

SOUTHWEST RANCHER

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COLLECTING ITEMS AT TOWN HALL FOR OUR MILITARY FAMILIES

"Christmas in Summertime"

PROTEIN BARS, SUNFLOWER SEEDS, PEANUTS,
GRANOLA BARS, SLIM JIMS, BEEF JERKY, COOKIES,
CRACKERS, BABY WIPES, NON-PERISHABLES, TOILETRIES

**DROP OFF LOCATION AT TOWN HALL
JUNE 1 - AUGUST 31**





Mayor
Jeff Nelson

Summer officially begins on Saturday June 21st this year. While

we all associate Summer with the beach, barbecues, and lots of sunshine we have to remember that Summer also signifies Hurricane Season. Hurricane Season officially begins on June 1st and right now is the perfect time to begin our preparations to safeguard ourselves, our families, and our property.

Two of the most important things you can do before the start of hurricane season is prepare an emergency kit, and develop a family communications plan. The emergency kit is a basic kit of items your household may need in the event of an emergency. This would include having enough food, water, and other supplies to last for at least 72 hours. Don't forget your pets in these calculations – they'll need plenty of water and food during this period as well. Remember it could take days for rescue workers to reach everyone.

Another important aspect of your hurricane preparedness efforts should be the development of a family communications plan. When a hurricane strikes your entire family may not be together. How will you contact each other? Pre-plan how you will contact each other under different situations. You may want to identify a friend or relative who lives out-of-state for family members to serve as a communication collection point. The use of text messaging (also known as SMS) has, in some cases,

been effective at communicating messages even when network disruptions have prevented phone calls from getting through. Whatever your preference, the goal is the same – make a family communications plan.

I urge all of my neighbors to visit FEMA's sponsored website (www.ready.gov) to learn more about preparing emergency kits and making a family communications plan. As always, it is an honor and pleasure to serve you!

Jeff



Council Member
Steve Breitzkreuz

It seems that we are just getting out of one hurricane season and we are preparing for the

next. It has become a normal part of living in this beautiful tropical climate that we call home. I do remember the days when I attended the University of Miami and lived in secure dorms and actually hoped that one day a hurricane would hit! However, any illusion that perhaps hurricanes were fun events, rather than a life threatening, were dismissed by the hurricane seasons of 2004 and 2005 when we had a series of storms come through and finally endured the most devastating storm that I have been through in nearly 30 years in South Florida, Hurricane Wilma. I was fortunate to have been only on the outskirts of Hurricane Andrew.

Hurricane Wilma was certainly a lesson that we need to remember. We need to recall the needs that arose and prepare for them now. We need to have extra water and fuel. We need to prepare our homes and clear off excess limbs from our trees. We need to double check the storm readiness of all our structures but particularly some of our farm structures that may not have been required to be built up to South Florida Building Code under the farm ordinance. This is important not only for our own health and safety but also for those of our neighbors which could easily suffer damage from flying debris.

Preparation is always the key. Even though some of us feel like we have become experts in preparing, it is

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.

**June 26th, July 24th,
Aug 28th, Sept. 25th,
Oct. 23rd, Nov. 13th, Dec. 22nd
From 9:30 - 2:30**



still necessary to go through the drill one more time to ensure that we truly are ready and that we do not have a false sense of security about our readiness. Being prepared is what allows us to be of help to others after the storm passes. Also, as confident as we may be, there are still many unknowns during hurricane season and we all have new neighbors that have never been through a season before. So, let's all get prepared for another big storm, but hope that we have a repeat of the quiet storm seasons that we have had recently.



Council Member Freddy Fisikelli

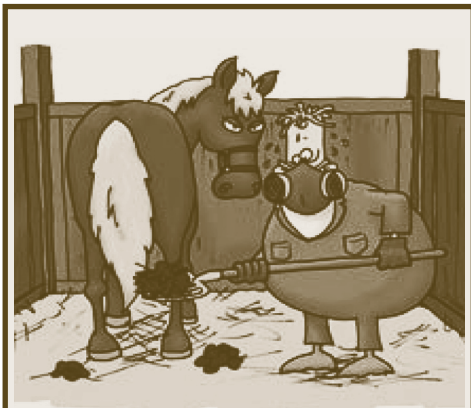
Winter has come and gone and it is now springtime. We had a very mild winter in

Florida, with very little bad weather. We had just a few cold days and very little rain, this has created very dry conditions on our landscape making it easy to have a fire- so be very careful!

It has been a very slow month with very little activity at the Council meetings, the most important activity is the building of the proposed school that is going to be built on the land that is within our Town boundaries, but actually is part of Pembroke Pines. Pines sold the property to Franklin Academy and they have plans to build a school complex with both a middle and high school, including sports fields with field lights that does not fit our rural lifestyle. While we do not oppose schools, they need to be placed in certain areas.

