

VILLAGE
GOVERNMENT

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Riverwoods Village Board

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30pm. June 3, 17, July 1, 15, August 5 and 19.

Riverwoods Plan Commission

1st Thursday at 7:30pm. June 5, July 3 and August 7.

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Riverwoods

VILLAGE VOICE



Karen Schuman and Christine Gleason select perennials at this year's annual plant sale. right; Extra Celadine poppies that will soon take root in someone's garden.

RRA Plant Sale— A Perennial for Everyone

By Jackie Borchew

If plants make you happy, then Riverwoods was the place to be this past week as the annual plant sale committee filled Village Hall with perennials, trees and shrubs for this year's sale.

On a very wet and chilly Thursday morning the first trucks arrived delivering perennial orders that residents had carefully selected based on their property type – sunny, shady, wet or dry soil, formal or natural woodland landscape among other considerations. Trucks were filled to the brim with native perennials of all types that the committee and their loyal volunteers eagerly met and unloaded in those early soggy hours.

Next came the loads of trees and shrubs, ordered to take full advantage of the village cost-share program. (A program where the village will

split the cost with a resident when they purchase from a list of native trees and shrubs that will enhance the health and beauty of the woodland environment.)

And the tallies are in – The most popular variety of perennial ordered this year was Monarda, the 'Petite Delight' variety. This perennial grows tall and stands out in any garden with its variety of colors and ability to attract butterflies



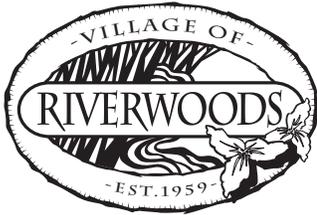
and hummingbirds. The most ordered tree was the Redbud, and the most popular shrub goes to the Hydrangea 'Annabelle' followed closely by Lindera benzoin

(Spicebush). And let's not forget the most popular wildflower this year, Allium cernuum (Nodding Onion).

Among these winners, were plenty of beautiful Helleborus orientalis (Lenton Rose), I admired the Stylophorum (Celadine Poppy) of which I have ordered in the past with much success. Even today it is spreading throughout the shady woodland behind my house. One more of my favorites, the Miscanthus purpureus (Flame Grass) is a beautiful statement if you have the sun that it desires.

Well if this all sounds confusing, and you wonder just how does one begin to select which plants work best for your property, it is a trial and error process. As the plant sale ladies tell me . . . "You just need to love plants and experiment." I have been experimenting and I think I may be hooked.

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RIVERWOODS
VILLAGE VOICE

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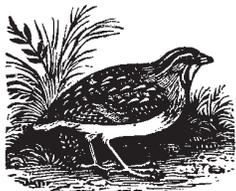
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Any resident wishing to become a newsletter staff volunteer please call the Village Hall at 847-945-3990 and leave your name and phone number.

SEND IN THOSE
LETTERS!

Letters from residents and Riverwoods homeowners' associations are invited and encouraged. Preferred length: approximately 250 words or less, typed. All letters must include the author's name, address and phone number. Letters may be printed, space permitting, but may be edited for grammar, clarity and length. If controversial topics are addressed, the editor will seek opposing viewpoints for balance. Deadline for the July/August 2014 issue: June 20, 2014.

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Photos: Mayor Norris; Our plant sale ladies Irene Gagerman, Sheila Hollander and Margie Kaul; Phil Dlouhy and a visitor from Orphans of the Storm.

Many of our residents are 'hooked' as I saw them return to the "extra" room filled with just that, extras for sale on the day of the community barbecue following the initial plant sale pick up day.

This annual barbecue and clean up day is a chance for neighbors to come together after a long hard winter and just smell the roses,



or should I say perennials. The grill is fired up and residents mingle outside village hall just catching up. This year RRA offered



an informative table as did the South Lake Mosquito Abatement District. Offering information on a topic near and not so dear to Riverwoods residents - the mosquito. Mayor Norris displayed the proposed renderings for a renovated Village Hall and was happy to point out some special features. There were a few Orphans of the Storm dogs to meet, none of which were adopted, but an outing is always appreciated.

When everyone had their fill of barbecue, they headed home to plant those perennials, trees and shrubs to enjoy until we do it all again next year.

A NOTE FROM OUR MAYOR

Spring Has Arrived to Our Beautiful Woodland

After a Winter that seemed like it would never end, Spring has finally arrived and Summer is just around the corner. With the arrival of warmer weather, we are all spending more time outdoors. Even when we aren't outdoors, we are thinking about being outdoors and how to enjoy our beautiful woodland. It also means each resident needs to ensure the storm water drainage lines across his or her property are clean and free flowing. While that takes a little work, it doesn't mean it can't be fun, too.

A great example of this was our recent Riverwoods Community Day held on Saturday, May 17th. Originally a community service project to encourage residents to help clean up the ditches and drainage swales around the Village, "Clean Up Day" has grown into a village-wide celebration. While volunteers still collect the roadside litter, Riverwoods Community Day now includes a free barbecue party, entertainment, and educational presentations on our native flora and fauna. Everyone had a good time, the Village is a whole lot cleaner, and our storm water drainage system is working more efficiently.

I strongly encourage road associations, homeowners associations, neighbors, and friends to join together in similar projects. Once you get started, feel free to contact Rob Durning at the Village to let us know how we can help.

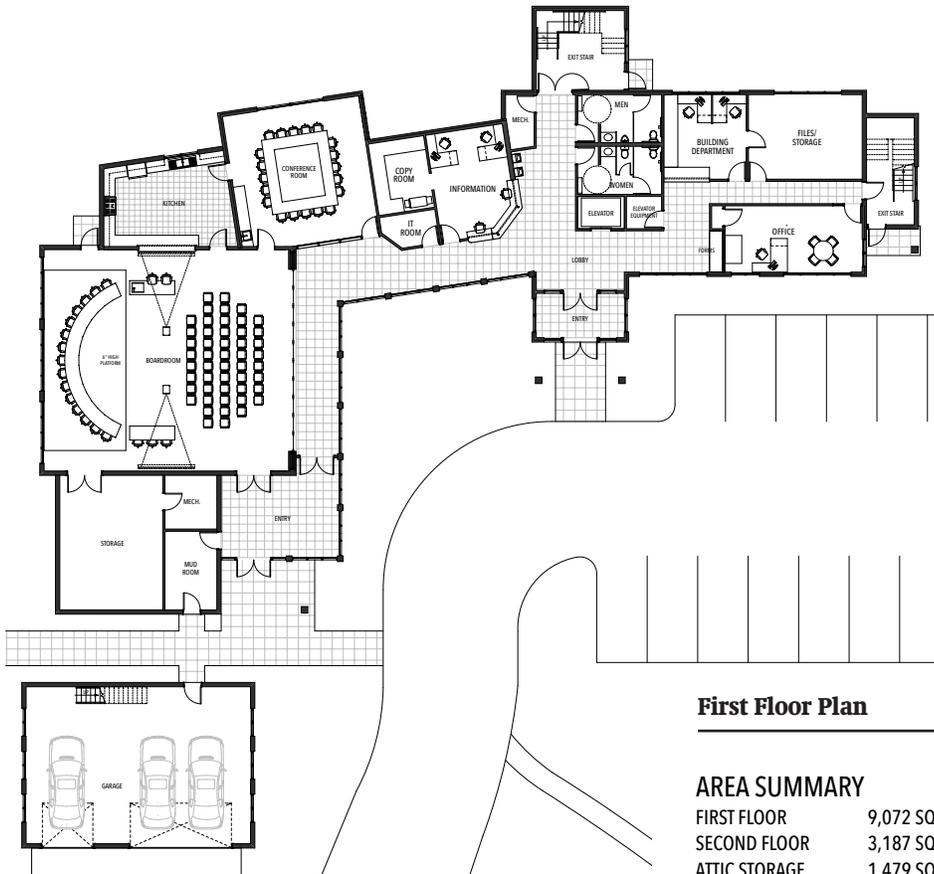
Finally, let me update you on the planning on the Village Hall renovation. The Board of Trustees should be voting in the near future on a design scheme. Copies of recent designs were shown at the Riverwoods Community Day barbecue party. We include them here for you to get a glimpse of our design direction for a newly renovated Riverwoods Village Hall.

