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WRCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING Special Summer Meeting Tues-

<u>day</u>, July 18 at 7:30 p.m. Fire Hall *All Welcome Limited Agenda*

- 1. Boat Cruise
- 2. Chestnut Ridge Construction
- DEADLINE FOR THE AUGUST WITW IS JULY 7
- Classified (page 6)
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From the Presidents Desk

Hello Neighbors:

Unfortunately business travel had me out of town for the June meeting, but from talking to board members it sure sounds like plans are well underway for a summer kick off party, National Night Out event and The Summer Boat Cruise. The exciting details can found in this issue. These events are a great way to enjoy the summer, and meet the neighbors.

I've also been informed "Sweet Home Dollars for Scholars Committee" has selected Meg Weber for the WRCA Scholarship and Richard Boorman for the Dave Lamb Scholarship. These awards are both for \$500.00 and awarded to an outstanding female and male student who have grown up in the Willow Ridge area. Congratulations to these two students and the entire Class of 2006 on a job well done!

I read an interesting survey that said 69% of American Dog owner's consider their pets family members, well just 19% consider them property the remaining 8% consider them both. I guess I fall into that last 8%, but this probably matters little to our new dog as we struggle to teach her to be a good neighbor. I mention all this because of the complaints I've gotten lately about people allowing their dog's to roam free. This is illegal and can be dangerous to your dog, other dogs, adults and particularly children. Please take care of your pet regardless if you consider them a family member or property (or both).

One final note goes out to any former board member who may know whatever became of the small animal traps that the Association purchased years ago. If you know please contact me, there are a few people who would like to put them back in service.

Cam Hill

CONGRATULATIONS 2006 GRADUATES!



It is once again time to recognize our Willow Ridge students who have reached a milestone in their life by graduating from college or high school. We do this by way of a personal listing in the *Wind-in-the-*

Willows! (See page 6.) If you have a graduate in the family, please print or type pertinent information (name, street, high school or college) along with, if you wish, any achievements



and future plans of your graduate. Please feel free to include a "one liner," a personal message of affection to your loved one. Graduates will be listed in the August issue. For a guaranteed spot, please have your

printed or typed information in by July 7. Deliver to 221 North Brier Road, porch box. Information also may be emailed to me at wiweditor@aol.com. Please include "*WITW*" in the subject box. Debby VonLangen, Editor

SUMMER KICKOFF PARTY!

Join your Willow Ridge neighbors for a picnic in the park!

DATE: Friday, July 7 TIME: 6 pm PLACE: Bedford Park

(For those who have inquired...Bedford Park is sometimes referred to as the "Little Playground" near the tennis courts.)

Bring your own food, drinks and refreshments. A grill will be provided. Visit with old friends, and meet some new neighbors!

LIKE TO STAY ACTIVE? COMING SOON—NEW SUM-MERTIME FUN!!

New activities planned for all ages! Let's make a date to play!

TENNIS ANYONE?

Adults interested in meeting for a tennis match can choose from any (or all) of the following dates. State if you are interested in playing singles or doubles.

Wednesday, July 12, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 15, 9:30 a.m. Monday, July 24, 7 p.m. Saturday, July 29, 9:30 a.m.

Please call Lee Baker at 691-5972, if interested. She will schedule reserve court time for the above dates. We will play tennis at our own Bedford Park!

ALL –AGES SOFTBALL GAMES! Sunday July 30, 2pm Sunday, August 20, 2 pm Meet at Bedford Park

We can set up one or two games, based on number of interested players. No registration necessary! Just join us on the following dates...bring your equipment, some enthusiasm, and we can pick teams at that time! (Everyone plays —with the goal of having a fun and casual game!) Questions? Please call Jennifer Hubert, 691-4239 for more information.

Classified Advertisements

Editors Note: *Classified* is a service provided for the use of <u>Willow Ridge Civic Association members</u> free of charge. Please print or type your ad on a *full-sized sheet of paper*. Sign your ad (not the envelope) and include your address and phone number. *Classified* is not to be used for business purposes. Deliver to 221 N. Brier and place in porch box. Thank you.

