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A Message From the President

Dear Friends and Neighbors

For those who were able to read the president's message last month, you realize that the July and August newsletters have been combined. This was a nice cost savings measure for the association which we plan to repeat next year.

The summer activities began in the month of June with our annual neighborhood garage sale, of which I saw that there were many participants this year. I hope you all enjoyed success on your sales. Also in the spotlight were the awards ceremony, and the graduating class of 2014 from Sweet Home High. Congratulations go out to all our students for the accomplishments they have made during their time in Sweet Home schools, along with a wish for future success in their post high school years.

And now for the fun upcoming summer events for the whole family. 1) National Night Out is August 5, 2014; this event continues to grow and exceed our expectations. Please plan on attending and enjoy the evening out with your children and neighbors. 2) Movie Night is August 8, 2014 at dusk in Bedford Park. Our movie this year is LEGO. There will be E-Winds and Facebook postings with more details as they continue to form. For movie night in particular, there is plenty of work left and we could use your help. There are details on both of these events inside this issue.

Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 9 at 7:30pm at the Ellicott Creek Fire Hall. Hope to see you all there as we return to our normal schedule! In the meantime, have a safe and happy summer!

Sincerely,

Rick VonLangen

Family Movie Night

Friday, August 8
Bedford Park

under the stars!!

Bring your cozy blankets, comfy chairs, and yummy snacks.
Relax and enjoy a movie under the stars.

Show time—DUSK!!

Featuring: THE LEGO MOVIE

Refreshments available.

Free gifts to the first 100 children under 10.

See page 2 for more information.

No pets or alcohol please.



WRCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING
Tuesday, September 9, 2014 7:30 p.m.
Ellicott Creek Fire Hall

All Members Welcome

DEADLINE for the September WITW is Aug 7

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Family Movie Night Under the Stars

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

Looking for an activity for the entire family to enjoy? Head to Bedford Park with your lawn chairs, blankets and snacks for a movie under the stars.

A free gift to the first 100 children under the age of 10.

Show time at dusk
No pets or alcohol please • Refreshments available

*In the event of rain, please check our Facebook page and e-mails for details.
Cancellation will be decided by 5 p.m.*



Featuring:

The Lego Movie

This family friendly night is made possible by membership in the Willow Ridge Civic Association.



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Willow Ridge Salutes the Graduates of the Class of 2014



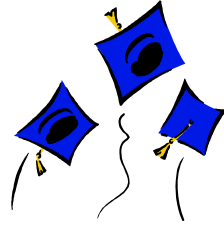
SUNY BUFFALO & SUNY CORTLAND GRADUATES

The Goetz Family on Grasspointe was very busy on May 17th. Kate Goetz graduated from SUNY Buffalo State with a dual degree; a Bachelor of Art in Art and a Bachelor of Fine Art in Media Communications. Kate is employed with Sentient Science as a Graphic Designer. Sister Julie Goetz graduated 3 hours away at SUNY Cortland with a Bachelor of Art in Communication Studies. Julie is in California for the summer working at Skylake Yosemite Camp. *Dad and Mom could not be more proud of you both. All our love.*

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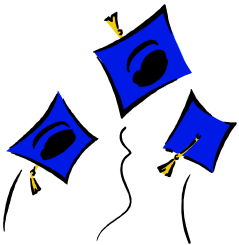
COLLEGE GRADUATES

Congratulations to Andrea Bellavia for earning her Masters of Science Degree in Counseling from Canisius College and Charlie Bellavia for earning his Bachelors of Science in Criminal Justice from Buffalo State College. *We are very proud of your accomplishments, the great people you are, and we love you very much. Mom and Dad*



SWEET HOME HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES



Alexa Zak of 10 Button Bush Court is graduating Salutatorian from Sweet Home High School. She has had many accomplishments in her four years at school including President of National Honor Society, first chair clarinet, co-captain girls tennis team and President Global Ambassadors. She will attending the 4 plus 4 medical school program through St. Bonaventure University and Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine. Her goal is to be a pediatrician. *Congratulations, Alexa!! You did it!! Love, Mom, Dad, Connor and Snickers*



Stephen Gagnon graduated with honor from Sweet Home high school Friday June 27, 2014. He will be attending the University of Buffalo Honors College for aero space engineering in the fall.

