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ROCC Monthly Meeting
2nd Mondays
Sept 11

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- **Charlesgate, or Glen Oak** Clover Management, 204-2771
- **Forest Edge R & D Property Management** of WNY, cindy@rdmanagementofwny.com, 688-2083
- **Briarwoods or Woodgate** Andru-chat Real Estate Service, 688-4757
- **Ransom Oaks Architectural Matters** (regarding Single-family homes ONLY) archcomm@ransomoaks.com
- **Comments** President of ROCC, André Lam, alam@ransomoaks.com
- **Vandalism, Animal Control or Security Concerns** Amherst Police, 689-1311
- **Swormville Fire**, 688-7055

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September Celebrations



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September 2	
Melissa Moeller	22
September 2	
Rachel Newman	43
September 3	
Divya Ramalingam	22
September 3	
Ryan Seipp	25
September 4	
Alex Jones	18
September 6	
Emily Mirand	23
September 12	
Mark Rapp	8
September 13	
Agatha Christie	127
September 15	
Taylor Newman	13
September 16	
Maddie Robinson	24
September 17	
Kaitlin Walsh	23
September 17	
Olivia Joseph	2
September 19	
Katelyn Howard	23
September 21	
Zhengyi Yan	16
September 22	
Sebastian Marong	16
September 26	
Matthew Vitello	17
September 27	
Matthew Mirand	20
September 29	
Alison Harris	17
September 29	
Jenna Mirand	20
September 29	
Alison Mirand	20
September 29	
Cal Deck	13
September 30	
Emma Liss	23
September 30	

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Ransom Oaks Board of Directors

RANSOM OAKS is a planned community of 1,100 families. We value its location and believe it is a great place to live and raise a family.

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RANSOM OAKS COMMUNITY CORPORATION (R.O.C.C.) Board of Directors consists of volunteer residents who are elected to office by a vote of the ROCC membership. The Board meets monthly at the Greenwood Drive Recreation Area, see calendar. Residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. ■

Ransom Oaks Staff

LMM Properties , <i>Facilities Manager</i>	716-693-4670	facilitiesmanager@ransomoaks.com
Terry Collins , <i>Newsletter</i>		newsletter@ransomoaks.com

Back To School



First Day of Classes for Williamsville Central School District



**Tuesday,
September 5**



Planning a Party or Event?

**Let Ransom Oaks help
with the location.**

**Host your event or party
at one of our Ransom
Oaks facilities.**

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Properties, 693-4670,
facilitiesmanager@
ransomoaks.com**



Ransom Oaks

Facilities Report



As of August 1 2017 LMM Properties Inc. started to manage ROCC. LMM's management contract is good through December 31, 2017.

LMM's phone number is (716)693-4670, or if you prefer to email the address is facilitiesmanager@ransomoaks.com. We hope for a smooth transitional period and appreciate your patience.

I am looking forward to working with the ROCC board to maintain your property values while maintaining expenses within the budget.

Andrzej Ogiba
Director of Facilities
aogiba@ransomoaks.com ■

Ransom Oaks

Letter from the President

Following the board meeting on August 14th, the new members of the board met in an executive session. The board used that time to assign each member a primary role. Since that meeting the board has been hard at work continuing to complete the transition to LMM as the new management company. The board members are starting developing short, medium and long term plans to address issues related to their assigned role. We will be reaching out to the community shortly to request members to join committees.

Facilities: The pools remained open throughout the transition to the new management company. As happens every year, our college-age lifeguards have to leave before labor-day and that effects the opening times of the pools during the last two weeks of the season. The winterizing of the pools is scheduled after the labor-day weekend.

Communications: The communications group has been hard at work to get all our members setup on ROCC web site. Plans are being developed to further leverage our web site into a more effective tool for communicating with our members.

Playgrounds and recreational facilities: I spent an entire afternoon this past weekend taking a close look and photographing our facilities. The information I collected will provide a baseline. We will continue to work throughout the fall to fix high priority issues. We can't fix all the problems immediately, but during the winter we will be working with community members to develop medium and long range plans.

