

SOUTHWEST RANCHER

The Official Newsletter of Southwest Ranches

March 2014

HIGHLIGHTS



Front Cover	College Scholarship Fundraising Event Highlights
Page 2 - 3	Town Council News
Page 3	Message from Town Administrator Clerk's Quill: Town Meeting News Be In The Loop Daylight Savings
Page 4	Flow Mobile Davie Police Dept. Volunteer Program
Page 5	From Green Roots to Tree Roots
Page 6	Arbor Day Emergency Alarms
Page 7	Wanted - Best Chili In Town Cookoff
Page 8	Code Enforcement - Bulk Pick-Up SWR - Show Your Town Spirit
Page 9	Household Hazardous Waste Waste Collection Davie Police - Press Release Stay In Touch With Code
Page 10	March / April Calendars
Page 11	In-Touch Town Contact Info
Back Cover	St. Patrick's Day Word Search Reflective Address Markers

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISING EVENT



THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES PRESENTS...

The Schools and Education Advisory Board in conjunction with the Town of Southwest Ranches will be awarding scholarships to Town resident students.

Your help and support are needed to make this fundraiser a success.

When: Saturday April 5th, 2014

Time: 4:00 to 8:00 pm

Where: Sunshine Ranches Equestrian Park
5840 Southwest 148th Avenue

JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED EVENT...

- The Broward County "FOOD TRUCKS"
- Entertainment by "D.J. FLASH"
- Silent and Chinese "AUCTION"
- Animal Kingdom "WE BRING THE ZOO TO YOU"

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CALL JUANITA: (954) 434-0008 OR
EMAIL: JROMANCE@SWRANCHES.ORG



WANTED

THE BEST CHILI IN TOWN

2nd Annual CHILI COOK OFF

Saturday, April 26 noon - 5:30

More information on page 7.





Mayor
Jeff Nelson

On February 1st the Davie Police Department transitioned as our new law

enforcement provider. At 11:59 p.m. I witnessed the shift change from BSO to Davie Police. It was seamless and in all honesty, a heartfelt moment for me. BSO has provided thirteen years of law enforcement services to the Town of Southwest Ranches and many of the deputies who have been around since the beginning were handing over the evening's calls to Davie Police. I thank all of the BSO deputies for their continued service and dedication to the Ranches. In that same moment, I welcomed the new officers of the Davie Police Department. I realized that they were eager to provide our Town with continued exceptional service and were waiting to continue to explore the new areas that the Ranches calls home. Again, it has truly been an honor to work with BSO and now it is an honor to work with the Davie Police Department.

As you may know the deadline for the resident surveys has come and gone. The information from the surveys has been compiled by Dr. Leslie Leip, our consultant, and the results were presented at the February 27th Council meeting. We look forward to continuing to provide our residents with valued service and will work to improve wherever we have the opportunity to do so. More detailed results will be in the next issue of the Rancher. Thank you again for your participation, you have truly contributed to the future of this Town.

It's an honor and pleasure to serve you.

Jeff



Council Member
Steve Breitreuz

One of the items that you may have been reading about is the potential new

Charter School in development out west near 208th Avenue. This is being planned for a property that is actually within Pembroke Pines but cuts into Southwest Ranches.

While the school itself is a good idea, what is not a good idea is to limit the traffic on the south side of the road, which goes into Pembroke Pines, and push all of the non-local traffic into Southwest Ranches. This school is scheduled to hold 2600 students. It will have additional teachers and administration as well. So, it is the goal of Southwest Ranches that this school is built in a way that it will ensure that our roads and traffic patterns will not be inundated with this additional traffic.

If you are familiar with the western end of Griffin Road, you are aware that it is one lane each direction and also that the road is already very busy both in the morning and the evening. While this addition may not add much traffic to the evening rush hour, except for special events, it will create major issues for the morning rush hour. Many mornings today, it is tough to get onto Griffin Road from the roads west of Bonaventure. This additional school traffic will create major issues and be one more disruption to the rural lifestyle that we are working to maintain.

