



# JANUARY '14 NEWSLETTER West Orange Rec Department

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## HAPPY NEW YEAR



### HOLIDAY SPIRIT OVERCOMES BAD WEATHER - WOHS SOCCER TEAM RECOGNIZED

Lousy weather struck the Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony for the second year in a row. It had to be moved from Friday, Dec. 6th to Saturday the 7th. The move proved fortuitous as the new date brought crisp and clear weather. Mayor Robert D. Parisi was on hand to honor the State Champion WOHS Boys Soccer Team and to lead the countdown to the Tree Lighting. Shortly thereafter, Santa Claus arrived to the delight of the children. Each child had the opportunity to meet Santa and make their holiday wish. A good time was had by all! [Video highlights can be viewed on the Rec website.](#) Our thanks go out to the WOHS Holiday Ensemble and the Unique Performance Arts Center for providing the entertainment.

The Downtown Holiday Open House was unaffected by the storm and went off as scheduled on Dec. 7th. Events including Breakfast With Santa at Our Lady of Lourdes, Jr. Badge Program at the Edison Historical Site, "Reading In A Winter Wonderland" at the WO Library, Trolley Tours of Llewellyn Park, Holiday Crafts at the Valley Community Police Building, Pet Pictures With Santa at the Community House and Pictures with Santa at the Supreme Bakery.



### 1ST ANNUAL WEST ORANGE LACROSSE "BEEFSTEAK FUNDRAISER"

The WOHS Lacrosse Parents Club is sponsoring an "All U Can Eat" Beefsteak Fundraiser on Friday, January 31st. The event is scheduled at the Katz Civic Center beginning at 7:00 PM. The all inclusive cost is \$40 per person with proceeds supporting West Orange lacrosse programs. Tickets are on sale at the WOHS Athletic Dept. and at the WO Rec Dept. Walk Up ticket sales are OK but advance ticket purchases are preferred for planning purposes. For more info contact Michelle Casalino at (973) 865-3347 or [Casalino5@comcast.net](mailto:Casalino5@comcast.net)



### LAST CALL FOR REGISTRATIONS

#### CONDITIONING - SOFTBALL CLINIC - PEE WEE HOOPS

##### Sports Conditioning

After a successful Fall debut, the winter session of the Sports Conditioning Program is set to begin on Monday evenings starting on January 6th at Pleasantdale School. It strives to improve conditioning, increase speed & agility and build strength & quickness. Open to grades 3 - 12.

##### Girl's Softball Clinic - NEW FOR 2014

Girls in grades 4 - 12 can now get a head start on softball season without paying the high price of private training. The PVW gym at WOHS will be the site on Sundays in January & February of a professionally staffed program stressing hitting, fielding, pitching and fundamentals. Two age groups - low price of \$40 for the entire two month schedule.

##### WOBC Pee Wee Basketball

This 8 week program for grades Kindergarten thru 3rd grade is held on Sundays at WOHS. Program stresses fitness, basketball fundamentals & full court games on 8 ft. baskets. Conducted by the West Orange Basketball Club. \$105. registration fee. Starts January 5th. Limited openings remain.

**ALL THREE REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE REC OFFICE, ON THE REC WEBSITE & WERE DISTRIBUTED IN THE SCHOOLS.**

**9th Annual - WO Classic Film Festival**  
**AMC Theater - Essex Green - Sundays @ 2 PM**  
**JANUARY SHOWINGS**

January 5	The Sting
January 12	Abbott & Costello Meet Frankenstein
January 19	Vertigo
January 26	Laura

**MORE GREAT FILMS TO FOLLOW IN FEBRUARY**

### ELEMENTARY BASKETBALL LEAGUE KICKS OFF JANUARY 5th

The EBL, co-sponsored by WO Rec and the MTL, starts on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 5th at WOHS. Free Admission. The league has 17 boys & girls teams representing their own elementary schools.

Check out the league's website at [www.leaguelineup.com/woebl](http://www.leaguelineup.com/woebl).

