



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 SHINE AT REGIONAL BOCCE!

Two weeks ago the Wildcats had an amazing day at the Special Olympics Region C Bocce event held in Northlake. With a total of 31 athletes & 5 unified partners competing and 6 coaches attending, the team made a strong showing. They earned 12 gold, 10 silver, 10 bronze medals!

And... an impressive 14 Special Olympics athletes and 2 unified partners qualified to compete at the State Summer Games in June 2025. They'll represent WDSRA with 5 individual competitors, 5 doubles teams, and 2 unified teams.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the athletes and coaches! Find more photos on our Facebook page.

RHYTHMIC GYMNASTICS

NEW dates and time! Join us for this Special Olympics favorite, where you can express yourself through graceful movements and dance. Learn exciting routines using a ball, ribbons, hoop, or rope. Whether you're new or experienced, it's a fun, creative way to stay active. Be part of something special!

Saturdays, 1/4-2/8, 1-2:15pm
Winfield area

Contact Macey at maceyh@wdsra.com for registration and details.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus St. Elizabeth of Seton in Naperville for their generous donation of \$1,300! The Knights of Columbus sell Tootsie Rolls as part of their annual Tootsie Roll Drive to raise money for people with intellectual disabilities.

We are grateful to be a recipient of the Knights of Columbus generosity!

MIDWESTERN UNIVERSITY WHEELCHAIR BASKETBALL FUNDRAISER NETS \$1,636 DONATION!

Last spring, students from the Midwestern University Occupational Therapy Association created a 3-on-3 wheelchair basketball tournament to support the Synergy Adaptive Athletics athletes. The competition

included faculty, students, WDSRA Foundation trustees, and WDSRA staff. It was a fun and educational event for everyone!

Thank you to the students and everyone who participated making this donation possible!

SPECIAL NEEDS MOVIE SCREENING: TRANSFORMERS ONE

Saturday, 9/28 @ 11am

Studio Movie Grill

301 Rice Lake Square, Wheaton

As a reminder, the SMG sensory friendly Special Needs Screenings present movies with the lights up and the volume low. Moving around, talking, and even dancing in the aisles is welcome. Tickets are available at the box office as early as the Wednesday prior to these screenings. Tickets are free for the individual with special needs and their family. Please check the website to confirm dates and showings.

Complete details at www.studiomoviegrill.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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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.