In reality, we are just attempting to

make sure that the project is done properly and ensure that the proper traffic, noise and light mitigation are put in place. Ensure that if traffic goes north that it goes south as well. After all, that was the reason that Pembroke Pines first gave for the creation of this road. It is not right that the vast majority of the traffic is funneled into our neighborhoods.

We are attempting to have a dialogue with Pembroke Pines on the matter and they refused to attend the initial mediation meeting. We are hopeful that over time, they will come to the table. However, if they refuse then they are forcing it to go before a court, which is not what we are looking for.

In the end, we support the school but not the design and negative impact it will have on the Ranches. I am hopeful that Pines will recognize this fact. Sit down with us and work through a solution that works for everyone.

TOWN TALK...

Join our email list and get information on

- . Town events
- . Notices
- and much more.

Email:
Jromance@swranches.org



Council Member Freddy Fisikelli

It has been a slow month, I believe the most important thing

that has taken place this month was the fact that we changed our police services from Broward Sheriff's Office (BSO) to Davie Police. It is not because BSO didn't do a good job or didn't provide us very good service, but because the new Sheriff wanted to increase our cost to an amount that we just could not afford. So we had to shop around and see if we could find another provider who would agree to give us excellent police services and the Town of Davie agreed to do this. The new contract with Davie went into effect February 1st.

The work on Fishing Hole Park is going well. The contract for the bathroom was approved at the January Council meeting and the contractor will soon start the work. We are looking at the next two projects which are the clearing of the exotic plants in the mitigation area and the construction of the horse trail around the completed park. Also, we are looking at how we are going to clear the area that will be used for the open field for some type of ball field. We also have to do some fence work to enclose the playground area and hopefully we can have the ability to manage the time the park will be open and closed.



by Erika Santamaria

Brief legislation from the January 23, 2014 Town Council meeting:

- **Adopted Resolution 2014 – 024** approving an agreement with Anzco for the construction of restroom facilities at Fishing Hole Park.
- **Adopted Resolution 2014 – 025** approving an amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Tamarac for IT Services.
- **Adopted Resolution 2014 – 026** approving the installation of parking lot lighting at Town Hall.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR TOWN ADMINISTRATOR...

On February 1, Davie Police began providing police services to Southwest Ranches. While BSO provided wonderful service in our community for many years, we were unable to agree on contract terms. In simultaneous discussions with Davie, a new staffing model was pursued. Instead of police administration located here in Town Hall, we share in the administration on-duty in Davie. This allowed us to put more officers on patrol at all times, to better protect our community.

In order to provide the highest level of service to our residents, a Detective and Community Service Aide will work out of Town Hall during regular business hours. The Detective will serve as our primary contact with Davie Police, and he will bring in additional resources as needed.

Davie conducted interviews in order to select the best candidates to serve, and only experienced officers were considered. The minimum level of experience is 3 years, up to 35 years of experience. We're very pleased with the men and women who will be serving our community and know they will do a great job.

You may have already noticed bicycle officers riding through Southwest Ranches as they work to become familiar with our Town. If you see a Davie Officer, please wave them down and introduce yourself. The quicker they become familiar with our Town and get to know you and your neighbors, the better they will be able to serve our community.

BE "IN THE LOOP"
**Rapid Notify
 Emergency Notification**

Sign-up today! The opportunity to register is available for the Town's emergency notification service. You may also contact Sandy Luongo/Juanita Romance at Town Hall to be registered. Town Hall (954) 434-0008.

Don't Forget!
 Daylight-Saving Time begins on the second Sunday in March!

Move your clock ahead one hour at 2am

Remember:
 "SPRING" Forward--
 "FALL" Behind!