John Norris

Mayor
Village of Riverwoods

PROPOSED VILLAGE HALL RENOVATION

RIVERWOODS
VILLAGE BOARD OF
TRUSTEES



First Floor Plan

AREA SUMMARY

FIRST FLOOR	9,072 SQ. FT.
SECOND FLOOR	3,187 SQ. FT.
ATTIC STORAGE	1,479 SQ. FT.
TOTAL	13,738 SQ. FT.

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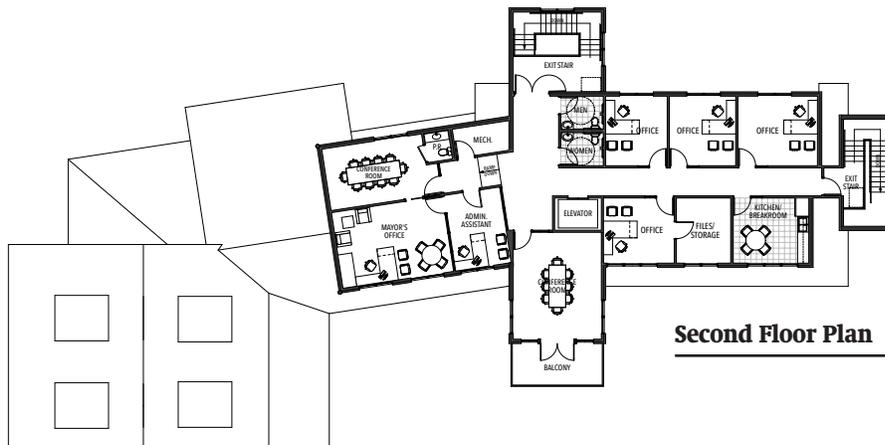
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Village Board of Trustees Meeting Notes

Summary of ordinances, resolutions, and non-routine matters considered by the Board of Trustees from the meeting minutes of February 18, March 4, 18, April 1 and 16. Read the entirety of these minutes or view the video of the actual Board of Trustee meetings on the Village of Riverwoods website at www.villageofriverwoods.com.

April 16

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Mr. Durning noted there have been a number of property nuisance violations including junk vehicles and garbage cans on streets. He also reported that there is a partially built house on Portwine Road north of Deerfield Road on which construction has resumed.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the April 1, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting. There was one forgery, one unlawful use of a weapon, two sex offender registrations, three DUIs, five other agency assists, 12 ambulance calls, one fire call, three fire alarms, one fingerprinting, 45 premise exams, two notifications, three vehicular lock outs, five other complaints, 28 burglar alarms, two hold up alarms, five suspicious vehicles, one identity theft, one insurance report, one other investigation, six animal problems, one roadway debris, three motorist assists, one traffic complaint, three traffic accidents, two 911 hang ups, 17 crime prevention notices and eight case reports. There were 92 traffic stops with 64 citations issued to 53 people.

There are currently 10 houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

Chief Dayno stated there was an arrest for an unauthorized use of weapon that resulted from a traffic stop. The perpetrator was charged with 10 violations and is still in County jail. The two sex offenders who registered were guests at the Holiday Inn. Both offenders are now gone.

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REPORT

Battalion Chief Duane Christenson from the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Department presented the call volume for the LRFDP District including mutual aid to the DBFD District for the month of March 2014. There were 33 calls including 21 EMS calls, four fire calls, four auto accidents and four other calls. There were 106 calls year to date.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Huvard indicated that the County will be negotiating for right-of-way for the bike path, but that the Village does not have anything in place for possible zoning setback issues caused by the voluntary loss of property.

Mr. Huvard noted that the representatives from Terraco have submitted material to the TIF consultant. He stated that Terraco has requested that the special use and the TIF request be parallel-tracked to expedite the process. Trustee Haber noted that the special use application and the TIF request are mutually exclusive. He questioned if the two proposals should be considered at the same time, because the zoning request should not impact the TIF request. Mr. Huvard explained that the Board does not have to consider the TIF until the Plan Commission is well underway or even done with the zoning issue.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS & COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Village's Information Technology (IT) Systems, Website and Email Project

The Village is reviewing their current IT systems, website and e-mail programs. Trustee Baumann and Village Clerk Gagerman will meet with Village staff, trustees and consultants to discuss what is currently working and not working as well as identifying what additional processes can be automated as well and the associated costs.

Orphans of the Storm Dinner – Mayor Norris noted that all of the Trustees will be able to attend.

Village Hall Update – Mayor Norris indicated that after Village Forester Stewart did a tree inventory of the area affected by any Village Hall renovation. Architect Bob Hammer will submit a new drawing showing potential changes and how things can be rearranged to lessen the tree removal impact. Mr. Hammer contacted a contractor and they will do some testing to ensure there are no unforeseen problems with the foundation as well.

April 1

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Discussion of Deerfield Bike Path Landscape Screening – Village Engineer Glenn had sent a memorandum to the Board which provided a brief history of the Deerfield Road bike path project. Mr. Glenn explained that the County is moving toward negotiating with the affected property owners for additional right-of-way. He reintroduced the concept of participating in landscape screening for the property owners affected by the removal of trees. Mr. Glenn's memorandum also had a number of additional questions for the Board to consider.

Attorney Huvard noted that the path location took into account the potential widening of Deerfield Road. The Village had worked with the County to limit the expanse of that widening.

The County does not provide for any type of landscaping in a bike path project and would like the Village to help the residents most affected by the bike path by paying for the landscape screening. Trustee Jamerson recalled that the Village considered helping because the County picked up the portion of the cost that the Village would normally have paid. Mr. Glenn stated those costs would

have been approximately \$300,000. The consensus of the Board was to provide screening for the residents affected by the bike path. Mr. Glenn will work with Mr. Stewart on a proposal which he agreed would not exceed \$5,000.

