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## **Summer Wind Is the Only 100% Energy Star-Certified Residential Development in the Tri-County Area**

*In 2009, Summer Wind developer DiCioccio Construction led Mahoning County in building permits issued and homes built*

CANFIELD, OHIO — Summer Wind Private Estates in Canfield Township has become the first and only residential development in Mahoning, Trumbull and Columbiana County to earn the United States Environmental Protection Agency's Energy Star rating.

Jim DiCioccio, owner of DiCioccio Construction Ltd., who developed Summer Wind, says "When it comes to new developments that are certified to be energy-efficient, Summer Wind is really the only game in town. We're very proud to have achieved this distinction. It reflects our commitment to improve both the environment and our homeowners' bottom line."

### **ACHIEVING THE ENERGY STAR RATING**

Summer Wind's Energy Star rating benefits not only the environment but also the homeowner, who will save on utility bills.

Energy Star homes are deemed to be at least 15 percent more energy-efficient than standard homes. They achieve this efficiency by careful attention to several practices:

- **Tight construction.** Drafts are minimized through the use of caulks, foams, weather stripping and other sealants.
- **Qualified windows.** Energy Star-qualified windows keep heat in during the winter and out during the summer thanks to advanced technologies such as protective coatings and improved frame assemblies.
- **Insulation.** When properly installed in floors, walls and attics, high-quality insulation brings about even temperatures, increased comfort and reduced energy consumption.
- **High-efficiency heating and cooling systems.** Using the latest in technology, these systems consume far less energy than traditional systems.

The Energy Star rating is awarded only after homes have been tested and inspected by an independent Home Energy Rater to ensure that strict USEPA guidelines for energy efficiency have been met.

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### **TAX BREAKS BENEFIT HOMEBUYERS**

According to Jim DiCioccio, those thinking about buying a new home should act now.

“Whether you’re a first-time homebuyer or a present homeowner thinking about making a move, you can take advantage of substantial federal tax breaks if you join us at Summer Wind before April 30,” says DiCioccio. “You can learn more about this by visiting our website.”

### **ABOUT SUMMER WIND**

The development, located in a park-like setting at Gibson and South Turner Road near the Meander Preserve, is a project of DiCioccio Construction Ltd. It features 128 homes built on R-1 fee-simple lots. Each home is custom-built, and a variety of exterior and interior features and floor plans are offered. Families of all ages are welcomed at Summer Wind.

All Summer Wind homes feature a fully landscaped and seeded lawn. Owners may then choose their level of involvement in its upkeep, or they may opt out all together. Maintenance options range from full landscape and snow removal services to lesser services, each unique to the homeowner’s convenience and satisfaction.

Also included in the purchase of a Summer Wind home is access to a spacious clubhouse and recreation facility, indoor and outdoor pools, tennis and bocce courts, and a putting green — plus walking paths that surround the beautiful lakes located within the Summer Wind complex.

### **DiCIOCCIO LEADS IN MAHONING COUNTY**

DiCioccio Construction Ltd., which began in the early 1980s, is among the pre-eminent developers in the tri-county area. In 2009, DiCioccio led Mahoning County in building permits issued and homes built.

More information about Summer Wind Private Estates and DiCioccio Construction Ltd. can be found at [www.SummerWindCanfield.com](http://www.SummerWindCanfield.com).

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