



# Riverwoods

VILLAGE VOICE



## Bats *The Good, The Bad and The Ugly*

According to the Lake County Health Department/Community Health Center, nine bats tested positive for rabies in Lake County in 2008. In total, over 200 Lake County bats were submitted to the state laboratory for testing. Four percent of those bats tested positive, which remained in line with the statewide prevalence of 3.8 percent of bats testing positive in 2008.

Seventeen of the 34 bats that tested positive for rabies between 2000 and 2008 were found in the northwestern area of Lake County. While it is important that all residents continue to report suspicious bats, the Health Department asks that residents in the NW portion of the county be especially mindful and continue to practice safety measures around bats. Additionally, all rabies positive bats from 2000 to 2008 were collected during the months of May through October, with the majority of positive bats occurring in July and August.

The residents of Lake County play a vital role in keeping their communities and pets safe by notifying the Health Department about suspect bats and keeping their pets' vaccinations current, according to the law.

As we enter the time of year when bats are most active and when most bat exposures take place in Illinois, this is a good time to brush up on bats – the good, the bad and the ugly.

Often when people think of bats, they believe myths that are untrue about bats, their habits and their role in our ecosystem. For example, bats are not blind, they will not try to get tangled in your hair and they will not suck your blood. Confusion and misinformation surrounds this unique animal. It's important for parents to be aware of the facts about bats so they can help their children understand these creatures.

**The Good** Although sometimes a little scary to look at, bats are beneficial animals. Some species can eat up to 600 insects in an hour – just think of how many insects bats eat each night! Besides mosquitoes, bats eat crop-destroying pests, like moths and grasshoppers. In fact, bats are the only major predators of night flying insects. Not only does this help keep us comfortable and free of bug bites, bats are also especially helpful to farmers because they help reduce the need for chemical pesticides. This helps keep our produce fresh and free of excess chemicals.

Many species of bats help spread seeds and pollinate certain plants, especially in desert and tropical climates. This is a very important role for bats, as they help keep forests growing and help trees produce fruits. Bats are also the world's only flying mammals!

**The Bad** Bats make their home (called a roost) in a variety of small, dark and sheltered places, which means they can often find their way into chimneys, gutters and base-

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 8pm. May 5, 19, June 2, 16, July 7 and 21.

### **Riverwoods Plan Commission**

1st Thursday at 7:30pm.  
May 7, June 4 and July 2.

GET INVOLVED  
IN RIVERWOODS

### **Village of Riverwoods Senior Program**

Call Nancy Morten at 847-945-3990.

### **Theatre in the Woods**

Call Sandy Sagan, producer at 847-945-0585.

### **Riverwoods Preservation Council**

Rich Koomjian, chairman at 847-374-1786.  
www.riverwoodsrpc.org

### **Riverwoods Book Club**

Exercise your brain. The book club is free to all and meets at the Village Hall one Friday a month at 10am.

### **Riverwoods Residents Association**

Call chairman John Hughes at 847-607-8402 to share your ideas or volunteer.

### **Plant Sale Committee**

Call chairmen Margie Kaul at 847-945-5131 or Sheila Hollander at 847-945-4879.

### **Arts&Riverwoods**

Call Leslie Ames, chairman, at 847-948-9003.

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 RIVERWOODS  
VILLAGE VOICE
 

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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.

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 SEND IN THOSE  
LETTERS!
 

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Letters from residents and Riverwoods homeowners' associations are invited and encouraged. Preferred length: approximately 250 words or less, typed preferred. 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.

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## Spring Is Here

Spring is here and the Village is in full bloom. It is time to clean up and start over. To the residents who voted for me, I thank you. To those who didn't, it's time to come together to help make the Village even better than it was before.

I am instituting four of the following programs that I advocated during the election campaign:

First: We are purchasing a 52" TV and surround sound system for the Village so the "Seniors Group" and any other authorized group can watch movies at the Village Hall on a regular basis.

Second: Trustee Bruce Masterson is working on a program that will bring greater financial transparency to the village. All of the Village's income and expenses will be on the Village website for all to see where your tax dollars are going. We hope to have this ready by June.

Third: The Board of Trustees has made matching funds available for Chuck Stewart, the Village Forester, to come to your property to advise you how to keep your trees, shrubs and understory healthy. He will identify buckthorn, garlic mustard, gypsy moth eggs, poison ivy and any trees that may need special attention, trimming or removal. He will suggest what you should or should not do to maintain the health and beauty of your property. However, he will not be there to give you a landscaping plan. The cost of this program will be \$50 to the homeowner and \$50 to the Village. Call the Village at 847-945-3990 weekdays between 8:30am to 1:30pm for an appointment.

Fourth: We are working on a program to take videos of the Village Board of Trustees meetings and put the videos of the meetings on "YOU TUBE". We hope to be able to give you an internet address by the next issue.

