SOUTHWEST RANCHER

The Official Newsletter of Southwest Ranches

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Mayor Doug Mckay

Dear Residents,

As municipal bud-

gets are tasked with doing more with less tax revenue, municipalities often rely on State and Federal grants to assist in completing large projects. The Town of Southwest Ranches has been successful in acquiring grants for items such as drainage projects, firefighter equipment, and the acquisition of open space. This year the Town is asking the State to consider funding more drainage projects, guardrails, streetlights, and a regional Emergency Operations Center (EOC) that would serve as a base of operations in the aftermath of a natural or man-made disaster.

To help bring home the bacon, Council Member Schroeder and I attended Broward Days in Tallahassee on February 7th and 8th. While there we met with State Senators and Representatives to express how important it was for the Town to receive funding on these much needed projects.

The Legislative Session doesn't end until March 9th. As of this writing it's too soon for us to know if our advocacy efforts are successful or not. I'll report back at a future Town Council meeting so be sure to watch us on YouTube.

Bulk Waste

Another issue I would like to relay to you all is regarding bulk waste. As you are probably aware by now, Waste Pro is collecting bulk waste and solid waste throughout the Town. Since the end of Hurricane Irma cleanup, there has been confusion as to what the new bulk rules are.

To clarify:

- Residents may place up to 12 cubic yards of bulk waste out for collection on bulk collection days.
- Twelve (12) cubic yards is approximately the size of a Volkswagen Beetle. Stated differently, it is approximately 8 feet wide, by 14 feet long, and 4 feet tall.
- If the amount of the bulk set out by a resident exceeds this amount, Waste Pro will photograph the pile, collect it,

- and bill the resident directly for any bulk exceeding 12 cubic yards at the rate of \$17.50 per cubic yard over the limit.
- If the resident doesn't pay the bill, a civil violation will be issued and could lead to additional fees and expenses in addition to the original over the limit fee imposed by Waste Pro. If you are unsure what vour bulk trash collection day is please contact Town Hall at 954-434-0008. Lastly, if you have any complaints, compliments or requests for Waste Pro please visit the Town website and click on the Waste Pro button in the lower left hand side. The tracking system will ensure your issue will be documented and responded to in a timely manner.

Please call me at 954-274-6508 if there is an issue I can help you with!

Doug

NEW BULK RULES



- <u>AVOID A FINE OF \$500.00</u> Bulk cannot be placed out earlier than the Saturday prior to your scheduled bulk pick up date.
- AVOID A FINE OF \$500.00 Landscaper or Contractor generated waste on your property must be removed by that vendor for disposal.
- Bulk Piles over-the-limit of <u>12 Cubic Yards</u> will be picked up and the vendor will bill the resident the additional yardage at the rate of \$17.50 per the cubic yard.

If you have a request or complaint, please click on the Waste Pro button www.southwestranches.org or call:

(954) 967- 4200.





Council Member Steve Breitkreuz

One of my favorite annual events each year is the

Water Matters Day that is put on by Broward County at Tree Tops Park. This year it is being held on Saturday, March 10th. As always, it starts at 9:00 AM and runs through 3:00 pm in the afternoon. And I would encourage you to come early in the day rather than later in the day.

If you have not been to this event in the past, let me pass on a few thoughts on why you may want to consider putting it on your schedule this year.

First of all, we always have amazing representation there at the event. While I am perhaps slightly impartial, I do honestly believe that we have the most beautiful "booth" (If you can call a babbling brook, host of beautiful plants and comfy places to walk and rest a "booth") But December. our Parks, Recreation, Open Space Manager, and her host of volunteers, and local nurseries that donate plants for the event (Thankyou all!) do an amazing job of creating this beautiful scene year after year. It is very special. And as people from all over Broward County walk through the event, Southwest Ranches is represented as the beautiful place that it truly is.

In addition to that, this is about as enjoyable a "better than free" education as you will ever receive. Now more than ever, ways to save water and use it wisely is important no matter where you live. Even here in the Ranches where most of us on are wells, it still makes sense to use this precious limited resource wisely. And the Water Matters event does just that. You will learn things about water, and smart ways to use it and employ it that you never knew before.

Finally, when I said that it is a "better than free" education, I mean it! As you go around the booths, you can mark off your card and once you obtain enough marks on your card, you can stop by the final booth and pick up a couple of free trees or other plants. Yes, free. And beyond being free, they are all native, Florida-friendly plants that will look great in that proper spot on your property. Okay, I admit to being cheap, I mean frugal! But we now have some amazingly beautiful trees on our property that we have obtained at these events over the years. One of the sad moments of hurricane Irma was that I lost one of these beautiful trees in the storm and I will be looking for a replacement on the ioth.

