lunch will be served. A draft will be held on Friday, November 13th in the morning so make sure you sign up by Thursday,

November 12th. For more information call the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666.

Holiday Pro-Am

Friday, December 18th 7:00pm - 9:00pm

Come play with the area's best playing professionals. The format is simple - Each amateur will play with each pro in their specific group. The winning amateur of each group will be determined by the total number of games won. The winner will go on to the finals with the top pro from their specific group. Awards will be presented to the winning and runner-up

amateur. For more information call the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666.

Holiday Camp for Kids

December 21st thru December 23rd &

December 28th thru December 30th

Camp hours: 9am - 3pm

Looking for some holiday fun for the kids? Try the Cliff Drysdale Holiday Camp offering a perfect mix of tennis and fun for guaranteed game improvement and an enjoyable holiday week. For more information or to register call the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666.

For information regarding any of the tennis programs at the Weston Tennis Center, please contact Tennis Director Reza Tompsett at 954-389-8666.

The Weston Tennis Center
16451 Racquet Club Road
954-389-8666

Fall Harvest Festival and Halloween Safety Expo

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
6PM – 9PM
Tequesta Trace Park, Weston

Get a head start on the Halloween festivities and try out your costumes a day early!

6:30PM – Children's Costume Parade

8:00PM – Pet Costume Contest

Sponsored by the Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital in partnership with the Broward Sheriff's Office District VIII, Weston and the City of Weston, this is an action-packed evening for the entire family.

Along with a children's costume parade and pet costume contest, there will be live entertainment, bounce house, inflatables, safety exhibits from Police and Fire, arts & craft booths, DJ music, pumpkin

patch, interactive teddy bear clinic, health screenings, bloodmobile, free cotton candy and snow cones and more!

A SAFE, FUN AND FREE HALLOWEEN ACTIVITY

Halloween Safety Tips

- Wear a costume that makes it easy for you to walk, see and be seen.
- Have a parent or older sibling go trick or treating with you, or in a group.
- Trick or treat in your own neighborhood. Go only to the homes of people you know.
- Carry a flashlight so you can see and be seen easily.
- Use makeup instead of a mask or anything that obscures your vision.
- Ensure costume is flame retardant.
- Cross only at corners. Never cross the street between parked cars or in the middle of the block.
- Stay on sidewalks and be aware of cars that may be turning or backing out of driveways.
- Wait until you get home to sort, check, and eat your treats; accept only candy that is wrapped or packaged.



Holiday Safety Tips

Be sure to go over these tips with teenagers and caregivers

- When parking your vehicle to go shopping, remember where you parked it! Always park in a well lit and well traveled area.
- Have your keys in hand when approaching your vehicle.
- Before entering your vehicle, scan the interior of your car to be sure no one is hiding inside. Check to see if you are being followed.
- When storing items purchased at stores, place them out of sight in a locked trunk.
- Do not leave your purse, wallet, or cellular telephone in view; always LOCK VEHICLE, while driving or leaving vehicle parked, even when in your own driveway.
- Don't resist if someone tries to take any of your belongings. Don't chase someone who robs you, they may have a weapon. Instead, call 911!
- If you go to an automatic teller machine for cash, check for people around and make sure it is well lit and in a safe location.
- Carry only the credit cards you need and avoid carrying large amounts of cash.

THE CITY OF WESTON AND THE BROWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARE COMMITTED TO KEEPING OUR COMMUNITY SAFE

FIRE SAFETY: Each year fires occurring during the holiday season injure 2,600 people and cause over \$900 million in damage. Simple precautions can greatly reduce your chances of becoming a holiday fire casualty:

- If purchasing a Christmas or holiday tree, needles should be green and hard to pull back from the branches; trunk should be sticky to the touch.
- Keep trees away from any heat source which will dry it out faster; keep stand filled with water.
- Inspect holiday lights before putting up for frayed wires, bare spots, broken sockets or excessive kinking.
- Do not link up more than 3 light strands. Check wires periodically – they should not be warm to the touch.
- Use only non-flammable metallic trees and decorations.
- Never put wrapping paper in a fireplace – it can produce a chemical build-up in the home that can cause an explosion.
- Never leave lights or lit candles unattended; "flameless" candles are available as an excellent alternative.

ALWAYS have working smoke detectors on every level of your home, test monthly and equip with fresh batteries.

Community

"The more you read, the more things you will know. The more things you learn, the more places you'll go."
Dr. Seuss

Stories, Reads and Happenings at the Weston Branch Library

4205 Bonaventure Boulevard 954-389-2098

Hours: Monday-Wednesday 10 a.m.-8 p.m.
Thursday-Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sunday Closed

For Adults

Book-Club-In-A-Bag

Start your own book club with everything you need to lead a discussion group. Contact Linda Abraham for details at 954-389-2098 ext 249

English Café

Mondays 10:30 a.m. & Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. A conversation practice class for intermediate learners of English

Papo Afiado

Mondays 6:00 p.m. Intermediate conversational Portuguese

Spanish Café

Fridays 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. A conversational class for beginners

U.S. Citizenship Exam Preparation Classes

Second and third Tuesdays of each month from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
**For additional citizenship classes call Janine Rodrigues at 954-389-2098 ext 247*

For Children & Teens

Toddler Time (ages 2 to 3)

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.
– Registration through youth services is required

Story Time (ages 3 to 6)

Thursdays 11:00 a.m.

Chess Club (all ages and levels)

Sundays 1:30 p.m.

For more details and additional youth programs and classes please call Youth Services for more details at 954-389-2098 ext 252.



To learn more about the programs listed, please call the Weston Branch Library at 954-389-2098.

Computers, scanners and printers are available for public use at the Weston Branch Library.



The Weston University Broward Sheriff's Office Police Services Academy



After great success in its inaugural year, the Police Services Academy was again offered this summer to Weston residents ages 12-16. Funded through a BSO grant, with support from the City of Weston, this program provides kids the opportunity to explore law enforcement services on an in-depth basis with hands-on exercises. It also provides education and safety training, and exposes students to a variety of career paths. The eight week program taking place June thru July, is enriching, educational and fun. Tied into the city's Weston University Program, the program provides an extension of civics education to those students wanting something a little different than the average summer fare.

Students were involved in a wide-range of activities and educational classes:

- Introduction to Law Enforcement
- D.U.I. / D.A.R.E.
- Tour of the County jail
- Officer Safety and Intro to Defensive Tactics
- Introduction to the Legal System – Broward State Attorney's Office
- Crime Scene Investigations
- County Facility Tour: SWAT, marine unit, aviation unit and service center
- Patrol Services
- CPR certification
- Internet Safety and Graduation

Students are pictured here at their graduation ceremony with program liaisons Deputy Kari Pallotto and Sgt. Eric Caldwell, along with Weston Police Chief Greg Page and City Manager John Flint who presented students their diplomas.

Congratulations to the Summer Class of 2009

Beyond The Call of Duty Services and Community Volunteer Opportunities for Residents

Weston Police and Fire service providers offer much more to the Weston community than their emergency response, patrol, and investigative activities, including numerous safety, educational, and volunteer opportunities for residents.

Weston Police Services

- Fingerprinting on Tuesdays from 10am-noon
- Children’s Fingerprinting at events
- Bicycle Registrations
- Bicycle Rodeo Safety Programs
- Crime Prevention/Security Inspections for homes, pools and businesses
- Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etching and verification
- Crime Prevention and Personal Safety programs for your group or organization

Call 954-389-2010 for more information on how they can help you.

WESTON PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAMS and VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Sheriff’s Explorer Program, for young men and women ages 14-18

providing an opportunity to gain a direct understanding of law enforcement through hands-on experience. Explorers meet every Tuesday, 6:30 pm, at the Ron Cochran Public Safety Building, 2601 W. Broward Blvd. in Ft. Lauderdale. A

training program to learn tactics and strategies to prepare participants for careers in law enforcement. *Anyone with an interest in joining the Explorer Program, please call 954-321-4101 or 954-389-2010.*

Seniors and Law Enforcement Together (S.A.L.T.)

Is comprised of an active group of senior citizens and representatives from the Broward Sheriff’s Office, and the North Broward Hospital District. Their goal is to reduce the criminal victimization of senior citizens and to identify problems and provide solutions. *Seniors interested in becoming involved in S.A.L.T. should call 954-389-2010.*

Citizen Observer Patrol (C.O.P.)

A model program, COP’s are the additional eyes and ears of the community, assisting and enhancing our own policing efforts. Members of the Broward Sheriff’s Office Countywide Operations professionally train all volunteers.

Interested citizens may call the Broward Sheriff’s Office at 954-389-2010.

Weston Area Squadron – Civil Air Patrol

The Civil Air Patrol (CAP) is the civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force (USAF). CAP is a non-profit volunteer organization with a Cadet Program that is designed to build leadership, character and citizenship

in young people ages 12-21, through an interest in aviation and emergency services. In partnership with BSO, the Weston CAP meets at the Weston Police Services Building. For information about the Weston Area Squadron CAP visit their web site at www.capweston.org and request a membership package.

Weston Fire Rescue Services

- CPR Classes
- Public Tours of Fire Stations
- Blood Pressure Checks
- Residential Fire Escape Plans
- Child Safety Seat Inspections
- C.E.R.T. Program
- Community Education programs and demonstrations on fire prevention and safety
- Automatic External Defibrillator inspections and placement assistance for businesses

Please call Station #81 for information on how they can help you, at 954-389-2015.

