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VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

All Riverwoods Board of Trustees and Plan Commission meetings are held at the Village Hall unless otherwise specified and are open to the public; residents are encouraged to attend.

Riverwoods Village Board

1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7:30pm. July 19, Aug 2, 9, Sept 6 and 20.

Riverwoods Plan Commission

1st Thursday at 7:30pm. Aug 4, Sept 1 and Oct 6.

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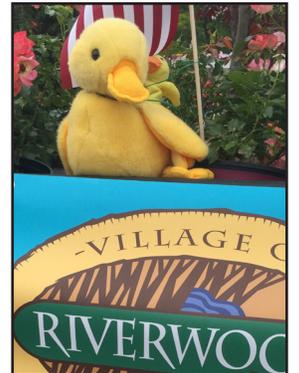
VILLAGE VOICE



Building a New Home in the Woods – A Winning Theme for Riverwoods!

Once again Riverwoods residents pulled together to make a proud statement in this year's annual Deerfield Fourth of July parade. The theme, **Building a New Home in the Woods** earned our entry the award of "Most Original".

Stuffed woodland animals, an opossum, raccoons, a duck and one brave eagle (along with a few visiting friends like a lion and a bear) adorned a framed-out structure representing the upcoming construction of our new village hall. Resident volunteers walked alongside the two decorated flatbeds dressed as construction workers in hard hats to hand out candy and SWALCO sun glasses made from recycled materials to children along the route. And Mayor Norris found it much cooler this year to don a hard hat rather



than his usual viburnum bush.

Thanks goes out to Village resident Tracey Bertog and his crew from Bertog Landscaping; to Trustee Michael Baumann, Laura Trevino, and their children Leo and Alissa; to Trustee Rick Jamerson and his grandson Logan; Jackie Borchew; Chief Bruce Dayno; Building Clerk Meghan Richardson and her children Tatum, Sadie Grace, and Ian.

It was a great day for a parade. We all realized how lucky we are to be part of such a wonderful community. We hope that you will join us next year!



RIVERWOODS
VILLAGE VOICE

Riverwoods Village Voice is published bimonthly by the Village of Riverwoods. The purpose is to provide a communication forum and information for residents. The views expressed in the newsletter are not necessarily those of the Mayor or members of the Board of Trustees.

Editor: Jackie Borchew.

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 September/October 2016 issue:

August 20, 2016

Send to:

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An Update on Village Projects

Much has happened since the last edition of the Village Voice.

The Village government has moved to 320 Portwine (the house north of the old Village Hall) and recycling and demolition of the old Village Hall has begun. Please visit our web site dedicated to the construction project for pictures and a current update. <https://sites.google.com/a/riverwoods-il.net/villagehall/> You may remember that some of the beams, stairs and railings had initials carved into the wood. We are hoping to include some of these carvings as accent pieces in the new building and a reminder of our past history.

Portwine Road has been paved, with only a little finishing work to be completed. The project has moved forward faster than anticipated and come in under budget. No question the work was needed.

The Lock-Up Self Storage Company has begun construction of its facility on the western end of Deerfield Road (next to Brentwood North). They hope to finish by the end of the year.

As many of you are probably aware, Buffalo Grove has approved a major development project for the area just west of the intersection of Milwaukee and Deerfield Rd. The development will be anchored by a very large Woodman's Store and the accompanying outbuildings (gas station, convenience mart, etc.). Multifamily housing and retail besides Woodman's is part of the plan. The Village Board, the Plan Commission, and the



Mayor Norris and friends ride in the Deerfield Fourth of July parade.

Strategic Land Use Committee are all aware of this plan and considering how to lessen any negative impact, such as increased traffic, while maximizing opportunities it may bring, such as improvement at the intersection to enhance traffic flow. One thing is certain: if this project does go forward, it will have an impact on Riverwoods, especially western Riverwoods. Since the development is in a different municipality, our ability to control events is limited. We will need to work as a community to ensure that we have as much influence as possible.