Congratulations Stephen! We are so very proud of all your hard work and many academic and musical accomplishments. You are a great blessing to us and we look forward to seeing all that God has planned for your life!

We love you, Mom, Dad and Lisa

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National Night Out in Willow Ridge

Easily one of the most popular events of the year!
Get there early and get in on all the action!!

August 5, 2014
Willow Ridge School

Health/Safety Fun Food

You won't want to miss this! **Bike parade** starts at the fire hall at 6pm, snakes through the neighborhood and ends at Willow Ridge School. (See diagram below.) At the school you and the kids will be treated to a fun-fest of major proportions! Chaired once again by John Miller, this year's event will be even bigger and better!

self-defense demos
car seat check
health screenings
neighborhood watch info

Pony rides
Petting Zoo
Bounce House
DJ & Games

Free Anderson Sundaes
Hot Dog Sale
Cotton Candy

Fire Truck

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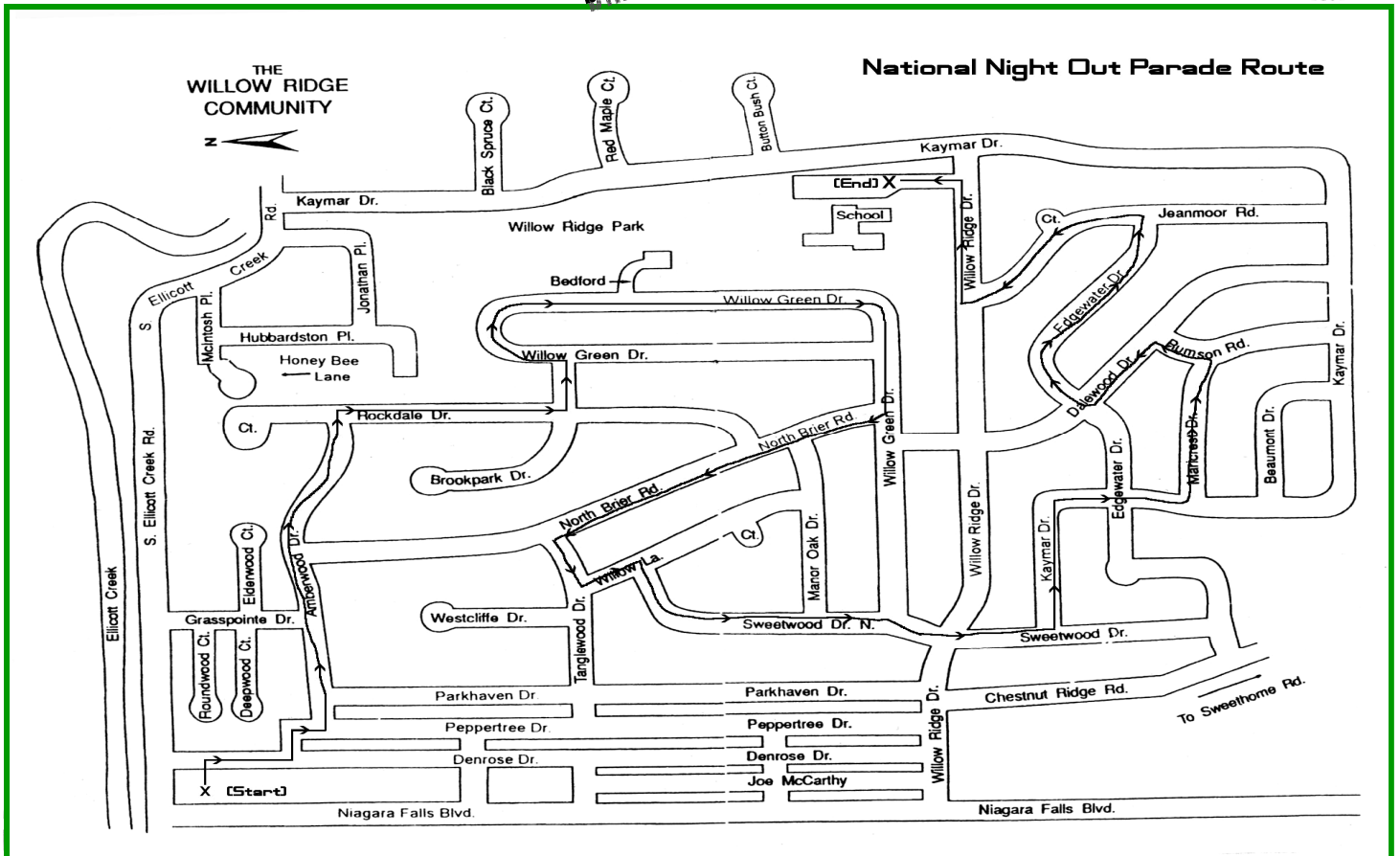


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Back By Popular Demand....