Strenger/Farner culvert replacement – Village Engineer Glenn explained that Farner Court is a village street. There is a storm sewer on Farner just west of Strenger. Storm sewers usually discharge into a ditch or creek or other natural feature, but this particular storm sewer terminates into a private driveway culvert. Mr. Glenn does not want to set a precedent, but feels that this is a unique situation because the culvert damage was caused by the Village's storm sewer. Mr. Glenn believes that the culvert repair is the Village's responsibility, but that the property owner is responsible for and has agreed to pay for the driveway repair.

Mr. Glenn recommends approving a \$5,750 expense to replace the culvert and repair the driveway with the homeowner reimbursing the Village for the driveway repair. The Board agreed.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the March 18, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting. There were five other agency assists, seven ambulance calls, one fire call, two fire alarms, two fingerprintings, 23 premise exams, three well-being checks, one vehicle lock out, six other complaints, 18 burglar alarms, one hold up alarm, three suspicious vehicles, one identity theft, one insurance report, two other investigations, seven complaints about animals, two motorist assists, one traffic complaint, nine traffic accidents, one 911 hang up, two crime prevention notices and four case reports. There were 88 traffic stops with 66 citations issued to 53 people.

There are currently 25 houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

Chief Dayno stated earlier this year, that the department met with a loss control specialist from the Illinois Municipal League about the department's accidents and injuries. They did not find anything out of the ordinary. Chief Dayno indicated that the Illinois Municipal League will do some training for the department.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Family Days – Mayor Norris recommended a \$1,000 donation, which is consistent with what the Village previously contributed. The Board voted in favor to make a charitable donation of \$1,000 to Deerfield Family Days.

Theater in the Woods – Mayor Norris noted that they are not asking for new money this year. Last year, the Village requested that Theatre in the Woods try to raise money and that the Village would match that amount. They were able to raise \$1,670 last year. The Board voted to donate matching funds.



STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police/Building/Zoning – Trustee Jamerson commented that both construction value and permit fees are considerably higher this year.

In March 2014, there were seven permits issued with a total construction value of \$536,558 generating fees of \$4,630. In March 2013, there were four permits issued with a total construction value of \$86,000 generating fees of \$1,528.

Year to date 2014, there were 22 permits issued with a total construction value of \$1,298,593 generating fees of \$11,116. Year to date 2013, there were 20 permits issued with a total construction value of \$408,213, generating fees of \$5,708.

Trustee Jamerson reported that Village residents and businesses have saved approximately \$750,000 due to the aggregation contract with MC2. He noted that the Village had negotiated a three-year fixed rate agreement, unlike most of the neighboring communities whose rates, while still below ComEd's, did go up. The Village's contract will expire in July 2015.

Information Services/Parks/NSSRA – Trustee Ford noted that the NSSRA is moving forward with their capital acquisition and improvement plan. The Village is paying \$2,100 per year for the next 10 years to contribute to this plan.

Drainage/Stormwater/Environment – Trustee Baumann noted that the culvert cleaning program is up and running. He is receiving positive feedback. The deadline is April 15th.

March 18

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the March 4, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting. There were two DUIs, seven other agency assists, 10 ambulance calls, two fire calls, one fire alarm, two public service calls, 34 premise examinations, one child seat inspection/install, three vehicle lock outs, three solicitor complaints, six other complaints, nine burglar

alarms, three suspicious vehicles, one identity theft, one insurance report, one other investigation, seven complaints about animals, one roadway debris, five motorist assists, one traffic complaint, 10 traffic accidents, one 911 hang up, five crime prevention notices and 10 case reports. There were 70 traffic stops with 71 citations issued to 48 people.

There are currently 16 houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

Chief Dayno stated that the department continues to do premise exams when residents are out of town. They check all the doors, mail the residents a security awareness form and try to contact the resident as well.

CHARITABLE DONATIONS

Orphans of the Storm – Orphans of the Storm is a long-time, not-for-profit animal shelter in Riverwoods. The Board has approved a \$5,000 donation for the last several years. The Board approved a \$5,000 donation for Orphans of the Storm again this year.

College Bound Opportunities – College Bound Opportunities is an intensive mentoring program located in Riverwoods. There is currently one Riverwoods resident in the program and were curious why services are not also available at Stevenson High School since part of our community is in the Stevenson district. After discussion, the Board moved to approve a \$5,000 donation for College Bound Opportunities.

March 18

PUBLIC HEARING

2014 Appropriations Ordinance – Attorney Huvad explained that every year the Village passes an Appropriations Ordinance which sets the upper spending limits for the Village and helps with planning. He indicated the Ordinance appropriates larger sums than what the Board thinks they will spend to allow for contingencies. The treasurer’s estimate of revenue included in the Ordinance is a compilation of the taxes the Village expects to receive. The overall estimate of revenues is \$4,833,000 including special tax levies. The Village has a variety of other revenue sources. The property tax, for police protection is approximately \$460,000 annually. The Village tried to follow the planning budget which determined the expenditures for the different departments in the Village. Mr. Huvad noted they made some slight line item adjustments. There were no comments or questions from the residents.

March 4

DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Director of Community Services Rob Durning reported that he inspected the Untermeyer property which is owned by the synagogue. The Rabbi indicated his son wanted to live there temporarily

for about a year. Mr. Durning indicated that his inspection found mold in the house and lead-based paint, making it a health hazard and, therefore, will not be able to be occupied.

Mr. Durning is scheduled to meet with the owner of the Mobil station about expanding into the bank property to the east of the station.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the February 18, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting. There was one vehicular criminal trespass, one DUI, one harassment by phone, eight other agency assists, 11 ambulance calls, two fire calls, 35 premise exams, two well-being checks, four lock outs, one solicitor complaint, three other complaints, 20 burglar alarms, one hold up alarm, two suspicious vehicles, one suspicious person, one insurance report, one other investigation, one death investigation, six complaints about animals, one roadway debris, eight motorist assists, two traffic complaints, two parking complaints, six traffic accidents, one 911 hang up, two crime prevention notices and seven case reports. There were 63 traffic stops with 43 citations issued to 35 people.

There are currently 13 houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

In Chief Dayno’s absence, Mayor Norris reported that there was one suicide in the Village. There was also a stolen vehicle arrest.



FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REPORT

Battalion Chief Duane Christenson from the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Department presented the call volume for the LRFPD District including mutual aid to the DBFD District for the month of February. There were 34 calls including 17 EMS calls, six fire calls, one auto accident and 10 other calls. There were 73 calls year to date.

Culvert Cleaning Program for Private Roads – Trustee Baumann presented an idea for a pilot program to help residents on private roads to clean their culverts. The program would group several culverts together to take advantage of economies of scale.

Trustee Baumann was asked to provide estimated administrative costs for the program and an explanation of the process. He

explained that residents that take advantage of this voluntary program would have to pay up front and would have to sign an agreement with the Village. The estimated administrative costs will be less than \$5,000. If there is not sufficient interest, the money collected would be returned to the residents. The only costs incurred, if that happened, would be the Village Attorney's fees for drafting the agreement and the mailing costs.

Trustee Chamberlain asked how many residents would be required for the program to go forward. Mr. Glenn replied that 30 culverts would make it feasible.

