

1. The Walpole Recreation Department and the Agahigian Family are collaborating to offer a special afternoon: “Thomas the Train Afternoon,” for the entire community on, Sunday, January 31 from 2:30 – 4:30PM. The Agahigian Family collects model trains and will be filling Blackburn Hall with many train “stations” and displays. Along with watching all of the trains in motion, there will be many wonderful things for the children to take part in as some of the displays will allow them to be interactive and actually run the models. Other happenings that afternoon will include train crafts, cocoa, and snacks. The price of admission is \$5 per person. Anyone interested in attending the “Thomas the Train” afternoon is asked to pre-register at [www.walpolerec.com](http://www.walpolerec.com).

2. Our next dance party for Walpole 6th graders is Friday, January 22 from 7:30 - 10pm at Blackburn Hall. Any 6th grader that wants to attend needs to come to Blackburn Hall with a parent to have a picture taken and fill out the application form. Application for the dance card is \$10 per child for the card and then each dance will cost \$5 to get in. If any parents are interested in chaperoning, please call us at 508-660-7353 or email to [recreation@walpole-ma.gov](mailto:recreation@walpole-ma.gov).

3. Information will be posted and we will be begin taking registrations for Rebel Hoop, Extra Bases and Field Hockey and also our Recreation t-ball program, for children 3-7, via our website, [www.walpolerec.com](http://www.walpolerec.com) this Saturday.

4. Save the date now for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Taste of Walpole on Thursday, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 7:30 pm at Raffael’s. This annual event features local restaurants offering samples of some of their favorite and popular dishes. Don’t miss this chance to fill your bellies for only a suggested \$5 donation per person.

5. The deadline to register for Session II of Recreation Basketball is Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. Please sign up now as spaces are filling up.

6.. Most (but not all) Adult Education Classes offered by the Walpole Recreation Department are scheduled to begin the week of Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. Please be sure to check out all of our exciting course offerings at [www.WalpoleRec.com](http://www.WalpoleRec.com) – and remember – the best way to keep a class from running is to not register for it in a timely fashion! Make sure to register on-time, and we hope to see you out & about at Adult Ed!!!

7. We will be hosting a FREE one-night Kettlebell Training class next Wednesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 7-8pm in the Walpole High School Fitness Center. In this class, you will learn techniques and skills that make the kettlebell (basically, a cannonball with a handle) one of the most effective and efficient exercise tools in the world. To register, please go to [www.walpolerec.com](http://www.walpolerec.com) and search: Kettlebell.

8. Our popular Parents at Leisure program has space available for kids ages 3-6 on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. As an added incentive, if you bring a friend to a class, you will receive half-off the next Parents at Leisure class you sign up for! This class is for kids who need a bit of help with separation anxiety, as well as those who just want to get out during the winter months. Each week, the kids will make arts and crafts, play games,

read stories, make snacks, do ooey-goopy science fun and other surprises. Each class will have structure, as well as free play.