Finally, let me close with some good news. Through May 31, the General Fund is about \$320,000 better than budget. Most of this, to the tune of approximately \$310,000 comes from our being able to spend less than we thought we would. Revenues were only about \$10,000 better than anticipated.

John W. Norris

Mayor, Village of Riverwoods

Candidates Sought

On April 4, 2017, the mayor, village clerk and three trustees will be elected to the Riverwoods Village Board. The terms of these positions are for four years.

The Caucus System in Riverwoods is a state-authorized and regulated candidate selection process designed to seek out, select and support individuals who will agree to run for and, if elected, serve in positions on the village government.

Persons wishing to be considered for selection as a nominee of the Riverwoods Caucus Party may obtain an application beginning October 7, 2016, at the Village Hall or by email request at RiverwoodsNomCom@gmail.com (include your name and email address). The application includes a questionnaire covering a range of issues facing the Village and is designed to assist the Caucus Nominating Committee in evaluating applicants. Completed applications must be returned no later than October 28, 2016.

A candidate must fulfil the following requirements:

- Be a US Citizen and a resident of Riverwoods
- Reside in Riverwoods at least one year prior to the election date
- Be registered to vote in Riverwoods
- Be current with all municipal taxes
- Not be a convicted felon

The Caucus Nominating Committee will interview candidates on November 12, 2016. Any registered voter may request an interview even if no application has been filed. Attendance at these interviews is open to all Riverwoods residents.

On December 5, 2016 at 7:30pm in the Riverwoods Village Hall, the Riverwoods Caucus Party will elect its candidates from among the Nominating Committee selections and any other candidates who apply. All residents registered to vote in Riverwoods are encouraged to attend this meeting and participate in the selection process. For further information, contact the Caucus Party at RiverwoodsNomCom@gmail.com

Village Board of Trustees Meeting Notes

The following is a summary of ordinances, resolutions, and non-routine matters considered by the Board of Trustees from the meeting minutes of April 19, May 3, 17 and June 7. 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.

June 7

COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Mr. Durning reported that the Village has received \$140,000 in permit fees from The Lock Up.

The Village issued a stop work order for the property at 2825 Arrowwood due to the project exceeding the permitted length of time for completion.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the May 10, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting. The details are available to read in full at the Village of Riverwoods website at www.villageofriverwoods.com.

New Business

RIVERWOODS ESTATES SUBDIVISION

Village Engineer Pat Glenn explained that the property owner of 720 Ringland wishes to build a swimming pool. The addition of the pool would exceed their allocation of the amount of impervious surface. The two homeowners have come up with an agreement to reallocate the allowable impervious surface for the three lots in the subdivision. Mr. Glenn added that the pool location is in the storm water management easement for compensatory flood plain storage so the Village does need to abrogate a portion of the easement.

The Board voted to approve the Riverwoods Estates Plat of Subdivision abrogating the plat in part and amending restrictions.

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer/Solid Waste/Roads/Bike Path – Trustee O’Donnell explained that some residents voiced their concern about the condition of the road on Maple Place. As background, Mr. Glenn noted that the Village had annexed Rose and Maple. He explained that when they work on the sidewalk patching on Deerfield and Riverwoods Roads, they will handle the worst of the potholes. They will also be included as part of the next road program.

Police/Building/Zoning – Trustee Jamerson sent out the Building Report for the month of May 2016. The full report is available to read in the board notes on the Village of Riverwoods website.

Trustee Jamerson noted that he, Mayor Norris and Trustee Chamberlain met to discuss electric aggregation. ComEd lowered their rates for the summer making their rate lower than the rate contracted with the Village’s aggregator. A letter just went out to all Village residents telling them about the rates. Residents have the option to go back to ComEd, with the understanding they have to stay with ComEd for six months.

Trustee Jamerson will begin providing building construction updates for the new Village Hall monthly.

Village Attorney Huvad explained that the staff is working with Mesirow Financial to review the Village’s insurance. Mesirow suggested that they be paid a monthly flat rate until they place our next insurance package at which point they will get paid from the premium for the package. Mr. Huvad suggested, and they agreed to a fee of \$1,000 per month.