Trustee O'Donnell asked if the letter would Trustee Baumann will draft a letter to residents that will explain the process, the cost and the minimum number of participants needed for the program to go forward. The Village will maintain a list of responding residents in order to inform them when the work will be done. Trustee Chamberlain suggested paying attention to the amount of time staff spends on the program.

The Board authorized the pilot culvert cleaning program in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for administrative costs.

Sewer Point Repair Bid Recommendation – Engineer Glenn noted that throughout the capital budgeting process, he budgeted \$75,000 for various spot repairs. When Mr. Glenn put the actual estimate together, it came to \$83,000. The Village received a bid for \$109,635. Mr. Glenn indicated that they received only one bid because the project falls between what a plumber would do and what an underground contractor would do. He recommends proceeding with the project and requests that the Board authorize the execution of the contract with Liftco.

The Board awarded the contract for sewer repair to Liftco in an amount not to exceed \$109,635.

2014 FEE SCHEDULE

Sewer Fees – The Board discussed the sewer fees. Trustee O'Donnell moved to reduce the amount from \$18 to \$13. There was no second to the motion.

Business License Fee – Attorney Huvad noted that the Board had expressed concern that the business license fees of \$25.00 may be too low. Mr. Huvad research showed that Northbrook and Deerfield are charging more. At the previous Board meeting, Trustee Jamerson stated that the Board agreed that an annual inspection would be done and that the minimum inspection fee is \$75. Trustee Jamerson moved to change the cost of business licenses for all three categories from \$25 to \$75. The Board voted unanimously.

Tree Replacement Fee – Attorney Huvad noted that the fee amount for removing highly desirable or protected trees has been increased. The Board discussed the tree mitigation fees.

After the discussion, Trustee Jamerson moved to approve the tree

replacement fees with the addition of a \$200 per inch fee for trees 21" in caliper or higher and \$175 per inch fee for trees from 12" to 20.9" in caliper. Trustee Chamberlain seconded the motion. Trustee Haber is not satisfied with the new fees, even though he is in favor of protecting trees. He feels the underlying ordinance is far too subjective and, until that is corrected, he cannot support the huge increase in the fees.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Police/Building/Zoning – Trustee Jamerson presented highlights from the building report for the months of January and February.

In January 2014, there were seven permits with a construction value of \$255,500 generating fees of \$2,445. In January 2013, there were 12 permits with a construction value of \$217,638, generating fees of \$3,505.

In February 2014, there were eight permits with a construction value of \$506,535 generating fees of \$4,089. In February 2013, there were four permits with a total construction value of \$44,575 generating fees of \$775.

In 2014 year to date, there were 15 permits with a total construction value of \$762,035 generating fees of \$6,534. In 2013 year to date, there were 16 permits with a total construction value of \$322,213 generating fees of \$4,280.

February 18

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Norris expressed condolences in respect to the passing of Ilene Stanger. Ms. Stanger was a resident for more than 55 years. She held the position of Village Clerk, the mother of former Mayor Roy Stanger and wife of a former Trustee. Those in attendance observed a moment of silence.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the February 4, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting. There were 11 other agency assists, five ambulance calls, two fire calls, four fire alarms, 22 premise exams, two notifications, five vehicle lock outs, one construction complaint, four other complaints, 20 burglar alarms, one domestic trouble, one other complaint, one suspicious vehicle, four complaints about animals, one roadway debris, 28 motorist assists, four traffic complaints, one parking complaint, 12 traffic accidents, three 911 hang ups, two crime prevention notices and eight case reports. There were 54 traffic stops with 34 citations issued to 29 people.

There are currently 17 houses on the House Watch list that are checked regularly.

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REPORT

Battalion Chief Duane Christenson from the Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Department asked if the Village was preplanning for

the anticipated flooding this spring. Mayor Norris indicated that the Village is better prepared this year than in the past.

SCHEDULED AND UNSCHEDULED TREE WORK CONTRACTOR BID COMPARISON

Village Forester Stewart explained that the Village has historically used Glenwood Tree, a local business, for storm damage. Glenwood Tree has been sold. The Village put out requests for RFPs. In putting together the RFP, they asked for pricing for both storm damage and normal scheduled work such as pruning and traffic and road sign clearance. Mr. Huvard explained that the Village has wanted to develop general terms and conditions for Village vendors. Mr. Huvard used this as an opportunity to create a standard list of requirements and qualifications. Mr. Stewart selected three pre-qualified companies to respond to the RFP and received time and material unit prices for various services, including personnel and equipment. Mr. Stewart noted that all three companies are relatively local and understand what Riverwoods is about. He prepared and gave the Board a spreadsheet detailing the prices for the various types of service to be performed.

Trustee Chamberlain asked where most of the money is spent currently. Mr. Stewart replied that the hazard tree removal, which is scheduled work, is where most of the money is spent. Trustee Ford expressed concern about not being quickly served in a storm damage situation if the Village does not pay premium prices. Mr. Stewart replied that the contract will stipulate the response time required. The Trustees agreed that the prices from the Care of Trees were the lowest.

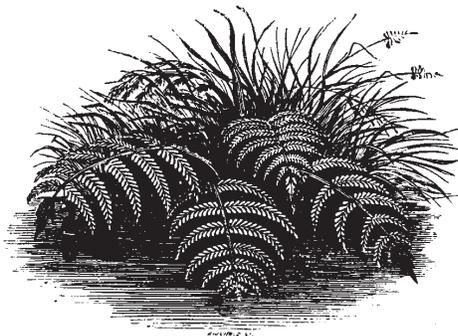
Trustee Haber moved to prepare a contract to use Care of Trees.

SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NO. 27

Mr. Huvard noted that the Windlake Terrace Special Service Area #27 was formed in September. The Village has an existing contract for the work. The Village worked with the residents on the scope of work, but they are opting for less than what was recommended by the Village engineer. North Side Community Bank provided an interest rate of 4.6% with a 10 year amortization for \$60,000 in special tax bonds.

PLANT COMMITTEE PROPOSAL

Village Clerk Gagerman stated that the Plant Committee has requested \$5,000 to be used as per their submitted proposal. The Board has authorized \$5,000 per year since 2008 for the committee to maintain the Village garden. The Board voted in favor.



Arriving to Village Hall for the First Time

By Rob Durning, Director of Community Services

I don't know whether you're aware of it or not but the Village Board is considering major work to the Village Hall. This could wind up being a major renovation with some small additions or a brand new building. Nothing has been decided yet. Your ideas will certainly be listened to as we go forward.

I can't help but think of my own thoughts of the Village Hall over the last three years starting with my initial job interview. I pulled into the driveway after seeing the wood sign in front and immediately thought this is something unlike anything I've ever seen. I remember slowing my car down to a crawl. Didn't want to disturb a deer on a stroll or a book club meeting in some quiet nook.

The beautiful garden in the center, the big looped driveway, the two metal deer statues. The Village Hall revealed itself slowly. With each passing second I became more gripped at the beauty and charm. I parked my car away from the building. I didn't want my car grill to smudge the view of the woods of a book club member or whomever else was behind that window. Parking away from the building somehow felt I was making less of a footprint.