We have two projects under construction at the present time in our Town. They are the park on the land we bought at Griffin Road and SW 190th Avenue and the other is on SW 178th Avenue in Rolling Oaks. The one in Rolling Oaks involves remodeling the old barn that was there when we bought the property. This site will be available to hold activities such as meetings and other Town events, the other is the one we call the Fishing Hole Park. This park is the one we have plans for a playground for our kids. It will also have areas where people will be able to ride their horses. We also we hope to have an area that we can hold some type of sport activities for all ages. We just finished repairing the fence that goes around the complete area so that we have the ability to

open and close the area at certain times, but when we completed the job we started closing it all the time. I am not happy with that, and we are working on a plan that makes it safe to use the area that is completed while the other construction is going on.



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 Emily (emccord@swranches.org or tel. 954-434-0008).**

**AARP®
DRIVER SAFETY** 

AARP DRIVER SAFETY CLASS AT SOUTHWEST RANCHES:

AARP will provide a Driving Safety Course for non AARP members and active AARP members here at Town Hall.

Next Class **Wednesday, July 16th from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.**

**Non AARP - \$20.00
AARP Members - \$15.00**

Payments will only be accepted in check or money order.

TOWN TALK...

Join our email list and get information on
. Town events
. Notices
and much more.

Email:
Jromance@swranches.org



AROUND THE TOWN



The Town of Southwest Ranches
Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Board
is excited to announce the 2nd annual...

PHOTO CONTEST

So go ahead, take your best shot...
show us what you've got!

TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES 2ND ANNUAL 2014 PHOTO CONTEST RULES

Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Board
13440 Griffin Road, Southwest Ranches, Florida 33330

WHO MAY ENTER: Residents of the Town of Southwest Ranches who are UNDER 17 years old and 18 years old and over. (Our younger residents may enter with their parent or guardian's written permission).

Minor adjustments, including spotting, dodging and burning, sharpening, contrast and slight color adjustment or the digital equivalents, are acceptable. Photos that violate or infringe upon another person's rights, including but not limited to copyright, are not eligible.

HOW TO ENTER: Submissions must be high-resolution photograph of at least 300 dpi at 3,000 pixels on the longest side or an original photo negative, print or slide. Photographs must be in a pdf, tiff, jpg, or gif format. Files submitted may not be larger than 5Mb. Photos must be presented as an 8"X10" size in either glossy or mat finish. Prints Slides and digital files will not be returned so please make copies before submitting.

By entering the contest, entrants grant the Town of Southwest Ranches, a royalty-free, worldwide, perpetual, non-exclusive license to display, distribute, reproduce and create derivative works of the entries, in whole or in part, in any media now existing or subsequently developed, for any educational, promotional, publicity, exhibition, archival, scholarly and all other standard Town purposes. Any photograph reproduced will include a photographer credit as feasible. The Town of Southwest Ranches will not be required to pay any additional consideration or seek any additional approval in connection with such uses.

ENTRY DEADLINE: All entries must be received at Town Hall, 13400 Griffin Road Southwest Ranches, Fl. 33330 plus on CD or via email: to Skutz@southwestranches.org by 2pm Eastern Time on **October 1, 2014**.

JUDGING: Judging of the annual contest will be conducted by the Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Board members. The winning photographs will be announced at the Annual Craft Show, at the Sunshine Ranches Equestrian Park, 5840 Volunteer Road (148th Avenue) October 19, 2014. The Town will notify the winner via the contact information provided at the time of entry; the Town may disqualify anyone who fails to respond to the notification within five business days. Please do not contact us about the status of entries or judging.

BY ENTERING THE CONTEST THE PARTICIPANT UNDERSTANDS, ACKNOWLEDGES, AND AGREES THAT THE SUBMISSION OF PHOTOGRAPHS TO THE TOWN CONSTITUTES A "WORK MADE FOR HIRE," AND THE PARTICIPANT WAIVES ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO THE WORK AND THE WORK PRODUCT, INCLUDING MORAL OR OTHERWISE. THIS STATEMENT SHALL CONTROL OVER THE PROVISIONS OF 17 U.S.C. SECTION 106A(a), AND SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER BY PARTICIPANT OF ANY RIGHTS IN THE WORK SET OUT IN OR OTHERWISE GRANTED BY 17 U.S.C. SECTION 106A(A), VISUAL ARTISTS RIGHTS ACT OF 1990. ALL OTHER RIGHTS IN AND TO THE WORK, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ALL RIGHTS IN THE NATURE OF "DROIT MORAL" RELATING TO ANY CONTINUING INTEREST THE PARTICIPANT MAY HAVE IN THE MAINTENANCE OR MODIFICATION OF THE WORK, ARE EXPRESSLY WAIVED AND, INsofar AS SUCH RIGHTS ARE TRANSFERABLE, ARE ASSIGNED TO THE TOWN. THE PARTICIPANT SHALL ATTEST THAT THE WORK IS ORIGINAL AND IT COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE PATENT, TRADEMARK AND COPYRIGHT LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND CODES. THE PARTICIPANT UNDERSTANDS, ACKNOWLEDGES, AND AGREES THAT THROUGH THE CONVEYANCE OF THE SUBMISSION THE WORK WILL REMAIN THE PROPERTY OF THE TOWN AND MAY BE USED, REPRODUCED, SOLD, OR MODIFIED BY THE TOWN IN THE TOWN'S SOLE DISCRETION.

TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES 2ND ANNUAL 2014 PHOTO CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Board
13440 Griffin Road, Southwest Ranches, Florida 33330

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____

CELL: _____

I UNDERSTAND, ACKNOWLEDGE, AND AGREE THAT THE SUBMISSION OF PHOTOGRAPHS TO THE TOWN CONSTITUTES A "WORK MADE FOR HIRE," AND I HEREBY WAIVE ANY AND ALL RIGHTS TO THE WORK AND THE WORK PRODUCT, INCLUDING MORAL OR OTHERWISE. THIS STATEMENT SHALL CONTROL OVER THE PROVISIONS OF 17 U.S.C. SECTION 106A(a), AND SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER BY ME OF ANY RIGHTS IN THE WORK SET OUT IN OR OTHERWISE GRANTED BY 17 U.S.C. SECTION 106A(A), VISUAL ARTISTS RIGHTS ACT OF 1990. ALL OTHER RIGHTS IN AND TO THE WORK, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO ALL RIGHTS IN THE NATURE OF "DROIT MORAL" RELATING TO ANY CONTINUING INTEREST I MAY HAVE IN THE MAINTENANCE OR MODIFICATION OF THE WORK, ARE EXPRESSLY WAIVED AND, INsofar AS SUCH RIGHTS ARE TRANSFERABLE, ARE ASSIGNED TO THE TOWN. MY WORK IS ORIGINAL AND IT COMPLIES WITH ALL APPLICABLE PATENT, TRADEMARK AND COPYRIGHT LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND CODES. I UNDERSTAND, ACKNOWLEDGE, AND AGREE THAT THROUGH THE CONVEYANCE OF MY SUBMISSION THE WORK WILL REMAIN THE PROPERTY OF THE TOWN AND MAY BE USED, REPRODUCED, SOLD, OR MODIFIED BY THE TOWN IN THE TOWN'S SOLE DISCRETION.

SIGNATURE: _____ (Date)

SIGNATURE OF GUARDIAN
FOR CHILDREN UNDER 18: _____ (Date)



TOWN HALL NEWS

Scholarship Food Truck Event

The SEAB hosted another Scholarship Fundraising Event on Saturday, April 5th. As in the past, a Silent Auction and Chinese Auction were held. There were nine (9) trucks. Entertainment was provided by the American Sign Language (ASL) group "H.A.N.D.S." from West Broward High School, Kyle Gleissner was our solo guitarist and the band "Checkmate" featuring Austin Zapata (guitar) Rayne Kleinman (drums), and Shea Kleinman (bass), and a Magic Show performed by Nick Vega with Kyle Gleissner and Nicole Carvalho.

The due date for Scholarship Applications has been extended until May 31st. A committee of retired Southwest Ranches school teachers will judge the submittals.



The Town of Southwest Ranches and Schools and Education Advisory Board Sincerely thank the following for their generous donations and support for their scholarship fundraiser

1. Flamingo Gardens
2. Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza
3. Donato's Ristorante
4. Outback Steakhouse
5. Venetian Nails
6. Suburban Pools
7. Salon One80
8. Ace School Supplies
9. Manon Hagan-Stevens
10. J & J Insurance
11. Keith Poliakoff
12. Linda Church
13. Romeu's
14. Dairy Queen
15. Superb Pressure Cleaning

16. Whole Foods Market
17. Bob Hartmann Photography
18. Weston Diner
19. Chocolate Delights
20. De La Flor
21. Beverly Hills Café
22. Weekley Brothers
23. Shorties B.B.Q.
24. Liguori's Fired Up
25. Lisa's Closet
26. Total Wine & More
27. T-Clips Salon
28. Princess House
29. Cinemark Theater
30. Kathy Sullivan
31. Chris Brownlow

If any sponsors were inadvertently omitted, we apologize. Please let us know so we may correct our records.



AROUND THE TOWN

DAVIE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Officer Angela Creel has been a police officer with the Davie Police Department since 2005. Prior to her employment with the Town of Davie, she was a police officer for the City of Clearwater, Florida. Officer Creel attended high school in Hernando, Florida where she graduated with honors. She then attended St. Leo University where she obtained a bachelor's degree in criminology. During her tenure with the Davie Police Department, Officer Creel has been a Field Training Officer and a member of the Field Force Team. She has been the recipient of the Officer of the Month award three times. In addition, Officer Creel has been one of the Police Department's Police Explorer advisors since 2006. Officer Creel is assigned to the Southwest Ranches area and works on the "alpha" (midnight) shift. She currently works Sunday - Wednesday from 9pm - 7am.

