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From the President's Desk

Dear Friends and Neighbors

Robert Anderson Superintendent for the Town of Amherst Highway Department, was the keynote speaker at our September meeting. The goal of his presentation was to inform the Board of all the services the Highway Department provides. Most of us are only aware of the most obvious services such as road maintenance, leaf collection, snow removal, refuse and recycling etc., but there is far more work being performed than we realize! The Highway Department also believes it has the ongoing responsibility to provide a safe environment for residents of the Town, while looking for ways to reduce costs, which can only benefit us as tax payers. If anyone needs information on what services are available or has an inquiry, please contact the Highway Department @ 631-7117 or randerson@amherst.ny.us.

October is a very important month for the WRCA; It's when we typically kick-off our membership drive for the upcoming year. Every homeowner in Willow Ridge will be receiving a copy of the newsletter in an effort to inform residents of the programs/activities that are currently provided and more important, what's going on in our neighborhood. And we're always looking for new members and ideas on how we can improve the association!

The next event is our annual **Fall Festival (aka Octoberfest)**, which is scheduled for **Saturday October 8, from 8 to 11 p.m. at Classics**. The cost is \$15 per person and that includes food, beverages, and a DJ; space is limited so sign up now! Advance ticket sales ONLY. See the newsletter for more information.

Our next scheduled meeting is Tuesday October 11th @ 7:30 p.m. at the Ellicott Creek Fire Hall. Hope to see you there!

Sincerely,

Ed Goetz

Willow Ridge Civic Association

Games

Halloween Party

Saturday October 22

Willow Ridge Elementary

12:30pm - 2:30pm

Wear your Costumes

Treats

Crafts

Guessing Jar

Bounce House

WRCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING

October 11

7:30 p.m.

Ellicott Creek Fire Hall

All Members Welcome

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WRCA 2012 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Join WRCA or renew your membership NOW!!!

and

Take advantage of our Early Bird Discount



Willow Ridge Civic Association's membership drive for 2012 begins on October 1st. Please take a moment today to choose your method of payment and complete the 2012 membership form:

Payment via personal check

Enclosed in this issue of the *Wind-in-the-Willows* are your 2012 WRCA Membership Invoice and return envelope. Please make your check payable to **Willow Ridge Civic Association** and return it in the addressed enclosed envelope by **December 31, 2011**. You can take advantage of our Early Bird Membership dues of \$14.00 from October 1st through November 15th. After November 15th, membership dues are \$15.00. Payment is due by December 31, 2011.

Payment via PayPal (secure, on-line payment method)

Go to www.wrca.info and follow the link to your interactive, On-Line, 2012 Membership Invoice. On-line Early Bird Membership dues are \$14.00 from October 1st through November 15th. After November 15th, membership dues are \$15.00. Payment is due by December 31, 2011.

If you are not a current PayPal subscriber, once you get to the payment screen, you may sign up for free.

No matter which payment method you choose, your timely membership renewal ensures that the monthly *Wind-in-the-Willows* will be delivered to your home throughout 2012 and that the *2012 WRCA Directory* will be delivered to you early in the new year.

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Who will win the Christmas Lighting Contest this year? Find out in January! Winners and Honorable Mentions will be listed in the January 2012 *Wind-in-the-Willows!*



To Submit Articles

for the *Wind-in-the-Willows*, email: wiweditor@gmail.com and be sure to put *witw* in the subject box; or place signed articles in porch box at 221 North Brier Road. The deadlines for each month are located in the left margin on the front page of the newsletter.



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Neighborhood News



Willow Ridge Garden Club
October 5, 2011

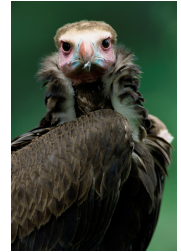
Sympathy

Neighbors and friends on Grasspointe Dr. wish to extend their sympathy to the Cichocki family on the passing of Gary Cichocki. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Caroline, and daughters Kim and Jennifer.

Welcome and Congratulations

Neighbors on Amberwood extend a belated welcome to Jeff and Katie Hazel who have moved into 107 Amberwood and congratulate them on the birth of their first child Everly Elizabeth Hazel who was born on July 25, 2011. She weighed in at 7 lbs and was 20 inches long. The very proud parents, and baby Everly are happily settled in. We wish them many happy years here in Willow Ridge.