It almost felt like I should have knocked first on the front door. The Village Hall felt that warm and inviting. I walked into the front door for the first time feeling completely relaxed. The job interview went well I thought.

To this day I love seeing the expressions on the faces of first time visitors to the Village Hall. I've learned to know the look and body language before a word is ever uttered. The look that says: This is so beautiful. You are so fortunate. It is and I am.

Illinois Firearm Concealed Carry Law

Submitted by Police Chief Bruce Dayno

In January of 2014, the State of Illinois enacted the Firearm Concealed Carry Act (430 ILCS 66/1, et al). The Act allows private citizens, who meet certain requirements, to lawfully possess firearms on their persons in most public places. It is important for Riverwoods residents to be aware of the law. Here are some basic

facts, however, license holders should read and be familiar with the entire Act.

The Act allows a person with a valid Concealed Carry License (CCL) to carry a loaded or unloaded concealed handgun, fully concealed or partially concealed (mostly concealed from public view), on or about his or her person and to keep or carry a loaded or unloaded concealed firearm within a vehicle.

A licensee is required to possess a valid CCL at all times when carrying a loaded concealed firearm, absent the following exceptions:

- A licensee is carrying or possessing a concealed firearm on his or her land or in his or her abode, or fixed place of business.
- A licensee is carrying or possessing a concealed firearm on the land or in the legal dwelling of another person as an invitee with that person's permission.
- When the person is authorized to carry a firearm under Section 720 ILCS 5/24-2 of the Criminal Code of 2012, except subsection (a-5) of that section.
- The handgun is broken down in a non-functioning state, is not immediately accessible, or is unloaded and enclosed in a case.

If an officer of a law enforcement agency initiates an investigative stop, including but not limited to a traffic stop, a CCL holder carrying a concealed firearm must, upon the request of the officer, disclose that he or she is in possession of a concealed firearm and present their CCL. During a traffic stop, any passenger within the vehicle who is a licensee and carrying a firearm must also comply.

The Act provides for over twenty locations in which a CCL holder is prohibited from carrying a concealed firearm, including schools, government buildings, publicly funded transportation vehicles and buildings, and parks. CCL holders should be aware of the complete list of prohibited locations. The ACT directs managers of these locations to post standardized signs at the public entrance.

A CCL licensee shall be permitted to carry a concealed firearm while he or she is traveling along a public right of way that touches or crosses any of the prohibited areas if the concealed firearm is carried on his or her person in accordance with the provisions of the Act or is being transported in a vehicle by the licensee in accordance with all other applicable provisions of law

The owner of private real property of any type may prohibit the carrying of concealed firearms on the property under his or her control. The owner must post a sign in accordance with the Act, indicating that firearms are prohibited on the property, unless the property is a private residence.

A CCL licensee is prohibited from carrying a concealed handgun while under the influence of alcohol, other drug or drugs, intoxicating compound or combination of compounds, or any combination thereof, under the standards set forth in subsection (a) of Section 11-501 of the Illinois Vehicle Code.

For more information on the act, applying for a CCL, and posting prohibited signage, visit the Illinois State Police Site on Concealed Carry Licensing at <https://ccl4illinois.com/ccw/public/home.aspx>.

For questions or more information, contact Chief of Police Bruce Dayno at 847-945-1130 or email bdayno@riverwoods-il.net.

Storm Water Drainage

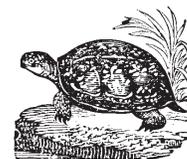
By Michael Baumann, Village Trustee

After this long, harsh winter, this year's spring thaw raised the possibility that the thick snow pack would contribute to flooding in the village when rain storms arrived. Riverwoods has a unique patchwork system for storm water drainage along with a flat topography so any possible increased risk for flooding is always a concern. Rather than storm sewers, the village uses open swales and ditches to collect and move storm water away from residences and roads. Where a road or a driveway crosses over a ditch or swale, a culvert (a pipe buried under a road/driveway) is laid down to allow the free flow of storm water underneath the pavement. Because they are open to the surrounding environment, keeping the ditches, swales, and culverts clear of debris is vital to preventing localized flooding during storms.

Responsibility for maintaining these drainage structures depends on where you live in the village. If you live on a county or village owned road, then either the county or village is responsible for the upkeep of the ditches and culverts. If you live on a private road however, individual homeowners are responsible for maintaining the ditches and culverts on their property. Section 7-1-4-A of the Riverwoods Village Code makes residents living on private roads not only responsible for maintaining the storm water drainage structures on their property but also responsible for any flood damage caused by an improperly maintained ditch, swale or culvert.

Earlier this spring the village initiated a small voluntary pilot program to help residents living on private roads clean and maintain their culverts. Although it is an important home maintenance activity, cleaning a culvert may not be an option for some village residents. The aim of the pilot program was to group together at least 30 households needing their culverts cleaned and for a flat fee the village would hire a contractor to professionally clean the culverts. Unfortunately there were not enough participants in the program to make it economically viable so the program was cancelled. We would like to think that the lack of participation was due to everyone properly maintaining their culverts however there could be other reasons for the low demand that we will try to ascertain.

The village engineer has also conducted a village-wide survey of the major drainage ditches and swales and identified several blockages that the village will clear this spring. The village routinely provides this service to help improve storm water management and help mitigate localized flooding risks. So far this spring has been kind to us with our village drainage system handling the thawing snow and storm water without any flooding. As the weather improves, please make it a point to routinely check your ditches, swales, and culverts for debris. A little bit of maintenance can prevent a flooding disaster.





Tree Removal Permits Are Required in The Village of Riverwoods

By Chuck Stewart, Village Forester

The Village Board, in response to concerns regarding tree preservation and woodland management in the Village has recently modified and updated the Village's Tree Preservation Ordinance (no. 03-6-7) for the preservation of Protected Trees.

There are two types of tree-related permits that the Village issues under the Tree Preservation Ordinance: Tree Removal permits and Forestry permits.

Tree Removal permits are issued when an applicant wants to remove trees that are dead, diseased, dying, or when trees need to be removed for construction purposes.

Tree Removal applications are reviewed by the Village Forester. Based on the review, the Forester may require trees to be planted to replace protected trees being removed. Tree replacements are calculated based on the number of inches of trunk diameter removed, i.e. when a protected tree with a trunk diameter of 20" is removed, 20" of replacements are required. In some cases, more replacements are required than there is space for on the applicant's property. When this occurs, the Forester determines the number of trees which can be replanted at the site and the remaining number of inches are applied to a 'Fee in Lieu of' calculation. The 'Fee in Lieu of' payment is then placed into a Village fund for the Tree Planting program.

The fee for a Tree Removal permit is \$75.00. However, there is no permit fee for dead, diseased or dying trees.

Forestry permits are issued to residents participating in the Tree Planting program (Village's Ordinance Providing for the Preservation of Protected Trees (no. 03-6-7, sec.5-5-9). This program uses matching funds generated from the 'Fee in Lieu of' payments to aid residents with woodland restoration projects including tree planting and/or the removal of invasive, noxious or non-indigenous trees, plants and weeds, such as buckthorn and garlic mustard, that interfere with the health, conservation and expansion of the oak-hickory hardwood forest and other Protected Trees that constitute the indigenous and desirable woodland habitat for the Village.