I am at the Village Hall almost every morning and am also always available to hear your concerns by e-mail at [Williamskaplan@comcast.net](mailto:Williamskaplan@comcast.net). Please don't hesitate to contact me with any problems or issues. I am here to serve you.

Sincerely,

William S. Kaplan, Mayor

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 CLERK STANGER RETIRING AT 90 YEARS YOUNG
 

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*By Russ Kraly*

The Village of Riverwoods will be swearing in a new Village Board on May 5th. A long family tradition will be broken. Since the incorporation of the Village in December of 1959, a "Stanger" family member has sat with the Village Board. Roy Stanger Sr. was the first to serve as Village Trustee, then Roy Stanger Jr. was elected Village Trustee in 1985; at the same time his mother Eileen Stanger was elected Village Clerk. Roy Stanger Jr. was elected mayor in 1993 and served until his untimely death in 2000. Eileen has carried on all these years, six times elected Village Clerk, serving the

residents of Riverwoods for 24 years. Eileen was the first Clerk to hold regular office hours, and over time was appointed Office Manager. Eileen celebrated her 90th birthday this past January, and she has decided that she'd like to retire, stay home and read her books and work on writing the History of the Village of Riverwoods. Not many people can brag about "Retiring" from two jobs, but Eileen can! Eileen has served the residents of Riverwoods with energy and enthusiasm second to none. She will be sorely missed by the residents and Village employees alike.

We wish you the best, Eileen!

# 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 March 17, March 3, February 17 and 3. Read the entirety of these minutes on the Village of Riverwoods website: [www.villageofriverwoods.com](http://www.villageofriverwoods.com)

March 17

## **POLICE REPORT**

Chief Dayno listed the activity since March 3rd. There were five 911 hang ups, 2 abandoned autos, 12 accidents, 13 alarms, 7 animal complaints, and 5 assists with the Fire Department. There were 7 crime prevention notices, 1 damage to property, 3 disabled autos, 1 domestic dispute, 1 driving complaint, 1 DUI arrest, and 1 fingerprinting. There were 5 car lockouts, 2 noise disturbances, 10 suspicious circumstances, 102 traffic stops. Of those traffic stops 66 persons were issued 87 citations. There are 14 homes currently on the House Watch List and checked regularly.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Assistant Chief Ugaste stated that there were 16 calls so far in the month of March 8 were fire calls, 1 was a car accident call, 4 were paramedic calls, and 3 were others. The total calls for the year to date are 94. He told the Board that the bill to prevent communities from regulating mandatory sprinklers in new construction was defeated. He will update the Board as needed on this subject. Assistant Chief Ugaste added that we have signed an agreement with SWALCO to be a hazardous waste drop off, but we are still waiting for the permit.

## **APPROPRIATIONS ORDINANCE**

The Board adopted the 2009 Appropriations Ordinance. [Note: The Appropriations Ordinance must be adopted by the first quarter of the fiscal year; no moneys may be spent in the year without it first being included in the Ordinance. Therefore the Ordinance should appropriate moneys well beyond what is expected to be spent. The Ordinance does not mandate or approve the spending of any money; it merely makes the Provision to be able to move later in the year to spend.]

## **CONQUER KIDS' CANCER FUNDRAISER**

The Board voted to donate \$550 towards Officer Al Maciareillo's "Conquer Kids' Cancer" Fundraiser. Trustee Graditor moved to have a first reading of an Ordinance Adding Section 3-1-10 to the Village Code to Regulate the Granting of Cable System Franchises and Repealing Ordinance #91-12-9.

## **HUNGER AWARENESS PROCLAMATION**

The Board approved the West Deerfield Township Food Pantry's Proclamation for "Hunger Awareness."

March 3

## **POLICE REPORT**

Chief Dayno listed the activity since the February 17th meeting. There were three 911 hang ups, 13 accidents, and 19 alarms. There were 3 animal complaints, 7 assists with the Fire Department, 1 ILEAS assist, 1 burglary, 16 crime prevention notices, and 1 damage to property. There were 5 disabled autos, 1 dispute, and 1 DUI arrest. There was 1 juvenile problem, 8 car/residential lockouts, 9 suspicious circumstances, 3 thefts, 6 case reports were written, and 86 traffic stops were made. Of those traffic stops 61 persons were issued citations with a total of 66 citations. 14 houses were on the House Watch List and were checked regularly.

## **ILEAS**

Chief Dayno reported to the Board that the Department participated in one ILEAS (Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm Systems) assist. ILEAS provides mutual aid when needed in other areas. They helped search for a missing teen in Deerfield.

## **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Assistant Chief Ugaste stated that there were 34 calls in the month of February, 12 were fire calls; 1 was a car accident call, 17 were paramedic calls, and 4 were others. The total calls for the year to date are 78. He commented that for the Libertyville apartment fire in January our Fire Department was recognized and honored. The two honored fire fighters who rescued the women in Vernon Hills were recognized in Springfield.