Woodlands/Finance – Trustee Chamberlain sent out an update on the Cost-Share program. There were 11 residents that had Village Ecologist consults in May. By the end of the summer, Conserve Lake County will have had 90 residential consults. Trustee Chamberlain reported that she is getting good feedback on the program.

May 17

TREASURER’S REPORT

Trustee Ford distributed the statement of revenues and expenses. The report is available to read in full on the Village of Riverwoods website under Board Notes.

Trustee Ford stated that Kelly Zabinski made the recommendation to add the TIF to the report. Mayor Norris added that Ms. Zabinski will be taking over most of the financial reporting.

Ms. Zabinski will reconcile the bank and investment accounts and then generate the reports. This will eliminate the need for the outside accountant’s monthly visits.

The Mayor also noted that the quarterly report he provided to the Board shows that expenses came within \$75 dollars of the total budgeted and the revenues are well ahead of budget.

Informational Items & Comments from the President

1055 MILWAUKEE AVENUE

Mayor Norris explained that Anderson Environmental Consulting has provided a proposal to implement the IEPA-approved sampling plan at 1055 Milwaukee Avenue. The escrow from Terraco is \$30,000 and the proposal is \$25,000. The Village needs to get approval from Terraco, as they are paying for the sampling. Terraco will get a second bid for the work.

New Business

CONTRACTING AUTHORITY FOR BIDS ON THE VILLAGE HALL PROJECT

Trustee Jamerson briefly went over the updated project budget and the contractor information. He noted that the bids are about \$100,000 lower than the budget discussed at the public meeting. The project total is \$4,860,666. There are two contingencies included as well as \$50,000 for owner’s scope changes.

Trustee Ford moved to approve the budget of \$4,860,666 for the Village Hall project, acceptance of Trade Bids, and granting authority to the Mayor to direct W.B. Olson to enter into contracts on behalf of the Village, subject to receiving final recommendation of W.B. Olson and approval of the Village attorney. Trustee Jamerson seconded the motion.

Trustee Haber wanted to go on record to state that he believes that the project is a lot more expensive than he contemplated. He is pleased that the Village is looking at a new Village Hall building rather than retrofitting. Based on the meetings held with the residents, he is convinced this is the will of the Community which wants a first-class, beautiful Village Hall. However, Trustee Haber is concerned that the Board has not tied this to a resolution of the sale of the property on the east side of Portwine Road. Mayor Norris stated that he spoke with a realtor last week who feels that the saleable portion of the properties is about \$250,000 per lot. He will provide a more comprehensive report at the June 21, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting.

The Board voted to approve the budget of \$4,860,666 for the Village Hall project.

PROPOSED CHUDY SUBDIVISION – DISCUSSION

Mayor Norris noted that this property on Duffy Lane is partly in Riverwoods and part of it is in Lincolnshire. The Lincolnshire property would be de-annexed from Lincolnshire and annexed into Riverwoods. Mr. Glenn stated that due to several unique characteristics, he is requesting some direction from the Board before he gives comments that are going to put the owner through a lot of effort and expense if it's something conceptually unacceptable to the Board.

There are two properties in Riverwoods and a 2-acre lot in Lincolnshire both owned by Mr. Chudy. Mr. Glenn noted there are two main considerations. He questioned if the Board thinks it is in the best interest of the Village to do a land swap to create more buildable lots in the area. The proposal for the combined properties is for five conforming R-1 lots. However, in the discussions he's had, the existing house in Lincolnshire would remain as an existing, non-conforming house which is unprecedented in Riverwoods. Mayor Norris questioned what, if any, would be the benefit to Riverwoods. Mr. Glenn explained that there would be an improved drainage situation for the Lincolnshire residents. Mayor Norris noted that the Village would receive approximately \$2,500 in property tax per year which is not substantial. After some discussion, the Board agreed that it had an issue with the non-conforming house.