Mini-Flow: Florida Licensing on Wheels is Back in 2014

If you need to renew or replace your Florida Driver's License, Identification Card or Tag and Registration, then come on down to Town Hall. If so, the Department of Motorist Services Mini-FLOW Florida Licensing on Wheels will be at Town Hall for your convenience on the every fourth Thursday of each month in 2014:

March 27th, April 24th, May 22nd, June 26th, July 24th, Aug 28th, September 25th, October 23rd

All credit cards are now accepted. Below is a list of documents needed:

Primary Identification

Gather one original or certified copy of the following documents:

- ✓ Certified United States birth certificate, including territories and District of Columbia
- ✓ Valid United States Passport or Passport Card
- ✓ Consular Report of Birth Abroad
- ✓ Certificate of Naturalization
- ✓ Certificate of Citizenship
- ✓ Valid Alien Registration card (Green card, Form I-551)
- ✓ Valid employment authorization card (Form I688B or I-766)

Proof of Social Security Number

- ✓ Social Security card must be an original in your current full name
- ✓ W-2 form (not handwritten)
- ✓ SSA-1099
- ✓ Any 1099 (not handwritten)

*Gather **TWO different** documents from the following list showing your residential address: (internet printouts or faxes of these documents are acceptable)*

Note: Your current driver license or ID card may not be used as proof of residential address. Proof must come from two different types of source.

- ✓ Deed, mortgage, monthly mortgage statement, mortgage payment booklet or residential rental/lease agreement.
- ✓ Florida Voter Registration Card.
- ✓ Florida Vehicle Registration or Title.
- ✓ Utility bills, not more than two months old.
- ✓ Current automobile insurance policy or bill
- ✓ A signed statement from a parent, step-parent, legal guardian or other person with whom the applicant resides, combined with two proofs of their residential address.
- ✓ Medical or health card with address listed
- ✓ Educational institution transcript forms for the Current school year
- ✓ Unexpired professional license issued by a government agency in the U.S.
- ✓ Mail from financial institutions
- ✓ Mail from Federal, State, County or City government agencies

For a complete list of document requirements visit: www.gathergoget.com. For additional information please call Town Hall (954) 434-0008.



Davie Police Department's Volunteer Program

The Davie Police Department believes that volunteers can make important contributions in the law enforcement environment. Believing that partnering with the residents of Southwest Ranches would benefit the overall relationship with the community, the Police Department employs two volunteer programs. These programs serve as the foundation for additional crime prevention methods for the Southwest Ranches community. The programs offered strive to incorporate the fundamental philosophy of partnership between the community and the Davie Police Department fostering a safer community.

Volunteer Program

In 2008, the Davie Police Department developed the Volunteer Program. This program was created to provide volunteer support staff to aid Davie Police personnel in the delivery of services to the community. Volunteer members supplement existing agency functions allowing for the department to allocate resources more efficiently. Volunteer members hold various clerical and administrative responsibilities which help in department functions such as assisting in fingerprinting, data entry, conducting computer research, and staffing special events. For more information on the Volunteer Program please contact Volunteer Coordinator Parker Bailey at (954) 693-8200.

Citizen Patrol Program

In 2013, the Police Department created the Citizen Patrol Program to meet the changing needs of the community and further promote the Town of Davie Police Department's philosophy on community-oriented policing. The Citizen Patrol Program was developed to assist the Davie Police Department in patrolling the community and reporting any criminal or suspicious activity. Citizen Patrol members act as the "eyes and ears" of the neighborhood reporting information that is useful to patrol officers for crime prevention and community safety. For more information on the Citizen Patrol Program please contact Captain Rich Moore at (954) 693-8200.

The Davie Police Department recognizes the invaluable benefit of partnering with the citizens of Southwest Ranches by giving them the opportunity to become involved in the day-to-day activities of their Police Department. For more information about the programs, please feel free to contact any of the individuals listed above, or contact the Davie Police Department directly at (954) 693-8200.

