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WRCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 12

7:30 p.m.

Ellicott Creek Fire Hall

All Members Welcome

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From the President's Desk

Dear Friends and Neighbors

Now that Spring has finally arrived, at least according to the calendar, it's time to start thinking about getting rid of the clutter that most of us have accumulated over the past year. Once again, the WRCA will be sponsoring our Annual Garage Sale scheduled for mid-June; more details to follow in the May Newsletter.

A special thank you to Carol Zaffram for organizing the March Snowflake Dinner Dance at Classics V. Everyone that attended had a good time and it was nice to see some new faces! The Family Picnic at Bedford Park has been scheduled for Saturday August 6th. We're looking for volunteers to help plan this event; anyone interested should contact a board member.

On a more important note, the final school budget meeting was held on March 26th. The next step in the process is approval by the School Board. Information on current proposals can be found on the district website; www.sweethomeschools.com. I encourage everyone to review the changes that are forthcoming prior to the School Budget Vote on May 17th. Any questions can be directed to the Office of the Superintendent @ 250-1402.

Sincerely,

Ed Goetz

GRADUATION APPROACHES

It is hard to believe it, but another school year inches closer to the end, and we want to be one of the first to congratulate our 2011 graduates by listing them all in the next issues of the *Wind-in-the-Willows*. After all, they are our own Willow Ridgers and we are duly proud of them. In order to accomplish this we are again asking that you submit your graduate's name, address, and graduating school (college or high school). Include any accomplishments and/or goals he/she might have. To make the announcement extra special, be sure to include a signed "one-liner;" a message to your graduate. Graduation information can be sent starting now, but to insure the June edition, please submit by May 13. Submissions that do not make it into the June issue will appear in the July edition. Place your announcement, printed or typed on a full size sheet of paper, in the box on the porch at 221 North Brier, or better yet, email me at wiweditor@gmail.com. Please keep in mind that although there are no restrictions on length of announcement, some editing especially on very lengthy notices, may become necessary. Come on, proud moms and dads, let us all celebrate your graduate together!



Debby VonLangen, Editor

WRCA MEETING MINUTES

March 8th, 2011

President Ed Goetz called the meeting to order at 7:30PM. In attendance were President Ed Goetz, Vice President Karen Tyno, Treasurer Rick VonLangen, Board Members, Dawn Cwierley, Bob Folandare, Pat Land and John Valkwitch, excused was Patty Daddario and Mark Hammer, Community attendees included Cam Hill, Debbie Goetz, and Neil Cuomo.

Secretary's Minutes:

A motion was made by Bob Folandare to approve the secretary minutes from the February meeting, Karen Tyno seconded, board approval followed.

Treasurers Report:

Rick VonLangen reports \$2024.00 income for February, with expenses of \$1360.00 and an ending account balance of \$16,041.00. John Valkwitch made a motion to approve, seconded by Karen Tyno board approval was unanimous.

Presidents Report:

No correspondence received by President Ed Goetz.

Membership Report: The number of WRCA 2011 renewals was 649 received as of 3/8/11.

Karen Tyno will head up and implement a Willow Ridge "Welcoming Committee" to welcome and introduce new neighbors.

Old Business:

"Willow Ridge Wine Tasting Night" on January 29, raised \$1996.00. After a board discussion and vote, it was determined the funds will be appropriated in the following manner; \$1000.00 to WRCA Scholarship Fund; \$500.00 to the Willow Ridge Elementary School Playground Fund; and \$500.00 to a memorial Scholarship to be given in 2012.

Due to a lack of planning time and other requirements the "Monte Carlo Night" will not be held in 2011, but was targeted for a date in 2012. The Snow Flake Dinner Dance on March 5th was attended by 85 people, and a good time was reported.

New Business:

Board member Dawn Cwierley is working on instituting a neighborhood crime watch program. Sweet Home School Superintendent Anthony Day and the School Board will hold a public forum on Saturday March 26 @ 8:00am in the Norman C. Virgils Community Center. The forum will deal with the upcoming school budget. All are invited to attend for information and input. For more information about the budget and to see an illustration visit www.sweethomeschools.com

Committee Reports:

Cam Hill reports advertising for the newsletter is on budget. A discussion ensued about the WRCA obtaining a game of chance permit, after considering the possibilities this permit will offer, Pat Land made a motion to obtain one, Bob Folandare seconded, the board granted approval. Neil Cuomo reports Christmas lighting winner gift cards are now being distributed. Plans for the annual Willow Ridge garage sale will be discussed at the next meeting.