WESTON FIRE RESCUE PROGRAMS and VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Fire Rescue Explorer Program, for young men and women ages 14-20 provides an opportunity for teens and young adults to gain a direct understanding of the Fire Rescue Services and career opportunities through hands-on experience. Students complete a training program to learn tactics and strategies to prepare them for careers in the Fire Rescue Service. *Anyone*



with an interest in joining the Explorer Program, please call 954-831-8200 to request an application.

CERT Program

A Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training program is offered to Weston residents, which educates them on disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. CERT members can also assist with non-emergency projects that improve the safety of the community. The course consists of 24 hours of training over approximately one month.

Please call 954-389-2090 for details and registration for the next session.



Police and Fire Safety Prevention Activities

Weston Police and Fire Rescue Departments regularly host tours along with safety or fire prevention activities. Here are photos of just a few including a



hurricane preparedness presentation at the Palms senior living complex, a group from Temple Dor Dorim, a public school student visit, and a camp-day care visit.

Community

“At the end of the day, the goals are simple: safety and security.”

Jodi Rell



Weston Fire Rescue ISO Rating Places Weston in Top 1.1% Nationwide

The Insurance Services Office, Inc. or “ISO” is an independent company that serves insurance companies, communities, fire departments, insurance regulators, and others by providing information about risk. ISO collects and evaluates information from communities in the United States, such as Weston, on their structure fire suppression capabilities.

The data is analyzed using ISO’s Fire Suppression Rating Schedule and then a Public Protection Class number is assigned to the community. This classification

is used in part, among other things, to determine hazard insurance premiums for residential and non-residential properties.

The City of Weston achieved a Public Protection Classification number of 2, joining 538 other fire departments in achieving this class rating out of 47,648 departments rated nationwide. This places Weston among the top 1.1% nationwide.

In Florida, Weston joins only 31 other departments achieving a Class 2 out of 765 departments rated statewide, placing Weston among the top 4.1% statewide.



Firefighters transported four Broward School employees from Manatee Bay Elementary School over the summer after carbon monoxide sickened workers from a propane-powered floor stripper. A total of seven persons, including two firefighters were hospitalized after breathing the odorless gas.

Fire Rescue responds to a house fire in the Savanna subdivision in June when the roof was struck by a bolt of lightning.

Three children and a babysitter were in the home and uninjured. Firefighters contained the fire to the attic.

Weston Fire Rescue transports a snake bite victim from Alligator Alley to a waiting BSO Air Transport helicopter at Cleveland Clinic.

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 Licenses) 17200 Royal Palm Blvd. Email: cityhall@westonfl.org

Code Enforcement/ *Aplicación de reglaenntos*954-385-4570

Community Services / *Servicios Comunitarios*

Parks & Recreation / *Parques y Diversión*
 20200 Saddle Club Road954-389-4321
www.westonfl.org - Parks & Recreation: info on parks, events &
 recreation class schedules

Arts Council of Greater Weston954-389-4321
www.westonfl.org - Parks & Recreation/ Arts Council

55+ Club954-389-4321
www.westonfl.org - Parks & Recreation/55+ Club
 email: Dot41@aol.com

Public Works Services Center - water & sewer/

Obras Públicas - Agua y Alcantarillado
 At the Public Works Services Center
 2599 South Post Road954-385-2600
 New connections, billing info./
Nuevas conexiones, cuentas954-746-3232
 Problems/ *Problemas*
 Bonaventure area of Weston954-888-6087
 After hours and weekends for Bonaventure954-888-6087
 Indian Trace area (all areas except Bonaventure). . . .954-385-2600
 After hours and weekends for Indian Trace954-385-2600

Garbage/ *Desecho*

All Service Refuse – Customer Service954-583-1830

Planning & Zoning/ *Planificación y Zonificación*

Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc.954-921-7781

Weston Community Center

20200 Saddle Club Road954-389-4321

Weston Sports Alliance/ *Alianza Deportiva de Weston*

Sports League Information & Registration954-389-4321
www.westonfl.org

Weston Tennis Center/ *Centro de Tenis*

16451 Racquet Club Road.954-389-8666
www.westontennis.com

Weston Web Site / *Página de web* www.westonfl.org

Weston Community Radio /

Estación de Radio Comunitaria1680AM

YMCA Youth Sports... Everybody Plays, Everybody Wins!

The YMCA of Broward County Youth Sports program has literally grown up with the City of Weston. Prior to 1990 and the City's inception, the YMCA was serving the children of our community through youth sports programs. Today the Sheinberg Family YMCA of Weston serves over 3,500 children per year in various sports programs.

Volunteers play an integral role in the success of YMCA Youth Sports. Each year over 750 volunteer coaches, assistant coaches, team managers, and team parents actively participate in the development of the children's skills while providing enriching experiences and relationships that create a lifetime of memories.

Participants learn the concepts of teamwork, sportsmanship, and leadership while enhancing their overall level of health and fitness to include improved strength, flexibility, endurance, balance, coordination and agility. YMCA

Youth Sports incorporate seven pillars which provide the framework and foundation on which the YMCA builds its sports programs.

- Everybody Plays! Everybody Wins!
- Safety First
- Fair Play
- Positive Competition
- Family & Community Involvement
- Sports for All -an *inclusive* sport program
- Sports for Fun

YMCA Youth Sports are based on the concept that fair play is the very essence of competition. Everybody should have an equal opportunity to compete and a fair chance to win. This fundamental virtue is a special inherent attribute of YMCA sports programs. The goal of the youth sports program is to maintain an encouraging environment that can help children develop a healthy lifestyle, grow personally, learn values, improve relationships, appreciate diversity, develop leadership skills and have fun.



The YMCA believes that character development, focusing on the values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility, is an essential element to all of its programs. The YMCA character values are instilled in the participants through the programs and services it offers. The Sheinberg Family YMCA of Weston continues to build strong kids, strong families and a stronger community through its mission based programs and services.

For more information please contact the Youth Sports Department at the Sheinberg Family YMCA of Weston at (954)424-9622 or visit the website at www.ymcabroward.org. Volunteer and Sponsorship opportunities are always available.

YMCA Youth Sports Fall Schedule

Sport	Age	Session Runs	
		TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS	Times
Tiny Tots Instructional Soccer	2-3	Session 1: Oct. 6 - 28 Session 2: Nov. 3 - 25 Session 3: Dec 1 - 23	10am-10:30am 10am-10:30am 10am-10:30am
Tiny Tots Instructional Basketball	3-5	Session 1: Oct. 6 - 28 Session 2: Nov. 3 - 25 Session 3: Dec 1 - 23	5pm-5:45pm 3:15pm-4pm 5pm-5:45pm
Tiny Tots Instructional Soccer	3-5	Session 1: Oct. 6 - 28 Session 2: Nov. 3 - 25 Session 3: Dec 1 - 23	4pm-4:45pm 5pm-5:45pm 3:15pm-4pm
Tiny Tots Instructional T-Ball	3-5	Session 1: Oct. 6 - 28 Session 2: Nov. 3 - 25 Session 3: Dec 1 - 23	3:15pm-4pm 4pm-4:45pm 4pm-4:45pm
After School Sports Club	6-11	5 weeks, 10 classes * Visit Member Services for details	3:45pm-5pm
Hawks Buddies Inclusive Baseball Program	6-11	Friday Nights - Continuous (call for more information)	7pm-9pm
Youth Flag Football	4 - 17	10 games, uniform, trophy. November 1	January - March

Parks Update

The City of Weston maintains 323 acres, in 14 parks and recreational facilities for residents to enjoy.



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- 1,2) Playground at Regional Park after storm and possible tornado damage
- 3,4) Tequesta Trace Park new entrance
- 5) Goal Alert System
- 6) Lightning activity in the Regional Park photographed by park staff member Casey Chamblin

park visitors to clear the fields and take cover. When conditions improve, the system gives an "all-clear" by emitting three, short horn blasts. Please heed the warnings and stay safe!

Playground Safety - Children should have adult supervision while on the City's playgrounds. Please help prevent injury:

- Shoes should be worn at all times.
- Don't wear clothes with drawstrings or other loose items that could get caught on play equipment.
- Don't wear bicycle helmets while on the playground.
- Children should use equipment appropriate for their age. Playground equipment in Weston is designed for children 2 to 12 years old. Children under 2 years old should not be on the equipment.

Reminder: Group instruction and training in the City's parks is only permissible with prior authorization from the Parks and Recreation Department. Requirements include carrying liability insurance, completion of background checks and signed contracts with the City of Weston. For more information please call 954-389-4321.

Weston Parks Update

Playground Resurfacing Update

Resurfacing of the playgrounds at Windmill Ranch Park (next to Everglades Elementary School) and Country Isles Park will take place in 2010. Playground closures will be publicized on the city's website www.westonfl.org, on Weston's government access cable channel and community radio station 1680 AM. The new, poured-in-place rubberized surfacing will provide for a safe, consistent surface that minimizes injuries due to falls while providing for greater accessibility to meet ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) requirements.