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Appliance: Freezer, upright, \$80.00 or b/o. 691-8437

Automobile: '92 Ford Escort, 46,000 mi., good car, great for student. 691-6157

Automobile: 1996 Ford F150 2 WD SuperCab, white, auto, ac, am/ fm, cruise, helper springs, trailer hookup, straight 6, will run forever, 186k highway miles, (Blue Book-4300) asking \$3000.00. 691-8981 **Automobile:** 2001 Oldsmobile Aurora, mint condition, loaded, green, 4 door, 60k, 6 cyl, side and front airbags, moon roof, leather, heated seats, \$8995.00. Call Melissa @ 716/465-1350

Electronics: Sony speakers, 2/\$20.00; Sharp speakers, 2/\$20.00; Yamaha keyboard, PSR 270-like new, \$150.00. 691-3356

Furniture: Simmons oak twin bedroom set w/headboard, dresser, night stand, \$250.00. 691-3356

Furniture: Family or playroom 3 cushion couch & matching 2 cushion loveseat, \$175 or b/o; Firm up your double mattress with a special "board," \$10.00; 4 drawer file cabinet, like new, \$45.00; 2 cane chairs (old) \$45.00 ea.; entertainment center, 6' x 6' dark cherry finish, must dismantle, \$100.00 or b/o. 691-8437

Household: Double storm doors (2) "Forever Doors," screens included (never used), center mullion, each door is 32," all hardware included. 691-8780

Sports/Leisure: PSE left hand compound bow & arrows, rest, Quiauer sight, 6 arrows, \$75.00; Mec Jr single loading press for 12 gauge, \$50.00. 691-3356

Sports/Leisure: Ladies' Powerbuilt oversized irons, graphite shafts, 3,4,5,6,7,8,9,W, \$50.00 or b/o; Clubrunner, battery operated walking golf cart with battery recharger and new battery, \$50.00 or b/o, 691-6967

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The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. In attendance were Vice President Jim Prentice, Treasurer Jack Baker, Secretary Neil Cuomo, and Board Members Ed Goetz, Karen Decker, Pat Land, Clayton Cobb, and Bob Foladare. Also present were Ben Procopio and Lee Baker.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES

The minutes from the May 9, 2006 WRCA board meeting, as published in the May 2006 edition of the *Wind-inthe-Willows* were reviewed. A motion was made by Bob Foladare, seconded by Ed Goetz to accept the minutes. Motion was carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Jack Baker gave the treasurer's report. He reported a checking account balance of \$10,341.00, and provided the board with a breakdown of deposits and withdrawals during the prior month. A motion was made by Bob Foladare, seconded by Pat Land to accept the treasurer's report, which was carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Scholarships (Bob Foladare)

Bob Foladare reported the winners of the WRCA scholarships of \$500.00 each, which will be matched by the schools the recipients are to attend. The David Lambe Memorial Scholarship recipient is Richard Boorman. The WRCA Scholarship winner is Margaret Weber. Awards were given at Classics V on June 22. Plaques were also presented by the board to the recipients, which were donated by Willow Ridge resident Dave Barbalato of Tony Martin Awards. The board expressed their congratulations to the winners.

Webmaster (Jack Baker)

Jack Baker reported that photos of the boat cruise, Snowflake Dinner Dance, Halloween and Easter parties, Oktoberfest and holiday lighting winners are up on the website. The present site remains www.wrca.info. Links are being established for those advertisers in the monthly newsletter.

Boat Cruise (Bob Foladare and Ed Goetz)

Bob and Ed reported a firm date of August 13, 2006 from 2—5 p.m. has been set for the annual boat cruise. Tickets are \$25.00 per person for three hours (two hours last year) of beer, wine and other refreshments, and people are urged to block out this date and begin getting their groups together. Call Ed or Bob for reservations. Tickets are expected to go fast; contact Bob, Ed or any board member.

National Night Out (Gary Roussie)

Gary reported that this event is scheduled for Tuesday,

August 1, 2006. He is working on obtaining at least one helicopter. The Town will be providing the mobile stage and entertainment. The parade will begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Ellicott Creek Fire Hall, ending at the elementary school. Willow Ridge resident Rick Wirth, a.k.a. "Doc Rock," has once again volunteered his time. Gary also advised that the scouts will be contacted to gauge interest in assisting with hot dogs, bounce house, etc. Furthermore, Maribeth Cerrone, an authorized dealer for Brinks Home Security will be setting up a display and informational booth to inform residents how to best protect their property, and answer any questions.