Assistant Chief Ugaste stated that we feel very strongly about wanting residential sprinklers. They protect fire fighters as well as residents. We had a second story structure fire in Inverrary. A fire fighter fell through the floor. He re-

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ceived second degree burns because we did not know that the floor was on fire. There was no warning before the floor fell in. Residential sprinklers would have avoided this incident.

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### **RAIN GARDEN PROJECT**

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Pat Glenn stated that we have done a tabulation of the bids for the Rain Garden Project. The low bidder, Milieu Design, was the only bidder within our range. He added that he and Chuck Stewart are comfortable with the contractor. We have scaled back the project, so that we will have no problem with our budget. He recommended that the Board award the contract to Milieu Design for the 2009 Rain Garden project. He listed the locations, which included: the Village Hall, the Wondries property, the Russell Detention Basin, the Village property at Saunders and Deerfield Roads, and a bioswale application in the Indian Trails neighborhood which will be done as an adjunct to this year's roadway program. Pat Glenn stated that we will meet with the homeowners in Indian Trail before we start the project. There will be different plant selections at each location. The Board approved Milieu Design as the contractor for the 2009 Rain Garden Project in the amount \$50K.

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### **RPC WOODLAND HEALTH STUDY**

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The Riverwoods Preservation Council presented copies of the Woodland Health Study Progress Report to the Mayor and Trustees. The RPC, represented by Rich Koomjian, said that the principle conclusions are that the historic Oak/Hickory woods are changing to Maple and Ash; that the canopy has closed to a significant degree, and that as a consequence the understory of small trees, saplings, shrubs, and ground layer plants is impoverished. The next steps in the Study are to conduct a spring survey of plants and to complete meetings with restoration ecologists on recommended management practices.

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### **ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY**

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The Board approved the Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property owned by the Village of Riverwoods.

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### **BUILDING AND ZONING**

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Trustee Graditor reported to the Board that in February of 2008 we had one driveway redone in the Village with a construction value of \$30K and construction fees of \$300. In February of 2009 we have issued one single family home permit with a construction value of \$1,200,000 and construction fees of \$11,511.

*February 17*

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### **MOTOR FUEL TAX APPROPRIATION**

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Pat Glenn told the Board that the corrected amount for the Motor Fuel Tax appropriation is \$595K. That is down from the paperwork the Board has received. This year we are planning to work on Saunders and Indian Trails with some minor work done on Hiawatha. The Board needs to pass the resolution appropriating the Motor Fuel Tax Funds. The total

amount of the work to be done is \$690K which leaves the Village to make up the \$100K shortfall. Pat Glenn explained that the MFT is about \$9K a month. Trustee Svatik moved to approve and the Board passed the Resolution Appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Roadway Maintenance.

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### **POLICE REPORT**

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Chief Dayno listed the activity since February 3rd. There were two 911 hang ups, 5 accidents, 13 alarms, 1 animal complaint, 12 assists with the Fire Department, 7 case reports, and 2 burglaries at construction sites. There were 8 disabled autos/traffic control, 1 dispute, 1 driving complaint, 4 car lockouts, 15 suspicious circumstances, 1 theft, and 115 traffic stops. Citations were issued to 77 persons with 91 citations issued. There are 16 houses on the House Watch list and checked regularly.

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### **FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

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Assistant Chief Ugaste stated that there were 21 calls so far in the month of February; 5 were fire calls, 1 was a car accident call, 12 were paramedic calls, and 3 were others. The total calls for the year to date are 65.

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### **FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMENDATION**

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Trustee Svatik presented the Fire Department a commendation for their work at the Auth residence. They responded twice. The first was after the death of Mr. Auth. The second was after Mrs. Auth fell two days later.

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### **NORTHBROOK WATER**

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The Village saved 11K in December with Northbrook water.

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### **COMPETITIVE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE PROGRAM**

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Dan Falls of the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity attended the Board meeting to discuss the Competitive Communities Initiative Program. He presented a plaque to the Mayor and reported that Riverwoods is at a stage 3 out of 5. Mr. Falls also wanted to recognize Trustee Norris and Nancy Morten for all of their hard work.

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### **DONATION TO DANIEL WRIGHT JUNIOR HIGH**

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The Board voted to make a donation of \$100 to Daniel Wright Junior High School.

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### **PLANNING PROPOSAL FOR A NEW POLICE FACILITY**

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Pres. Kaplan brought up the planning proposal for a new police facility to be done by Williams Architects. He added that this is the same firm that designed the fire station. The current building was not set up as a police station. Chief Dayno told the Board that the architect does not feel that the existing building can be retrofitted to work. The cost of the preliminary planning proposal is \$3,700. The cost is estimated at \$400 per square foot with a ball park figure of \$1.6M. The Board moved to approve the bid from Williams Architects for \$4K to cover the planning proposal for a new police facility.