So, consider adding this to your calendar of events for March. Remember, March 10th, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM, and if possible, arrive early. I hope to see you there!

Clerk's Corner

by Russell Muñiz

Brief legislation from the January 25, 2018
Town Council Regular
Meeting:

- Adopted Ordinance 2018-002 adopting the 2018-2022 Capital Improvement Schedule.
- Adopted Resolution 2018-023
 approving an agreement with
 Weekley Asphalt Paving, Inc. for
 Stirling Road Guardrail
 Improvements.
- Adopted Resolution 2018-024 approving an agreement with Amroad, LLC to complete the SW 178th Avenue Striping Project.
- Adopted Resolution 2018-025 adopting the Broward County Enhanced Local Mitigation Strategy Plan to mitigate the impact of natural and technological disasters.
- Adopted Resolution 2018-026 declaring a Town vehicle as surplus property.

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.



Mini-Flow:

Florida Licensing on Wheels

If you need to renew or replace your Florida

Driver's License, Identification Card or Tag and

Registration, then come to Town Hall. The

Department of Motorist Services Mini-FLOW

Florida Licensing on Wheels will be at Town Hall:

Thursday, May 25th - From 9:30 am - 2:30 pm



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BCPA STAFF WILL BE ASSISTING BROWARD RESIDENTS WITH HOMESTEAD, SENIOR AND OTHER EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS AT:

THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES
13400 GRIFFIN RD

Monday, April 16th, 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

TO APPLY FOR A HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION, YOU <u>MUST</u> HAVE COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

FOR ALL APPLICANTS:

- ☑ Florida Drivers License OR Florida I.D. Card; AND
- ☑ Proof of Broward Voter Registration OR a Declaration of Domicile; AND
- ☑ Permanent Resident "Green Card," or proof of asylum, or INS I-485 letter showing that application to convert to permanent resident status is complete.



MARCH 10TH Household Hazardous Waste, Electonics & Bulk Drop Off is CANCELED

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE, ELECTRONICS & BULK DROP OFF EVENT

A service provided for town residents only. (Proof of residency is required).

SATURDAY. MAY 12TH, 2018 . 8-2 PM

Location: Pembroke Pines Facility - 17302 Pines Blvd. Pembroke Pines, 33029

This event will NOT include document shredding.

ACCEPTABLE HHW ITEMS

Used Oil & Filters

Aerosol Cans Antifreeze/Coolant/Paint
Batteries & Auto Batteries
BBQ & Camp Size Propane
Cleaners
Fluorescent Tubes/Bulbs
Garden Chemicals
Latex/Oil-Based Paint
Pesticides
Pool Chlorine
Tires (Up to 4)

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Computers, Cables DVD Players, Key Boards, Mice, Adapters, Monitors, Printers/Scanners, Radios, Stero Components, TVs, Tape Players, VCRs

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

Appliances
Asbestos
Explosives or Ammunition
Medical/Infectious Waste
Non-Residential Waste

See next month's newsletter for updated scheduled HHW events at the Rolling Oaks Barn Call Waste Pro (954) 967-4200 for additional information.

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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.



Responses to your concerns will be quick, simple and easy with up to date information about your request.

Or call: (954) 967-4200





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



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STAY IN TOUCH WITH BNGINBBRING

Fill for horse stalls does not require a fill permit. In addition, a permit may not be required if a small amount of sand is required to replenish a horse arena. However the Town recommends that a property owner or leasee contact our office to assure that the type of work being performed falls under this criteria prior to performing the work. A phone call to us will help prevent a possible warning from Code Enforcement and double fees when it comes to acquiring the required permit.

Please call: (954) 434-0008 or email Philip at pchorath@swranches.org

16th Annual Broward Water Matters Day

Saturday, March 10, 2018 9:00AM – 3:00PM

Tree Tops Park 3900 Southwest 100th Avenue, Davie

Children's activities
Giveaways
Interactive educational displays/booths
Water conservation tips
Landscaping for water saving
Eco-friendly ideas
Food truck invasion

Park admission \$1.50 FREE for children 5 & under

For more information call: 954-519-1270

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND YOU:

"Be a good Neighbor, noise and parties that affect others. Rental of properties for parties is illegal"

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

Our Town of Southwest Ranches is a rural community and strives constantly to maintain the character that our founders and residents envisioned. Many times, without realizing we tend to deviate or stray away from this vision, either because we

forget or because we are new to the area. This article serves to communicate to our established and new residents that one needs to be conscious of the impact that can be created to adjacent neighbors by our actions.

Issues as excessive noise created by volume and amounts of guests attending a party are becoming more prevalent. Code Section 035-080 ("Indoor and outdoor assembly in rural and agricultural districts") outlines these guidelines.