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS

FROM THE AMHERST POLICE DEPARTMENT

LOCKS, DOORS, WINDOWS

- * Install good dead bolt locks in your doors, *and use them.*
About 50% of burglars enter homes through unlocked doors and windows. Avoid door locks that can be unlocked by breaking glass or door panels to reach inside.
- * Secure sliding glass doors with commercial locks and sturdy wooden dowel in the track, or a nail inserted through a hole drilled in the sliding glass door frame projecting into the fixed frame.
- * Lock double hung windows by sliding a bolt or nail through a hole drilled at a downward angle in each top corner of the inside sash and part way through the outside sash.
- * Keep valuables in a secure place in your home, preferably in a locked security safe.

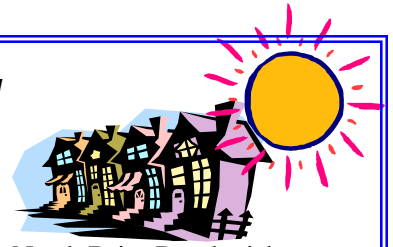
OUTSIDE

- * Trim shrubbery that hides doors and windows, and cut back tree limbs that could help a burglar reach a second story window.
- * Make sure porches, entrances and yards are well lit.
- * Report broken street lights to the utility company.
- * Do not hide house keys in mailboxes or under doormats. Instead, give a duplicate key to a trusted friend or neighbor.
- * Change locks as soon as you move into a new home. Before you move into an apartment, make sure the landlord changes the locks from the previous tenant.

WHILE AWAY

- * Leave lights and a radio on to give your home an occupied look. Use timing devices to turn lights and radios on and off at varying times. Keep your garage door closed and locked.
- * If going away for longer than a few days, arrange to have someone pick up your mail and newspapers. Have regularly scheduled deliveries stopped or sent elsewhere.
- * Don't announce plans for a party or vacation prior to leaving.

Neighborhood News



In Sympathy

Friends and neighbors on North Brier Road wish to extend their sincere sympathy to Linda Rhodes and her family upon the death of her husband, Donald. He has been devoted to our community for a number of years. His home was a haven to faster children. Not only did he care for them, but he cared for his home. Don was often seen mowing, hosing down the gutters, painting and doing other homeowner tasks. Even still, he was never too busy to chat with a neighbor and will be greatly missed.

Welcome & Congratulations

A belated welcome to Michael and Jennifer Bialasik who moved into 47 Willow Green Dr. in late January. Michael is an IT and Jennifer an RN. In addition to buying a new home, Michael and Jennifer also recently became parents for the first time. Steven Michael was born on May 6, 2014 weighing 8 lbs 10 oz. Congratulations on the birth of your beautiful son and best wishes for many happy years in your new home!

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate WRCA board members, Jim & Dawn Cwierley, on the birth of their second child. Matthew Charles Cwierley was born on June 3 weighing in at 8 lbs 1 oz. He joins big sister Jessica at their home, 740 Edgewater Drive. Best wishes to the expanded Cwierley family!!

- * Use unpredictable hiding places for valuables, like among cleaning supplies under your sink or beneath logs in a wood box. Keep valuable, but rarely used items in a safe deposit box.
- * One of the best ways to prevent crime is to get to know your neighbors, and watch each other's homes. Exchange work and vacation schedules with a neighbor you trust so you can keep an eye on each other's homes.
- * *Most important of all...* be sure to report any suspicious activity in your neighborhood to the police immediately. Make sure you stay on the line to give the operator all the details, including license plate numbers and vehicle identification, if possible.



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Classified is a service provided for the use of Willow Ridge Civic Association members 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, or email to wiweditor@gmail.com.

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2014**



Spectacular Summer Nights in Willow Ridge

National Night Out

August 5 6pm Willow Ridge Elementary

Open Air Movie Night

August 8th Bedford Park

See inside for details!