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**POLICE REPORT**

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Commander Tyler listed the activity since the last meeting. There were two 911 hang ups, 7 arrests, 18 alarms, 1 animal complaint, 12 assists with the Fire Department, and 1 death investigation. There were 14 disabled autos, 1 domestic dispute, and 1 DUI arrest, 1 fraudulent activity, 2 harassments, 7 car lockouts, and 1 reckless driver. There were 10 suspicious circumstances, and 2 thefts, 18 case reports were written, and 94 traffic stops were made. Of those traffic stops 57 persons were issued citations with a total of 70 citations. Fifteen houses were on the House Watch List and were checked regularly.

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**FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT**

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Assistant Chief Ugaste stated that there were 44 calls in the month of January; 11 were fire calls, 1 was a car accident call, 25 were paramedic calls, and 7 were others. The total calls for the year to date are 44.

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**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS DONATION**

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The University of Illinois has requested and the Board has approved a donation of \$500.

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**BUILDING AND ZONING**

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Trustee Graditor reported that the total construction value in the Village in January 2008 was \$208,700 with total fees of \$3,835. The total construction value in the Village in January 2009 was \$463,500 with total fees of \$8,294. In 2008, 149 trees were removed and 115 were replaced. The total replacement fees were \$57,521.50.

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**Police Report**

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*By Police Chief Bruce Dayno*

**Bicycle Registration Program**

Unfortunately, bicycles are sometimes lost by young children or stolen. Stolen bicycles are often abandoned shortly after being taken. Officers often respond to calls concerning abandoned bicycles or find these bicycles while on patrol, taking them into custody for safekeeping.

In most cases, the Police Department does not have a police report on file that has sufficient information to identify the owner of the lost or stolen bicycle. In order to help identify you as the bicycle owner, the Department offers bicycle registration for Village residents.

Registration is quick, easy, and costs only \$2.00. It takes just a few minutes to record your name, address and phone number along with the identifying characteristics of your bicycle. These include the make, model, color, style and serial number. We will also affix a small registration sticker to the underside of the frame of your bicycle. This sticker has an independent identification number and the name of our Department. This is very useful in cases where bicycles are

taken outside of the Village and are recovered by another police department. With the registration sticker attached, any police department that finds your bicycle will know to contact the Riverwoods Police Department for ownership information.

Register all the bicycles in your family at the Police Station today and increase the chance of recovery if lost or stolen. Registration forms are available at the Police Station at 300 Portwine Rd. Call (847) 945-1130 for more information.

**Fingerprinting**

Fingerprinting is offered free for Riverwoods residents who are required to submit prints to obtain certain types of licenses. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are preferred. Call (847) 945-1130 to schedule.

**Crime Prevention for Senior**

I will be doing a Crime Prevention presentation at the Senior Meeting on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30am at Village Hall. I'll be speaking about target hardening homes and scams that prey on seniors.

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**Riverwoods Seniors Host a Crime Prevention and LifeLine Seminar**  
*Village Hall June 3 at 9:30am*

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On June 3<sup>rd</sup>, the Riverwoods Senior Group will host the Riverwood's Police and Fire Department as they present an informative session on crime prevention and the LifeLine program. Chief Bruce Dayno will be speaking on the scams that are being played on the elderly as well as teach you ways to protect your home and property. The Lincolnshire-Riverwoods Fire Department personnel will introduce you to the LifeLine program.

The LifeLine program instantly provides paramedics with essential personal/medical information when they arrive at a residence where an individual is unable to communicate with them and time is in short supply.

The LifeLine information kit saves valuable time by providing an individual's name, medications and emergency contacts. It is enclosed in a red Ziploc bag attached to the front of the refrigerator in the kitchen, and Lincolnshire-Riverwoods paramedics know where to look for it. A small red LifeLine sticker is placed at the home's main entry point to alert fire or police personnel if they are ever called for an emergency.

LifeLine also can be used for children in the care of a sitter. If something were to happen to a child when the parents are away, the child's vital information would be available.

This potentially life-saving program has helped Lincolnshire-Riverwoods paramedics numerous times since its inception ten years ago.

To obtain a free LifeLine kit, please call 847-634-2512 to arrange for a paramedic to come to your home or the home of someone you feel should have one, to fill out the information form and place the LifeLine packet on the refrigerator.

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## Potpourri from The Building Department

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By Russell Kraly, Director of Community Services

As I write this, the sun is actually shining, it's not snowing, can it really be the end of winter? I put my snow-blower and shovel away last weekend. I'm officially on-strike from any more snow shoveling. I told my wife if it snows anymore, the good Lord put it here he can take it away. I'm done!