CLEANING CONTRACTS FOR 320 PORTWINE AND THE POLICE STATION

Because of the Village administration move to 320 Portwine, the Village needed to look at a new cleaning contract. Mayor Norris noted that they received the lowest price from Jani-King that will save the Village about \$1,100 per month. Mayor Norris received good references. The Board approved.

STATES ATTORNEY FORENSIC LABORATORY MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM

Chief Dayno noted that in 2001 the Lake County State's Attorney Office created a Cyber Division to assist with computer and cell phone analysis. The funding for the unit has dried up, but the State's Attorney and the Police Departments would like to keep it going by having each of the Villages pay a fee. Chief Dayno explained that the Riverwoods Police have used them quite often in the past which has helped with some cases. The cost for Riverwoods would be \$1,500 per year. The Board voted in favor to enter into an agreement to continue with the State's Attorney Office Forensic Laboratory Membership.

LINCOLNSHIRE EXPLORERS

Mayor Norris noted that the Lincolnshire Explorer Post does a lot to help the Village with various activities. Chief Dayno noted that, in addition to providing assistance to the Village they also provide an opportunity for youths interested in law

enforcement. Sergeant Jamie Watson and Explorer Chief Ben Panitch made a brief presentation. The Board agreed to approve a donation.

May 3

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the April 19, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting.

WEIGHT LIMITS ON PORTWINE ROAD

Mr. Glenn explained that the Village regularly gets questioned regarding the weight limits on our roads. He suggested core samples on Portwine Road to determine the proper limits for our roads for future use. All the Village maintained streets were cored and the pavement thicknesses varied but were generally similar other than South Portwine Road which has nearly a foot of asphalt over a foot of stone making it the heaviest pavement section in the Village. He suggested increasing the weight limit to 8 tons per axle for that section. The proposed weight limit would only affect the section of Portwine Road north of Lake Cook Road and south of Meredith Drive.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sewer/Solid Waste/Roads/Bike Path – Trustee O'Donnell stated that Orange Theory Fitness will be moving into the Shoppes of Riverwoods. Mayor Norris and Trustee O'Donnell met with SWALCO regarding recycling.

Police/Building/Zoning – Trustee Jamerson sent out the Building Report for the month of April 2016. The report is available to read in full on the Village of Riverwoods website.

Woodlands/Finance – Trustee Chamberlain noted that Mayor Norris is working on the financial reports that were previously discussed. She noted that there were 20 ecologist's consultations in April, which exceeded all of 2015. Of those, four applied for cost sharing programs. Trustee Jamerson added that Conserve Lake County is still performing free consultations which are available to interested residents.

Drainage/IT/Environment/Stormwater – Trustee Baumann noted that the Village now has the capability to stream information at Board meetings, in order to allow the audience to see information on a Trustee's computer screen that is being discussed. He indicated that there is also now a Village Hall Project website available to the public that can be accessed from the Village Facebook page. The website will be updated as the project moves forward. The Village's intent is to keep residents informed throughout the project.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Trustee Ford sent the Statement of Revenues and Expenses by Fund to the Trustees. A copy is available in full on the Village of Riverwoods website. Trustee Ford indicated revenues are running short of the 2015 revenues for the same period. To date, the Village's expenses are \$200,000 higher than revenues. Mayor Norris indicated that there will be a large bump in revenues after the property taxes are received in June.

POLICE REPORT

Chief Dayno provided the Board with the Police Department activity since the April 5, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting.

Informational Items & Comments from the President

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Mayor Norris noted that SWALCO has extended electronics recycling through the end of the year due to generous donations led by the Village of Grayslake.

TRISTAN FARO AWARDED EAGLE BADGE

Trustee Chamberlain noted that Tristan Faro built the bat houses for the Village as part of his Eagle candidacy. She attended the presentation ceremony and has requested pictures that will be posted on our Facebook page. It is a great honor and only a small number of scouts reach that level.

New Business

FINANCING OF VILLAGE HALL PROJECT

Mr. Huvad introduced Kevin McCanna from Speer Financial. He is a municipal advisor and is registered with the SEC. Current legislation requires that local governments use the services of a registered advisor when formulating plans to access debt markets. Therefore, the Village hired his firm for the specific purpose of potential financing.