AROUND THE TOWN

ENHANCING SOUTHWEST RANCHES' COMMUNITY FOREST: "FROM GRASS ROOTS TO TREE ROOTS"

Trees – our silent neighbors

With a population of just over 7,000 people, Southwest Ranches' takes pride in our small-town, friendly nature. Our residents' are encouraged to stay involved and speak their minds—and their tendency for doing just that makes us a very unique place to live. Even with our penchant for spirited debate, few among us would argue that Southwest Ranches is a great place to live.

A part of our population remains silent, however, regardless of the issue. These voiceless "residents"—contributing innumerable benefits to the unique character and well-being of our Town year after year—make up The Southwest Ranches Community Forest--the trees living in our Town.

Easily topping tens of thousands, Southwest Ranches' community forest is a multimillion dollar asset. On the Town's public spaces alone, there are nearly as many trees as people living in the Town – over 6,400 trees are part of parks, roadways and other public lands.

Managing the Southwest Ranches Community Forest

Trees on public land are managed by the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Department under the direction of the Town's Arborist. The PROS department created and maintains the Town's community forest inventory, budget, and – perhaps most important – the management plan.

As funding allows, the management plan sets annual goals to provide maintenance and enhancement of public space canopy, including integrated pest management (IPM), fertilization, mulch, removal of invasive exotics, and planting of native species. Available funding is scarce, however, and provides for only minimum maintenance to be completed at long intervals. At

current funding levels, for example, most trees on public land can be pruned only once every 8 years. In past years, volunteers in the Town have worked to supplement financial resources, accomplishing many important maintenance projects and providing services valued at tens of thousands of dollars.

Staff continually seeks to further the Town's Forestry Program goals with grants. Successful management of grant funding augments the department's budget, allowing for



increased levels of maintenance as well as better diversity through new planting projects.

Stand Up and Be Counted

At the heart of the community forestry management plan is an accurate inventory of the asset being managed. Created in the early years of the Town's incorporation, our current inventory includes only basic information on species, location and numbers of trees in public space. Now, in the Town's second decade, this resource requires significant improvement in order to be an effective management tool.

In 2012, the PROS department focused on finding funds to support an upgrade of our inventory. Through the National Urban Community

Forestry Program, our successful application garnered funding for tools and software to enhance the inventory. Necessary items were procured and the Town's Arborist completed a year of intensive training in preparation for the project.

It's a big job, but somebody's got to do it

Creating the enhanced inventory involves capturing a record for every tree on public land. This will allow staff to map our community forest and manage it more efficiently, producing measurable goals, and providing analysis and benefit reports for the trees.

Gathering information on each tree is an intricate process. Data including species, size, specific location, potential risk factors, and condition of each tree must be collected.

Don't "Leave" Us Alone-- Volunteers Needed!

With over 6,400 trees on public space, it would take staff years, working alone, to complete the information gathering. We need your help! Staff has set an ambitious goal of completing the data collection within one year.

Working one or two set days per week, we will target specific areas, collecting data together as a group. Through this process, volunteers will learn about the trees in our town, about proper maintenance and care, as well as the specific environmental and economic benefits provided by each tree in our public space.

Data Collection will begin in March. If you would like to be a part of this exciting project and get up close and personal with trees in Southwest Ranches, contact Town Arborist December Lauretano-Haines at 954-343-7452 or via email dlauretano@southwestranches.org

CODE ENFORCEMENT

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND YOU: EMERGENCY ALARMS ORDINANCE

By: Robert C. Solera, Code Enforcement Director / Code Services Inc. President

The Town of Southwest Ranches passed an ordinance related to “**emergency alarms**” back in the year 2010. The purpose of this ordinance was to mitigate and reduce the amount of false alarms that were generated in the Town, creating a big strain on police resources. Basically, when an alarm goes off (either silent or audible), the police department is notified and sent to the scene. This action takes away from the ability of the police department to respond to other issues. Many times the alarms are malfunctioning or the police department is dispatched when it is not necessary.