Officer Creel really enjoys the Southwest Ranches atmosphere because she loves horses. In her spare time, she competes and shows Arabian horses throughout the State of Florida and the east coast of the United States.



SWR VFD Corner

Hurricane season is coming up quick. Start preparing now, flashlights, batteries, generator, medications, water and non-perishable foods etc. Remember, your pets need shelter, water, food and several days' supply of their medications. Make sure your yard debris are contained and trees are trimmed, to assure access for emergency apparatus in the time of need.

Your SWRFD has been training on vehicle extrication and will be adding extrication equipment on Engine -82 that was donated to our department.

In the last couple of months we have rescued a cow and a horse that have been in serious life threatening situations. Not to mention, the loose animals that have escaped their containment confines we rounded them up, secured them from entering back in to the street where they could be hit by a vehicle and causing a serious accident.

Stay safe,
Chief Lee Bennett



THE NEW ULTIMATE GARAGE SALE AT TWO LOCATIONS

DATE: Saturday, November 8, 2014

- 1. Rolling Oaks Park**
- 2. Sunshine Ranches Equestrian Park**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL SANDY AT **954-434-0008**
SEE PAGE 11 . . .



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.



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KIT CHECKLIST

- ☑ **Drinking Water:** At least one gallon, per person, per day for five days, preferably for two weeks. Extra water is needed for food preparation and personal hygiene. To store drinking water, use food-grade containers. You can use clean, airtight containers such as two-liter soda jugs, but no milk containers. If you re-use disposable plastic bottles do not keep them more than a month.
 - ☑ **Food:** At least enough for five days, including nonperishable packaged or canned food, canned or shelf milk, cereal, etc.; and snack foods
 - ☑ A family preparedness kit is one of the most important tools at your disposal to keep your family safe in a disaster.
 - ☑ A five-day supply or more of special items for babies such as formula, food, wipes, diapers; and special foods for the elderly; toiletries and extra toilet paper
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- ☑ Manual can opener/ bottle opener
 - ☑ Paper goods including plates, bowls, napkins, towels, and plastic eating utensils, extra resealable plastic storage bags, heavy-duty aluminum foil and disposable aluminum pans
 - ☑ Unscented household bleach and medicine dropper
 - ☑ Extra bedding such as blankets, pillows, sleeping bag, etc. In case you must evacuate
 - ☑ Clothing, including rain gear and sturdy shoes
 - ☑ First aid kit and hand sanitizer
 - ☑ Medicines/prescription drugs: At least a two week supply
 - ☑ Flashlight and extra batteries
 - ☑ Battery-operated or hand-crank radio
 - ☑ Disposable batteries, car chargers or solar charger for your cell phone
 - ☑ Hardline telephone with jack (not cordless)
 - ☑ Books and games or toys
 - ☑ Pet food, cat litter and other pet care items

- ☑ Tool kit including cord, rope, hammer, wood nails, saw, hatchet or axe, crowbar, chain saw blades, tarp, duct tapes, plastic trash bags/ties and heavy working gloves
- ☑ Extra charcoal or propane gas for outdoor cooking. Sterno can also be used. Never cook with any of these items inside your house. The smoke and fumes are deadly.
- ☑ Fire extinguisher (ABC type)
- ☑ Matches in a waterproof container
- ☑ Mosquito repellent with DEET, and sunscreen
- ☑ Any special equipment or items you may need

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

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| Emergency | 911 |
| First Call for Help | 211 |
| Davie Police Department | |
| Non-Emergency | 954-765-4321 option #5 |
| Davie Police direct line | 954-693-8352 |
| Broward County Hurricane Hotline | 954-831-4000 or 311
TTY 954-831-3940 |
| Broward County Human Services Department
for specials Needs Shelter Registration | 954-357-6385
TTY 954-357-5608 |
| Broward County School District Hotline | 754-321-0321 |
| Broward County Animal Care & Regulation | 954-359-1313 |
| Insurance - State of Florida Department of Financial
Services Hurricane Helpline | 1-800-22-STORM (78676)
TTY 1-800-640-0886 |
| Price Gouging Hotline | 1-800-HELP-FLA (435-7352) |
| Broward County Consumer Affairs Division | 954-831-4000 |
| American Red Cross, Broward Chapter | 954-797-3800 |
| Florida Power and Light | 1-800-468-8243 |
| Southwest Ranches Volunteer Fire Rescue | 954-343-7466 |
| Southwest Ranches Town Hall General Information | 954-434-0008 |
| Southern Waste Systems | 1-888-800-7732 |



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OTHER HELPFUL WEB LINKS

Broward County Chapter American Red Cross:
www.browardredcross.org

FEMA: www.fema.org

Broward County Hurricane Preparedness Guide:
www.broward.org/hurricane

CANAL ISSUES

East of Volunteer Road

- Central Broward Water Control District **954-432-5110**

West of Volunteer Road

- South Broward Drainage District **954-680-3337**

C-11 Canal Only South Florida Water Management District
954-452-4814

BEFORE THE STORM

Develop a Hurricane Plan

Follow these steps to create a family hurricane plan.

