



**Local architect and landscape architect to assist with the installation of
WNY's first environmentally-friendly residential green roof.**

North Tonawanda, NY (October 1, 2007) – The advantages to green roofs are many: they reduce heating and cooling loads on the building; increase roof life span; reduce stormwater run off and filter pollutants out of the air. In addition, green roofs offer a solution for growing fruits, vegetables and flowers when yard and/or patio space is limited.

On Wednesday, October 3, 2007 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Western New York's first residential green roof will be installed at 65 Zimmerman Street in North Tonawanda, NY. The installation is a collaborative effort between Scott Kuebler, AIA; Joy Kuebler, ASLA and owner of Joy Kuebler Landscape Architect, PC, and Gary Lichtenfels of Lichtenfels Nursery of Johnstown, PA. Scott Kuebler and Joy Kuebler will be presenting technical information on the design of this residential sloped green roof and will also discuss the value of residential sustainable design and construction in WNY, all while a crew will actually be installing the roof. Participants will be able to interact directly with the architect and installers while the installation is happening.

“Chicago is seen as one of the “green friendliest” cities in the U.S., providing grants for both commercial and residential green roofs every year,” says Joy Kuebler. “Buffalo has many things in common with Chicago, and could look to that city as a model for sustainable construction and incentives if only we can get started; hopefully this project can inspire more.



This small building project offers much to be studied for WNY residential sustainable construction in addition to the green roof, such as insulation systems, heating and cooling systems, materials used, etc... We hope to make future presentations for the benefit of architects, landscape architects and the public.”

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