Country Isles Park Improvements

The City of Weston has applied for a \$200,000 Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) grant through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. In addition to the playground surfacing, plans include replacing the aged playground equipment, replacing the wooden gazebo, improvements to the walking path and ADA access improvements to the parking spaces. Park closures will be publicized on the city's website www.westonfl.org, on Weston's government access cable channel and community radio station 1680 AM.

Weston Regional Park

Now has Wi-Fi, providing all park visitors with access to free internet connectivity. Visitors and spectators are now able to use laptops and other portable devices with WI-FI capability anywhere within the park's boundaries. The main playground in the Weston Regional Park has re-opened after experiencing storm and possible tornado damage (pictured). A new shade cover is in the process of being fabricated.

Soccer Goal Warning System

The City of Weston is one of the first

communities in the nation to roll out the "Goal Alert" goal safety monitoring system. The Goal Alert device (pictured) is placed between the goal and the ground. Once it has been properly installed, the goal is staked and/or counter-weighted. A green flag shows that the goal has not moved more than 1/2 inch off the ground.

If the goal moves more than 1/2 an inch off the ground, Goal Alert will immediately launch its red Danger flag and drop the green Safe-To-Play flag. Activity near the goal should halt until

the goal can be properly anchored and the Goal Alert reset.

Adults and children using the City soccer fields should familiarize themselves with this new safety device that will help ensure a safer soccer environment.

Lightning Safety

Weston's three most active parks (Regional Park, Tequesta Trace Park and Vista Park) are equipped with the Thor Guard lightning prediction system. The system alarms when conditions are favorable for lightning. A horn will emit a loud, long blast warning athletes and

This past budget year was a difficult one for the City Commission. It's important to point out that the City of Weston Ad Valorem tax represents less than 10% of your total tax bill.

How's Weston Doing?

Eric M. Hersh, Mayor

Despite a difficult environment, the City of Weston has continued to maintain service levels to our residents and businesses, while remaining one of the leanest and most efficient governments in Florida. When we incorporated as a city in 1996, our goal was to maintain the same ad valorem tax rate, increase services beyond what was being provided by the County, and build financial strength through solid reserves.

Each year we have looked for more ways to save taxpayer money, deliver quality municipal services more effectively, and with our tax rate the lowest in the County, and amongst the lowest in the State, it shows that we have been successful. Yet this past budget year was a difficult one for the City Commission. For the very first time the tax rate had to be set above the initial tax rate established at the time of incorporation. The increases in essential services and costs of doing business, coupled with significantly declining property values required us to balance the need for a tax increase and the use of our reserves. Fortunately, despite not raising the tax rate and even lowering the rate last year, we have saved a significant amount of money over the past years when things were going well. This rainy day fund is now proving extremely valuable as the

economy continues to struggle.

Of course, it's also important to point out that the City of Weston Ad Valorem tax represents less than 10% of your total tax bill. There are many other government agencies that tax our properties. So while as much as we try to control our costs, over 90% of the tax bill you receive is out of our control. However, all of our expenditures must be scrutinized as we understand that just as we have faced declining revenues and increasing costs, so have many of those who live and work in Weston.

Some important facts you should know about the City of Weston - A comparison

with all 18 cities in the county having populations greater than 30,000:

- We have the lowest staffing levels per capita of any city
 - We still have the lowest ad valorem tax rate of any city in Broward County
 - We still have the lowest combined property taxes, municipal taxes and fees of any city in Broward County
 - We have the lowest crime rate of any city, with the least number of sworn deputies per capita
 - Weston City Hall received approximately 22,880 calls in 2008
 - Fire Rescue received 4091 calls for service, and performed 2968 annual fire inspections
 - Police services received 25,346 calls for service
 - Weston has approximately 23,130 dwelling units, and over 7 million square feet of commercial / industrial / office space
 - Weston has 323 acres of recreational parks which we maintain
 - Weston issued 2589 building permits and conducted 3054 inspections in 2008
 - There are approximately 16,000 children attending schools in Weston each day
 - Weston maintains 58 miles of public streets, along with 1877 acres of lakes.
- We have a lot to be proud of in Weston,

but that doesn't mean we don't still have work to do. We will continue to look for efficiencies while keeping in mind that many families are struggling in this economy. At the same time, one of our primary goals continues to be to increase the value of your investment in our community, and we can only do that by maintaining a first class community.

On behalf of Commissioner Stermer, Commissioner Chermak, Commissioner Henriksson and Commissioner Gomez, we thank you for the trust you have placed with us, and can assure you that we will continue to work hard toward our community's continued success.

Eric M. Hersh



After leading the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance, smiling members of the Country Isles Elementary Student Council pose for a photo with the City Commission and special guests State Representative Martin Kiar, Senator Nan Rich and State Representative Franklin Sands in attendance that evening and delighted to thank our students.

Community

To view the approved project plans and timeline, please visit www.westonfl.org and click on Communications or Development Services.



Missing Photos

Newly installed curbing and gutters adjacent to Manatee Bay Elementary School



West Side of Manatee Isles Drive prepped for new curbing

Manatee Isles Drive Improvement Project

Construction and Improvements are In Progress

For those who live off of, or drive down Manatee Isles Drive, desired roadway improvements are in progress. The project, which commenced in July 2009, provides for the addition of new curbing and gutters, turn lanes, bike lanes, irrigation and landscaping. Work immediately adjacent to Manatee Isles

Elementary School, including new curbing and gutters, was completed in August 2009 prior to the start of the 2009/2010 school year. The project is estimated to be completed in Spring 2010.

While there will be some inconvenience to local residents during the construction

process, contractors will try to mitigate the impact by not working during peak traffic times.

To view the approved project plans and timeline, please visit www.westonfl.org and click on Communications or Development Services.



Weston Community Happenings...

Clockwise from top left: Woodstock comes to Weston: student performers of the School of Rock Music, performing a musical tribute to Woodstock at the Weston Town Center Park Amphitheater in August.; Twenty-three year old tennis pro Wayne Odesnik, who resides in Weston and trains at the Weston Tennis Center, in 2009 competed at Wimbledon and in the French Open. 2) Tennis Pro Wayne Odesnik with Kyle Mayberry, Touring Program Director for the Weston Tennis Center.; In June the City Commission celebrated the completion of the Bonaventure Stormwater Pump Stations, a \$3.3 million project, thanking the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) and State legislative leaders for their grant funding; \$2 million was received from the SFWMD and an additional \$492,000 appropriation from Congress; Asst. City Manager/CFO David Keller (on right) and City Treasurer Darrel Thomas pose with the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, received from the Government Finance Officers Association. It is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting.



Over 16,000 students attend school in Weston each day. Please observe school zones to ensure the safety of our children.

Have a student in a Broward County Public School? It's Easy to Stay Informed...

The Broward County School Board web site has an excellent tool available to parents and students: **Virtual Counselor**

Step One: Log on to www.browardschools.com

Step Two: On the left side of the page, click on **Virtual Counselor**

Step Three: Follow steps to Log on as a Parent or Student

For Parents: This will provide you immediate access to a wealth of information:

- Absences - including days Tardy, In/Out of school suspension and days excused
- Academic History - from their first grade level in public school
- Assignment History - what schools attended and when

- Graduation Information - Courses taken, credits earned & credits short

- Marking Period Grades

- Student Schedule - includes classes and teachers

- Test Scores - for major school-wide testing, for all years

STUDENT SCHEDULE INFORMATION

DEMONSTRATION SITE
MARY JONES
SCHOOL: SBBC HIGH GR: 11

2002 - 2003 STUDENT SCHEDULE INFORMATION

LIST MARKING PERIOD

TERM	FROM PERIOD	COURSE NUMBER	SECTION NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	TEACHER NAME	SCHOOL	BUILDING	ROOM
1	01	13013600	101	KEYBOARD I	CORLOU	SBBC HIGH	MM	M130
1	02	21003100	102	AMER HISTORY	MATIN	SBBC HIGH	DD	D115
1	03	07083500	109	SPANISH II	GONLA	SBBC HIGH	CC	C110
1	04	10013700	102	ENG III	RENERA	SBBC HIGH	DD	D210
1	05	20033400	108	CHEMISTRY I	CITICA	SBBC HIGH	SS	S118
1	06	12083000	101	LIB ARTS MATH	PERGEL	SBBC HIGH	DD	D123
1	07	20013400	103	ENV SCI	PHILAN	SBBC HIGH	SS	S113

STUDENT INFO:

EDUCATIONAL/SCHOOL LINKS:

DEMONSTRATION SITE
MARY JONES
SCHOOL: SBBC HIGH GR: 11

STUDENT ABSENCE INFORMATION

TOTAL ABSENCES
2001-2002 SCHOOL YEAR

SUSPENDED OUT OF SCHOOL = 0
 IN SCHOOL SUSPENSION = 0
 FULL DAY UNEXCUSED = 6
 FULL DAY EXCUSED = 13
 TARDY = 19

January 2002

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 U	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

January 2002

LEGEND

- SUSPENDED OUT OF SCHOOL (S)
- IN SCHOOL SUSPENSION (I)
- FULL DAY UNEXCUSED (U)
- FULL DAY EXCUSED (F)
- TARDY (T)
- SCHOOL DAY



Picture Perfect Performances

THE CITY OF WESTON PRESENTS:
 THE 2009-2010 WESTON PERFORMING ARTS SERIES



Santa's Holiday Revue

December 19, 2009 10:00am

Santa's Holiday Revue is a fast paced rollicking musical that takes a joyous 'round the world tour of the dances, songs and stories from Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and many more. Students will sing, clap and tap along as they learn new and old traditions, customs and folklore that instill the magic of the season. This wonderful jubilee creates a memorable and heart-warming experience that celebrates the true spirit of cultural diversity.



