

Downtown West Orange

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Welcome to the July edition of the Downtown West Orange Alliance Newsletter! Our goal is to keep you up to date on Downtown happenings, information, upcoming events and more!

Thomas Edison National Historical Park – Where Modern America Was Invented Opening Friday, July 2

The Thomas Edison National Historical Park is conveniently located in West Orange's Downtown and is set to reopen some visitor facilities with limited occupancy and one-way visitor traffic flow at the Laboratory Complex and Glenmont Estate Grounds on Friday, July 2 . Facilities will be open Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. [Learn more and visit.](#)



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Independence Day Celebration

On Sunday, July 4, West Orange will celebrate Fourth of July in style with festivities featuring food, fun and fireworks starting at 1 p.m. at West Orange High School campus (Conforti Avenue). Rain date is Monday, July 5. The weather hotline for the event is 973-243-1115.

Bring your appetite and the family for some tasty fare during the fifth annual Food Truck Festival from 1 p.m. - 9 p.m. Vendors scheduled to participate include Benji's Taqueria Grill, Tuta Ice Cream, Angry Archie's, The Artic Dog, Empanada Lady, Cosmic Kettle Corn, Puras Paletas, Mr. Cooper's Funnel Cakes, Ann's Catering and Carnival Donut Bar, to name a few. DJ entertainment will provide a festive backdrop and food sales will be available throughout the day until 9 p.m.

Grab a tasty bite and continue the fun in our Downtown – where unique gift shops, along with dozens of great restaurants and scenic sidewalks make it the for the perfect place to spend the day with friends and family.

After the food and festivities, bring your blankets (no chairs allowed on the turf) and stake out your favorite vantage point on West Orange High School Soccer & Baseball fields for the fireworks display - set to commence at dusk.

Up to date information may be found on the Township [Website](#) or [Facebook](#) page.



Downtown Thursdays

Get some fresh air and enjoy Downtown Thursdays in Downtown West Orange! Enjoy live music, food tours, beauty demonstrations and much more. Events take place every Thursday in July. [Visit this link](#) for more details. Press Release can be found [here](#).



Upcoming Downtown Thursdays

Catch the energy!

July 8th 5-8PM - Food Tours, Music

@ 105 Harrison Ave, Quigley Parking Lot

July 15th 5-8PM - Chocolate Tour, Yoga

@ 87 Washington Street

July 22nd 5-8PM - Characters, Ice Carving

@ 30 Main Street

July 29th 5-8PM - Crafts, Chalk Art

@ 55 Kingsley

All dates feature outdoor games, dining + music

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Upcoming OSPAC Events

Pleasant Valley Productions at the Oskar Schindler Performing Arts Center (OSPAC) has kicked off their 2021 season with entertainment all summer long. Learn more about the upcoming events taking place at OSPAC this month.



Photo Credit: Will Zarillo, Oskar Schindler Performing Arts Center

Smokey Joe's Café
Friday, July 16 & 23 at 8 p.m.
Saturday, July 17 & 24 at 8 p.m.

The Songs of Leiber and Stoller, Words and Music by Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller, Musically Directed by Joseph Christianson, and Directed and Choreographed by Jelani Remy. Leiber and Stoller songs provide the basis for an electrifying entertainment that illuminates a golden age of American culture. Featuring nearly 40 of the greatest songs ever recorded, Smokey Joe's Cafe isn't just great pop music - it's compelling musical theatre.



Beach Party Concert Featuring The Driftwoods
Friday, July 30 at 7:30 p.m.

Presented by West Orange Recreation Department and Pleasant Valley Productions, guests can enjoy and sing at the Beach Party Concert featuring a Beach Boys Tribute Band.

[See the full lineup of Summer 2021 OSPAC events here.](#)

Farmer's Market

Shop farm fresh fruits and veggies at the West Orange Farmers Market! Visit every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. to shop your local favorites. [Learn more about the market.](#)



Downtown West Orange Alliance Receives Prestigious National Main Street™ Accreditation for the 21st Consecutive Year

The Downtown West Orange Alliance (DWOA) has received Main Street™ program 2021 accreditation by Main Street America for the 21st consecutive year, recognizing its exceptional dedication to preservation-based economic development and community revitalization.

Start, end, or spend the day with the entire family in Downtown West Orange. Downtown West Orange's Main Street Corridor features four vibrant commercial districts in neighborhoods: Eagle Rock, Tory Corner, St. Marks, and the Valley. While strolling the districts visitors receive a warm welcome from the mom-and-pop shops here and dining options around every turn.



Shop West Orange Property Tax Reward Program

Shop West Orange! Support your local West Orange businesses by shopping in town and receive a discount on your annual property tax bill. The Property Tax Reward Program is open to all property owners in West Orange.

[Learn more about the Shop West Orange Property Tax Reward Program and request your FREE card today.](#)



Lash District Ribbon Cutting Recap

Congratulations on your ribbon cutting, [Lash District](#)! Welcome to Downtown West Orange.



Flag Day Recap

The West Orange Fire Department hosted their annual Flag Day celebration on June 14 at the Fire Headquarters, 415 Valley Road in West Orange.

The ceremony, which was canceled last year due to COVID, included members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post #376 conducting a flag retirement. The public brought their unserviceable American flags to be included as part of the ceremony. This solemn event provided proper



Downtown Business Spotlight

How Delish

Check out our first Business Spotlight featuring Downtown West Orange Business, How Delish! [Learn more about these local vegan desserts.](#)



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