- Noise Limits (volume, time of day), attendees, and parking impact.
- Our code does not allow for noise amplified or non-amplified to be audible from an adjacent dwelling or guest house (with closed windows and doors) from the hours of 8:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. Monday thru Friday and 11:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Also, as related to New Year's Eve, the hours where no amplified or non-amplified noise cannot be heard in the same manner are from 1:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. on New Years' Day.

Recently there has been an influx of

companies looking to lease or rent a house in the Town for a day. Their idea is to have a party at the location which in most times is advertised and a fee is collected at the door from the attendees.

Our code does not allow leasing a property to a company for a party. The property owner is required to be present during the entire event, no exceptions. Also, no fee is to be charged and no gift other than

congratulatory gifts are allowed. In addition, a permit is required with a minimum of (15) days application. Outlining the event type, the number of attendees, and the action plan to accommodate vehicles at the property. A family gathering that normally takes place does not require a permit unless the number of attendees exceed 30 and it occurs more than (2) times a year.

In addition, these parties have presented traffic and parking issues to adjacent neighbors due to the num-

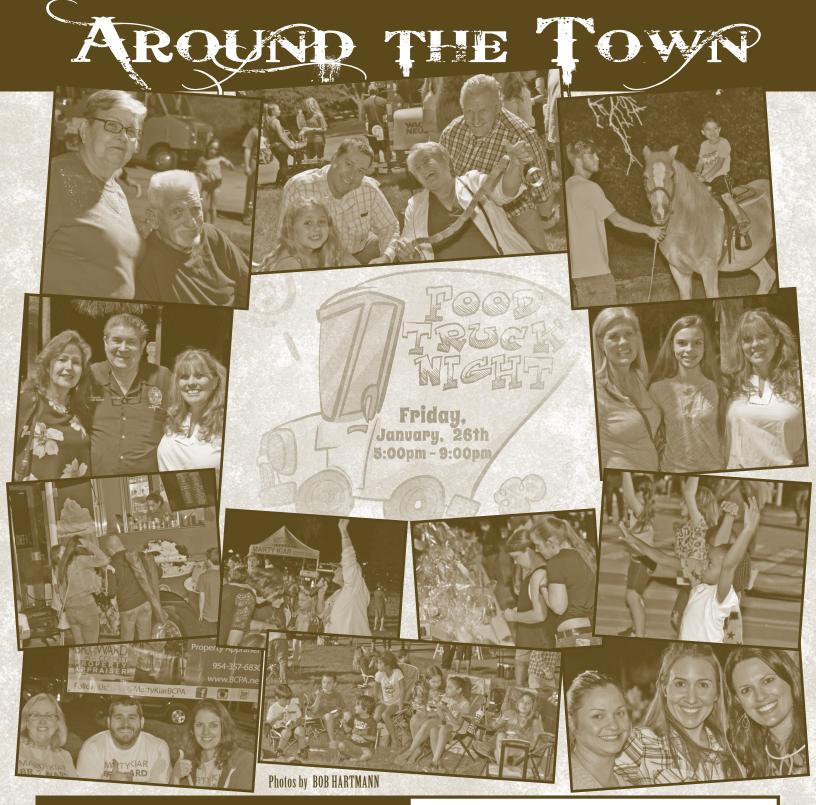


ber of attendees parking vehicles obstructing traffic and side streets. We need to be conscious that a large number of vehicles parked along our narrow streets and in front of properties create an impact on our neighbors. The Police Department has been called to these events because cars are blocking traffic lanes and driveway entrances. Please be mindful of your neighbors and the impact that this issue creates.

•Vehicles are not allowed to be parked on the swale in front of other property owners. Unless permission in writing from such owners is provided at the time of the application.

As a reminder, the Code Enforcement Department only works based on complaints from residents as it is non-pro-active in nature. We believe that everyone has the right to enjoy their property without any outside intrusion. Non-withstanding this fact when a complaint comes into the Department we have to investigate and provide the corresponding notification to the property owner.

We live in a beautiful and special Town. The Town of Southwest Ranches would like to ask for our new, established, and rental residents to be mindful of these issues and help us continue to maintain the character that we all envisioned. Let's work together to make sure that these simple guidelines are followed, so that we can continue to enjoy the rural lifestyle that we all love so much and moved here for. Enjoy your property, but "be a good neighbor." If you have any questions about the above, you can contact the Code Enforcement Department at (954) 434-0008.





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 Rd.

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"

\$20.00

Make checks payable to: Southwest Ranches Volunteer Fire Rescue 17220 Griffin Rd., S.W. Ranches, FL 33330

For Additional Information Call Chief Lee Bennett (954) 868-2057

CALLING ALL RESIDENTS OF DEEMS RANCHES AND GREEN MEADOWS ...