"Wild Birds Unlimited"
slide show



A slide show will feature fall and winter birds from this area at 7:30pm. General business will follow the program. A nominating committee will be appointed for next year's slate of officers.

Joan Robinson
691-8397



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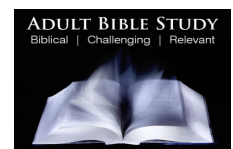
Activities for
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FALL FESTIVAL
October 29th
4 P.M.
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Fun for All!



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Grades 6 - 12



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WRCA Minutes
September 13, 2011

President Ed Goetz called meeting to order at 7:34pm, Vice President Karen Tyno, Secretary Patty Daddario, Treasurer Rick VonLangen, Board Members, John Valkwitch, Bob Foladare, Carol Zaffram and Pat Land. Community attendees included Cam Hill, Lynn Getzin, Neil Cuomo, Debbie Goetz and Lynn Getzin.

President's Report:

Ed reported to the town of Amherst a dangerous hole around the tennis court area. Hopefully that will be taken care of this fall.

A motion was approved for ad sale commission structure for 2011/2012 newsletter and directory. First approved by Pat Land and seconded by Karen Tyno and board approved.

Secretary Minutes:

A motion was made by Pat Land to approve the secretary minutes from the June meeting. Karen Tyno seconded and board approval followed.

Treasure Report:

Rick VonLangen reported no new income for August and expenses to be \$1433 due in part to directory printing costs and National Night Out. Pat Land made a motion to approve, seconded by John Valkwitch and board approval was granted.

Membership Report:

Lynn Getzin reported 669 members. She will send out the October newsletter to all 1300 Willow Ridge residents to promote membership. Looking at including e-mails and/or cell phone numbers in next directory.

Old Business:

Neil Cuomo reported on the summer picnic that there were around 40 residents in attendance throughout the day. Thanks Neil for running the event. Special thanks to town of Amherst for supplying picnic tables and garbage cans. Further discussion to follow on continuing this event, getting rid of event or combining it with National Night Out.

Drive Thru Kolick Chicken BBQ



October 16, 2011
Noon—4pm



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Each dinner includes delicious Krolick's chicken, potatoes, salad, roll, butter and utensils. Dinners are \$9 the day of the event or **\$8 pre-sale**. Call 983-0118 for pre-sale tickets.

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You deserve an evening out, right?! Kick back, hang out with your friends and neighbors. Have a spirited Bills and Sabres discussion with a cold drink in your hand! Life sure is good with the music and aromas at Classics V. Let's usher in the new season right at the Willow Ridge Fall Festival on October 8, at Classics V. Details on page 8.

New Business:

Special thanks to Robert Anderson, the Superintendent of Highways for the Town of Amherst. He provided the civic association with a very comprehensive slide show of all the variety of services the highway department handles. If any resident would like to reach Bob, he is available via e-mail at randerson@amherst.ny.us or 716-631-7117. He was very willing to speak with any resident about concerns or questions they may have.

Committee Reports:

Debbie Goetz reported on the Fall Festival is set to happen Saturday October 8th from 8-11pm at Classic's V with food, drinks and entertainment. Patty Daddario reported that the Girl Scouts will be running the Halloween Party for the WRCA on October 22 from 12:30pm to 2:30pm at Willow Ridge Elementary. We are in need of a volunteer to be in charge of the

Halloween and Easter party events and become the new Junior Recreation chair. Please contact Patty at 691-6161 if you are interested in learning more about this worthwhile volunteer position. These events are at risk of being discontinued if a volunteer does not come forward. The next event would be the Easter party. Please consider volunteering if you have enjoyed these events for your children.

Adjournment:

With no further items on the agenda, a motion was made by Pat Land and seconded by Rick VonLangen to adjourn at 9:31pm. The next meeting is October 11th at the Ellicott Creek Fire Hall at 7:30pm. All Willow Ridge residents are welcome.
Respectfully Submitted,
Patty Daddario
Secretary

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Household: Antique "New Home" Sewing Table with Working Sewing Machine-\$100. * Unique Tulip Floor Lamp-4 Smoked Glass Lights Black and Gold- Like New- \$50. *

Antique Solid Oak Chair - \$30. * Sporting goods : *BRAND NEW* Wrestling shoes, Asics brand, size 10. Paid \$80, asking \$20 almost new - girls roller

blades - size 6. Paid \$100, asking \$25 (worn 3 times) If Interested Call 691-5471 or 491-8309

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