The “**emergency alarm**” ordinance allows residents and businesses to

have up to **2 (two)** false alarms per calendar year. A false alarm is one where the police department is dispatched to the location and no proper code or cancel order is provided by the alarm company. At the end of a month the police department provides the Code Enforcement Department with a detailed report of the previous month’s activity. The report includes the location, the time and date of the false alarm and any pertinent information related to interaction between the agency and the resident/renter. The report is logged and the Code Enforcement Department keeps track of it. On the second false alarm the Department issues a notice of violation alerting the resident/renter that they have reached the maximum amount of false alarms for the calendar year. The Department does take into

consideration the weather that was present at the time of the false alarms. Many times during the summer months, large storms roll through the Town creating lightning strikes which produce false alarms. These types of alarms are not taken into consideration when determining the amount of false alarms per calendar year.

Once the maximum amount allowed per calendar year has been reached, **a fine of \$50.00 is issued if a third false alarm occurs during the calendar year.** In addition, if other false alarms due occur after the second one a **\$250.00** citation per occurrence will be issued. If a fine is issued the property owner has the right to request a hearing within 10 days of the issuance of the civil violation or pay the violation. If the violation is not paid, the resident/renter may incur in a 10% interest of the original amount.

Once again our Department is ready to answer any questions that you may have related to this issue. You may call (954) 434-0008 to reach us.

Arbor Day Event Info:

In 2013, the Town achieved our 7th year of certification as a “Tree City USA,” community, and our 4th annual Tree City USA Growth Award.

Southwest Ranches is one of relatively few (less than 500) US communities that have achieved this award, demonstrating our extraordinary commitment to improving our community trees and management of this significant asset.

As part of the Town’s commitment to trees in our community, we celebrate Southwest Ranches Arbor Day annually on the 3rd Friday in January.

This year’s event included display of our Tree City USA and Growth Award, Tree City USA flag raising, and a presentation from Jan Pushkar on joining the National Arbor Day Foundation. As part of her membership, Jan received Red Maple and Southern Magnolia seedlings,



which she donated to the Town and helped plant at the Town Hall. The event ended with a discussion about the Town’s new Community Forestry Enhancement initiative, From Grass Roots to Tree Roots.

TOWN EVENT

WANTED

THE BEST CHILI IN TOWN

SIGN UP NOW!

The Aster Knight Parks Foundation

2nd Annual

CHILI COOK OFF

Registration: \$50



akpf@southwestranches.org

954-343-7452



Contest limited to the first 20 chili pots!

WINNER ANNOUNCED AT 4:45

Food * music * bake sale

**Sunshine Ranches
Equestrian Park**

Saturday, April 26 noon - 5:30

CODE ENFORCEMENT

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND YOU: BULK PICKUP SERVICE

By: Robert C. Solera, Code Enforcement Director / Code Services Inc. President

The New Year is here and a new bulk and trash schedule has been delivered. The Code Enforcement Department, managed by Code Services Inc. is in charge of enforcing the bulk ordinance as well as any trash related issues that were passed by the Town Council. The reason for the ordinance was to assure that the residents followed specific guidelines when it comes to the placement of the bulk for trash pickup.

There are a few things that we would like to remind you of, as there are key to keeping our Town beautiful. When it comes to bulk pick up, it is picked up every other week (as reflected in the delivered schedule). There are specific areas assigned for the Town and they are:

Area 1 which encompasses Flamingo in the East to I-75 on the West and Griffin Road on the North to Sheridan Street on the South.

Area 2 is located West of I-75 to 185 Way/186 Ave on the West and from Griffin Road on the North to Sheridan Street on the South.

Area 3 from 185 Way/186 Ave west side to US 27 on the west and from Griffin Road on the North to Sheridan Street on the South (with the exception of locations within the City of Pembroke Pines). **The collection takes place on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.**

As required by Code, the property owners are required to place bulk out for pick up starting on the Saturday before the collection week (as per the schedule), and also by 7:00 a.m. on the date of the pickup. For example, if your pick up is on Monday, you may place the bulk out for collection on the Saturday prior and no later than 7:00 a.m. on the pickup date. If you place the items after 7:00 a.m. on the pickup date, the items may be left behind as collection takes place early in the day.