OLD BUSINESS

Ball Diamonds: Neil Cuomo reported that the school district is receptive to our assistance in reconditioning the baseball fields at Willow Ridge. The board authorized \$300.00 to be used for painting of backstops, construction of benches and purchasing dirt and/or sod if necessary, although attempts will be made to procure the materials otherwise.

Family Picnic: Jennifer Hubert is running the Family Picnic, scheduled for Friday, July 7 at 6 p.m. at Bedford Park. Look for details in this issue of the *Wind-in-the-Willows*.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held concerning planned construction of additional apartments at the corner of Sweet Home and Chestnut Ridge. Information can be viewed at the NY State government website. DOT was contacted concerning a possible pedestrian bridge over Sweet Home Road, which DOT deems not necessary as it was addressed in planning of the intersection in question. Comments to any board member are welcomed.

ADJOURN

No further business being at hand, a motion was made by Bob Foladare, seconded by Pat Land to adjourn at 8:55 p.m., which was carried. Respectfully submitted,

Neil Cuomo, Secretary

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!





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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



Get Well

Friends and neighbors on Willow Green and Rockdale wish Bob Dearstyne a very speedy recovery following his recent surgery. We hope to see you and Donna out around the yard and in your garden very soon.

Hopefully, you will be able to enjoy your lake home in Rushford this summer as well. All the best. Bob! Farewell

Neighbors on Willow Green Drive would like to wish Tom and Sylvia Dikeman of 228 Willow Green much good luck and happiness in their new home on Raintree Island. Take care and we will miss you! Welcome

A hearty Willow Ridge welcome to Alisa and Mike Tofil and 18 month old Jillian Marie who moved into 97 Jeanmoor from Baltimore, Md. Mike works at Blue Cross and Blue Shield and Alisa works at HSBC Bank. After being away from the area for fifteen years, they made the decision to move back so Jillian could get to know her grandparents and cousins. Welcome back! Congratulations

Congratulations to the Christopher family of 9 Willow Lane Ct. on the marriage of their daughter Sarah who was married on July 1. Sarah and her husband, Chad Zingler, will be living in Tonawanda when they return from a honeymoon in Hawaii. Parents Dave and Linda and brothers Lyle and Matt wish them much happiness in their new home.

Bob and Marceann Ruettimann of North Brier Road announce the marriage of their daughter Jennifer Lynn to Steven Brian Parsons on May 20, 2006. The bride is a graduate of Sweet Home High School and Niagara University and is a registered nurse at the Weinberg Campus, where she is Manager of Clinical Services. The bridegroom is a graduate of Kenmore West High School and Bryant & Stratton College and is a manufacturing engineer with Accelent Corporation in

FREE Summer Carnival! All kids ages 12 & under are invited to join us for

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July 8 Don Davis Car Show—Custom, antique, and classic cars and trucks will be exhibited by their owners from noon to 5 pm. Live entertainment. Participation open to anyone wishing to register a pre-1980 vehicle, fee: \$15; includes BBQ chicken dinner for two. Anyone interested in registering a vehicle should call Mark Davis at 691-7800. Registrations also accepted at gate day of show. Awards for best cars in several categories will be given at 5 pm. Event concludes with a silent auction of select pieces of the Auto Art exhibit. Admission \$1 for adults and children.

July 17-21—Discovery Summer Day Camp—This year's theme is sports and games of the past. Activities include crafts, creative writing, team sports, outdoor games, guessing games, and more. Day camp is for children 8-12. Space limited; reserve place for children as soon as possible. Call 689-1440 for info and tuition costs or visit the website at www.amherstmuseum.org.

July 22 – Motorcycle Day, noon—6 pm Awards given for antique, foreign, chopper, rat bike, and people's choice. Participants will take part in motorcycle rider's games such as slow riding, egg race and helmet toss. Enjoy music, door prizes, meeting the riders. Admission \$5/Adults; including riders, \$1 50/children

July 25—History of Motorcycles Made in NY—7 pm— Lecture by Goeffrey Stein.

NOTICE: HOME DEPOT IS OFFERING ITS 10% **DISCOUNT TO WILLOW RIDGERS ON** THE SECOND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH WITH THE PRESENTATION OF THAT MONTH'S WIND-IN-THE-WILLOWS AND PROPER ID. IT IS HOPED THAT THIS WILL ALLEVIATE THE PROBLEM OF SOME NOT RECEIVING THEIR NEWSLETTER IN TIME FOR THE DISCOUNT.

