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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.

GLEN ELLYN INFANT WELFARE SOCIETY SUPPORTS INCLUSION

Their generous grant of \$3,500 will support inclusion services for families choosing to participate in Glen Ellyn Park District programs. Inclusion services give families the ability to have their child participate fully in traditional park district programs. Through inclusive activities, children with disabilities have the opportunity to learn, grow and have fun while developing essential social and life skills alongside their peers.

Thank you to the Glen Ellyn Infant Welfare Society!

DAY CAMPS RECEIVE SUPPORT FROM THE NAPERVILLE ROTARY

Thanks to a generous grant of \$3,000 from the Naperville Rotary, day camps have received a boost in materials needed to support healthy and engaged campers including:

- 6 new sensory suitcases
- assorted sensory items
- variety of board games
- assorted arts & crafts supplies

These items will help provide support for the 90+ unique campers with more than 125 registrations.

Thank you to the Naperville Rotary!

SPECIAL NEEDS MOVIE SCREENING OF INSIDE OUT 2

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.

Saturday, 6/29 @ 11am

Studio Movie Grill, 301 Rice Lake Square, Wheaton

Complete details at https://www.studiomoviegrill.com/movie/special-needs-screenings.

SENSORY FRIENDLY MINI GOLF FROM THE CAROL STREAM PARK DISTRICT

Enjoy a morning of mini golf for the whole family! Enclosed gated area. Golf at your own pace. No loud music. Enjoy a cool space to relax inside. Noise canceling headphones for adults and kids available.

Sundays thru 7/28 @ 10-11am Coyote Crossing Mini Golf, 27W650 North Avenue, West Chicago \$6 admission, under age 2 golf FREE For more information, visit, <u>https://www.csparks.org/coyote-crossing-mini-golf/.</u>

SPECIAL NEEDS SWIM NIGHTS

Families with individuals who have special needs are invited to enjoy a quiet, relaxing evening after regular operating hours at the Beach. The shallow end and the slide will be open. No registration required.

Sundays 6/30 & 7/14 @ 6:30-8pm Centennial Beach, 500 W. Jackson Ave., Naperville \$5/person or you may apply your membership toward entry For more information, visit www.napervilleparks.org/centennialbeach.

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.**