Applications for Forestry permits follow a similar process

as Tree Removal permits. But because residents apply for matching funds as part of the program, they must include a copy of a signed work contract and a copy of the contractor's valid State of Illinois Applicator's License, as specified in the Village's Guidelines for the Removal and Control of Buckthorn and Garlic Mustard, if herbicides will be used. When the work is completed, the Forester performs a site inspection to determine if the work was done in accordance with the application. When all work is completed and approved, the Village issues a reimbursement check to the resident. The program is a 50/50 cost-share, with a maximum of a \$1,000 reimbursement. The fee for a Tree Removal permit is \$75.00.

The Village policy requires all tree and brush removal work to be documented, regardless of whether or not the trees being removed are 'protected' trees under the Village's Tree Ordinance. This means that residents are asked to fill out an application so the Village has a record of the work to be performed. This is intended to save time for the police department, as they are the ones who most often have to respond when residents call the Village to report tree removal work in progress. Having a properly completed copy of a permit application on file with the Police Department will assist them in identifying tree removals taking place without a tree removal permit. There is no permit fee associated with the removal of brush or 'unprotected' trees.

Forestry Cost-Share Programs

If you missed ordering trees from this year's plant sale but are still interested in improving your woodland landscape with new trees this year, now is the time! And the Village Cost-Share program can help. Funds are available to residents on a first-come, first-served basis. Please visit the Village of Riverwoods website at www.villageofriverwoods.com to learn about all of the cost share options available to Village residents. These include not only trees but also shrubs and understory trees, but also tree services such as canopy thinning, buckthorn removal and more.

For all of the programs, we recommend a consultation with either our Village Forester or a professional of your choice. These experts can not only help you in creating a plan that is best for your property, but can help you develop the most cost-efficient plan for your budget. Please be sure to familiarize yourself with the details of the program, as there are limitations or special requirements. Note that a resident must pay all contractors, and the Village Forester must pre-approve and review all completed work before a resident can receive reimbursement for most Village cost-share programs.

Canopy Tree Planting – Canopy tree planting is just one of the many options available and is appropriate for any residential lot in the Village, whether you have woodlands or not, adding native trees will increase the tree canopy in the Village. This program provides for up to five 1.5 inch caliper native species trees at a special Village price which includes planting, mulching, a deer protection fence for the trees, and a one-year guarantee.

Funds available - 50/50 cost-share with resident/Village up to \$625 Village share (five trees or alternative if pre-approved).

10 Simple Green Ideas to Make A Difference in 2014

By Merleanne Rampale, SWALCO

Although New Year's Day has passed, it's still not too late to make a resolution, or better yet just make some helpful little changes. Here are some simple, sustainable, economical and easy green ideas that any of us can do to conserve and make a difference in 2014 and beyond. Here are 10 simple green ideas that we can do for ourselves, our family, our community and the planet. Pick one, two or more and make 2014 a great one!

1) Stop waste. Recycle at home, work, school and play. Before you go to throw, think Recycle First, Trash Last. The good news is that we are able to recycle more items than ever, from every room in the house. Some of the items that are recyclable may surprise you. Visit SWALCO.org or recyclefirsttrashlast.org for a complete list of the new recycling guidelines. Recycling is one of the best and easiest things we can do. Its impact reaches beyond just keeping items from landfills, which is a great thing in itself. Recycling paper can conserve forests and habitat, which protects plants and wildlife species that live there. Recycling a cell phone or other electronics at one of SWALCO's collections can potentially prevent mining for metals in areas where endangered species like gorillas live.

2) Make a pledge to keep reusable bags handy for shopping. There are so many sizes and designs available everywhere and most are fairly inexpensive. Some collapse down to fit your glove box, purse or pocket.

3) Clear out the clutter and stop junk mail. Each year 19 billion catalogs are mailed to consumers in the United States. To produce these catalogs require more than 53 million trees and 53 million gallons of water. Visit Catalogchoice.org and get off the mailing list. Contact your bank and credit card companies and ask them not to forward or use your name and address for any promotional or marketing lists. And recycle all junk mail that does arrive. Virtually 98-99% of all of the paper in our homes and workplace is recyclable, including window envelopes, phone books, shiny-coated catalogs and much more.

4) Buy recycled bath tissue and other products made from recycled materials.

5) Give up conventional paper towels. Purchase a pack of micro fiber cleaning cloths.

6) Conserve water. Make a promise to run your dishwasher only when fully loaded.

7) Purchase a rain barrel. Use the captured rain water for gardening, car washing, and other household activities and chores. SWALCO, Lake County Storm water Management Commission and Lake County Forest Preserves will sponsor a compost bin, rain barrel and native plant sale in May of this year.

8) Purchase a compost bin. With a bin you will create wonderful mulch for your garden, while keeping food waste that would normally end up in the landfill, out of it. Composting and captured rain water provide numerous other benefits as well.

9) Learn about and purchase ocean-friendly and sustainable seafood. Download a pocket guide or app from the Seafood

Watch program on the Monterey Bay Aquarium's website at montereybayaquarium.org for a list to take with you at the grocers or when dining out.

10) Minimize the use of chemicals in your home and on your lawn. There are so many natural and affordable cleaning products now available. You can also do a little research and investigate minimizing or eliminating the use of herbicides and pesticides on your lawn. Good for you and for wildlife. Search online for easy organic lawncare and check it out. For chemical items you do have at home, including cleaning supplies, pesticides, old prescription medications (pet or people) and other household chemical waste products, bring them to one of SWALCO's HCW collections to be disposed of safely.

Visit SWALCO.org for more information on any of the ten green ideas to make a difference in 2014 and beyond!



In Riverwoods we can all take advantage of electronics recycling on the first recycle pickup day of each month.

Take Advantage of these Special Services Offered by LakeShore Each Month

Riverwoods residents, did you know that the Village's contracted waste and recycling hauler – LakeShore Recycling Systems, allows for one "bulk" item to be picked up per week? You simply need to place your item at the curbside, next to your waste and recycling containers. The item will be picked up on the same day as your regular service. This allows you to purge your homes of some of the larger items that you no longer have a use for. "Bulk" items include: coffee tables, chairs or seats and old and unwanted toys or heirlooms. Ideally, the hauler would prefer to know if you are planning to take advantage of this service, and if so, what the item is to ensure proper handling. If you have any questions about what is considered a "bulk" item (not all items qualify), please call LakeShore Recycling Systems at 773-685-8811.

Electronics Recycling – You can finally get rid of your old phones, calculators and such because along with this bulk item removal, there is also a once a month electronics recycling. This pick up is on the very first waste pickup of the month. Just leave the electronic item (computers, televisions...etc) out with your first pick up of the month. For small electronics, please gather them up and leave in a box identified as electronics. All large items need to be curbside and if they are very large, please call to inform LakeShore of those items.