Driving through the Village I noticed there is a lot of standing water. I also see a lot of ditch-lines that are full of leaves and tree branches. Please, make sure to clean those out and check and make sure your culverts aren't blocked. This debris will get in the culverts and block the flow of storm water when it rains, causing more flooding. Unfortunately, we have more than our share of ponding water in the spring and late fall, and people are always calling complaining about a neighbor or someone else. We are very flat, water doesn't run very well in our Village. It's everyone's responsibility to share in finding a solution to the problem.

Sometimes you have to get together and hire a civil engineer to address the issues and design a solution to relieve your particular problem without damaging someone else's property. Working together and hiring a professional engineer will save you stress and headaches and preserve your friendship with your neighbor. Don't forget to get your Permits for all those projects you're planning. If you're not sure you need one, call us. Hope you all have a great spring!

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## Community Woodland Management Program Update

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The Village Board voted Tuesday April 7, 2009 to approve an addition to the Community Woodland Management Program that would make the Village Forester available to residents to provide consultation on the management of their woodlands. The program addition was approved on a 50/50 cost-share basis between residents and Village for a fixed fee of \$100.00 per consultation. Residents signing up for a consultation meeting would provide a \$50 up-front fee by check to the Village.

Blocks of time will be set aside for consultation meetings on the afternoon of the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month and on designated Saturdays, depending on resident interest. These on-site meetings must be scheduled 2 weeks in advance. Nancy Morten at the Village Hall will coordinate the appointments and will assist the Village Forester. The Village Forester will provide a summary report of the meeting with a copy to be provided to the resident and to the Village.

This program addition is intended to provide woodland management options to residents, including discussion of applicable ordinance options such as the Woodland

Management ordinance, suggestions for the planting of new trees on a property and the management of garlic mustard and buckthorn.

For those residents who do not retain the services of a qualified arborist, the Village Forester will be able to provide properly qualified and insured references.

The Village Board will revisit this program after one year.

To enroll call Nancy Monday- Friday, 8:30am-1:30pm at (847) 945-3990 ext. 28. You can also e-mail her at nmorten@riverwoods-il.net.

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## 2009 Construction Season to Begin

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Although a few regional construction projects have been ongoing through the winter, the time is near for construction season to start in earnest. Following is a brief summary of construction projects in and around the Village which may impact your commute.

**Indian Trails and Hiawatha Woods Roadway Maintenance** (Village of Riverwoods): Resurfacing and shoulder installation on the Indian Trails streets, patching and crack sealing in Hiawatha Woods. The schedule is for May-July with anticipated impacts, intermittent lane closures and temporary driveway access interruptions. For additional Information contact Village Hall at 847-945-3990.

**Saunders Road Roadway Maintenance** (Village of Riverwoods): Resurfacing and shoulder installation on Saunders Road from Riverwoods to Duffy. This work is scheduled for August through September with anticipated intermittent lane closures and temporary driveway access interruptions. For additional Information contact Village Hall at 847-945-3990.

**Route 22/I-94 Ramp Closure** (Illinois Tollway): A one-month closing of the southbound entrance ramp to I-94 at Illinois 22 is scheduled for mid-May through mid-July. It is anticipated that traffic will be detoured along Milwaukee Avenue to Lake Cook Road and additional traffic may occur on Deerfield Road. For additional information: [http://www.illinoistollway.com/portal/page?\\_pageid=133,2077054&\\_dad=portal&\\_schema=PORTAL](http://www.illinoistollway.com/portal/page?_pageid=133,2077054&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL)

**Riverwoods Road Resurfacing** (Lake County DOT): Resurfacing of Riverwoods Road. **Schedule: June-October**  
**Anticipated impacts: Intermittent lane closures, temporary driveway access interruptions**  
**Additional Information:** <http://lakecountylakecountyil.gov/Transportation/ConstructionProjects.htm>

**Deerfield Road Bike Path** (Lake County DOT): Bike path construction from Saunders Road to Wilmot Road with a new underpass at the tollway ramp. **Schedule: ongoing**  
**Anticipated impacts: Intermittent lane closures**  
**Additional Information:** <http://lakecountylakecountyil.gov/Transportation/ConstructionProjects.htm>

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## You Can Reduce Landfill by Recycling

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Here is a reminder about the many types of containers that are accepted for recycling, including: Glass bottles or jars used for food and liquids. No window glass, light bulbs, plates or ceramics. Tin, steel and aluminum cans used for food or beverages. Labels can be left on. No scrap aluminum or steel accepted. Plastic food and beverage containers marked with #1-5 (look for the chasing arrows symbol on



the container to act as your guide). Please rinse containers before recycling. Recycling carts and bins that are mixed with garbage will not be emptied by your trash hauler. Several types of paper and paper products are accepted for recycling, both

curbside and at drop-off centers: newspapers, magazines, and phone books, junk mail and office paper, paper bags, corrugated cardboard (flattened pieces no larger than 2'x2'), and chipboard (e.g. cereal boxes, paper tubes, soda cartons, etc.)