Cinderella

January 23, 2010 10:00am

Cinderella is probably the most popular and best loved fairy tale ever written. This award winning musical takes all the traditional elements of the original story and adds all the humor, action, and romance of the Disney film. Join us as The Fairy Godmother takes on the infamous evil Stepmother to assure that Cinderella and Prince Charming are reunited for the happiest of endings.



The Emperor's New Clothes

April 17, 2010 10:00am

Nothing pleased the pompous Emperor more than a new suit of clothes. So of course when he heard of a magic material that had the remarkable quality of being invisible to anyone who was not good at his job or who was intolerably stupid, he called for the tailors at once. Join the crafty swindlers, the bumbling Emperor and his entire court as they learn the cost of conceit.



Picture Perfect Performances

THE CITY OF WESTON PRESENTS:
THE 2009-2010 WESTON PERFORMING ARTS SERIES



December 12, 2009

The Princess in the Land of the Letter P.

Shows at 1:30pm and 3:00pm

The magic traveler goes to the Letter P kingdom where the princess promises to pay for the peddler's pie but instead breaks her promise. The peddler is forced to work some magic (with help from the audience) to turn the princess into a pancake, a popcorn box and finally a pig. She finally pays him the pennies for the pie, but has she truly learned her lesson?



March 13, 2010

The Tortoise and the Hare

Shows at 1:30pm and 3:00pm

Televised coverage modernizes this Aesop's fable about a great race between a loveable tortoise and an arrogant hare. In addition to the moral that perseverance prevails, good nutrition and exercise are stressed.

January 30, 2010

The Shadow

Shows at 1:30pm and 3:00pm

A show with a whole new story about a girl who was turned into a pumpkin. It's based on a Persian tale. A mischievous Djinn overhears a woman lamenting not having any children. She'd even love a pumpkin child. The Djinn grants her wish for this pumpkin girl, but can love and marriage be far behind? Plus the sing along with Old MacDonald and his odd farm, the mountain climber, and Mysto the Magician (will his tricks ever go right?).



May 8, 2010

Little Red Riding Hood

Shows at 1:30pm and 3:00pm

An all-new twist on an all-time favorite. In this updated version, the Wolf and Red both learn some valuable lessons on the way to Grandma's house. Exciting ...educational.



FREE Puppet Shows for Children

Appropriate for ages 3-10, with parent/guardian

The Weston Community Center

Inside the Weston Regional Park at 20200 Saddle Club Road

954-389-4321

Picture Perfect Performances

WESTON SYMPHONY SERIES

All concerts at the Cypress Bay Theater 18600 Vista Park Boulevard
Ticketed performances / Free parking

Symphony of the America's

Saturday, January 30, 2010 | 8pm – 10pm

Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese,
Artistic Director

FROM OPERA TO BROADWAY - An

extraordinary concert event, the Symphony of the America's orchestra with four young and exciting guest soloists for an evening of exhilarating performances. Broadway artist Franc D'Ambrosio, best known for his role in The Phantom of the Opera, earning him the title "World's Longest Running Phantom"; Elizabeth Roberts, soprano, is a versatile and sensitive artist performing contemporary to operatic roles; Opera singer Maria Aleida Rodriguez, soprano, began her studies in Venezuela in 1999, has won major voice competitions and currently studies in Philadelphia; operatic soloist Eduardo Aladren of Spain, a tenor, has performed professionally worldwide and currently resides in Miami.

Ars Flores Symphony Orchestra

Saturday, March 13, 2010 | 8pm – 10pm

Dr. Lynn Sams Luce, Artistic Director
and Conductor

THE ARS FLORES RISING STARS ALUMNI CONCERT, featuring Daniel Andai, Violin, and Dawn Smith, Viola. These alumni are now accomplished professionals in the field. Each will perform a solo with the orchestra. In its

10th season, Ars Flores Symphony Orchestra is a unique orchestra of professionals and conservatory level students (fellows), who perform and rehearse side by side.

Summer Fest

The Mont Blanc Chamber Orchestra (France)

July 2010 – exact date to be announced
Time to be announced

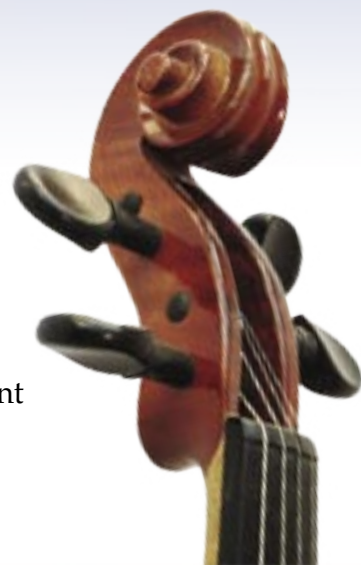
This concert will not be at Cypress Bay Theater

A cultural exchange presented by the Symphony of the Americas and American Airlines involves European and American musicians in joint performances throughout Florida and the US, Central and South America and the visiting orchestra's home country.

The Mont Blanc Chamber Orchestra is composed of select top members of the Mont Blanc Symphony of France. They aim to promote and make classical music more widely known. The orchestra has interpreted a vast repertoire of music ranging from the Baroque era to the 20th century.

Tickets: \$20 in advance / \$25 at the door / \$10 student

Weston Community Center
20200 Saddle Club Road | 954-389-4321



The City of Weston Presents Free Monthly MOONLIGHT MOVIES IN THE PARK

Kick back and relax, the movies are on us...

Bring lawn chairs or
blankets and relax.

All movies at the event stage
in the Weston Regional Park,
20200 Saddle Club Road

Saturday, November 7, 2009
Monsters vs. Aliens 7:30pm

Ooze gonna save us? When a meteorite from outer space hits a young woman and turns her into a giant monster, she is taken to a secret government compound where she meets a ragtag group of monsters also rounded up over the years.

Saturday, December 12, 2009
Mall Cop 7:30pm

Safety never takes a holiday. When a shopping mall is overtaken by a gang of organized crooks, it's up to a mild-mannered security guard to save the day.

Saturday, January 9, 2010
Ice Age 3 7:30pm

Dawn of the Dinosaurs: When Sid's attempt to adopt three dinosaur eggs gets him abducted by their real mother to an underground lost world his friends attempt to rescue him.

Saturday, February 6, 2010
Marley and Me 7:30pm

Heel the love... A family learns important life lessons from their adorable, but naughty and neurotic dog.

Saturday, March 6, 2010
Journey to the Center Of the Earth in "3D" 7:30pm

Same Planet. Different World. On a quest to find out what happened to his missing brother, a scientist, his nephew and their mountain guide discover a fantastic and dangerous lost world in the center of the earth.

Saturday, April 10, 2010
Madagascar 2 8:00pm

Still together. Still lost! The sequel to 2005's "Madagascar", in which New York Zoo animals, Alex the Lion, Marty the Zebra, Melman the Giraffe and Gloria the Hippo still stranded on Madagascar, start to leave the island.



Free Residential Bulk Pickup

OCTOBER 2009

SINGLE FAMILY HOMES

Wednesday, October 14th

Or

Thursday, October 15th

Or

Friday, October 16th

MULTI-FAMILY

Saturday, October 17th

WHICHEVER date is the day of your regular garbage collection.

Place items curbside by 7:00am on that date.

Multi-family units & Townhomes: place items next to dumpster.

Please note that items not collected that day, will be collected the next day – dependent upon the amount of participation, trucks may not get to every location by the end of the day.

THINK BEFORE YOU THROW THINK ABOUT DONATING

BEFORE TOSSING: Help those in need, keep items out of the waste stream, and get a tax deduction. Several national organizations will even pick-up directly from your residence – you don't have to wait for bulk pick-up day!

There are many local, well-established charitable organizations that readily accept donated items. From your home to a New home... and don't forget pets, many pet shelters are in need of sheets and towels on a regular basis.



Official City Commission Meetings

All meetings of the City Commission are held at Weston City Hall, located at 17200 Royal Palm Boulevard.

Meeting dates are subject to change or cancellation, please confirm prior to attendance, 954-385-2000

City Commission 2009/2010

7:00 pm

Monday, October 19th

Monday, November 2nd

Monday, November 16th

Monday, December 7th

City Commission Winter Recess

Tuesday, January 19th

Monday, February 1st

Tuesday, February 16th

View Meetings On-Line and on Cable

- Meetings can be viewed live on the city's website at www.westonfl.org. Archived meetings are also available for viewing.

- City Commission meetings are telecast live over the City's government access channel for cable television subscribers, and are re-broadcast: Tuesday at 9 p.m.; Wednesday & Thursday at 10 a.m. and 9 p.m.

Advanced Cable subscribers tune to Channel #25

Comcast subscribers tune to Channel #78

Direct Link subscribers tune to Channel #62

Commission meeting agendas are available in both **English and Spanish** on the City website and can also be viewed on the City's government access cable channel.