Mr. McCanna looked at the Village's financial holdings and reserves and found that we have four times next year's expected general fund expenditures. He suggested three times would be a good, reasonable target. That would leave the Village with \$3 million to spend on the new Village Hall. Mr. McCanna suggested that the Village borrow the remaining \$2 million from the Water Fund, in effect paying interest to ourselves rather than to a bank. In addition, the Water Fund can loan funds but cannot spend them on other purposes. Lastly, the Water Fund is getting a very low interest rate based on the need to invest in short term maturities to be available for emergencies. Mr. McKenna explained that the Village may want to

make it a formal loan with interest mirrored on the interest being earned on Water Fund investments at Chase.

Mayor Norris noted that the Water Fund has over \$2.5 million which is \$.5 million more than the agreed on reserve of \$2 million.

2016 ROAD MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Mr. Glenn noted that the bids came in on the low side. The scope of work is miscellaneous patching and culvert work on Portwine Road and includes private special service areas. The Village share of the contract, which will be about \$500,000, will be covered by MFT funds.

The Board voted to award the 2016 road maintenance program contract to Peter Baker and Sons in an amount not to exceed \$621,781.35.

SPECIAL SERVICE AREA 30

Mr. Huvad explained there are eight homes in SSA30, which is the Burr Oak Trail SSA. He noted that the cost for the road work is about \$57,000. After adding in their portion of engineering and legal fees, they need to borrow \$70,000. Northside Community Bank agreed to purchase the bond at 2.75%. It will be a bit more than ten years and the first payment would be on August 2017 and would be fixed for ten years.

CBO DONATION REQUEST

Mayor Norris explained this request came before the Board at the last meeting. There were a number of questions the Board had so they invited Jared Daab, Director of Development for College Bound Opportunities, to address the Board. Trustee Chamberlain asked Mr. Daab to describe exactly what CBO does. She stated that some of the Trustees were under the impression that it only provides scholarships. Mr. Daab explained that they do provide financial assistance, but also provide a mentoring program. CBO has approximately 160 volunteers who provide regular assistance to students. There are now three full-time employees up from one a few years ago. These volunteers and staff help find the proper institutions, help with college applications, financial aid applications, locating additional scholarships and adapting to college life.

Mr. Daab stated that CBO draws from Highland Park, Deerfield, Lake Forest and Waukegan High Schools. He explained they just brought on a new class of 30 students, but had 90 applicants. They look for students that need and want a mentor, have financial need, drive and desire.

Mr. Daab explained that there is one Riverwoods student that is currently in college. He noted their biggest issue is getting more Deerfield High School students to apply.

Trustee Haber noted that their overall administrative costs are about 20%. Mr. Daab explained that they have almost doubled in size in the last four years. Because of that, they have added office space and student programming space which they previously had not needed.

Trustee O'Donnell noted that the list of major fundraisers only includes two municipalities; the Village of Riverwoods and Moraine Township. Mr. Daab explained that they have not been successful with municipalities.

The Board voted to make a donation of \$5000 to College Bound Opportunities.

Police Report: Door to Door Solicitors

By Police Chief Bruce Dayno

Recently, the Police Department has received complaints about door to door solicitors. Here is some information on what solicitors can and cannot do.

All Door to Door Solicitors:

- Must receive a Village of Riverwoods permit prior to soliciting.
- Must have their Village Solicitor Photo ID with them and produce it upon request.
- Must not solicit prior to nine o'clock (9:00am) or after eight o'clock (8:00pm) of any day.

Solicitors are required to skip any homes or businesses that are clearly marked with either:

ONLY SOLICITORS REGISTERED IN THE VILLAGE OF RIVERWOODS ARE INVITED

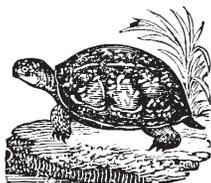
or

NO SOLICITORS INVITED

Written notices must be posted on a legible card, approximately three inches by four inches (3" x 4") in size, and exhibited upon or near the main entrance door to the residence or business or at or near the entrance of any guardhouse or security gate. The Village has ordered stickers with both message options meeting the criteria. The stickers are expected to be available for free at Village Hall and at the Police Department by July 10th, 2016.