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## Earn Money When You Recycle

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Some Buy-Back facilities and scrap yards will actually pay you to drop off your stuff, especially when metals are involved. These facilities accept a wide range of recyclable materials, such as paper, lead-acid batteries, radiators, catalytic converters, tires, air conditioners, appliances, etc. Fees are sometimes assessed, especially when Freon removal is involved, so please inquire when you call the facility.

This list is by no means all-inclusive. Please look in your telephone book for information about other facilities in your area. You may not be eligible to receive payment for all types of materials (such as paper). Call ahead for hours, fees, payments, and a complete list of accepted materials.

### **A-1 Recycling**

96 Honing Rd., Fox Lake 847-587-0788

### **Clearview Recycling**

250 W. Belvidere Rd. Hainesville 847-546-5422

### **American Aluminum Recycling**

20459 N. Rand, Lake Zurich 847-540-0020

### **C & M Recycling**

1600 Morrow, North Chicago 847-578-1066

### **Lake Co. Scrap Metal**

Rte. 22 and Main, Prairie View 847-634-4747

### **Rondout Iron**

1501 Rockland Rd., Rondout 847-362-2750

### **Cleveland Corp.**

2810 Green Bay Rd., Zion 847-872-7200

### **Suburban Scrap Metal Co.**

2006 N. Sheridan Rd., North Chicago 847-689-3430

For more information on any site listed above (such as hours of operation), please call the number listed for the facility. SWALCO can also suggest construction/demolition waste recyclers. You can reach SWALCO at 847-336-9340.

And for more information on recycling see the SWALCO website at: [www.lakecounty.gov/swalco/recycling](http://www.lakecounty.gov/swalco/recycling).



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## Blue is Hopeful for a Home this Summer

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*By Jackie Borchew*

Blue is another example of pure breed dogs you can find at a shelter! Why go anywhere else? Blue sports the blue

merle coat and the "ghost eye" split color that is typical of a pure bred Aussie. His coat is thick and full and his health is excellent. At seven years young Blue is friendly and playful (wait until you see how he can catch a fly ball and retrieve). This breed is extremely intelligent, learns quickly and needs to be mentally challenged daily. He is not a barker but will instinctively be protective of his territory and family. He will bond quickly and form an intense loyal partnership with a new master.

Patiently waiting at the shelter since September of 2008, he is neutered so he is ready to go into a new home today, but he prefers a home with no cats.

Come visit our shelter and get acquainted with this dog off leash in one of our family run areas. Most dogs will need to run off some energy before they settle down to get acquainted with you.

Orphans of the Storm is open 11am - 5pm every day. Please see our website; [www.orphansofthestorm.org](http://www.orphansofthestorm.org) to view additional animals available for adoption. Kitten season is just around the corner, so now is a great time to consider adding a kitten to your household.

Orphans of the Storm has a busy summer planned. Mark your calendar now to join us for the annual Pooch Parade on August 22nd of this year. Kids can print out a pledge sheet from the Orphans website and raise even more money for the animals. And remember you can drop off your newspapers at our collection area at the front gate. We go through 100 newspapers a day!

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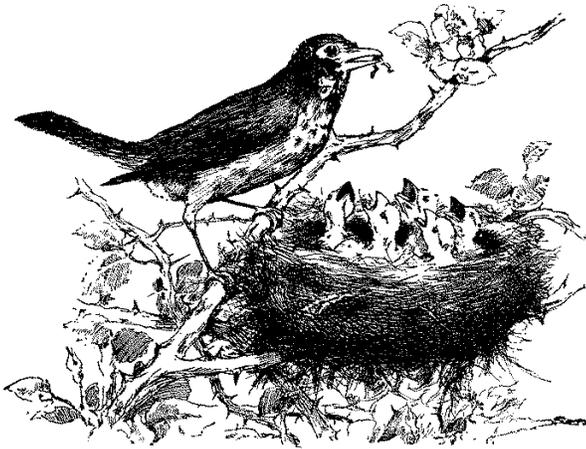
# Handling Young Wildlife

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Each spring, some newborn wildlife, such as rabbits or birds, find their way outside of the nest and may appear abandoned. “The Wildlife Medical Clinic (WMC) at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine indicates that people should remember a few basic pointers before considering the animals orphaned and removing or destroying them,” says John Church, U. of I. Extension Educator, Natural Resources, Rockford. The clinic makes the following suggestions:

Unless absolutely certain that the animal’s parents are dead, assume it is not an orphan and unless it is obviously injured, the animal is best left alone. If necessary, young wildlife can be returned to their nests even after being handled by a human. Wildlife mothers have “invested” a great deal of energy into raising these babies and will usually accept them back. Remember, it is illegal to keep any wild animal without the proper state or federal permits. “It is also illegal to trap, kill, or transport many species of wildlife without proper permits,” says Church.