Orphans Opens Newly Renovated Cat Wing

Orphans of the Storm would like to thank Mayor Norris and the Riverwoods Board of Trustees for their ongoing support in the form of two tables at this year's benefit dinner. As a neighbor in Riverwoods we feel very fortunate to have such a wonderful relationship with our village government as well as our local residents.

This year's dinner, titled "The Cat's Meow" was held at Ravinia Green Country Club (our next door neighbor) on April 28th. Not only did we switch up the venue this year, but we announced some big projects that had been in the works for some time and will go far in enhancing adoptions of the homeless dogs and cats that arrive each week from throughout Lake and northern Cook counties.

The first announcement was our pet adoption showcase in Northbrook Court shopping mall that we had leaked to you in the past issue. But just so you know, the traffic and networking is far more valuable than any advertising we could ever put out. So please come by and visit on any weekend, Saturday and Sunday between the hours of 11am-5pm.

The second announcement is our newly renovated cat wing at our Riverwoods location. We didn't just paint a few walls, we completely gutted the entire building and started from scratch. Everything is new! The big cat room is even better with bigger windows allowing more sunny spots to enjoy. Completely new to the cat wing is a cat meeting room. Now potential adopters can get to know a cat away from the general population in private. We also added a medical bar to simplify medication time each day. But most of all, the old and worn cat wing is gone and replaced by a light and airy new environment.



Feline Friends for Seniors – If you are a senior and considering adopting a feline friend, then you should know about our senior cat adoption program. Monday through Friday we will waive the adoption fee for any adult cat and reduce the vaccination fee to \$60. For more information please contact the shelter directly at 847-945-0235.

Photos: The viewing windows in the cat wing; An adult cat waits for his adoption day; Volunteer Hope and adoption counselor Pam at this year's benefit dinner at Ravinia Green Country Club.

Riverwoods Book Club Turns 10!

By June Melber

May marks the 10th anniversary of the Riverwoods Book Club. Since our first meeting, May 20, 2004, we've read and discussed 91 books.

Initially, the purpose was to give Riverwoods residents a book club that would not involve joining a library, or buying the latest best seller. So... just what would we be reading? It's turned out to be an eclectic selection of fiction and non-fiction by prize winning authors from all over the world.

As has been the policy for the past 10 years, the book club is free, open to residents and non-residents and includes refreshments. We meet at the Village Hall. The date for the next meeting is May 29 at 10am. Our May book pick is **Rules of Civility**, by Amor Towles.

Join us for our May meeting, we'll celebrate our 10 year anniversary, talk about some of our favorites from "the list", and plan some of our fall book picks.



Riverwoods Montessori Celebrates Music!

Riverwoods Montessori School, serving infant/toddlers through grade six, has been celebrating and sharing their vocal and instrumental music with parents and grandparents at their recent "Spring Sing Programs" under the direction of Music Director Clara Berman. Families are also enjoying the end of school year picnics before the start of the ten week Summer Camp Programs which begin June 9, 2014, and end August 15. For information: www.montessori-schools.com or call Mrs. Gordon at 847-945-8661.

Photo from left to right – Johanna Carr, Lake Forest; Jainna Krier, Grayslake; Kayla Lee, Prairie View; Alicja Wardzala, Glenview; Yashica Papineni; and Hamilton King, Lincolnshire.



Local Chef Opens New Restaurant

Submitted by Gale Gand

Food Network alum and Riverwoods residence Chef Gale Gand just opened a new soda and burger joint, SpritzBurger in the Lakeview neighborhood in Chicago. She collaborated with the Hearty Boys, Dan Smith and Steve McDonagh, also Food Network alums.

The no-reservation, family friendly, dinner only, urban restaurant has something for everyone. The menu is burger-centric with grass fed beef being the star of the show. Chef Dan Smith has created some real hits such as the English inspired Pub Crawl burger with Major Grey Chutney, English Cheddar, and the delightfully different Poutine Burger with skinny cut fries, and sage country gravy. There are plenty of non-beef burger options including turkey burgers and vegetarian ones like their falafel burger and a black bean burger. There's also a non burger section on the menu so if you feel like fried chicken or brisket with potato pancakes, they've got it.

The "spritz" in Spritzburger comes from their craft sodas that are spritzed with siphon bottles of sparkling water right at the table. They also offer creative craft cocktails which is Mixologist Steve McDonagh's specialty. Plus Chef Gale's local root beer is on tap, flavored with cinnamon, ginger and vanilla.

Chef Gale Gand's homemade (and always handmade) desserts are available in regular portions and in smaller tasting sizes so that you can try them all without feeling like you need to be rolled out of the restaurant in a wheel barrow. Greatest hits include the always excellent Butterscotch Pudding with Salt and Pepper Peanuts, along with the popular Lemon Meringue Pie with Blackberry Finger Paint.

Spritzburger is located at 3819 N. Broadway in Chicago and is open from 5pm till 10pm-ish Tuesday through Saturday with brunch served Sundays from 10am - 3pm. The patio is open when weather allows. They also have a private room for groups up to 20. So for bubbles, burgers, and brunch, try Spritzburger!

For more information you can visit them on line at Spritzburger.com or contact the restaurant directly at 773-868-9866.

Theatre in the Woods



Theatre in the Woods Production of "Squabbles" Enjoyed!

Theatre in the Woods production of SQUABBLES back in March this year was enjoyed by all. Artistic Director Donna Lubow, who directed the play, found audiences receptive to the plot:

Jerry Sloan (John Di Leo of Palatine) is a successful writer of advertising jingles married to an equally successful lawyer (Debbi Dennison of Streamwood). Living with the happy couple is Abe Dreyfus (Jim Scott of Highland Park), Jerry's curmudgeon of a father-in-law. The situation is exacerbated when Jerry's mother Mildred (Julie Mitre of Chicago) loses her house in a fire and needs a place to stay. Abe and Mildred can't stand each other. This play is one hilarious confrontation after another until the heart-warming finale in which the oldsters discover that, really, each is not so bad. Other actors in the play include Ned Ricks of Gurnee, Raj Malhotra of Palatine, and Kathie Keefe Howski of Riverwoods.

The production staff included Jeri Solomon (Producer, Set Designer), Kathie Keefe Howski (Associate Artistic Director), Diane Goldman (Assistant Director), Frank Rose (Lighting Designer), Bob Boxer (Sound Designer), and Mel Vahi (Master Carpenter).

Theatre in the Woods is hoping to find a new performance space soon, and is also looking for a place to store their props and costumes. Any Riverwoods residents who would like to volunteer are invited to contact Donna Lubow at 847-323-0054. Plans are in the works for a children's theatre production in the fall. You can follow the theatre on Facebook at Theatre in the Woods - Riverwoods.

Photos: the cast of Squabbles, and one of the "squabbles"





“Retiring RPC President Laurie Briekopf with Greg Mancuso at the Village Barbecue and Plant Sale.

