# SOUTHWEST RANCHER

The Official Newsletter of Southwest Ranches

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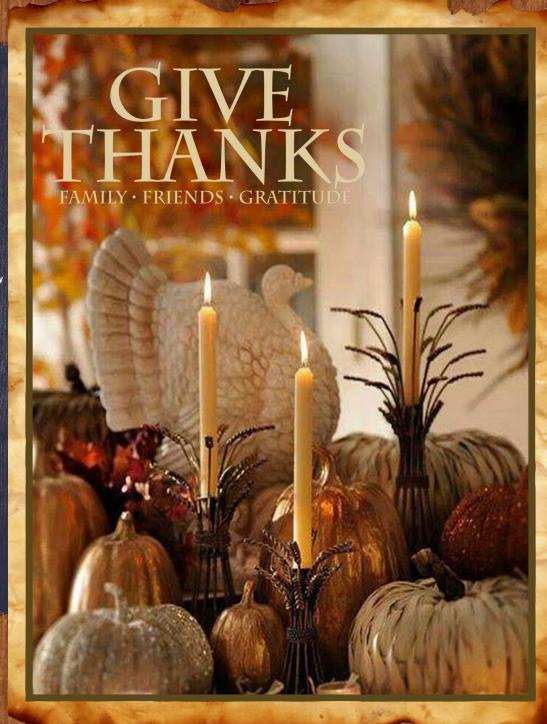
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# Mayor Doug Mckay

Dear Residents.

As you are all aware, we are still dealing with the effects of Hurricane Irma. As of this writing, a first pass of debris removal for the majority of the Town has been completed and second pass is underway, which will continue to remove the vast amount vegetative debris the storm has produced. The Town will allow for the continued debris removal of large tree stumps and logs as well as other storm related non-vegetative debris during the second and third pass. We continue to have 8 crews with 27 trucks working 12 hour shifts, 7 days a week. Our goal is to be substantially complete with debris removal by the end of November.

Many of you who live on private roads received a mailing from the Town requesting you sign an agreement and return it to Town Hall. The purpose of the agreement is to indemnify the federal government, the State, and the Town from any liability, as we authorize our debris removal contractors to operate on your private roadways.

Many of you have questioned why this is necessary since your private roadways were cleared by Town contractors after Hurricane Wilma. First, it's important to understand that each storm is different, and how the federal government offers guidance may differ from storm to storm. Secondly, after Wilma the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) changed the way that debris removal from private roadways was to be handled. One of the items required by FEMA for debris removal reimbursement consideration from private roadways is the indemnification agreement previously mentioned. If you have received one of these agreements and have yet to complete and return it, please do so immediately as it may delay our debris removal efforts in your community.

The Town Administration is currently developing an after action report to identify what went right in response to the storm and what can be improved. This report will be the basis for an improved action plan going forward. If you have any suggestions on how we could have been better prepared or improve our response please feel free to share them with me or other members of the Town Council.

As always please email me at dmckay@swranches.org or call me at 954-274-6508 if there is an issue I can with or if you would just like to say hello!

Sincerely,



# Vice Mayor Steve Breitkreuz

As we head into the month of November, I

want to take a moment to express thanks. We as a Town have much to be thankful for.

While we did not come out of hurricane season unscathed, we did come out stronger and more prepared for the future than we have ever been before. And all we have to do is look to our neighbors on the islands and even some just across the state to see just how fortunate we are. But I believe that this experience has made us stronger and more prepared for any future storm event that might come our way.

Also, want to say that I am thankful that we live in a town where the residents see a need and run towards it rather than away from it. I heard so many stories from our residents regarding the Irma storm event. Residents expressing their thanks to Mayor McKay and many volunteer groups that got together to assist residents, even some outside of our town. Other residents expressed their thanks for the critical services that the Volunteer Fire Department provided including potentially saving the

lives of several large animals.

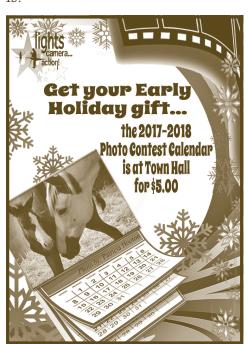
And also residents up and

down every one of our

streets that worked to meet the needs of their neighbors when they needed it the most. We are truly blessed to live in this amazing town.