It may be necessary to try to “rescue” the animal when the animal is injured, weak, thin, very cold or sick, or if the animal is in unavoidable, unnatural danger.



Use caution if it is necessary to handle wildlife. Even young ones can try to defend themselves and injure a person. All wild animals are potentially dangerous. Call for help if the animal is big or dangerous. Don’t let yourself be scratched, bitten, or injured. It is not only bad for you but may cause the animal to be destroyed for rabies testing. All bites must be reported to local rabies control authorities. Always have a barrier between you and the animal.

High pitched sounds mean danger to most animals so lower your voice when trying to calm an animal. Never tower over an animal. Never stare them in the eye. Never put your face up to an animal or reach your hand in as a test to

see if the animal will bite.

Always wash your hands after handling wildlife, which can carry parasites and diseases.

Although the general rule of thumb is to leave the animals alone, there are also some other pointers on when not to attempt a rescue according to the WMC. Don’t rescue when the parent is nearby; if the animal is fat, bright eyed, healthy and not in immediate danger; if baby bunnies’ eyes are open unless they are hurt or in danger as they have a better chance on their own than with humans; if baby birds are completely feathered and are just learning to fly, unless they are in danger from pets, people, or machinery.

Stress from handling and noises can be killers of wildlife. Being captured is a terrifying experience. Place them in a warm, dark, quiet place to relieve their stress. Handle the animal as little as possible.

Persons with questions can call the WMC at 217-244-1195. “The clinic has a very informative website at <http://www.cvm.uiuc.edu/wmc>,” concludes Church.

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## Dear Plant Ladies

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*By Sheila Hollander and Margie Kaul*

### **What is biodiversity and why is it important to preserve?**

Simply put, biodiversity may be defined as the measure of how healthy our ecosystems are. In order to insure biological diversity, we must recognize the fact that our food, our medicine, our clothing, the air we breathe, indeed our very existence on this planet is dependent on the life around us. In preserving biological diversity, we are simply insuring our own continued prosperity and survival.

### **Can gardeners “make a difference”?**

Absolutely! Our native insects, birds and mammals depend on plants for food, shelter and nest sites. However, not just any old plant will do. Generally speaking, native wildlife will not and cannot eat alien plants. Therefore, by planting natives, gardeners provide the 3 essentials needed for their survival – food, shelter and nest sites.

### **Are there other reasons I should plant natives?**

Yes, there are. Besides being beautiful, native plants tend to thrive in their native settings without the need for fertilizers, pesticides and constant watering.

### **I have a lot of ornamentals in my garden, but would like to ‘go native’. Should I replace all of them and start over?**

Of course not, but consider replacing the ones that die with native plants. A second approach is to redesign a small patch of your existing garden, or, even better, create a brand-new planting on the edge of or behind an existing garden or in an area that is currently lawn.



*Trillium Grandiflorum / Large-Flowered Trillium. A single, smooth erect stem arises from a perennial bulb. A single showy, large 3-petaled white flower tops the stem with three leaves below it. This native species likes moist woodlands and is the official flower of Riverwoods.*

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### **Can you tell me which plants attract wildlife?**

You can't go wrong with any of the plants native to this area. Many species of butterflies are supported by Oak, Willow, Cherry, Plum and Birch trees among others in the woody plant category. No butterfly garden should do without milkweeds. Coneflowers and Black-eyed Susans not only provide food but also support reproduction of dozens of species. The Internet can provide you with all the information you need to start a butterfly/bird garden. In addition, check out this year's Perennial Plant Sale newsletter. More than 33% of our offerings this year attract butterflies, birds or both!

### **How else can I contribute to the health of our local ecosystem? Should I rake my leaves?**

Go natural; in other words, don't use or at least reduce the amount of fertilizers and herbicides used in your garden. Compost is the only fertilizer you really need and if you live in the woods, you have a ton of it lying around in the form of leaves and other organic materials that fall from your trees. In addition to enriching your soil, leaf litter also provides shelter for tiny wildlife and helps retain moisture during dry periods. In other words, leave the leaves where they fall! They will eventually decompose naturally.

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### **Bats; Continued from the front cover**

ments, causing quite a surprise for anyone who finds a bat has made its home in their home.

The Health Department can refer callers to bat exclusion companies and provide information on methods for excluding bats. Bats can be excluded from living quarters by covering chimneys, attics and vents with half-inch hardware cloth screens and by installing draft guards beneath doors, windows and plumbing. Bats potentially can enter holes as

small as 3/4" in diameter. They do not chew insulation or otherwise make new holes. Their entries must be covered or plugged. For small crevices, silicone caulking may help.