- Charge your cell phones, ensure you have a car charger
- Fill up your vehicles with gas
- IMPORTANT:** trim your trees and vegetation early in the season.
Do not trim trees when a storm is eminent. These items can be missiles during a storm and can cause severe damage or worse!
- Keep documents in a sealed plastic bag.
- Storm proof your home. Assess your home for vulnerable areas by doing a structure and property evaluation.
- Just as every home should have a smoke alarm, every home should have an emergency supply kit packed and ready. Being prepared doesn't have to cost money.
- Document Assets... Make a visual and written record of your assets for insurance purposes. Also, photograph the interior and exterior of your home.
- Turn off circuit breakers before the power goes. Leave one circuit breaker on with a lamp so you will know when power is restored.
- If possible, purchase a generator and an ample supply of fuel to power the generator in the event of power outages. Safely store your generator outside when running it. Do not run your

generator in an enclosed area.

- Please remember to prepare ahead for your medical needs such as dialysis, insulin, oxygen, and any prescription drugs.
- The emergency refill law now allows you to obtain a 30-day supply of medications when an emergency is announced. Pregnant women who are two weeks from their due date, at high risk, or otherwise concerned should contact their physician.
- Make a plan for your pets and animals.

DURING THE STORM

Once the storm arrives, there are some additional measures you can take to keep everyone as safe as possible.

- Remain calm
- Stay indoors in a secure location, or your "safe room". The strongest part of a house is usually away from windows and exterior doors.
- Place towels along window sills and at the bottom of the door heading outside to keep water from coming in.
- Use flashlights, not candles or kerosene lamps, during the storm.
- Elevate valuables to table tops or higher places if flooding occurs.
- Be aware that tornados can appear anytime during a hurricane. Monitor your local radio stations and if a tornado warning is issued, take cover in an interior hallway or "safe room."
- Stay indoors till the storm has passed. A calm period at the eye of the storm may cause some people to think the storm has passed. Remain indoors until the news stations say it is safe to move about the area.
- If your house starts to break apart, cover yourself with a mattress. If your **safe room** is a bathroom with a bathtub, get in the tub under a mattress.
- Use the phone for urgent calls only. Don't use your phone if you hear thunder.

AFTER THE STORM

Some of the greatest hurricane dangers present themselves after the storm has passed. Keep these important tips in mind:



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- ☑ Treat all downed power lines as if they were live. If a power line is sparking or arcing, stay away call 911 if possible.
- ☑ Walk cautiously and avoid standing water, which may hide downed power lines or hazardous objects.
- ☑ Don't venture out in the dark because you may not see a power line that could still be energized.
- ☑ Do not drive unless it is an emergency. If power is out, traffic lights will not be working, stop signs and street signs may have blown away. Streets will be littered with debris. Treat each intersection as a four way stop.

- ☑ Spray paint you area code and telephone number on the side of the animal in a contrasting color. Use acrylic paint because it should wear off in 1-2 weeks.
- ☑ Shut off electricity to the barn before the storm. Unplug any appliances inside the barn so that they will not become energized by an electrical surge due to a lightning strike. This minimizes the chances of a fire.

...As pet owners we need to make preparations for our four-legged family members.

HORSE SUPPLIES:

Water: 12 gallons of water per horse per day.

Food: Be sure you have adequate supplies of hay and grain prior to the storm. You may not be able to get out for several days or longer. Grain should be stored in water proof containers, and if possible be up off the floor. Hay should be at least 2 feet off the floor and covered well, in the event of leaks.

TIPS FOR LARGE ANIMALS

No one can guarantee where your horse will be safe. The decision is yours. If you cannot make your property safe because of the condition of the barn, trees, power lines, low lying land prone to flooding, or general condition of the neighboring properties, plan on evacuating your horse at least 48 hours before the storm.

- ☑ Review all tips provided and implement as many as possible.
- ☑ Remove tools and loose objects.
- ☑ Board up barn windows
- ☑ Whether you decide to keep your animals in the barn, the pasture, or trailer them out of the area, it is very important that you have them haltered, preferably with a leather halter, and have them well identified.
- ☑ Attach a fetlock or mare band to your horse with your contact information written in permanent ink on the band.
- ☑ Place the horse's identification and contact information on a waterproof luggage tag and braid it close to the base of the horse's tail.
- ☑ Attach identification and contact information to the halter. Secure it tightly in a plastic bag and affix it to the halter with packing tape.
- ☑ If your horse is tattooed or has a microchip, make sure that the ownership information is current in the registration database.