If an issue arises where the items have been left behind on the pickup date, then there are two possibilities: 1) the items were placed above the amount of 12 cubic yards allowed by code, or they are larger than the allowed length for each piece (and will be tagged by SWS to indicate such), or 2) the items were placed

too late for pickup on that date. If they were left behind and no tagging took place, then the pile was placed out too late for pick up.

If the items are placed in violation of what was indicated above, then Code Enforcement is required to issue a warning **Notice of Violation** for the first time, and a **Civil Violation Notice** for any other occurrence during the same calendar year. A warning notice does not carry any penalty, but a civil violation carries a penalty of **\$500.00 per occurrence**. We make every effort to provide information to the residents so no civil penalties are issued, as such a schedule of pick up, is provided along with any warnings.

We are here to help you understand the process and get those items picked up if they were left behind by mistake. As such please contact the Town as soon as possible to resolve the issue. Code Enforcement works with all residents to make sure that all their needs are met.



SHOW YOUR TOWN SPIRIT

SWR stickers are made for residents by the Country Estates Homeowners Association. Sticker's are \$1 each and are available at Town Hall, 13400 Griffin Road.

Waste Collection

Household Hazardous Waste, Electronics & Bulk Drop Off Event

NOTE: Event may be canceled due to rain, excessive winds or other hazardous conditions as determined by the Town.

A new service provided for Town Residents only!

Location: Rolling Oaks Park, 5600 SW 178 Ave., Southwest Ranches. Proof of Residency is required

**SATURDAY. APRIL 12, 2014.
8 AM – 2 PM**

For more information call Town Hall (954) 434-0008

TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES - Waste Collection Map & Schedule



Weekly SOLID (GARBAGE) Waste Days

Area 3	Area 2	Area 1
Wednesday & Saturday	Tuesday & Friday	Monday & Thursday

BULK Collection Service Dates by Area

Month	Area 3 (Wednesday Only)	Area 2 (Tuesday Only)	Area 1 (Monday Only)
Mar 14	3/5/14 & 3/19/14	3/4/14 & 3/18/14	3/3/14, 3/17/14 & 3/31/14
April 14	4/2/14, 4/16/14 & 4/30/14	4/1/14, 4/15/14 & 4/29/14	4/14/14 & 4/28/14

RECYCLE collection occurs once per week:

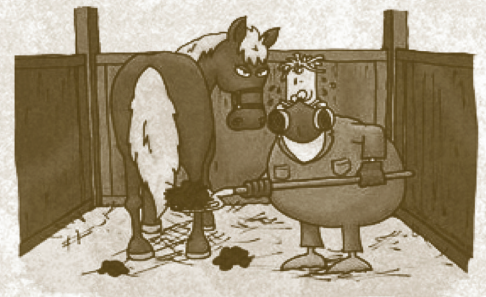
• Area 1 every Monday • Area 2 every Tuesday • Area 3 every Wednesday

DAVIE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

The Davie Police Department is proud to announce that beginning at midnight February 1st, we have assumed Law Enforcement responsibilities for the Town of Southwest Ranches. We look forward to providing the highest level of service to the residents of Southwest Ranches as we have done for the residents of the Town of Davie. This unique partnership of shared resources will benefit both municipalities for many years to come. We welcome the Town of Southwest Ranches.



STAY IN TOUCH WITH CODE





Fill for horse stalls or existing horse arenas do **not** require a fill permit. However, we recommend you call the Town to let us know of the activity so Code Enforcement does not send you a Notice of Violation. **Please call or email Angela Sukhdeo (asukhdeo@swranches.org or tel. 954-343-7444).**

* Scheduled meetings at time of publication. Items subject to change.