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Willow Ridge Salutes the Graduates of 2006

University of Pittsburgh Graduate

Kara Marciano, daughter of John and May Marciano of Westcliffe Drive and granddaughter of John and Linda Marciano of Sweetwood North graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a B.A. in Finance. She has been accepted into a Sales Development Training Program at M&T Bank. *Kara, you have worked so hard and we are so proud of you. Love, Mom, Dad, Scott, John and Lauren.*

Fredonia State University Graduate

Congratulations to Kyle Christopher of Willow Lanc Ct. who graduated in May from Fredonia State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Business. Kyle will be moving to Tampa, Florida in July to attend the University of South Florida. *Kyle, we are also proud of you and will miss you like crazy. Love, Mom, Dad. Matt, Sarah. & Chad*

Sweet Home High School Graduates

Congratulations to our daughter, Meg Weber, who will be graduating from Sweet Home High School this year. Meg will be attending Daemen College on a 6 year Presidential Scholarship majoring in Physical Therapy. *Meg, your hard work and dedication in everything you do is a constant source of pride for us. We have no doubt your dreams will come true. Remember to approach every day with enthusiasm, a positive outlook and your beautiful smile!! Lots of Love, Mom, Dad, Kelly & Emma.*

Congratulations to Jenni Koons of Willow Green Drive who is graduating from Sweet Home High School. Jenni will be attending Niagara University in the fall of 2006. Jenni- You are never afraid to be who you are—you are God's own creation. Good luck on your continued success. As always we are so proud of you. We love you always—Dad, Mom, Pammy, Noelle, Roger, and Kassi



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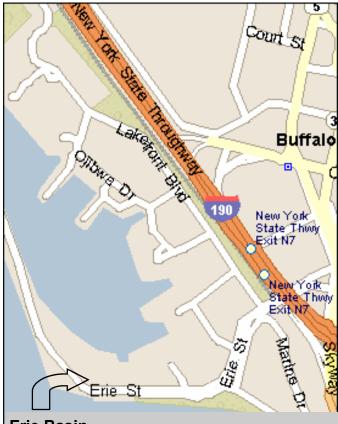
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WILLOW RIDGE GARDEN CLUB

Garden Club members will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Willow Ridge School on July 12 and car pool to visit some outstanding gardens in the area. Following the tour, lunch will be optional at Anderson's Restaurant. For information call 837-4014.

For non-members who are interested in exhibiting their Chrysanthemums or vegetables in our September Flower Show, watch for the August Garden Club notice for details in how to prepare your specimen for the show.

-Mira Knoble Publicity Chairman 693-8666



Erie Basin

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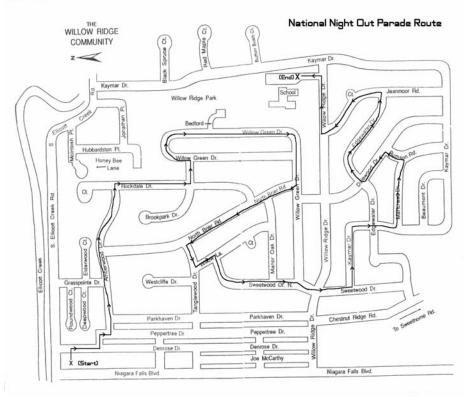
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Project Leader	Neil Cuomo	691-3014

Willow Ridge Civic Association

July 2006

It's Here Again, Willow Ridge! NATIONAL NIGHT OUT ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2006

The Willow Ridge Civic Association will again sponsor National Night Out activities on Tuesday, August 1. The event begins with a grand bicycle parade through the Willow Ridge Community that forms at the Ellicott Creek Fire Hall at 6 p.m. (Please see route map). Children are encouraged to decorate their bikes. Activities, games, and prizes for the children will begin at the Willow Ridge School at 7 p.m. where Glenn Coulton will be providing live entertainment. There will be a bounce house and Brinks Security will have items on display. The police helicopter even may make an appearance. Girl Scout Troop 988 will be selling their hot dogs to keep you well fed. Please join your neighbors once again for this wonderful and worthwhile mid-summer event. National Night Out is a national program for the safety and crime awareness designed to bring neighborhoods together to promote crime prevention and home security.



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