SWING INTO ACTION!

Join us for the 2nd Annual Willow Ridge Golf Tournament Fundraiser

Date: Sunday June 5, 2011

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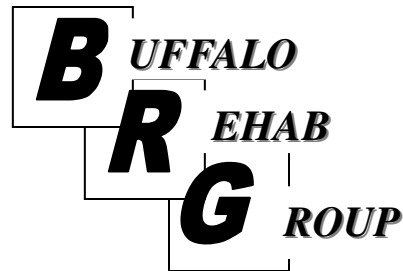
Neil Cuomo will again chair the annual summer picnic, but he needs help and new ideas if this event is to continue, the date is Saturday August 6th. Anyone willing to help and get involved is urged to contact Neil. A date will be set at a future meeting for the Fall Festival.

Adjournment:

With the agenda concluded Bob Folandare made a motion to adjourn, Dawn Cwierley seconded at 8:30pm. The next meeting is April 12 @ 7:30pm all are invited.

Respectfully submitted by Patrick Land, Secretary Pro - tem.

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Neighborhood News



Sympathy

Neighbors and friends on Chestnut Ridge Road wish to extend our deepest sympathy to the Gilinger family: Chuck, Diane, Adam, & Ryan on the passing of Diane's dad, Henry Diedrich, on February 21, 2011.

Willow Ridge Garden Club

Transition Meeting—April 6, 2011
7:30pm Zion United
Church of Christ,
15 Koenig Circle



Members will meet to set up club programs for the new year. A report from the vice president will set the theme for meeting dates, ideas for guest speakers, workshops, field trips etc. Final arrangements for the flower show, May 14, will also be discussed.

Joan Robinson 691-8397

Looking for a place to celebrate Easter?

(or not sure what Easter is all about?)

Hello, Neighbors! We'd love to have you and your family join us for our Easter week services; we want you to have a better understanding of Easter - it will change your life!

Good Friday Service—Friday, April 22 @ 7:00pm

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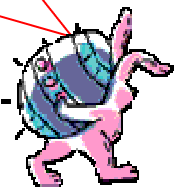
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Snowflake Dinner Dance Appreciation

I would like to thank all the people that came out to the Dinner Dance and had a great time. I would especially like to thank Lisa May from Classics V for, as always, doing a great job and putting up with me. Music was also great thanks to DJ Erich Krueger who kept lots of us dancing all night long. Centerpieces were beautiful and a great addition on every table thanks to Jolene Panzarella who owns Sweet Favorites. As long as I do this dance I will only use neighborhood folks for their services. If anyone has any new ideas for next year please let me know I appreciate all the advice I can get. Hope to see lots more of you next year!!

Carol Zaffram inkmore06@gmail.com 713-4980

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2011 Willow Ridge Civic Association Directory Cover Contest Winners

This was the 5th annual contest to design a cover for the WRCA Directory. We asked the young residents of our community to participate in designing a cover for the 2011 Willow Ridge Civic Association Directory. We received numerous entries and they were all terrific!! A lot of hard work was put in by all who participated. Congratulations to this year's winners:

- 1st Place Cover Designer– Kristen Armstrong, age 12**
2nd Place – Michael Nowak, age 14
3rd Place – Julia Cioppa, age 10

Each winner will be presented with a gift card and a complimentary 2011 Willow Ridge Civic Association Directory with their cover at the Willow Ridge Board Meeting on Tuesday, April 12, by President, Ed Goetz.

To the Members of the WRCA

The Willow Ridge Directory for the year 2011 is done and was delivered by Willow Ridge Boy Scout Troop 173 to all paid members in March.

The directory lists the names, addresses and telephone numbers of more than 1,200 families who live in the Willow Ridge area. Residents rely on it to contact neighbors and committees and to locate local goods and services. The directory is especially useful to those who are just moving into the area. There is also a public service directory located in the front of the directory.

If anyone has a change over the coming year, (such as a birth of a child) please do not hesitate to contact me by emailing wnyo80@verizon.net. I like to keep all this information as current as possible throughout the year.

I wish to THANK all the advertisers for supporting our Association. A great many of them generously contributed coupons in a special tear out section of the directory.

I hope the directory will continue to be a useful reference book and that the contents are as accurate as possible.

Sincerely, Jane Sieman,
Editor, 2011 WR Directory



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