CALENDARS

RESIDENTIAL BULK MAY BE PLACED IN THE SWALE THE SATURDAY BEFORE
YOUR SCHEDULED BULK COLLECTION DAY. (ORD 2008-07)

	S	M	T	W	T	F	S					
							1					
March	2	• Aster Knight Parks Foundation Town Hall 7 pm • Country Est. 7 AREA 1 BULK	3	• Code Hearing Town Hall 9 am • SWRVFD Meeting Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2 BULK	4	Drainage & Infrastructure Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm AREA 3 BULK	5	6	7	8	Water Matters Day - Tree Tops Park 9 - 3 pm	
	9	• Schools & Education Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	10	• Rec., Forestry, & Natural Resources Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	11	12	• Town Council Mtg. Council Chambers Town Hall 7 pm	13	14	15		
	16	 St. Patrick's Day AREA 1 BULK	17	• Ivanhoe Estates HOA Town Hall 6:30 pm • Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Meeting Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2 BULK	18	• Fire Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm AREA 3 BULK	19	20	21	22	• Comprehensive Plan Advisory Bd. Town Hall 7 pm	
	23		24	25	• Rolling Oaks Civics Assn. Town Hall 7 pm	26	• Sunshine Ranches Homeowners Assn. Town Hall 7 pm	27	28	29	• Town Council Mtg. Council Chambers Town Hall 7 pm • DMV 9:30 - 2:30 pm	
	30	AREA 1 BULK	31									
April				• Code Hearing Town Hall 9 am • SWRVFD Meeting Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2 BULK	1	Drainage & Infrastructure Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm AREA 3 BULK	2	3	4	5	SEAB College Scholarship Fundraiser Sunshine Ranches EQ Park, 4 - 8 pm	
	6	• Aster Knight Parks Foundation Town Hall 7 pm • Country Est. 7	7	• Rec., Forestry, & Natural Resources Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	8	9	• Town Council Mtg. Council Chambers Town Hall 7 pm	10	11	12		
	13	• PASSOVER begins at sundown • Schools & Ed. Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm AREA 1 BULK	14	• Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Meeting Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2 BULK	15	• Fire Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm AREA 3 BULK	16	17	18	19	Comprehensive Plan Advisory Bd. Town Hall 7 pm	
	 20	Patriot's Day	21	22	23	24	• Town Council Mtg. Council Chambers Town Hall 7 pm	25	26	27	28	Chili Cookoff Sunshine Ranches EQ Park, 12 - 5 pm
	27	AREA 1 BULK	28	29	30	AREA 3 BULK						

IN TOUCH

Town Hall: 13400 Griffin Road / Southwest Ranches, FL 33330 • **Phone:** (954) 434-0008 • **Fax:** (954) 434-1490
Town Hall Office Hours: Monday - Friday / 8:30 am - 5:00 pm • **Town Website:** www.southwestranches.org

Phone / E-Mail List:

Elected Officials

Mayor Jeff Nelson	(954) 343-7472	jnelson@swranches.org
Vice Mayor Gary Jablonski	(954) 343-7456	gjablonski@swranches.org
Council Member Steve Breitreuz	(954) 343-7447	sbreitreuz@swranches.org
Council Member Freddy Fisikelli	(954) 343-7461	ffisikelli@swranches.org
Council Member Doug McKay	(954) 343-7462	dmckay@swranches.org

Town Staff

Town Administrator, Andy Berns	(954) 434-0008	aberns@swranches.org
Administrative Coordinator to the Town Administrator, Danielle Miller	(954) 434-0008	dmiller@swranches.org
General Services Manager, Sandy Luongo	(954) 434-0008	sluongo@southwestranches.org
Town Financial Administrator, Martin Sherwood, CPA, CGFO	(954) 434-0008	msherwood@southwestranches.org
Town Attorney, Keith Poliakoff	(954) 434-0008	
Administrative Specialist, Angela Sukhdeo	(954) 343-7441	asukhdeo@southwestranches.org
Town Clerk, Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, CMC	(954) 434-0008	esantamaria@southwestranches.org
Procurement and Special Projects Coordinator, Juanita Romance	(954) 434-0008	jromance@swranches.org
Controller, Peter Brill	(954) 434-0008	pbrill@swranches.org
Community Services Coordinator, Emily McCord	(954) 343-7453	emccord@swranches.org
Parks, Recreation, Open Space Coordinator, December Lauretano-Haines, CPRP	(954) 343-7452	dlauretano@swranches.org
Administrative Specialist, Susan Kutz	(954) 434-0008	skutz@southwestranches.org
Accounting Clerk, Mara Semper	(954) 434-0008	msemper@southwestranches.org