In 2009, out of the 12 participating cities in Broward County, the City of Weston had 83% of the overall participation in the Broward County Household Hazardous Waste & Electronics Recycling Events.

Way to go Weston!

National Flood Insurance Program Grants 10% Discount to Weston Residents!

As of May 1, 2009 the City of Weston was accepted as a participant in the National Flood Insurance Program Community Rating System, with a Class 8 rating.

FLOOD WARNINGS

The City of Weston in coordination with Broward County, has a warning system to notify residents of impending flood danger. Warnings will be transmitted on television, radio, telephones and other media. Listen for instructions during times of flood risk.

FLOOD SAFETY

Even if your area is not known for flooding or not directly hit by heavy winds, flooding is a potential threat. Knowing what to do to minimize losses is paramount. These are precautionary steps:

- Turn off electricity and natural gas.
- Have a battery-powered radio or television to monitor storm and flood

warning information.

- Heed warning and evacuation instructions from disaster officials. Weston is not in an evacuation zone but residents may need to go to a shelter, or evacuate in a disaster.
- Take your own essentials (food, toiletries, clothes, etc.) Be careful to distinguish between roads and canals during severe flooding.

PROPERTY PROTECTION

There are numerous ways to minimize property losses from flood damage, including:

- Move furniture and other household valuables to rooms or spaces in the upper story of the dwelling or a location higher than the regular floor elevation.
- Park your car on high ground, preferably inside a garage or shelter.
- Cut down loose tree limbs and palm fronds. Check around outside of home, securing anything that could become airborne in a storm.
- Secure windows, putting up storm shutters or boards.

A detailed list of how to survive a storm is available on the City's web site at www.westonfl.org.

FLOOD INSURANCE

Most homeowner insurance policies DO NOT cover loss due to flooding. You need a flood insurance policy. Property owners can insure buildings and contents; renters can insure possessions. The City of Weston participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

All residents and businesses in Weston qualify for National Flood Insurance Program policies. A 10% discount is received due to Weston's participation in the Community Rating System.

to provide city residents with the initial qualification to purchase flood insurance and qualifies properties in Weston for a 10% discount.

FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT PERMITS

All development, including new construction, repair/replacement work and additions, signs, fences, fill and tree removal requires a permit. Contact the Building Department at 954-385-0500.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Stormwater is managed through a system of drainage catch basins, lakes and canals maintained regularly by our Public Works Department. Water flow, especially during heavy storms, is essential to flood prevention. City and state laws prohibit dumping in waterways. Please report violations to the police department at 954-765-4321 or Public Works at 954-385-2600.

For additional information please feel free to contact our Public Works Department at 954-385-2600.



U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency Moves Miami Divisional Offices to Weston

At an official grand opening on May 28, 2009, Mayor Hersh spoke on behalf of the City Commission as he welcomed the men and women of the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) to Weston, presenting a plaque to Michele Leonhart, Acting DEA Administrator and Mark Trouville, Special Agent in Charge, Miami Field Division. After having been located in Miami-Dade since the 1970's, the Miami Division now calls the Weston community home.

Located in a 130,000 sq. ft. building on North Commerce Parkway, \$4 million was invested to retrofit the structure and secure the parking area, which is leased for over \$4 million annually. The building blends seamlessly into the surrounding office complex and is home to over 400 DEA agents and support personnel that operate 24-hours a day, just like our police and fire operations. The influx of a workforce with hundreds of well-paid employees is considered a boon to our local economy.

A Note from the City Manager

John R. Flint

Preparing the City's budgets for the fiscal year that began October 1st is a responsibility that we undertake for the 6 months prior. As a City we have many tasks that need to be performed on a daily basis, projects to be planned and constructed, and a very diverse constituency to satisfy. When crafting the City's budgets, we take great care to ensure that we are able to deliver essential services efficiently, effectively, and at the least cost. Essential services are most often thought of and limited to public safety, sanitation, and utilities. In Weston, we include parks and recreational programs as an essential service.

Our commitment to maintaining our parks and providing a wide variety of quality recreational programming throughout the year is something we take enormous pride in. Our parks add value to every property and give us public spaces to grow, develop and become a community. Our recreation programs provide us opportunities to come together: From athletic activities to concerts, from reading to enjoying a picnic or party, our parks avail us the opportunity to meet our neighbors, compete, and have special times of entertainment and enjoyment.

Now more than ever, it is important for us to make certain that our park and recreational programs are available to you. As families cope with this difficult economic environment and look to reduce spending on leisure activities, these outlets can provide that much needed diversion and peace of mind. While much of the country will soon be experiencing the cold and snow, in Weston we can take advantage of our 14 park and recreational facilities with themes ranging from athletics to authors. With our great winter sunshine and tropical temperatures comes a wealth of offerings that are either at low or no cost. You'll read in detail in this edition of *The Announcer* about our free monthly Moonlight Movies in the Park from

October through April; free professional puppet shows at the Community Center, professional Theater for Children; world class symphony concerts; a monthly Foreign Film Series from November through March; a free Community Concert in the Park in March; and numerous year-round classes, seminars and sports programs.

One of the reasons that we are able to provide many of these services is due to the volunteers who help us. The Arts Council of Greater Weston, a volunteer organization in partnership with the City, sponsors and hosts many of the arts and cultural programs offered in the City. The Weston Sports Alliance, the volunteer umbrella organization for Weston's organized sports leagues in partnership with the City, provides extensive quality athletic programs for youths and adults. Many thanks are offered to all the volunteers who so generously give of their time so residents can take advantage of these great offerings.

Information on our parks and recreational programming is available to you at all times on-line at www.westonfl.org, and current events and registrations are posted on Weston's cable television channel, and on Weston Community Radio at 1680 AM.

Providing park facilities and recreational activities is not just about having green space, ball fields and cultural events; it's about providing an essential service.

The City of Weston is a ReadyTown



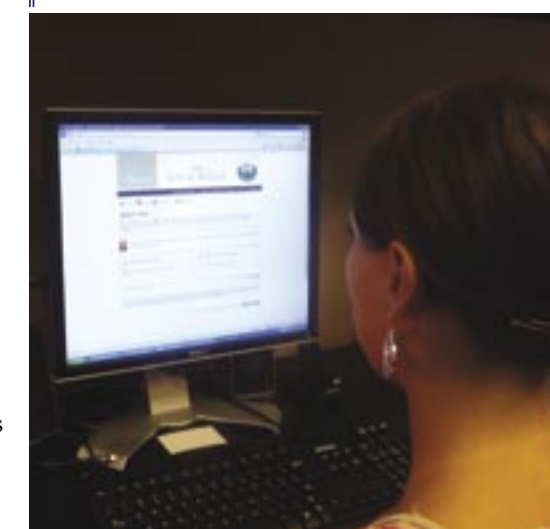
In August 2009 the City of Weston became the first City in the nation to launch an innovative preparedness program called ReadyTown. This easy to use program improves the ability to prepare, respond and recover from any emergency, making it an excellent fit for the City's emergency preparedness education program. Available on the city's website www.westonfl.org, ReadyTown is a step-by-step on-line guide to building an emergency preparedness plan for individuals or families. It is quick, easy, fun to click through and does the work for you. The program contains three (3) sections:


- (1) **MAKE A PLAN** - ENABLES YOU TO CREATE AN ALL-DISASTERS PLAN BY CREATING EMERGENCY CONTACTS, SETTING IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS, AND MORE.
- (2) **BUILD A KIT** - CONTAINS DYNAMIC ONLINE CHECKLISTS SO YOU CAN CREATE A DISASTER PREPAREDNESS KIT SPECIFIC TO YOUR NEEDS.
- (3) **LEARN TO PREPARE** - FEATURES OVER 300 ARTICLES FROM OFFICIAL SOURCES TO HELP YOU KNOW WHAT TO DO BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER THE DISASTER

After assisting users in making an emergency plan and completing checklists

of essential survival items, the program will send the user email reminders on what still needs to be completed and a list of what items on the checklist must still be purchased (users can unsubscribe from reminders). Along with printing it out, the preparedness plan can be emailed to a personal email account so that it can be accessed from anywhere at any time, and also sent to family members and caretakers.

Don't waste time! Prepare yourself and/or your family by creating an emergency plan now. **To access ReadyTown** just go to the City of Weston website at www.westonfl.org. Under Residents & Visitors, click on Hurricane Information; or the direct URL is: http://www.westonfl.org/ReadyTown_Agent2.aspx



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 **TWITTER IS COMING TO THE CITY OF WESTON!**

In an effort to keep residents, visitors and "followers" informed about the City of Weston, the City is set to launch Twitter on October 15th. Twitter is at the forefront of social media and will allow City staff to tweet upcoming events, latest news items and more! The City's Twitter account is **CityofWeston** - join today at www.westonfl.org and start receiving your tweets!

**Please note that the City's Twitter account is a one-way communication, tweets sent to the City will not be answered via Twitter. Anytime you have a question or inquiry, please email City Hall at cityhall@westonfl.org or call 954-385-2000.*

Community



Weston's July 4th Hometown Parade

Special congratulations and thank you to our 2009 Grand Marshal's

Erica Stoller (Secretary of Student Government Association)
Cypress Bay High School

Nathan Hanes (Treasurer of Student Government Association)
Cypress Bay High School

Chase Maddox (2009-2010 Student Government President)
The Sagemont School

Agustina Sklar (2009-2010 President of National Honor Society)
The Sagemont School

All four grand marshals were selected by school administrators based on their embodiment of characteristics that make it clear they will be tomorrow's "Future Leaders."



