

# WESTMINSTER CRIER

## Water Emergency- Reminder

Effective Sunday April 23 Westminster will be going to a once weekly watering schedule. The Watering days will be Wednesday for Residence's with odd numbering and Sunday for residences with even numbering.

A special note - Home owners do not have to do anything to their watering schedule. This new schedule will be accomplished by scheduling the pumps off on all but the allowed Wednesday and Sunday watering days.

In addition to reducing the watering schedule we are turning off the fountains to reduce the evaporation rate in those ponds.

These actions have been triggered by the need to turn off three of our four wells because the aquifer supplying them is running out of water and these wells were pumping air. If allowed to continue this condition would eventually burn out the well pumps.

Our system of four wells is designed to replace the water we use for watering our lawns and not the water lost to evaporation. The ponds are low because of evaporation and without well water our ponds will going down at an even faster rate.

This watering schedule will remain in place until such time as our wells are able to return to normal operation.

During this period we ask for your understanding and cooperation, we are all homeowners in this together. If you are aware of neighbors who are excessively watering during this period please contact the Association office.

The Westminster Community HOA.



**The Crier** will be published twice a month until the fall. Items received by the 1st will appear in the first issue, while items received by the 15th will appear in the second issue. **Announcements should be given to the Crier 2 weeks ahead of time.**

**ALSO IF** you have moved and no longer want to receive the Crier, please e mail the Crier so your name can be removed

**AND IF** you have a new neighbor, please ask them to e mail the Crier to be placed on the mailing list at [westminstercrier@gmail.com](mailto:westminstercrier@gmail.com)

Thanks for following these guidelines



**NEW BIBLE STUDY** starting Wednesday May 3 at 10:45 in the Book of Ruth of the Old Testament. ALL ladies are invited from all denominations. Bring your Bible (any version) & a heart eager to learn from God's Word. Meetings take place in the Community Center.

Any questions: call or email Babs Anderson [239-491-6405](tel:239-491-6405)

[TellFrance@aol.com](mailto:TellFrance@aol.com)



**Pool Aerobics** class hosts a monthly coffee social after class on the first Tuesday of each month. Aerobics starts at 9:30 in the pool everyday. Wear a hat and bring sunglasses! Anyone is welcome to join in.

Here are some pictures from their latest coffee social and class.





More pictures from  
aerobics



## From the Office of Lee County Sheriff

### Unlocked Car + Thief = Crime of Opportunity

The Lee County Sheriff's Office is asking for your help in putting a halt to a recent rash of car burglaries by reminding residents that these crimes are most often "crimes of opportunity" that can lead to expensive consequences. To minimize the chances of becoming a victim, we must first take away the thief's opportunity by taking a few preventative steps:

- Lock your vehicle. Over half of all vehicles burglarized or stolen were left unlocked. This includes both day and night and in your own home driveway.
- Do not leave valuables in plain view. This includes your wallet/purse, cell phone, laptop, GPS, shopping bags, cash, credit cards, garage door opener, keys, tools, etc.
- Park in well-lit areas. Two things burglars don't like - lights and witnesses.
- Do not leave personal identifying papers in car. This includes driver's license, social security card, motor vehicle registration, car title, credit card and bank statements as these items can be used to commit identity theft. While vehicle

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registration papers must be presented when asked for by a law enforcement officer, you do not need to store the originals in your car. Instead, keep a copy in your wallet next to your driver's license.

Consider theft prevention devices such as an audible alarm.

"Sometimes even the best crime prevention efforts are not enough for a burglar bent on stealing someone else's property," said Undersheriff Carmine Marceno. "If you find your vehicle has been burglarized it is important you report it immediately to your local law enforcement agency".

What should you do if your car has been broken in to?

- Call the Lee County Sheriff's Office at 477-1000.
- Do not touch anything or go inside the vehicle.
- If the suspect is still there, do not confront them. Instead, get as much information as possible such as their physical description, direction of travel, etc.



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For more information about this Safety and Security tip contact the Lee County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Unit at 258-3280. If you have any information on the recent car burglaries or any other crime call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-780-TIPS (8477). All callers will remain anonymous and will be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000. Tips may also be made online at [www.southwestfloridacrimestoppers.com](http://www.southwestfloridacrimestoppers.com) or by submitting a tip on the P3Tips mobile app.