PET SUPPLIES

- ☑ Large dogs need ½ gallon of water per day
- ☑ Treats
- ☑ Kitty litter
- ☑ Current photo of your pet for identification
- ☑ Tattoo number or microchip
- ☑ Make sure your pet is wearing its animal license tag with identification
- ☑ Medical records
- ☑ Rabies certification with tag

PERSONAL PROPERTY

It is important to take photos of damaged areas and possessions. Make temporary repairs to protect your home or property from further damage. Cover holes in the roof or walls with plywood and use heavy-duty plastic to cover broken windows. Keep records, bills and paid invoices until your insurance representative visits. Notify your insurance agent as soon as possible. If you have a downed tree in your yard and it is not blocking a road and has not downed a power line, it is your responsibility to remove the tree. Downed trees on private properties are the responsibility of the homeowner. Clean up the premises and remove debris within the time limits imposed by the Town and FEMA if applicable.



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GARBAGE AND STORM DEBRIS PICK UP

Once winds exceed 40 mph, garbage trucks are taken off the regular collection routes to protect the drivers. After the storm, as soon as roads are accessible, a first priority is to collect raw garbage. Solid Waste Systems (SWS), the Town's contracted hauler will collect garbage on the regular scheduled days.

Raw garbage poses a public health threat because bacteria and odor can attract scavenging animals. Do not place your raw garbage with hurricane generated debris. The second priority will be working with the Florida Department of Community Affairs and FEMA for removal of storm-related debris.



STORM DEBRIS GUIDE

1. Separate hurricane vegetative and structural debris items.
2. Debris must be in front of your residence or it will not be removed.
3. Do not place debris near power poles.
4. Do not obstruct fire wells and hydrants with debris.
5. Do not place debris on utility boxes and place debris away from mailboxes.
6. Do not place debris in the street, causing a public safety hazard.

NOTE: UNIMPROVED AREAS OF YOUR PROPERTY, COMMERCIAL PROPERTY, NURSERIES, NURSERY DEBRIS AND LAND CLEARING ARE NOT APPLICABLE FOR GOVERNMENT-FUNDED DEBRIS PICKUP. DEBRIS PILED ON VACANT LOTS WILL NOT BE PICKED UP.

The town will post start and end dates of debris pickup on the Town Website and in print media. Please call Town Hall if you have questions about the disaster clean-up process.

(954) 434-0008

A MESSAGE FROM FEMA

The federally backed National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) does cover flood damage for homeowners, renters and business owners. This protection is available to anyone in a community that participates in the NFIP.

Southwest Ranches participates in the National Flood Insurance Program, go to www.floodsmart.gov. There you can find out the flood risk where you live by simply typing in your address. A wealth of flood facts and protection tips are available at the easy-to navigate flood smart website.

More information is also available at www.fema.gov.

1. Emergency Preparedness Is a Matter of Priorities;
2. Hurricane Season: June 1 – November 30
3. Hurricane WATCH – A hurricane may pass near or through the area within 48 hours
4. Hurricane WARNING – A hurricane is expected in 36 hours or less; all precautions should be taken immediately.
5. Special Needs Registry
6. Who should register?

* If you have a special medical need, you are strongly encouraged to register for Broward County's Special Needs Shelter. Registration should be in advanced, before a storm threatens. To register for a Special Needs Shelter and/or transportation to the shelter, call Broward County Human Services Department at **954-357-6358 (TTY 954-357-5608)**. There are some limitations, so be sure to inquire about your specific situation when you call to register.

Highly Visible Day or Night

REFLECTIVE ADDRESS MARKERS

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

\$20.00

Make checks payable to:

*Southwest Ranches
Volunteer Fire Rescue*

17220 Griffin Road,

Southwest Ranches, FL 33330

For Additional Information

Call Leslie (754) 224-0877

Reflective address markers are invaluable during hurricane recovery. Our first responders have a difficult time finding the proper address when posted addresses are not visible on the property. This takes away valuable time from emergency responders when you need it most. A reflective address marker seems to light up at night, making it a wise investment should you require an emergency responder like police or fire rescue.

TOWN HALL NEWS



**NEW VENUE!
BETTER LOCATIONS!
INCREASE BUYERS POTENTIAL!**



Introducing the new and improved annual Southwest Ranches Garage Sale now called...

**"GARAGE SALE IN THE PARKS"
8:00AM – 2:00PM**

This venue will provide a higher concentration of buyer potential in a secure, accessible environment while also providing a festive atmosphere for the entire family. Both the Equestrian Park and the Rolling Oaks Park will include a designated space to display your treasures. Food, music and restroom facilities will be available at both locations.

Must provide your own tent (optional), table, chairs etc.

Resident setup will be 6:00 - 7:30 AM breakdown 2:00 - 3:30 PM and gates will open promptly at 8:00AM. The Town will provide all advertising for this event.