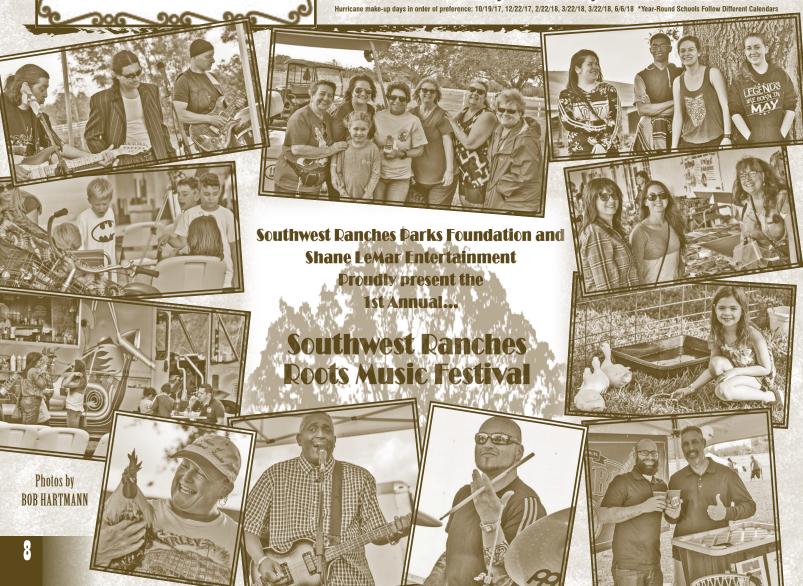
The Town has been approached by a resident of Deems Ranches interested in starting a new association for residents of Deems Ranches and Green Meadows. If you live in these areas and wish to be included or would like more information, please contact Danielle Caban at (954) 343-7474, or email DCaban@SouthwestRanches.org.

2018 School Calendar Broward County Public Schools*



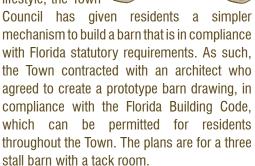
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Thursday, March 22 - Early Release Day Friday, March 23rd - No School Monday thru Friday - Schools Are Closed



PROTOTYPE BARN

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



A Town resident looking to build a barn can simply purchase the 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.

Waste Collection

MAKE SURE YOUR GARBAGE, BULK AND RECYCLE ARE OUT BEFORE 7 AM
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	WEDNESDAY Only	Area	a TUESDAY Only Area MONE		MONDAY Only
Mar. 2018	3-A	3/14 3/28	2-A	3/13 3/27	1-A	3/12 3/26
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Apr. 2018	3-A	4/11 4/25	2-A	4/10 4/24	1-A	4/9 4/23
Apr. 2018	3-B	4/4 4/18	2-B	4/3 4/17	1-B	4/2 4/16 4/30

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



*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)



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18	19 AREA IB BULK	Spring • Rural Public Arts & Design Board Meeting • Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2B BULK	• Fire Advisory Board Meeting - Town Hall 7 pm AREA 3B BULK	• TOWN COUNCIL 22 MEETING 7 pm • Flow Mobile DMV Services Town Hall 10 - 2 pm	23	24
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Town Hall Twitter Account: @SWR_Gov • YouTube: Town of Southwest Ranches Official Channel • Facebook: facebook@SWRGOV

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CAP Government

Building Department/Permitting

David Tringo
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Joyce Marques

Planning

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Code Services, Inc.

Zoning, Permitting & Certificate of Use
Enforcement Director, Robert Solera
Code Enforcement Officer, Julio Medina
Administrative Coordinator, Yanni Marin

Public Safety

Emergency

211101 9 0110 /	
CSA Thomas Squarini at Town Hall 8:30 am - 5	pm
Non-Emergency	
Davie Police Department	
Davie Fire Rescue Station 112	

Southwest Ranches Volunteer Fire Rescue

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

Potholes and Signs: Philip Chorath (954) 343-7441

Waste/Bulk/Recycling Services (Residential & Commercial)

Waste Pro

Water Districts - Canals (Permits)

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Central Broward Water Control District
East of SW 148 Avenue (Volunteer)
South Broward Drainage District
West of SW 14.8 Avenue (Volunteer)

MOSQUITO CONTROL LOST AND FOUND ANIMALS (954) 432-5110

(954) 967-4200

M-F 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

M-F 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

(954) 888-9882

(954) 655-3721

(954) 343-7446

(954) 475-3070

(954) 434-0008

(954) 343-7440

(954) 343-7458

(954) 343-7459

(954) 693-8352

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