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WRCA MEMBERSHIP MEETING

September 11, 2007

7:30 p.m Fire Hall

All Welcome!

- **DEADLINE FOR THE September WITW is August 10**
- **Classified (page 6)**
- **Graduations (page 5)**

From the Presidents Desk

Hello Neighbors:

Finally, Willow Ridge is being repaved. By the time this letter hits the street, the work should be completed. What an improvement! Please remember to slow down now that the road is smooth again. It is a busy street and extra caution is needed.

Just as a reminder, please be watchful for solicitors passing themselves off as children of residents who are attending UB. They claim to be fundraising and are just out to make money. A couple of calls from neighbors have notified the police and scared them off, but they're sure to be back again.

In closing, I just want to inform you that one of our neighbors, Bob Foladare, is running for Town Board. Bob is a long time resident and is active in the community. It sure would be great to have a voice from our own neighborhood in town government! Thanks to Bob for trying to make a difference.

Your neighbor,

Jim Prentice



Snowflake Dinner Dance

We hope everyone who attended the Snowflake Dinner Dance on March 3rd enjoyed themselves. Lisa and Dan May from Classics V did a wonderful job with the beautiful room set up and the delicious food stations. Thanks again to everyone who helped us prepare for the dance. We have already set the date for next year:

Saturday, March 1, 2008

Classics V

Watch for the date reminders every month in our *Wind-in-the-Willows*. Come December, January and February look for all the details so you can start talking to your friends and neighbors and get your tables ready.

Sincerely,
Pam McNess and Karen Galli





Sympathy

Friends and neighbors on North Brier wish to extend their deepest sympathy to Shirley Pasierbowicz and her family upon the death of her husband, Bill. The Pasierbowicz family is one of the oldest families on North Brier Road, having lived there for over thirty-eight years. We will miss seeing Bill take his long walks through the neighborhood, and from time to time exchanging brief conversations with us as he stopped along the way.

Farewell

Neighbors on Westcliffe Drive would like to say good-bye to the Bennets. Debbie, Dennis and their three children have moved to St. Louis, Missouri. Good luck in your new endeavors and your new home.

To our Willow Ridge friends and neighbors: It is time to say good-bye to all our friends and neighbors from Willow Ridge. We have truly enjoyed our 33 years in this community, but now it is time for more sunshine and playing more golf. I especially want to thank my block reps that have been there for our community. Many thanks—Andrea, Bev, Virginia, Linda, Penny, Lisa and Judy for doing such a great job - and in prior years—Dave and Joan. We wish everyone the best! Bob and Mary Rose

Welcome

Neighbors on Westcliffe in turn would like to welcome new arrivals Pam Gordan and Todd Kelchlin, with Pam's daughter Hannah, 12; and son Christopher, 16 to 52 Westcliffe. Pam also has an older son, Matthew, who is serving in the U.S. Army in the military police in Alaska, and has orders in July for Iraq. Pam is a landscaper and Todd an engineer at Delphi. We wish them much luck and happiness in

their new home and a safe return for Matthew from Iraq. They can be reached at 691-8904.

Friends and neighbors of North Brier would like to wish the Jasen/Cabana family our best wishes in their new home at 114 North Brier, a move taking them just three doors down!!

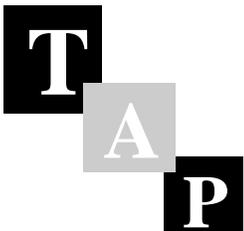
Neighbors on Parkhaven Drive extend a warm welcome to Gary and Christine Janas, who recently moved in at 214 Parkhaven Drive from the Town of Tonawanda. The Janas' have three children: Gavin, 5; Kelsey, 4; and Aidan, 2. Gary is a history teacher at Orchard Park High School and Christine is a special education teacher in the City of Buffalo. We wish you much joy in your new home!

Congratulations

Friends, neighbors, Pussy Willows and the Ellicott Creek Fire community would like to welcome Payten DeMeester to the world. Payten, weighing in at 5 lbs. 8 oz., was born on July 7, 2007 to Tiffany and Scott DeMeester who currently live in Woodstock, Georgia. Grandparents Karen and Dave DeMeester of Maricrest Drive, along with Uncle Rob and Great Uncle Dan will be happy to show you the pictures, so don't hesitate to ask the next time you see them around the neighborhood. Rumor has it that Payten and her parents will make a trip back to the area before the end of the summer. Congratulations to the entire DeMeester family!

A Special *THANK YOU*

Thank you to long time Head Reporter Connie Holovics for her many years of hard work and dedication in the role of head reporter, and we are grateful for her continued service as block rep. Likewise, thanks goes to Joan Bellini for her willingness in taking over Connie's head reporter duties.



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Mount St. Mary Graduate

Congratulations to Joelle Murphy, who graduated from Mount St. Mary Academy. Joelle was an All-Star, Swimming Captain and Officer in the Marching Band. She received the Presidential Scholarship from Niagara University where she will be studying Hotel Management in the College of Hospitality and Tourism. *Joelle, great job at Mount St. Mary's! We are very proud of you and all your accomplishments. Good luck at Niagara. We know you will do fantastic. Love, Mom, Dad, and Chris.*

Sweet Home Graduate

Adam Gilinger, son of Chuck and Diane Gilinger of 1030 Chestnut Ridge Road, has graduated from Sweet Home High School. He graduates with a Regents diploma and will attend Alfred State in the fall majoring in Auto Technology. *Adam, we are so proud of you and what you have achieved. We wish you the very best in college. We love you and we will always be here for you. Love, Mom, Dad and Ryan*

Do you have a 2007 Graduate and still have not listed an announcement? There is still time. Take advantage of our extension and place your announcement today for the September issue. Include name and address of graduate, name of school or college, and if desired, accomplishments and goals for the future. Then, don't forget to write a personal message from yourself and the family to your graduate. Submit by August 10 for the September issue, to wiweditor@gmail.com or 221 North Brier (porch box).

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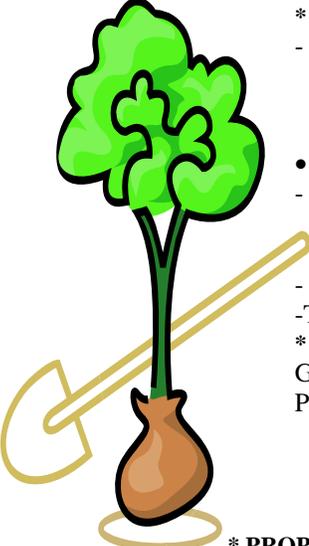
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August 5—Blacksmith Hammer-In: Visitors will see demonstrations of a variety of blacksmithing techniques and meet the blacksmiths.

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