Community Class Schedule

Weston Regional Park Children/Youth Program

Karate - Wednesdays 6:00-7:00 p.m. (Ages 6-8) and 7:00-8:00 p.m. (Ages 9+). Provide your child with the ability to defend him/herself and react with confidence. David Schopp, 5th degree along with 4 certified Black Belts in Goju Karate, will teach your children the basic principles of self-defense, fighting, weaponry and forms. Monday night advanced classes are available to returning students. **Cost \$125/3 months. \$25 LATE FEE** if tuition is not paid by the 10th of the month. **Continuous.**

Superstars Dance and Baton - Thursdays 4:00-5:00 p.m. (beg. ages 4-7), 5:00-6:00 p.m. (beg. ages 8-12), 6:00-7:00 p.m. (intermediate). One hour classes separated by age and ability. High energy combination classes include dance, cheerleading and baton twirling. Develop grace, poise and self confidence. Members will be invited to perform in Disney World, University of Miami half time show, local events and much more. Wendy Russell is an award winning, professional choreographer. For more information visit www.floridasuperstars.com or call 954-438-2075. **Cost \$45/month. (Plus \$25 registration fee and \$20 baton required.)** Monthly fee includes unlimited classes at locations around Broward County. **Continuous.**

Kindermusik - Join Miss Rachel on Mondays from 9:30-10:15 a.m. (18 months-4 years) for **ABC Music & Me** an interactive way to foster your child's love for music. Families will experience musical movement, singing, instruments, imaginative play, and story time. Required home materials: 2 home CDs, 2 family guides, and 1 instrument. Mondays from 10:30-11:15 a.m. (newborn-18 months)

Kindermusik Village is an amazing way to learn more about your baby and how they communicate with you through music. Families will experience singing, instrument play, rocking, dancing, baby massage, and together time-all in your baby development. Required at home materials: baby's picture book, instrument, home cd and art banner. **Miss Rachel** has been a licensed Kindmusik Educator since 2003, and has taught Early Childhood Music for more than 10 years. For more information call 954-389-2629 or visit <http://timeformusic.blogspot.com>. **Cost is \$126 per 8 weeks session; required material fee \$34.** Call instructor at 954-389-2629 for schedule.

The Play's the Thing! Fridays 3:30-4:30 (ages 7-8). Students engage in the theatrical process through acting exercises designed to increase concentration, free the imagination and increase confidence. Movement for the stage, character development and improvisation techniques are used to help students develop a script based on a value laden folktale. A class presentation will be held the last day of class. Limit 12 kids/class. **Class starts January 15th. Cost is \$210. Robin Braun and the Inside Out Theatre Company: 954-385-3060.**

Musical Theatre Production Class - Sundays 4:00-7:00 p.m. (ages 9-12). This class focuses on training in acting and movement with a rehearsal period that leads to a performance of one of our original musicals. Instruction includes traditional Stanislavski techniques, improvisation, and character development. No experience is necessary; this class leads to a performance in a professional theatre setting and students are expected to be

committed and work at the highest level of professionalism. Limit 12 kids/class. **Class starts January 17th. Cost is \$395.** Call Robin Braun of the Inside Out Theatre Company for more details: 954-385-3060.

Fun In Spanish - Wednesdays & Fridays 9:30-11:00 a.m. (ages 2-5) Don't forget your Spanish. The only way to hang on to your roots is to practice. Learn and practice Spanish with Latin kids and others that wish to learn in a playful, musical and artistic environment. For information, please call 954-822-7528 or email FunSpanish@Hotmail.com. **\$10/session or 5 classes for \$40. Continuous.**

Chess Club - Mondays 4:30-6:00 p.m. or Fridays 6:00-7:30 p.m. (ages 5-15 years). By joining the chess club, students are given a different avenue to use in order to challenge their minds. This mental persistence gained through chess will enable students to focus on achieving goals through out their lives. **Cost is \$130 for 8 sessions.** For more information contact Chess Grand Master Garcia at gilgarchess@gmail.com or 813-375-2179. **Continuous.**



Fencing Club - Mondays and Wednesdays: Beginners (6:30-7:30 p.m.) Intermediate/Advanced (7:30-9:00 p.m.) We invite males and females, ages 10 and up, to join our fencing classes and learn the sport of fencing! We offer beginner and intermediate level foil classes, taught by a former member of the Bulgarian National Fencing Team, Antoaneta Spassova. Our members include nationally ranked members of the committee. **Cost is \$120 per month.** For more information call 954-389-4391, email WendiOppenheim@gmail.com, or contact Coach Antoaneta Spassova at smotalinkova@aol.com or call her at 954-249-3295. **Continuous.**

Stroller Strides - Monday through Friday 9:15-10:15 a.m. Stroller Strides is a one hour total body workout designed specifically for moms with stroller-age children (6 weeks-4 years), offering dynamic classes that combine power walking, running and intervals of body toning using exercise tubing, fitness balls, the environment AND your stroller. This is not just a stroll in the park—it's a workout that gets you striding into your best shape, while spending time with your child

and other moms. **Babies are our priority, so don't worry if your little one is fussy or if you have to feed! We are all moms, and that's what makes Stroller Strides so special.** Classes are taught by nationally certified instructors who are moms just like you and the class is structured so that moms can make baby happy and not miss out on your workout. Whatever your fitness level, Stroller Strides will give you the workout you need. We are more than a fitness class - as a member, you get to enjoy play groups, Moms Night Out, community service and charity projects, as well as other social activities with you, your baby and your family. Stroller Strides is a great way to make instant friends who have fitness and health in common. Multiple Class packages are available, starting at \$2.75/class with a monthly membership. **For more information call Cynthia 1-888-868-4763 or go to www.strollerstrides.net/weston. Continuous.**

Kidokinetics - Kidokinetics is the fun way to fitness that's inspiring kids to get up, get moving and get in shape! We are an all around sports fitness program for children ages 2 years old to 10 years old. Your child will develop important building blocks for life: discipline, confidence, coordination, fine and gross motor skills, and fitness. Activities include: soccer, hockey, tennis, basketball, volleyball, golf, t-ball, polo, lacrosse, frisbee, hula-hoops, obstacle courses, relays, hurdles and more. For more information call 954-385-8511 or go to www.kidokinetics.com. **Classes meet INDOORS at the Community Center. Cost is \$65 per session.** Classes will be pro-rated if you join late.

	Tuesdays:	Thursdays:
Ages 2-3	10:00-10:45	
Ages 3-5	4:00-4:45	
Ages 2-3	4:45-5:30	
Ages 5-10		4:15-5:00
Ages 3-5		5:00-5:45

Tuesday Session: 9/15 to 10/27 and 11/3 to 12/15
Thursday Session: 9/17 to 10/31 and 11/5 to 12/17 (no class 11/26)

Young Minds Arts - Fridays 4:00-5:30 p.m. (4 to 13 years old). Young Minds Arts prepares children for goals set forth by the National Standard for Art Education. Our exclusive program dispels the myth that art is a talent a child has or doesn't have. We view art not merely as a talent, but as a skill that can, and should, be learned by all children. **Cost: \$50 per 5 weeks. Price includes all materials. Session 2:10/2 to 10/30, Session 3: 11/6 to 12/18 (no class 11/27). For more information call 954-647-6403.**

Babykinetics Baby - Kidokinetics Baby is an introduction to physical activity for babies. Our classes increase body awareness and help babies learn, improve coordination and balance and to control muscles. Babies will have a fun opportunity to interact with soccer balls, footballs, bouncy balls, bean bags, cones, hula hoops, tunnels and much more all with their parents. **Cost is \$65 per session. Classes will be pro-rated if you join late.**

Ages 15 months to 24 months
(Tuesdays 9:15-10:00 a.m.)
Ages 6 months to 14 months
(Tuesdays 10:45-11:30 a.m.)

Community Class Schedule

Weston Regional Park Children/Youth Program *continued*

Fall Session I: 9/15 to 10/27
Fall Session II: 11/3 to 12/15

Kidokinetics Jr. - Parent and Child Sports
Saturday's 9:00-9:45 a.m. (ages 18 months - 4 years). We all know that parents love to play sports and workout with their kids. This class is a high energy, active class with your little ones. Introducing them to sports and making fitness fun while setting the pace for them in years to come. Parent and child will help develop your child's coordination, concentration, and motor skills, while having fun in a safe, non-competitive environment. Every week focuses on a different sport.

Activities include soccer, hockey, basketball, hula hoops, bean bag skills, football, tennis, t-ball, obstacle courses, golf and much more. **For more information, please call 954-385-8511 or go to www.Kidokintics.com. Class meets INDOORS at the Community Center. Cost is \$65 per session. Classes will be pro-rated if you join late.**

Ages 18 mos-4 years
(Saturdays 9:00-9:45 a.m.)