Political, charitable, and religious groups not attempting to sell a product or service are exempt from the permit requirement, but must respect No Solicitation signs and restriction hours.

Residents who observe door to door solicitors commit an infraction should contact the Riverwoods Police Department at 847-945-1820 to report.



Riverwoods In Full Bloom – Too Special Not to Share

Recently a handful of residents took up an offer by two of the plant sale members to tour the gardens on their wooded properties in Riverwoods.

Sheila Hollander led the group along a mulched pathway through her lush woodland yard while pointing out various native trees and shrubs. And Irene Gagerman walked us deep into the forest that she has been restoring.

Both properties are breathtaking and calming at the same time as well as an inspiration. And both properties reflect the love and attention of many years hard work.

Mark Your Calendar – Village Central Park Plan Discussion

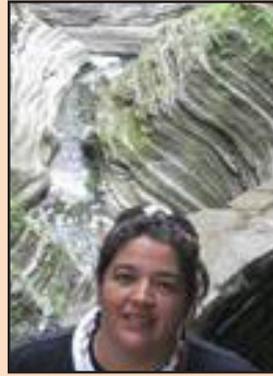
Submitted by the RPC

On July 19th, the Riverwoods Board of Trustees will discuss a landscaping and centralized park plan for the new Village Hall and surrounding area. The plan has been developed by a noted landscape architect with input and funding from the Riverwoods Preservation Council (RPC), the Plant Committee, and Village staff.

Key elements of the plan include:

- A natural recreation area to encourage children to get outdoors and interact with the woodlands.
- A playground area for smaller children
- Pathways, picnic areas, a Council Ring fire pit, areas for public gatherings such as Halloween, Easter Egg hunt, plant sale, scouting activities, and other exciting ideas such as a camping area.
- Educational areas explaining the benefits and implementation of ecological practices such as rain gardens, canopy clearing, living with wetlands, and removal of invasive plants.
- Exploration of corporate and resident fundraising and volunteer opportunities.

Please come to the July 19th meeting to learn more of the plan details. The Board meeting will be held at 7:30pm at Wolters Kluwer on Lake Cook Road. Signs will direct you to the building once you turn into the Wolters Kluwer driveway. For more details watch the RPC website (www.riverwoodsrpc.org) and Facebook page once the final presentation materials and cost estimates are complete, and the Village of Riverwoods website and facebook page.



Summertime at Brushwood Center – Nurturing art, nature and discovery

Brushwood invites you out into nature this summer. There are classes and programs for all ages and interests. Here are a few:

WildBunch/Landscape Volunteer Workday –Join this group of volunteers at Brushwood Gardens every other Friday. July 22, 8:30 - 10:30am, August 5, 8:30 - 10:30am for volunteer recognition, and August 19 8:30 - 10:30am.

August 6, 10-12pm.

4-H Nature and Photography Club – 8-12 year olds meet monthly to experience and capture nature on film.

Sunday, July 17, 1-3pm

Field Museum at Brushwood Center – with Diana (Tita) Alvira. Social Conservationist/Program Manager of the Keller Science Action Center at The Field Museum, will present her work on Community Well-Being and Conservation in the Andes-Amazon region.

Friday-Sunday, July 29-31, 6-7:30pm

Theater in Ryerson Woods – Edgar Lee Masters’ Spoon River Anthology Illinois Adaptation. Bring lawn chairs and enjoy this unique program presented by Citadel Theater.

Saturday, August 20, 8:30pm (sunset)

Film Festival in the Woods – Selected environmental

films viewed on the Brushwood lawn. This family-friendly film festival is an annual favorite of the Riverwoods Community.