Finally, I am also thankful for all the town administration did to prepare before the storm and respond after the storm. And even though this effort is the ultimate team sport, I specifically want to call out Sandy Luongo. She is our Emergency Manager and leads the staff through endless training and drills related situations just like this. So when the moment comes, our staff is prepared. Thank-you Sandy!

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving with your friends and family. I am thankful for all that you have done and continue to do to make our town the special place that it is.



by Russell Muñiz

Brief legislation from the September 28, 2017 Town Council Regular Meeting

- Adopted Resolution 2017-065 approving a construction, engineering, inspection services agreement with Erdman-Anthony for Stirling Road guardrail improvements.
- Adopted Ordinance 2017-012 requiring the finished side of fences face outward.
- Adopted Ordinance 2017-013 requiring the removal of prohibited plants from construction sites prior to the issuance of a building permit.
- Adopted Ordinance 2017-014 limiting the land uses for composting, mulching, recycling and other waste processing.

Brief legislation from the September 28, 2017 Second Budget Hearing:

- Adopted Resolution 2017-066 approving final millage rate for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.
- **Adopted Ordinance 2017-015** approving the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget

Brief legislation from the October 12, 2017 Town Council Regular Meeting:

Adopted Resolution2018-001 approving a grant

agreement with the State of Florida for \$340,000 to complete the interconnect drainage improvements.

- Adopted Resolution 2018-002 stating the Town's opposition to de-annexation efforts by Pembroke Pines.
- Adopted Ordinance 2018-001 providing for debris removal from private roads.

To view these approved items in their entirety please visit the Town Clerk's Department page on the Town website and click on the Resolutions and/or Ordinances link.

# PROTOTYPE BARN

In furtherance of the Town's goal of preserving its rural lifestyle,

the Town Council has given residents a simpler mechanism to build a barn that is in compliance with Florida statutory requirements. As such, the Town contracted with an architect who agreed to create a prototype barn drawing, in compliance with the Florida Building Code, which can be permitted for residents throughout the Town. The plans are for a three stall barn with a tack room.

A Town resident looking to build a barn can simply purchase a pre-drafted architectural plan from the Town, which they then can submit, at a reduced cost, and on an expedited basis, to get a permitted barn that will be in compliance with both state and local regulations.

Please call or email Emily Aceti for more information: eaceti@swranches.org.

# SOUTHWEST RANCHES PARKS FOUNDATION 3RD ANNUAL "RIDE FOR THE RANCHES"







Come one, come all to our Third Annual *Ride for the Ranches* Car Show and Country Fair sponsored by the Southwest Ranches Parks Foundation Board and Rockin' Rich! If you attended the last two year's events, you know they were grand! Attendees agreed these are some of the BEST shows they have entered.

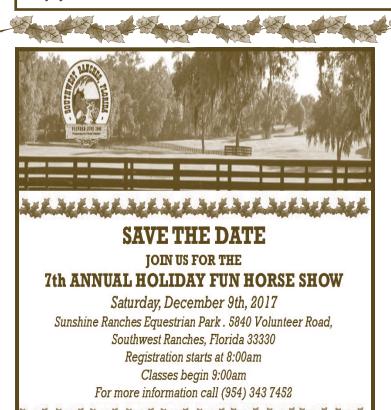
As with previous events, expect classic cars, fast cars, cool trucks...you name it and it will be there! Great vendors will be attendance; plenty of food trucks will be available; visit a dunk tank and dunk Council members; play children's games AND enjoy classic rock music!

## SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, November 18th, from 11am - 3 pm,

Bring your entire family...pets are welcome too!

## ADMISSION IS FREE!

All proceeds benefit the great work being done by our town to maintain and develop all of our park sites and amenities.



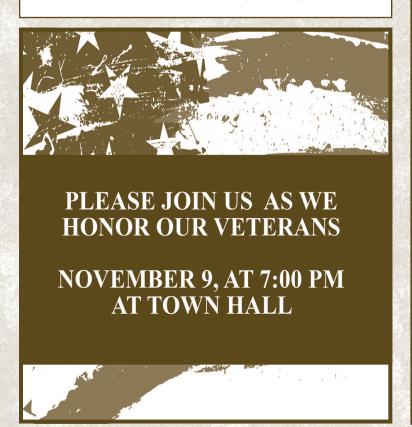




Please submit the form to lyette Solera by email:

isolera@southwestranches.org or by dropping it off at Town Hall.

The deadline for the nominations is Friday, February 2, 2018.