Please fill out the application and mail: to Town Hall (13400 Griffin Road, Southwest Ranches Florida 33330) email: (SLuongo@southwestranches.org) scan or fax: (954-434-1490) to the attention of Sandy.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Please check Equestrian Park

Rolling Oaks Park

Town Staff Use Only: Space number: _____

In consideration of being allowed to participate in the Town of Southwest Ranches Garage Sale in the Parks and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I hereby agree as follows:

I understand that my participation in this event is voluntary. I hereby remise, release, acquit, satisfy and forever discharge the Town, including any of its officers, employees, agents, or volunteers, of and from any and all manner of action and actions, cause and causes of action arising out of any occurrence wherein I am harmed or I harm others, proximately or otherwise, from or in connection with my participation in this program. I agree that any liability of Town for personal injury to me or personal injury that I cause to others, in any way connected with my participation in this event shall be borne solely by me and I agree to indemnify, defend, protect same and hold the Town harmless from and against any and all costs, losses, liability and expense arising in connection with any liability claim, threatened claim, action, lawsuit, at all tribunal levels, or any other matter which the Town would be required to reply and/or defend. I also agree to indemnify and hold the Town harmless against all liability for injury or damage to the Town property or any other property when such injury or damage shall result from, arise out of, or be attributable my negligence, gross negligence, or intentional action.

I further agree not to represent myself as an officer, agent or employee of the Town of Southwest Ranches and to acknowledge that I am voluntarily participating in this Town event, on my own time and outside the scope of my employment, and that I am not entitled to any Town stipend, or fringe benefit acknowledge that the Town will not be responsible or liable for any personal injury or property damage caused in whole or in part to or by my participation in the Garage Sale in the Parks.

I have read this Release and Wavier of liability form and fully understand its terms. I further understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing this form and intend it to be a complete and unconditional release of any and all liability to the greatest extent permitted by law and agree that if any portion of this Release and Waiver is held to be invalid, the balance notwithstanding, shall continue in full legal force and effect.

Signature

Print

Date

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to get involved in your Town, meet your neighbors or get volunteer hours for school requirements.



Special thanks to all the students from Hawks Bluff Elementary who participated in submitting

Arbor Day Pictures

REMEMBER!

Hurricane season is approaching. Please make sure your coggins is up to date!



AROUND THE TOWN



2ND ANNUAL CHILI COOK OFF

1ST PLACE WINNER:

ELAINE RINGGER
ALEGRIA MANGO FARM

2ND PLACE WINNER:

SHARRON BUSH
SPICY REDHEAD CHILI

3RD PLACE WINNER:

**GLENNIS & WINSTON
SIMMONDS**
JAMAICAN JERK CHILI

PARTICIPANTS

Karen Parkerson • Sharron Bush • Elaine Ringger
Tara Darlene Diamante Canhos • Katrina Kinnion • Rick Bell
Steve Breitkreuz • Jeff Wasserman • Mindy Kapit
Gary Jablonski • Glennis/Winston Simmonds



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

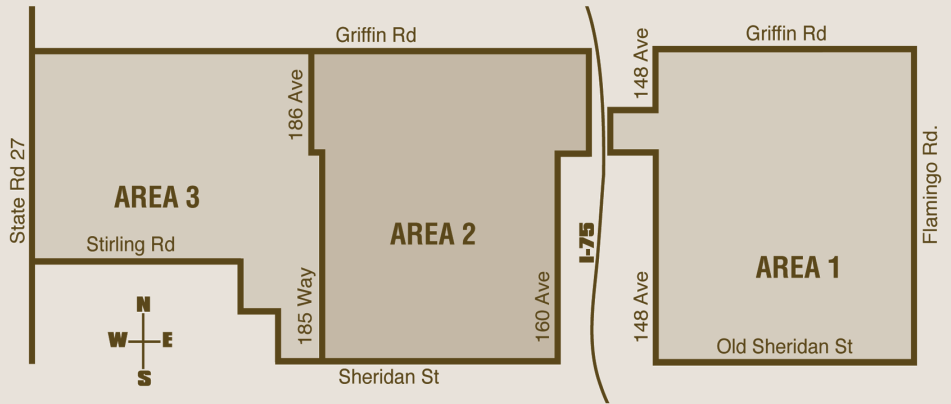
**SATURDAY.
JULY 12, 2014.**

**SATURDAY.
OCT. 11, 2014.
8 AM – 2 PM**

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

Waste Collection

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)
June 14	6/11/14 & 6/25/14	6/10/14 & 6/24/14	6/9/14 & 6/23/14
July 14	7/9/14 & 7/23/14	7/8/14 & 7/22/14	7/7/14 & 7/21/14

RECYCLE collection occurs once per week:

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

RAPID NOTIFY SYSTEM

WE WANT TO KEEP YOU INFORMED

The Rapid Notify System is a software application used to send emergency alert notifications and updates to large groups of people.

The system is capable of simultaneously sending an alert to thousands of people over communications platforms such as email, telephone, cell phone, SMS text message, pager and PDA.

Mass notification systems are typically used to issue voice or text messages alerting response personnel to the presence of an emergency as well as instructing residents of specific areas on how best to reduce their risk of harm in potentially life threatening situations.

When is the system used?

The Rapid Notify System can be used to warn you of possible hazards that could affect your health and safety. An alert could be sent in the event of a major emergency such as:

- Severe Weather Conditions
- Missing Person Alert
- Contaminated Water
- Police Activity
- Large Fire
- Chemical Spill
- Evacuation Notice

How do you get my number?