Fall Session I: 9/12 to 10/31 (no class 9/19)
Fall Session II: 11/7 to 12/19
(no class 11/28)

Teen Performance Workshop - Sundays, 7:15-9:15 p.m. (ages 13-18 years). This class is for students interested in helping write and produce a performance piece based on relevant issues in their lives. Through the use of improvisation and scene work, students will hone their acting and performance skills as they present the play in a café-style setting at the end of the season. Limit 12 kids/class. **For more information call Robin at 954-385-3060. Class starts January 17th. Cost is \$375.**

Weston Regional Park Adult Program

Art/Multi-Media - Tuesdays 6:00-9:00 p.m. Acclaimed artist Rolande Moorhead teaches all skill levels in the mediums of their choosing including oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, painting and charcoal drawing. With individual attention, students explore their creative potential. **Cost \$195/6 weeks. Continuous**

Watercolor Painting - Fridays 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Award winning watercolorist Rolande Moorhead teaches the vocabulary of colors, shapes, composition and preliminary drawing. All skill levels. **Cost \$195/6 weeks. Continuous**

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SAT Preparation - (Age 15-20) Tues (7:00-9:30p.m.), Thurs (7:15-9:45p.m.) or Sun (1:30-4:00p.m.). This course prepares students for all facets of the College Board exam. Class not only thoroughly reviews content of what is tested but also exposes students to numerous insightful strategies for scoring well on the SAT. Jeff Steinberg, the instructor, has specialized in developing and instructing SAT preparation courses since 1990 (including for the University of Miami). Students are assured of receiving expert instruction (the average increase in scores is 200 points), while paying less than half of what some commercial courses charge. **To enroll in this course, please contact Mr. Steinberg directly at (954) 478-0792. Cost is \$475 for 8 week, 20 hour course (including text and materials).** Fall Session starts 10/11 (Sun) and 10/13 (Tues) for test on 12/5. Winter Session starts 1/17 (Sun) 1/19 (Tues) and 1/21 (Thurs) for test on 3/13.

Weston 55+ Club - This club was founded in 2001 by a group of men and women who enjoy each others company at outings and other social gatherings. For more information call Dottie at 954-349-6029. **Membership: \$30/person/year.**

Needle Arts - is an opportunity to learn, invest in yourself, make friends, and possibly make a profit from your hobby. **Needle Arts** classes welcomes every one who is interested in acquiring the ability to be able to make your own gifts, embellish your clothes and your home by giving them a personal and unique touch. Learn the art of weaving a thread or yarn with a needle commonly called the hook in **Crochet class on Monday from 9:30-10:30a.m.** or paint with threads or ribbons instead of paint in **Hand Embroidery class on Monday from 10:30-11:30a.m. No supplies needed to start. \$60 per month. Call Carmen @ 954-261-9295 with any questions. Si solo habla espanol, tambien es bienvenida. Continuous**

Open Bridge Play - Mon 12:30-4p.m. Join us on Mondays for social Bridge. Call Bernice Ross game organizer at 954-389-8756.

Open Mahjong - Thurs 12:30-3:30p.m. Join us on Thursdays for Mahjong. Call Sandy Greene, game organizer, for more information at 954-446-6299.

Xmada Personal Fitness Training, Inc. - Boot Camp is one hour of fitness fun at **Vista Park.** Lose weight, tone your body & get in shape. Challenges are combined with jumping jacks, push-ups, running, sprinting, weight training, abs, core training and strengthening your entire body. Beginners, intermediate and advance

are welcome. Male and female, ages 16 and up can enjoy this power hour of fun. All classes are conducted by **Certified Personal Instructors.** We educate to increase the knowledge about the mind, body and soul, to promote healthy lifestyle changes in a positive manner until goals are accomplished and dreams come true. **Four price packages are available for the Boot Camp.** For more information please contact Angela Andrews at 954-709-0909. **Continuous**

Mommy Kinetics - (Moms only workout) **Kidokinetics** "sports" boot camp for moms. You will be playing, running, jumping, kicking, and swinging your way to fitness. *Coach Kai* will get you moving and keep you sweating in our newest **Kidokinetics** class. **Fridays 9:15-10:00a.m. 11/6 to 12/18 (no class 11/27) \$65 per session.** Classes can be pro-rated if you join late.

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Community Upcoming Events

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The Holidays are Coming...



Christmas Tree Collection

Weston residents residing in single-family homes with curbside garbage collection may place their Christmas trees at the curb for collection along with regular garbage collection. Trees over 8' tall are requested to be cut in half.

Dates: Saturday, December 26, 2009 thru Saturday, January 9, 2010



Christmas Tree Recycling

Help the environment and lessen impact on landfills. Take your holiday tree to Markham Park where it will be chipped into mulch to be used in the parks system. All decorations and lights must be removed. Over 9,000 trees were chipped last year, saving 124 tons from the waste stream. Help again this year!

Dates: December 26, 2009 until January 24, 2010

Location: 16001 W. State Rd. 84, (Weston Road at State Road 84) 954-389-2000

WESTON'S SCHOOLS ACHIEVE A'S

For the sixth year in a row nine Broward County public schools in Weston have received the coveted "A" rating in the State of Florida's A+ Plan for Education.

The A+ Plan for Education requires testing of students in grades 3 through eleven in reading, math and science on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT). Annually all public schools are graded (A, B, C, D, or F) based upon the performance and progress of students on the FCAT.

Schools and their respective principal's will be recognized in October by the City Commission for their achievement.

CONGRATULATIONS TO STUDENTS, TEACHERS, ADMINISTRATORS AND PARENTS OF:

Country Isles Elementary School
Eagle Point Elementary School
Everglades Elementary School
Gator Run Elementary School
Imagine Charter School at Weston
Indian Trace Elementary School
Manatee Bay Elementary School
Falcon Cove Middle School
Tequesta Trace Middle School



October

Wednesday, October 14th; Thursday, October 15th; Friday, October 16th; and *Saturday, October 17th

Residential Bulk Trash Pickup

Bulk trash will be picked up on your regularly scheduled collection day. Bulk trash must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. For residences with dumpster service, place items alongside dumpster. *Indicates pick-up for multi-family units (condominiums & apartment complexes). Occasionally bulk trash is not collected on its regularly scheduled collection day due to heavy volume, if this occurs it will be collected the following day.

For more information, please call the Weston Public Works Services Center at 954-385-2600.

Friday, October 30th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Fall Harvest Festival and Halloween Safety Expo

Tequesta Trace Park (600 Indian Trace)

Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital in partnership with the City of Weston and the Broward Sheriff's Office District VIII Weston, presents an action-packed evening the whole family will enjoy including a Children's Halloween Costume Parade at 6:30 p.m. and a Pet Costume Contest at 8 p.m. In addition, there will be live entertainment, bounce house, food vendors, inflatables, arts & crafts booths, DJ music, pumpkin patch,

interactive teddy bear clinic, bloodmobile, health screenings, safety exhibits, FREE cotton candy and snow cones!

For more information, please call 954-276-5985.

Saturday, October 31st & Sunday, November 1st

6th Annual City of Weston USTA Tournament

Weston Tennis Center (16451 Racquet Club Road)

Open division for men and women (ages 30, 40, 50 and over) singles and doubles. To register for the tournament visit www.usatennisflorida.usta.com and go to the adult tournament part of the website.

For more information, please call the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666.

November

Sunday, November 1st

Daylight Saving Time Ends

Turn clocks back one hour at 2:00 a.m.

This is an excellent time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors to avoid the high pitched alarming reminder from going off in the middle of the night. Every year in the United States, about 3,000 people lose their lives in residential fires. Most fire victims die from inhalation of smoke and toxic gases, not as a result of burns. Most deaths and injuries occur in fires that happen at night while the victims are asleep.

Properly installed and maintained smoke

alarms in the home are considered one of the best and least expensive means of providing an early warning of a potentially deadly fire.

Saturday, November 7th at 7:30 p.m.

FREE Moonlight Movies in the Park:

Monsters vs. Aliens

Event Stage in the Weston Regional Park (20200 Saddle Club Road)

Ooze gonna save us? When a meteorite from outer space hits a young woman and turns her into a giant monster, she is taken to a secret government compound where she meets a ragtag group of monsters also rounded up over the years. Bring lawn chairs or blankets and relax. Full-length feature films are projected onto a giant inflatable screen.

For more information, please call 954-389-4321.

Monday, November 9th at 5:00 p.m. & 7:15 p.m.

Weston Foreign Film Series: A Matter of Size (Israel)

Weston 8 Cinema, 1338 SW 160th

Avenue, Sunrise, Florida

ALL FILMS HAVE ENGLISH SUBTITLES

The Arts Council of Greater Weston, Inc., and the Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival are happy to bring to you the 4th Annual Weston Foreign Film Series. In this 2009 comedy the age old question of 'does size matter?' will be answered as an obese man finds the

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perfect lifestyle for himself and his friends [and it's not dieting]. Tickets are \$7.00 per film or \$30.00 for the complete series (5 films). Tickets can be purchased at the following locations: Community Bank of Broward (Weston Branch, 1504 Weston Road), Weston Branch Library (Friends Bookstore) or the Weston Community Center (20200 Saddle Club Road, Weston, Florida). For more information visit www.tiny.cc/WestonArtsCouncil.

Wednesday, November 11th
City Offices Closed
All City administrative offices (City Hall, the Community Center, the Public Works Services Center, and the Building Department) will be closed in observance of Veteran's Day. All City parks will be open and there is regular garbage collection.