# Household Hazardous Waste, Electronics & Bulk Drop Off Event

A service provided for Town residents only. Proof of residency is required.

## **SATURDAY, JAN 13TH, 2018, 8-2 PM**

Location: Rolling Oaks Park, 17630 SW 56th Street, Southwest Ranches

## LIMIT 4 TIRES PER HOUSEHOLD (NO RIMS)

# Shred-A-Thon 10 am - 2 pm

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

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

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DO YOU HAVE...

concerns,

REQUESTS,

or COMPLIMENTS

regarding our new solid waste, recycling and bulk waste vendor Waste Pro?

Check out the new customer service button on the home page of our Town's website www.southwestranches.org.



This will make any concern quick, simple and easy with up to date information about your request or call: (954) 967-4200.



# Southwest Ranches FIRE RESCUE

Post Hurricane Irma. the SWR's-Firefighters had a 53' tractor trailer delivery of water, bleach, paper goods and many more products, delivered to Town Hall. SWR-Firefighter Peter Berkley organized this event with a retired Police Officer from Ohio and worked diligently to get these resources to the victims of Hurricane Irma. The Hurricane supplies were donated from the people of Ohio. It was from the hearts of the folks from Ohio "THEY WANTED TO HELP." The load was split, it went to the Keys, Naples and Puerto Rico.

The tractor trailer needed to be unloaded quickly. Many SWR-Firefighters came out to help unload this enormous 53' tractor trailer, and it took several hours and hard work in the hot sun to unload. SWR-Firefighter Houston Holcombe's father Brett, owner of Westway Towing, brought his forklift to help unload the trailer. There were many others that showed up to help. I want to thank everyone that helped to make this event successful.

"It really felt good to know we were helping people in need."

Stay safe, Chief Lee Bennett











# RECOVERING FROM IRMA ... LETS PREPARE AND PLAN

A message from our Town Administrator

Hopefully the damage from Hurricane Irma is fading into the background as power has been restored and clean-up efforts are well underway. Following a significant event like this, Town staff performs a full review of the event to analyze our opportunities for improvement in the future. While no one wants to ever experience another hurricane, we know it's not a matter of if, but a matter of when.

Following Irma, two thirds of the properties in Southwest Ranches were without power. While FPL worked quickly to restore service, many residents were without power for more than a week. The staff worked to coordinate with FPL. In some cases, we were successful and power was restored promptly. For those who weren't so lucky, it was a long, hot time. We will be meeting with FPL to better plan for future events and work to minimize the impacts to our electrical grid.

Another area of concern involves our vulnerable population. As Town staff worked to coordinate with FPL recovery efforts, many times we received reports from disabled individuals who were without power for long periods, which created additional hardships, and in some cases life threatening conditions. If you or anyone you know would be dangerously impacted by a storm or lack of electrical power, please request they add their information to our Vulnerable Population Registry. This will enable us to conduct a wellness check post storm, and direct FPL on these high priority service restorations.

The Vulnerable Population Registry is for those residents who are at risk due to disability, frailty or health issues, regardless of age, who elect to stay at home in the event of a hurricane or other emergency.

For more information or to register, contact Susan Kutz at 954 434-0008 or Skutz@southwestranches.org.



# LOOKING FOR SOMETHING NEW AND ENTERTAINING? YOU ASKED AND WE ANSWERED!

"What to do Wednesdays" is a new program expanding the Southwest Ranches calendar of events. Starting in October, the Parks Department is offering a lineup of enjoyable and educational classes and activities for residents with time and an appetite for FUN!

This new schedule of classes and events will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of each month and is called "What to Do Wednesdays." Generally, class times will be from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend - residents and visitors, young folks and those who are young-at-heart!

What to Do Wednesday Events and classes will be offered at minimal cost to cover materials, supplies

and refreshments, as needed. We're tailoring our schedule to the interests you have, so don't hesitate to tell us if you know of someone with a passion, talent and skill for sharing. We'll be glad to add them to the class schedule.

Our initial lineup consists of 6 classes prepared for October 2017 through March 2018. If response is favorable, the monthly program will continue.

Some classes will be educational, others just for fun. A small fee will cover lunch and class materials. Preregistration is required. We are excited about this new program and hope you will consider joining us.



