

## Western DuPage Special Recreation Association (WDSRA)

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We are the Western DuPage Special Recreation Association providing social and recreational programs for children, teens and adults right here in DuPage County.

#### Wildcats At State!

After earning gold medals at the regional tournament, three teams qualified to compete at the State Tournament last weekend at the Louisville Slugger Sports Complex in Peoria.

- Wildcats 1 − 2<sup>nd</sup> place
- Wildcats 2 1<sup>st</sup> place
- Wildcats 4 3<sup>rd</sup> place

Congratulations to all our athletes and coaches!

# **Sensory Friendly Night for Illumination**

Enjoy a 1-mile paved and accessible path highlighting the beauty of tress in the winter. The sensory-sensitive environment features static lights, music at a lower volume, and a limited capacity.

ONE NIGHT ONLY - Tuesday, 11/18 Morton Arboretum, 4100 Rt 53, Lisle Special ticket pricing

- \$10 for adults
- \$5 for children between the ages of 4-17
- Children under 3 are free

For complete details and tickets visit <a href="https://mortonarb.org/explore/activities/exhibitions/illumination/">https://mortonarb.org/explore/activities/exhibitions/illumination/</a>.

#### Santa's Naperville Workshop 2025

Special Needs Family Nights Wednesday, 12/3 & Thursday, 12/4 @ 5-8pm Paddleboat Quarry Rentals 441 Aurora Ave., Naperville

Santa is coming to town and you're invited to visit! Family members of all ages will enjoy a unique visit with Santa inside his magical workshop! Reservations are required; walk-ups will not be accommodated. One family at a time will be inside the workshop to experience a conversation with Santa. Families are welcome to take their own photos and/or video as professional photos will not be provided. The line to visit with Santa will queue outdoors, so please dress for the weather!

## Details and registration can be found at <a href="https://napervilleparks.org/santasworkshop">https://napervilleparks.org/santasworkshop</a>.

### **Little Friends Respite Services**

Currently, there is generous funding to host Little Friends Respite Family Services for all for free. This program offers caregivers time for rest and relief from challenges associated with raising a child with disabilities.

### Wednesdays & Thursdays, 5:30-7:30pm at the Little Friends campus

Each session is hosted by a lead instructor, paid staff members, and community volunteers. All participants are guided to engage in structured activities, art projects, and gross & fine motor play while encouraged to socialize. They are not disability-specific and welcome all types of children with a range of disability types as well as siblings.

For more information or to register, contact Amber Tinney at atinney@lilfriends.com.

Wrap With that, all I can do is wrap it up. If you have any questions about anything we talked about here today, please give us a call. We are happy to answer them all! Contact us at 630-681-0962 or check out our website at www.wdsra.com. And please, stay connected with us by following us on Facebook or signing up for our enews.

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#### WDSRA

Western DuPage Special Recreation Association (WDSRA) provides engaging, community-based recreational programs and inclusion services for children, teens, and adults with special needs. WDSRA offers Special Olympics, adapted sports, dance and art programs, camps, trips, special events, and more. WDSRA's mission, the development of individuals through recreation, makes it possible for individuals to grow personally, connect with their community and discover their potential.

WDSRA is an award-winning organization and a cooperative extension of nine park districts serving the communities of Bloomingdale, Carol Stream, Glen Ellyn, Naperville, Roselle, Warrenville, West Chicago, Wheaton, and Winfield.

**MISSION** We enrich lives, connect communities and create fun through inclusive recreational opportunities.

**VISION** A world of opportunities, belonging and individuals reaching their full potential. **Learn more at www.wdsra.com.**