Saturday, August 27, 7:30am-4:30pm

Brushwood Center hosts the 1st Annual Illinois Young Birders (ILYB) Symposium – This all day symposium is geared for young birders and families. Start the day with a bird walk at Ryerson Woods then spend the day listening to speakers, see presentations from young birders, and finish with day with a bird art and photography exhibit at Brushwood Center.

Sunday, July 31 · 1-3pm

Artist Reception and Panel Discussion

Join us for a reception and panel discussion on Doug Fogelson’s exciting new exhibition On Climate and how it relates to current environmental issues. On Climate will be on display at Brushwood Center through September 4.

Brushwood Center at Ryerson Woods

Nurturing art, nature and discovery

Brushwood Center is located inside the Edward L. Ryerson Conservation Area in Riverwoods, Illinois. Tour the historic Brushwood home. Walk the miles of trails on site. See what nature has inspired in the Brushwood gallery.

For more information, contact: Jackie Rockwell at 224-633-2427 or JRockwell@BrushwoodCenter.Org or visit www.BrushwoodCenter.org



Quick Tips To Prevent Mosquito Attacks and Enjoy Summer!

When it comes to mosquitoes, it is personal. Here are a few things that you can do to keep those pesky insects at bay so you can enjoy your summer:

- Wear light-colored clothing, cover up your arms and legs, and wear socks.
- Avoid scented perfumes or lotions.
- Use mosquito repellents. The CDC recommends DEET, picaridin, IR3535, and the plant-based oil of lemon eucalyptus. A Gardener’s Tip: to prevent a chance of skin irritation, spray your clothes and hat with the mosquito repellent, rather than spraying your skin.
- Check the screens on your windows and doors to be sure they fit securely with no holes.
- Empty wadding pools and any other water collecting sources in your yard regularly.

For more tips and information on dealing with mosquitoes contact the Southlake Mosquito Abatement District at www.slmad.org or 1-800-942-2555.



In the Kitchen with Gale

Pea and Garlic Dip

Serves 8 as an appetizer

This is a perfect spring and summer dipping dish. It smacks of the first produce of the season and is such a lively green color, it would look great with beef tenderloin or shrimp, or just on it's own.

- 1 pound bag frozen peas, thawed
- 10 mint leaves
- 2 medium cloves garlic, peeled
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper
- 6 tablespoons good quality extra virgin olive oil

- Crostini
- Sliced beef tenderloin
- Crudités

Place all the ingredients in a food processor and puree till well blended and relatively smooth. Serve cold with pita chips to dip. Or spread on crostini and top with a thin slice of beef tenderloin for a great hors d'oeuvre. Keeps in the fridge covered for at least four days.

Gale Gand is a pastry chef and is the partner in the Michelin one star restaurant, Tru, in Chicago. She was the host of Food Network's long running show "Sweet Dreams", and author of 8 cook books. She just finished a 2-year pop-up of Spritzburger, a burger and craft soda joint, with The Hearty Boys, also of Food Network fame. Gale teaches cooking classes all over the country and is an artisanal soda pop maker producing Gale's Root Beer which is sold nationally. Gale does Food Innovation with Hyde Park Group in Chicago. She has received two James Beard Awards, has been inducted to the Chicago Chefs Hall of Fame and was schooled in Paris at La Varenne. Gale lives in Riverwoods and is the mother of three.

Electric Aggregation News

Since August, 2012 when residents voted to use Municipal Electric Aggregation, Riverwoods residents have saved a total of \$1,250,892.93!



Fall Book Club Meeting

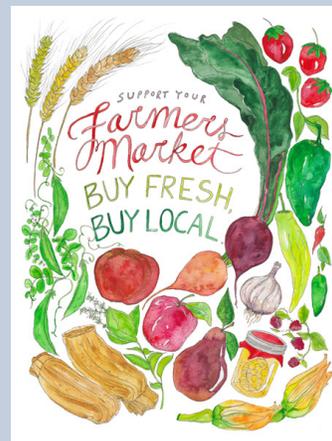
By June Melber

The Riverwoods Book Club is currently on summer vacation. Our 13th season will start Wednesday, September 14 at 10am when we'll be discussing **H is for Hawk**, the international award winning best seller by Helen MacDonald.