The database is compiled by resident self-registration through the Town's website or by mailing in the Rapid Notify Registration Form available at Town Hall. Please visit www.southwestranches.org, click on Rapid Notify and follow the instructions for registration to add your cell phone number or other contact information to our database. Your information will be secure and will not be shared with anyone.

What should I do when I am called?

When you receive an automated phone call from the Rapid Notify system, please listen carefully to the message. You will be

informed as to the nature of the situation, and may be given instructions on how to protect yourself. The message could possibly ask you to stay indoors until further notice or to evacuate the area immediately.

What if I miss the call?

If you do not answer your phone, the system will attempt to reach you with an additional call. The system will leave a message on your answering machine if it picks up the call.

What if my number is unlisted?

The database is compiled by resident self-registration through the Town's website or by mailing in the Rapid Notify Registration Form available at Town Hall. Your information will be secure and will not be shared with anyone. The Rapid Notify system can only be accessed by authorized personnel, and all data is protected by state-of-the-art security protocols.

For More Information call or e-mail Juanita at 954-434-0008 or jromance@southwestranches.org

* 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	
June	1	2 • Aster Knight Parks Foundation Town Hall 7 pm • Country Estates 7	3 • Code Hearing Town Hall 9 am • SWRVFD Meeting Town Hall 7 pm	4 Drainage & Infrastructure Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	5	6	7
	8	9 • Schools & Ed. Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm AREA 1 BULK	10 • Rec., Forestry, & Natural Resources Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2 BULK	11 AREA 3 BULK	12 • TOWN HALL GRAND OPENING • Town Council Mtg. Council Chambers Town Hall 7 pm	13	14
	15	16 • HOA Town Hall Ivanhoe Estates 6:30 pm	17 • Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Meeting Town Hall 7 pm	18 • Fire Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	19 Comprehensive Plan Advisory Bd. Town Hall 7 pm	20 <i>Summer</i> Solstice In The Saddle 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm EQ Park	21
	22	23 AREA 1 BULK	24 • Rolling Oaks Civics Assn. Town Hall 7 pm AREA 2 BULK	25 • Sunshine Ranches Homeowners Assn. Town Hall 7 pm AREA 3 BULK	26 • Flow Mobile 9:30 am - 2:30 pm • Town Council Mtg. Council Chambers Town Hall 7 pm	27	28
	29	30					
July			1 • Code Hearing Town Hall 9 am • SWRVFD Meeting Town Hall 7 pm	2 Drainage & Infrastructure Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	3	4 • Town Hall Closed • ROCA Independence Day Event	5
	6 • Aster Knight Parks Foundation Town Hall 7 pm • Country Est. 7 AREA 1 BULK	7 AREA 2 BULK	8 AREA 3 BULK	9	10 • Town Council Mtg. Council Chambers Town Hall 7 pm	11	12 • Household Hazardous 8 am - 2 pm • Rolling Oaks Park
	13 • Schools & Ed. Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm	14	15 • Rural Public Arts & Design Advisory Meeting Town Hall 7 pm	16 • Fire Advisory Board Town Hall 7 pm • AARP Driver Safety 9 am - 4 pm	17 Comprehensive Plan Advisory Bd. Town Hall 7 pm	18	19
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	27	28	29	30 • Sunshine Ranches Homeowners Assn. Town Hall 7:30 pm	31		

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 Caban	(954) 434-0008	dcaban@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	
Town Engineer, Clete Saunier	(954) 434-0008	csaunier@southwestranches.org
Administrative Specialist, Angela Sukhdeo	(954) 434-0008	asukhdeo@southwestranches.org
Town Clerk, Russell Muñiz, MMC	(954) 434-0008	rmuniz@southwestranches.org
Records Coordinator, Ivette Solera	(954) 434-0008	isolera@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.net
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
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

william_gallagher@davie-fl.gov

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

Paving, Potholes and Signs: Emily McCord	(954) 343-7453	emccord@swranches.org
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Waste/Bulk/Recycling Services (Residential & Commercial)

Southern Waste Systems, (SWS) LLC	(888) 800-7732	
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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.sbddd.org
West of SW 148 (Volunteer) Avenue		

Well and Septic

Broward County Health Department	(954) 467-4700 ext 4233	
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Environmental Complaint Hotline, Broward County	(954) 831-1499	
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Southwest Ranches, FL 33330

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TOWN HALL COMMEMORATIVE BRICK PROGRAM

Have you purchased your Town Hall Commemorative Brick? Embrace your Southwest Ranches history and place your order, as we prepare for installation at the Town Hall.

Bricks may be purchased for \$100.00 each.

Name: _____

Tel: _____

Email: _____

Inscription: _____

Checks should be made payable to:

Town of Southwest Ranches - Bricks

Mail to: Town of Southwest Ranches Bricks
13400 Griffin Rd., Southwest Ranches, FL 33330