Thank You Laurie, for Your Leadership and Vision

By Mike Clayton, RPC President

Thank you to our “retiring” President, Laurie Breitkopf, who is stepping down after five years at the helm of the Riverwoods Preservation Council. Under Laurie’s leadership, the RPC has grown to be a significant force in strengthening the unique character of our Village. Demonstration sites, educational programs, recycling activities, an annual roadway clean up, communications, and policy advocacy cover just some of RPC’s activity. With the help of Mayors Kaplan and Norris, the RPC has worked in tandem with the Village in many of these areas. To recognize her contributions, on behalf of the entire Village, we are planting an oak tree in the Village Garden. Happily, Laurie has elected to remain on the Board and continue to contribute to the RPC efforts in this different capacity.

This has been an exciting five years. If you can, take a moment to drop the RPC Board an email at michael.clayton@marauder.net to let us know where you think the RPC can make a real contribution in the next five years. The link between our woodland character and property values, the availability and quality of our water supply, our ability to meet the Lake County solid waste recycling requirements, the design of our Village Hall etc. are just some possible examples. The community has been most generous in its support of the RPC and we want to focus our resources with your input.

We’re looking forward to hearing from you now and in the future...

Mark Your Calendars! Riverwoods’ Clothing and Textile Recycling Drive June 1-30

By Louise Simonson

The Riverwoods Preservation Council (RPC) is working with the Village of Riverwoods to sponsor a clothing and textile drive June 1-30 with convenient drop off at the Village Hall 24/7.

Do you have clothing or linens you were going to throw out? You are not alone. Even though there are many organizations collecting clothing such as Good Will, it is estimated that nearly 85% of all clothing and textiles end up in landfills. In fact, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that the average American throws away 70 pounds of clothing/ textiles each year! Another way of viewing the problem is that 5-10% of all waste sent to municipal landfills is comprised of textiles, which are often very dense and consume significant space.

The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) is implementing a new community-wide program where clothing and textiles can be collected for recycling and kept out of landfills. What is unique about this program is that all gradations of clothing and textiles ranging from new or gently used to unwanted/ worn can be donated. Although the aim is to primarily collect gently used items, clothes or textiles with stains or holes will be accepted as well. The great news is that almost 95% of the materials collected will be repurposed or recycled.

Reducing textile and clothing waste is a significant challenge. Rather than contributing to the problem here is your opportunity to be part of a positive solution.

Acceptable Items

Clothing	Clothing Accessories
Blouses and shirts	Backpacks
Coats and jackets	Belts
Dresses	Purses and handbags
Halloween costumes	Tote Bags
Hats and scarves	Household Textiles
Pants, shorts and jeans	Bedspreads, duvets, comforters, sheets, blankets, and quilts
Socks (single or in pairs)	Curtains
Suits and tuxedos	Drapes
Swimsuits	Sofa Covers
Sweaters and sweatshirts	Table linens
Ties	
Undergarments	

Unacceptable Items

Wet, smelly, or moldy items	Cushions
Pillows	Foam furniture and foam mats
Sleeping Bags	Vinyl Shower Curtains
Mattresses	Large Luggage
Rugs	
Carpet	



Your Garlic Mustard Is Flowering, and Soon will be Broadcasting Seeds. Now Is the Time to Pull It

By Riverwoods Preservation Council

Each garlic mustard plant produces thousands of seeds. They are believed to be dispersed by the

fur of animals, such as deer, horses and squirrels, and by people. The plant grows heartily in Riverwoods, and most vigorously in areas of trampled and disturbed soil. Seeds are produced within days of initial flowering. The seed pods open about a month later.

Hand pulling before or within a week or so after flowering is the most common method of control. The entire root must be removed. To prevent re-seeding, the pulled plants should be removed from the site.

Cutting the plant immediately after flowering, and before seeds develop, is effective if the plant is cut at the soil level. Cutting earlier or higher will prompt the plant to regrow. Cutting later will require removal of plants from the site to prevent re-seeding.

Chemical treatment (e.g., Roundup) is frequently ineffective. It also risks injuring or killing nearby vegetation.

Garlic mustard is a biennial, growing over a two-year period. In the first year, it is a low rosette. In the second year, it is a tall seed-producing flowering plant. Because seeds can be viable for 5 years, control of an infestation requires activity for several successive years.

Garlic mustard poses a severe threat to native plants and animals. It crowds out other plants, monopolizing moisture, nutrients and soil space, and reducing the food supply for native animals. Native animals do not eat garlic mustard, and butterflies are not attracted to it. In addition, garlic mustard is believed to contaminate the soil with chemicals exuded from its roots. The chemicals inhibit growth of other species.



YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE RPC

The RPC would like to involve more people throughout the Village in local ecological issues. We have sponsored interesting programs and events, such as a water management panel, shoe and eyeglass recycling, installation of a rain garden at the police station, and a native plant lecture at Red's Garden Center. The RPC, a nongovernmental, resident-run environmental organization, is seeking directors and others interested in Riverwoods' ecological matters. To learn more, please contact the RPC at riverwoodsrpc@comcast.net.

RPC MEMBERSHIP FORM

Yes, I want to support the RPC in its efforts to preserve Riverwoods! Enclosed is my contribution in the amount of :

\$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 Other _____

I have attached my employer's matching contribution form.

Join at a level of \$100 or more and receive a 10% discount on most plants sold each spring by the RRA Plant Sale Committee.

Please make your check payable to the Riverwoods Preservation Council, P.O. Box 122, Deerfield, IL 60015. The RPC is an independent, resident-run, volunteer-run, non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. Your contributions are tax-deductible to the full extent of the law. Thank you!

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Find the Riverwoods Preservation Council on Facebook at www.riverwoodsrpc.org, and at riverwoodsrpc@comcast.net.

RRA - JOIN AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN RIVERWOODS

Riverwoods Residents Association (RRA) forms a support network within our Village. Membership is \$25 per family and includes two vehicle stickers. Mail your check to RRA, P.O. Box 341, Deerfield, IL 60015. For more information contact Jill Kaplan at jedma1@yahoo.com or call her directly at 847-945-0062.

MEMBERSHIP FORM

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A Few Dogs You Should Meet

At your local animal shelter, Orphans of the Storm, there are dogs and cats that so deserve to get out of the shelter and into loving homes. Here are a few dogs that you should meet. Even if you are not ready to adopt, you may know someone who is.

Bullet and Sicilly – These delicate miniature dogs are a bonded pair of Italian Greyhounds. When their owner fell on hard times they were one of the

expenses to be cut. Bullet is a white and gray 9 year old male and Sicilly is the 10 year old darker female. These two loving creatures will cuddle with anyone who offers a lap.

Sparky Jr. – This five year old combination of Lhasa Apso and Aussie is sweetness through and through. Sparky Jr. gets along very well with other dogs and cats, and adores children. He is housebroken and listens calmly to commands. Australian Shepherds are known as the original spirit



dogs and Sparky Jr. carries one blue eye of that sacred breed.

Coffee – It's hard for a seven year old black lab mix to compete with younger labs at the shelter. Someone will eventually discover the wonderful personality of this over-sized fluffy lab mix. And that person will be lucky to have this smart and inquisitive guy as their loyal companion for life.

Orphans of the Storm is open for adoptions every day from 11am to 5pm. Please consider adopting a friend for life.

Volunteers are welcome – If you are looking for something meaningful to fill some time this summer - the shelter may be the place for you. For information on volunteering call 847-945-0235.