The Town has created its own official Youtube Channel and will feature:

- . Town Council meetings . Town events and other appropriate content.
- Additionally, we established a Twitter account: @SWR\_Gov that will be used to provide: Quick notifications to "followers"
- of the Town's account . Emergency management issues . Scheduled Town events

### **FOLLOW US ON TWITTER**





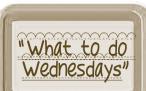


# 2017 School Calendar Broward County Public Schools\*



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FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10TH - NO SCHOOL THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH - REPORT CARDS ISSUED MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH - INTERIM REPORTS ISSUED WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22 THRU 24TH - NO SCHOOL



This month begins our schedule of fun and educational classes. "What to Do Wednesdays" will be held (generally) on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend -residents and visitors, alike. Class prices cover materials and refreshments. After refreshments, classes will include the following:

COMMENT

- Bling Your Thing
- 2. Geocaching
- 3. Gardening for butterflies
- 4. Mosaic Valentines

To register for a class, contact us at 954-343-7452 or dlauretano@southwestranches.org.

We hope you will join us!

Classes are subject to change.





MAKE SURE YOUR GARBAGE, BULK AND RECYCLE ARE OUT BEFORE 7 AM TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES - Waste Collection Map & Schedule

NEW



## 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	WEDNESDAY Only	Area	TUESDAY Only	Area	MONDAY Only
Nov. 2017	3-A	11/8 11/22	2-A	11/7 11/21	1-A	11/6 11/20
NOV. 2017	3-B	11/1 11/15 11/29	2-B	11/14 11/28	1-B	11/13 11/27
Dec. 2017	3-A	12/6 12/20	2-A	12/5 12/19	1-A	12/4 12/18
Dec. 2017	3-B	12/13 12/27	2-B	12/12 12/26	1-B	12/11 *12/28

RECYCLE collection occurs once per week: • Area 1 every Monday • Area 2 every Tuesday • Area 3 every Wednesday

ANY QUESTIONS CALL (954) 967-4200 www.wasteprousa.com



# FOOD AND TOY DRIVE

BENEFITING OUR MILITARY AND THEIR FAMILIES.



Toys

Beef Jerky, Slim Jims, pepperoni or similar dried meats Boxes of Granola Bars or similar

Individual bags of nuts, dried fruit, trail mix or sunflower seeds Boxed and /or individual drink packets (Crystal Light, Walmart or Target brand, Kool-Aid, hot chocolate, etc.)

Non-perishable food items

Foil packed tuna and chicken

Crackers

Baby wipes (no bigger than 2 1/2" wide packages)

Please drop off your contribution to Town Hall or call for more information 954) 434-0008. Thank you. \*Scheduled meetings at time of publication. Items subject to change.

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



YOUR SCHEDULED BULK COLLECTION DAY. (URD 2008-07)						
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Town Hall Twitter Account: @SWR\_Gov • YouTube: Town of Southwest Ranches Official Channel

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Council Member Gary Jablonski	(954) 343-7456	gjablonski@swranches.org
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### **CAP Government**

Building Department/Permitting	M-F	9:00 am -	- 4:00 ]
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David Tringo	(954) 605-0127	dtringo@capfla.com
Lisa Reices Nicasio	(954) 655-3721	lreices@capfla.com
Joyce Marques	(954) 343-7446	jmarques@capfla.com

### Planning

Planning	M-F 9:00 am - 5:00 pm	
The Mellgren Planning Group	(954) 475-3070	
Code Services, Inc.		
Zoning, Permitting & Certificate of Use	(954) 434-0008	zoninginfo@swranches.org
Enforcement Director, Robert Solera	(954) 343-7440	rsolera@swranches.org
Code Enforcement Officer, Julio Medina	(954) 343-7458	jmedina@swranches.org

## **Public Safety**

Emergency	911		
CSA Thomas Squarini at Town Hall 8:30 am - 5	pm (954) 693-8352	thomas_squar	ini@davie-fl.gov
Non-Emergency	(954) 764-4357 (HELP)		
Davie Police Department	(954) 693-8200		

(954) 343-7459

## Traffic and Roadway Services (To Report Signs Down

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Potholes and Signs: Philip Chorath	(954) 343-7441	pchorath@southwestranches.org

(954) 680-0020

(954) 434-8232

### Waste/Bulk/Recycling Services (Residential & Commercial)

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Waste Pro		(954) 967-4200

## Water Districts - Canals (Permits)

MOSQUITO CONTROL

Davie Fire Rescue Station 112

Administrative Coordinator, Yanni Marin

Southwest Ranches Volunteer Fire Rescue

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

(954) 765-4062

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