Saturday, November 14th 9:30am
Davis Cup Challenge
Weston Tennis Center (16451 Racquet Club Road)
Eight teams in each division will have a CDT Pro captaining their respective teams to try and win the Davis Cup. The teams, men and women's doubles and singles, will be drafted from the list of participants. After the challenge a catered lunch will be served. A draft

will be held on Friday, November 13th in the morning so make sure you sign up by Thursday, November 12th. For more information call the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666.

Wednesday, November 25th
City Offices Closing Early
All City administrative offices (City Hall, the Community Center, the Public Works Services Center and the Building Department) will be closing at 3:00 p.m. All City parks will be open and there is regular garbage collection.

Thursday, November 26th
City Offices Closed
All City administrative offices (City Hall, the Community Center, the Public Works Services Center, and the Building Department) will be closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day. All City parks will be open until 6:00 p.m. There is regular garbage collection.

Friday, November 27th
City Offices Closed
All City administrative offices (City Hall, the Community Center, the Public Works Services Center, and the Building Department) will be closed. All City parks will be open and there is regular garbage collection.

December

Saturday, December 12th at 1:30 p.m. & 3:00 p.m.

FREE Puppet Show: The Princess in the Land of the P
Weston Community Center, (20200 Saddle Club Road)

The magic traveler goes to the Letter P Kingdom where the princess promises to pay for the peddler's pie but instead breaks her promise. The peddler is forced to work some magic (with help from the audience) to turn the princess into a pancake, a popcorn box and even a pig. She finally pays him the pennies for the pie, but has she truly learned her lesson? **Appropriate for children ages 3 - 10 with a parent or guardian.** For more information, please call 954-389-4321.

Saturday, December 12th at 7:30 p.m.
FREE Moonlight Movies in the Park:
Paul Blart, Mall Cop

Event Stage in the Weston Regional Park (20200 Saddle Club Road)
Safety never takes a holiday. When a shopping mall is overtaken by a gang of organized crooks, it's up to the mild-mannered security guard to save the day. Bring lawn chairs or blankets and relax. Full-length feature films are projected onto a giant inflatable screen. For more information, please call 954-389-4321.

Monday, December 14th at 5:00 p.m. & 7:15 p.m.

Weston Foreign Film Series: Italian for Beginners (Denmark/Italy)
Weston 8 Cinema, 1338 SW 160th Avenue, Sunrise, Florida
ALL FILMS HAVE ENGLISH SUBTITLES

The Arts Council of Greater Weston, Inc., and the Fort Lauderdale International Film Festival are happy to bring to you the 4th Annual Weston Foreign Film Series. In this romantic comedy a family man dreams of rock stardom, pins his hopes on his awkward and overweight teenage daughter. The question is how far will he go? **Tickets are \$7.00 per film and can be purchased at the following locations: Community Bank of Broward (Weston Branch, 1504 Weston Road), Weston Branch Library (Friends Bookstore) or the Weston Community Center (20200 Saddle Club Road, Weston, Florida).** For more information visit www.tiny.cc/WestonArtsCouncil.

Friday, December 18th 7:00pm – 9:00pm
Holiday Pro-Am Weston Tennis Center (16451 Racquet Club Road)
Come play with the area's best playing professional. The format is simple - Each Amateur will play with each Pro in their specific group. The winning amateur of each group will be determined by the total number of games won. The winner will go on to the finals with the Top Pro from their specific group.

Awards will be presented to the winning and runner-up amateur. For more information call the Weston Tennis Center at 954-389-8666.

Saturday, December 19th at 10 a.m.
Professional Theater for Children: Santa's Holiday Review
Cypress Bay Theater (18600 Vista Park Boulevard)

Santa's Holiday Revue is a fast paced rollicking musical that takes a joyous 'round the world tour of the dances, songs and stories from Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa and many more. Students will sing, clap and tap along as they learn new and old traditions, customs and folklore that instill the magic of the season. This wonderful jubilee creates a memorable and heart-warming experience that celebrates the true spirit of cultural diversity. Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the theater box office on the day of the show. For more information or to purchase tickets in advance please call the Weston Community Center (20200 Saddle Club Road inside the Weston Regional Park) at 954-389-4321.

Thursday, December 24th
City Offices Closing Early
All City administrative offices (City Hall, the Community Center, the Public Works Services Center, and the Building Department) will be closing at 12:00 p.m. **ALL municipal parks will close at 6:00 p.m. There will be regular garbage collection.**

Friday, December 25th
City Offices Closed

All City administrative offices (City Hall, the Community Center, the Public Works Services Center, and the Building Department) will be closed in observance of Christmas Day. **ALL municipal parks will close at 6:00 p.m. There is NO garbage collection. Collection will take place on your next regularly scheduled day.**

January

Friday, January 1st
City Offices Closed

All City administrative offices (City Hall, the Community Center, the Public Works Services Center, and the Building Department) will be closed in observance of New Year's Day. **ALL municipal parks will close at 6:00 p.m. There will be regular garbage collection.**

Saturday, January 9th at 7:30 p.m.
FREE Moonlight Movies in the Park:
Ice Age 3

Event Stage in the Weston Regional Park (20200 Saddle Club Road)
Dawn of the dinosaurs: When Sid's attempt to adopt three dinosaur eggs gets him abducted by their real mother to an underground lost world, his friends attempt to rescue him. Bring lawn chairs or blankets and relax. Full-length feature films are projected onto a giant inflatable screen. **For more information, please call 954-389-4321.**

Community Upcoming Events *continued*

October – November – December - January

Monday, January 11th at 5:00 p.m.
& 7:15 p.m.

Weston Foreign Film Series: *For My Father* (Israel)

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Tickets are \$7.00 per film and can be purchased at the following locations: Community Bank of Broward (Weston Branch, 1504 Weston Road), Weston Branch Library (Friends Bookstore) or the Weston Community Center (20200 Saddle Club Road, Weston, Florida). For more information visit www.tiny.cc/WestonArtsCouncil.

Saturday, January 23rd at 10 a.m.

Professional Theater for Children:

Cinderella

Cypress Bay Theater

(18600 Vista Park Boulevard)

Cinderella, a theatrical presentation by Stages Productions. This award winning musical takes all the traditional

elements of the original story and adds all the humor and action and romance of the Disney film. Join us as the fairy godmother takes on the infamous evil Stepmother to assure that Cinderella and Prince Charming are reunited for the happiest of endings.

Tickets are \$10 in advance or \$15 at the theater box office on the day of the show. For more information or to purchase tickets in advance please call the Weston Community Center (20200 Saddle Club Road inside the Weston Regional Park) at 954-389-4321.

Saturday, January 30th at 1:30 p.m.
& 3:00 p.m.

FREE Puppet Show: *The Shadow*
Weston Community Center, (20200
Saddle Club Road)

A show with a whole new story about a girl who was turned into a pumpkin. It's based on a Persian tale. A mischievous Dijn overhears a woman lamenting not having any children. She'd even lose a pumpkin child. The Dijn grants her wish for this pumpkin girl, but can love and marriage be far behind? Plus, there will be a sing along with Old MacDonalld and his odd farm, the mountain climber, and Mysto the Magician - will his tricks ever go right?

Appropriate for children ages 3 - 10 with a parent or guardian. For more information, please call 954-389-4321.

Saturday, January 30th at 8:00 p.m.

Symphony of the America's

Cypress Bay Theater (18600 Vista Park
Boulevard)

Maestro James Brooks-Bruzzese,
Artistic Director

FROM OPERA TO BROADWAY

An extraordinary concert event, the Symphony of the America's orchestra with four young and exciting guest soloists for an evening of exhilarating performances. Broadway artist Franc D'Ambrosio, best known for his role in *The Phantom of the Opera*, earning him the title "World's Longest Running Phantom"; Elizabeth Roberts, a soprano, is a versatile and sensitive artist performing contemporary to operatic roles; Opera singer Maria Aleida Rodriquez, a soprano began her studies in Venezuela in 1999, has won major voice competitions and currently studies in Philadelphia; operatic soloists Eduardo Aladren of Spain, a tenor, has performed professionally worldwide and currently resides in Miami.

Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the theater box office on the day of the show and \$10 for students. For more information or to purchase tickets in advance please call the Weston Community Center (20200 Saddle Club Road inside the Weston Regional Park) at 954-389-4321.

Yes you can!

Mix your paper, metal,
plastic bottles and glass
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SINGLE FAMILY HOMES

Wednesday, October 14th
Or

Thursday, October 15th Or
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MULTI-FAMILY

Saturday, October 17th

WHICHEVER date is the day of your regular garbage collection.

Place items curbside by 7:00am on that date. Multi-family units & Townhomes:
place items next to dumpster.

Please note that items not collected that day, will be collected the next day – dependent upon the amount of participation, trucks may not get to every location by the end of the day.

THINK BEFORE YOU THROW

THINK ABOUT DONATING BEFORE TOSSING: Help those in need, keep items out of the waste stream, *and get a tax deduction.* Several national organizations will even pick-up directly from your residence – you don't have to wait for bulk pick-up day!

There are many local, well-established charitable organizations that readily accept donated items. From your home to a New home... and don't forget pets, many pet shelters are in need of sheets and towels on a regular basis.