André
President ROCC ■

Around Town

Electronic Recycling Event Sept 23

The Amherst Highway Department is going to sponsor an electronic recycling event on September 23, 2017 from 9am to 1pm. It will be held at the Highway Department where residents from the Town of Amherst or Village of Williamsville can bring in their electronics or old televisions for recycling. There will be a limit to 3 televisions per vehicle and ID will be required for proof of residency.

For further details visit Highway's Facebook and Twitter pages and on the Town's website.

Residents can check this link for more information and what items are accepted. <https://www.sunnking.com/events/superintendent-patrick-lucey-town-supervisor-dr-barry-weinstein/> ■

Around Town

August

Run in the Country 5K

Sat Sept 23, 9am-12pm

Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village

Fun fall 5K to benefit Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village with a great after-party.

Details: <http://bnhv.org/>. ■

Farmers' Market at the Mill

Saturdays, thru October,

8 am -1pm

Spring St, Williamsville, NY

Rain or Shine

Note we'll be in *Island Park* again this year. Local produce, crafts, flowers, baked goods and more for sale on the Island.

Details: <http://williamsvillefarmersmarket.com.> ■

Food Truck Tuesdays

Tuesdays thru Oct 3, 5pm-8pm

Larkinville, Buffalo, NY

Every Tuesday in Larkin Square dozens of food trucks from Buffalo, Rochester and beyond come together to celebrate a night of food, music and fun! Enjoy live music on The Boardwalk plus beer, wine and other beverages offered by Larkin Square at locations throughout the Square.

Details: <http://larkinsquare.com/>. ■

Intro to Geo-Caching

Saturday, Sept 23, 10am

Reinstein Woods

You will learn how to use a handheld Global Positioning System (GPS) unit, then search for hidden clues to solve nature mysteries. For adults and children ages 8 and older. Registration required; call 716-683-5959 to sign up. ■



Back-to-School Tips for Parents

Starting the new school year can be a time of great excitement... and anxiety. Help calm your child's fears (and your own) with these teacher-approved tips.

Meet the new teacher.

For kids, one of the biggest back-to-school fears is "Will I like my new teacher?" Breaking the ice early on is one of the best ways to calm everyone's fears.

Tour the school.

If your school hosts an open house, be sure to go. Familiarizing your child with her environment will help her avoid a nervous stomach on the first day. Together you can meet her teacher, find her desk, or explore the playground.

Connect with friends.

A familiar friend can make all the difference when heading back to school.

Tool up.

Obtain the class supply list and take a special shopping trip with your child. Having the right tools will help him feel prepared.

Ease into the routine.

Switching from a summer to a school schedule can be stressful to everyone in the household. Avoid first-day-of-school mayhem by practicing your routine a few days in advance.

Source: pbs.org ■

Around Town

Community Volunteer Fair

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3. Deadline: All ad payments, graphics and ad verbiage must be received by the **15th of month prior** to publication. Without receipt of payment by the 15th of month prior, the ad will not run.

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RESIDENTS: ■ \$8/mo.

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September

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Monday • September 11, 2017
6:30pm @ Greenwood Drive
Recreation Center.

MEETINGS begin at 6:30pm at the Greenwood Drive Recreation Center the 2nd Monday of each month except for the October 2017 meeting which is on Tuesday.

RESIDENTS are welcome and encouraged to attend.

***R.O.C.C. Covenants & Restrictions** documents are available free of charge to residents who attend their community meeting, otherwise there is a \$20.00 fee. Monthly meeting are held at the Greenwood Drive Recreation Center, unless noted otherwise. ■*

2017 Meetings

September 11
October 10

November 13
December 11

Charlesgate Meeting:

second Wednesday of each month.

Forest Edge Meeting:

fourth Tuesday of each month.

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 - **Vandalism, Animal Control or Security Concerns** Amherst Police, 689-1311
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