Planning, Zoning, Permitting & Occupational Licenses

Building Department/Permitting	M-F 8:00 am - 4:00 pm	
Lisa Reices	(954) 888-9882/Fax: (954) 888-9860	lreices@capfla.com
Building Director, Dave Tringo	(954) 888-9882/Cell: (954) 605-0127	dtringo@swranches.org
Planning and Zoning M-F	M-F 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	
The Mellgren Planning Group	(954) 475-3070 ext 803	

Code Compliance:

Code Enforcement Director, Robert Solera	(954) 343-7440	rsolera@swranches.org
Code Enforcement Officer, Julio Medina	(954) 343-7458	jmedina@swranches.org

Police/Fire/Rescue Services

Emergency	911		
CSA Bill Gallagher at Town Hall	8:30 am - 5 pm	(954) 693-8352	william-gallagher@davie-fl.org
Non-Emergency		(954) 765-4321 option 5	
Davie Police Department		(954) 693-8200	
Davie Fire Rescue Station 112		(954) 680-0020	
Southwest Ranches Volunteer Fire Rescue		(954) 343-7466	

Traffic and Roadway Services (To Report Signs Down - Potholes)

Paving, Potholes and Signs: Emily McCord	(954) 343-7453	emccord@swranches.org
--	----------------	-----------------------

Waste/Bulk/Recycling Services (Residential & Commercial)

Southern Waste Systems, (SWS) LLC	(888) 800-7732	
-----------------------------------	----------------	--

Water Districts - Canals (Permits)

Central Broward Water Control District	(954) 432-5110	www.centralbrowardwcd.org
East of SW 148 (Volunteer) Avenue		
South Broward Drainage District	(954) 680-3337	www.sbdd.org
West of SW 148 (Volunteer) Avenue		

Well and Septic

Broward County Health Department	(954) 467-4700 ext 4233	
----------------------------------	-------------------------	--

Environmental Complaint Hotline, Broward County	(954) 831-1499	
---	----------------	--



Town of Southwest Ranches

13400 Griffin Road

Southwest Ranches, FL 33330

PSRT STD
US POSTAGE
PAID
S. FL FACILITY
PERMIT #622

Printed on Recycled Paper

TIME SENSITIVE MATERIAL!!!

SOUTHWEST RANCHER

The Official Newsletter of Southwest Ranches



Word Search



See how many of these newspaper related words you can find in the puzzle.
The words can be forward, backward or diagonal.

- | | | | |
|------------|-------------|-----------|----------------|
| 1. HOLIDAY | 5. GREEN | 9. CLOVER | 13. LEPRECHAUN |
| 2. SAINT | 6. SHAMROCK | 10. LUCK | 14. RAINBOW |
| 3. PATRICK | 7. FOUR | 11. POT | 15. MARCH |
| 4. IRISH | 8. LEAF | 12. GOLD | 16. SEVENTEEN |

Created by Sue Lindner
Grand Forks Herald 2013



Highly Visible
Day or Night
**REFLECTIVE
ADDRESS
MARKERS**

ORDER TODAY...
IT MAY HELP SAVE YOUR LIFE
OR SOMEONE YOU LOVE.

IF WE CAN'T
"FIND YOU"

WE CAN'T
"HELP YOU"



Make checks payable to:
*Southwest Ranches
Volunteer Fire Department
13400 Griffin Road,
Southwest Ranches, FL 33330*