### WEST ORANGE PAL FREE WINTER BASEBALL CLINIC

Friday Eves - PVW Gym @ WOHS Jan. 10, 17, 24, 31 and Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28

Ages 10U - 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM / Ages 15U - 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM Agility Throwing Fielding Hitting Pitching

Online Registrations Accepted - [www.wopal.org](http://www.wopal.org)

Full Flyer/Registration Form on Rec Website



## FOOTSTEPS FOR THE EXCEPTIONAL CHILD

**Winter Semester Registration** - Classes start the end of January. Great options are being considered and finalized.

Expect registration forms in the Schools & On Rec Website by mid January.

**Email Blasts** - Stay in the loop, get on the FOOTSTEPS Email list. Visit [www.westorange.org](http://www.westorange.org). Click "Notify Me"

Contact Candy Myrick for more info: [footsteps@westorange.org](mailto:footsteps@westorange.org)

### SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS

**Winter Programs** All Start In January

Zumba Aerobics Yoga

**For Senior Citizen Program Information**

Call Patty or Estrella at 973-325-4105

### MAYOR'S PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

January is our planning month. Pass along to us any good ideas.

973-243-1169 or [specialneeds@westorange.org](mailto:specialneeds@westorange.org)

### JR. WRESTLING DUAL TOURNAMENT

Sunday January 12th @WOHS Starts 9:00 AM

Sponsored by the West Orange Rec Dept

West Orange will be the host team of an exciting ten team tournament. The "dual match" format has team vs team with the winner advancing in the winner's bracket. The losing teams will continue action in the consolation bracket.

### BASKETBALL HOT SHOT STARTING IN SCHOOLS

The Rec Dept's Annual Hot Shot Competition is underway in Township Elementary Schools. 5th grade boys and girls will compete for their school championships. The school winners advance to the final round to be held at West Orange High School on March 23rd.

### \*\*\*\*\*COMING IN FEBRUARY\*\*\*\*\*

\*\*WO Classic Film: "The Last Picture Show"

AMC Theater Feb. 2nd

\*\*WO Classic Film: "Black Maria Festival" AMC Theater Feb. 9th

\*\*WO Classic Film: "The Third Man" AMC Theater Feb. 16th

\*\*Rec Achievement Awards Luncheon

Katz Civic Center Saturday, Feb. 22nd

\*\*UNICO Breakfast WOHS Sunday, Feb. 23rd

\*\*WO Classic Film : "Pierrot Le Fou"

AMC Theater Feb. 23rd

### TRAVEL BASEBALL TRYOUTS

Spring All Star Tryouts Date:TBA Grades 3 - 8

REGISTRATIONS AVAILABLE IN FEBRUARY

Girl's Softball (Grades K-6) Golf (Grades 3- 8)

Lacrosse (Grades K-8; New 3rd/4th Grade Travel Squad)

### WEST ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

\*\*\*\*\* Great List of January Programs \*\*\*\*\*

*Storytimes Teen Activities Book Discussions Movies  
Computer Workshops and more.....*

Visit Library Website - [www.wopl.org](http://www.wopl.org)

### ESSEX CO. ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, ROSELAND

Full Slate For December & the Winter Months

Rec Website in - "Current Registration Forms & Tryout Schedules"

### WO ZONE

The WO Council of PTA's produces an electronic newsletter full of info on our public schools including. Signing up is simple & easy.

1. Visit [www.tinyurl.com/wo-zone](http://www.tinyurl.com/wo-zone)
2. Enter your email address
3. Check your Inbox for an email with easy instructions to subscribe

### REC DEPT. CONTACT INFO

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Email: [recreation@westorange.org](mailto:recreation@westorange.org)

Phone.: 973-325-4150 Fax: 973-243-0621

**Weather Hotline: 973-243-1115**

### Co-Operative Non Profits Organizations

#### West Orange Police Athletic League

Web: [www.wopal.org](http://www.wopal.org)

Email: [info@wopal.org](mailto:info@wopal.org) Phone: 973-736-3595

#### WO Mountain Top League

Web: [www.mountaintopleague.com](http://www.mountaintopleague.com)

Emails: sport specific - check Web Phone.: 973-736-1755

#### West Orange Basketball Club

Web: under construction

Email: [wobc2001@aol.com](mailto:wobc2001@aol.com) Phone: 973-941-9594

### RECREATION DEPT.

#### REQUIRED REGISTRATION MATERIALS

- 1) Parent's driver's license (WO address)
- 2) Child's birth certificate
- 3) Child's most recent report card

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