This meeting will take place at the Welcome Center at Ryerson Woods forest preserve. Following the book discussion, you'll have an opportunity to meet the resident rehabilitated education hawk who resides at Ryerson.

We will have refreshments, and as always, the book club is free and open to residents and non-residents. If you have any questions, or if you plan to attend, please call or email June Melber at 847-940-7086 or argos501@aol.com. We need to know how many to plan for so we know what size room we need.

DEERFIELD FARMERS MARKET



Savor the flavor of the seasons' bounty at the Deerfield farmers market as they celebrate their 22nd season this summer!

Each week find fresh-from-the-farm vegetables and fruit grown by Midwest farmers. Our Deerfield farmers market takes place in the Metra commuter lot every Saturday, 7am-12:30pm from now through October 15.

VILLAGE REMINDERS

Village Curfew - The Village Curfew Ordinance, which affects youths under the age of 18, is 11:00pm during the week and 12:00am for Holidays, Fridays and Saturdays.

Overnight Parking - No overnight parking is allowed on any Village street, from 3-6:00am No parking is allowed on Thorn-gate streets after dark.



The Riverwoods Plant Sale team includes clockwise from left: Louise Simonson, Betty Delouhy, Ilene Schoenfeld, Margie Kaul, Paula Pivar, Nancy Fencl, Irene Gagerman and Sheila Hollander.

Focusing on a Healthy and Native Woodland – One RRA Plant Sale and Community Barbecue at a Time!

The Plant Sale Ladies have done it again. Each spring we can count on them to offer up for sale the best and most popular native plants to add to our woodland gardens. And each year more and more residents are coming on board to order plants and learn about creating and preserving a healthy native woodland environment on their own properties. This year was no different.

Here are a few of the impressive numbers of plants sold through this year's sale.

Native trees: 85

Native shrubs: 248

Native wildflowers, grasses and sedges: 600

Best selling native trees: Swamp White Oak and Redbud

Best selling native shrubs: Red Osier Dogwood, Oak leaf Hydrangea, Spicebush, and Arrowwood Viburnum

Best selling wildflowers: Swamp Milkweed, and Cardinal Flower

Following the plant sale pick up on Saturday, residents joined together at the village hall to catch up and enjoy a barbecue.

Our woodland community is special. The RRA plant sale and barbecue and the people who make it happen are some of the reasons why.

If you're not taking part in our Riverwoods events, then you're missing out. See the RRA and the RPC membership forms in this issue and get involved today.



Green Corner



Controlling Mosquitoes While Protecting Bees

Having a healthy bee population is critical to maintaining a healthy eco-system. For that reason questions often arise regarding the effect mosquito spray has on these important pollinators.

In order to promote outdoor comfort and help reduce the risk of mosquito borne disease, the Village of Riverwoods receives services from the South Lake Mosquito Abatement District (SLMAD.org) to help control mosquito populations. The District has adopted the Earth Right program for mosquito control which uses naturally derived products formulated to meet both the rigors of EPA approval and the standards set by the Organic Material Review Institute (OMRI) for use in organic farming and gardening. **Using technology to reduce environmental impact, adult mosquito control products are applied between dusk and dawn, when mosquitoes are most active and when non-target species – like bees – are not present.**

Some residents may choose to augment the existing mosquito control program with home-based mosquito treatments by independent contractors. Independent contractors often use “barrier treatments” that target mosquito resting/harborage areas during the daytime, like brush and shrubbery using a residual product. Therefore, it is important for residents to be educated consumers. Questions should include: What products are being used? How do the products affect the environment? Do the products affect bees? How, when and where will the products be applied? To be pollinator-friendly, residents should take care to ensure that their contractors do not apply daytime mosquito treatments to flowering plants, bushes or trees that are in bloom. In addition, applicators should be trained to identify when bees are foraging and not apply the products at those times.

With these sensible precautions, residents can ensure a comfortable yard while protecting pollinators.

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!

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

Name _____

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Address _____

of extra stickers at \$5 each _____

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