If a large bat colony must be evicted from a wall or attic, careful observation should be made at dusk to find entry holes (also sometimes recognizable by stains around used holes and crevices or by droppings beneath). The holes should be plugged after the bats emerge to feed (which they do during evening hours).

**The Ugly** In Lake County, bats are the only animals that have tested positive for rabies over the past ten years. Rabies is a highly infectious and fatal viral disease that affects the nervous system of humans and other mammals. Most commonly, people get rabies from the bite of a rabid animal. In some cases, people can contract rabies when infected material from a rabid animal (such as saliva) comes in contact with one's nose, mouth, open wound or eyes. It takes between five days to more than one year before symptoms of rabies appear.

Parents should make sure children know that they should never touch a bat, including those lying on the ground. They may not be dead, just ill, and could bite. If a bat is discovered in a house or bedroom, medical consultation should be obtained immediately, as human contact cannot be ruled out. Teach your children that bats, like any wild animal, should be left alone. It is important to remember that you should never hold a bat barehanded. Pet owners should be on alert for bats near their homes, because pets that spend time outdoors can easily come into contact with these animals. If a rabid animal bites a pet, the pet may, in turn, develop the disease and then transmit rabies to a person or other pets. This is just one reason why it's important to vaccinate pet dogs and cats.

The Health Department is urging anyone who has been in direct contact with a bat or notices a bat acting in an unusual manner, such as flying in daylight or lying on the ground or in your home, to contact the Health Department at 847-949-9925. If the bat is inside your house, do not chase it away because it may be needed for rabies testing. Close the doors and keep people away from the room where the bat is located. Trained animal wardens will remove the bat at no cost to the resident or refer the caller to the appropriate jurisdiction. Health officials are urging residents to avoid touching, hitting or destroying bats. When dead bats are submitted to state labs for rabies testing, they need to be in good condition. Heavily damaged bats cannot be tested.

So during this active time for bats, it's important to remember the good, bad and ugly facts associated with bats. The things you've learned will help keep your family safe. And remember, bats help control insect populations and keep forests growing! If you have questions about bats, please contact the Lake County Health Department Animal Care and Control Program at 847-949-9925.

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## In the Kitchen with Gale Gand

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By Gale Gand

I've wanted to write a brunch cookbook for years and my new one, called "Gale Gand's Brunch," just hit book stores. I know you thought I mostly do desserts, but I absolutely adore making brunch too. Yes, I am a pastry chef, but I love to cook everything, and I actually studied savory cooking as well as pastry when I attended culinary school at La Varenne, in France. I'll admit, part of the attraction to brunch is that the dishes often straddle the line between sweet and savory. Sometimes even I can't tell if something I'm making, like the Chocolate Waffles or Blackberry Bread Pudding, would be better for dessert or for brunch.

Brunch seems to be the perfect meal to make if you like to entertain. It's fast, cheap, kids and family friendly, and flexible. I think I appreciate brunch more than most people do because I've missed it so often, either because I had to be in the kitchen early, preparing the day's pastries, or because I was at work very late the night before and needed to sleep in the next morning. I sometimes have breakfast, or at least breakfast-type foods, for dinner because I love them so. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, so why not eat it anytime?

Here's one of my favorite dishes from the book. It's a Strata, the savory fraternal twin of bread pudding. I like this chicken, corn and broccoli version, but feel free to use your favorite cheese and combination of ingredients. Also, check out my new web site, Galegand.com, for more recipes and food news.

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### CHICKEN, BROCCOLI, CORN, CHILES, AND JACK CHEESE STRATA

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Serves 8

5 cups cubed French bread  
2 cups grated Monterrey Jack cheese  
10 eggs  
4 cups milk  
1 teaspoon dry mustard  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 cup frozen corn kernels  
1 cup blanched broccoli florets  
two 4.5 ounce cans (drained) chopped green chiles  
1 cup pulled chicken meat

Butter a 9" X 13" baking dish. Place bread cubes in the dish then top with the grated cheese. In a bowl whisk together the eggs, milk, and mustard, and salt. Pour the mixture over the bread cubes. Sprinkle the remaining ingredients over and fold it in slightly. Cover and chill up to 24 hours.

Uncover the dish and bake at 350 degrees for 60 minutes until the dish is puffed and golden brown on top and the strata doesn't shimmy with uncooked custard when you shake the pan. Tent it with foil if the dish is browning too quickly. Let cool 5 minutes. Serve by the spoonful using a large serving spoon.

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## Three Guys and A Truck

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This June Deerfield High School will once again welcome "Three Guys and A Truck" to raise awareness to the hunger that does exist in West Deerfield Township. As the truck fills up, so does the West Deerfield Township Food Pantry. The Pantry serves any resident of West Deerfield Township and currently is hope for around 80 families and seniors living on fixed income.

Sunday, June 7th from 9am - 5pm the Three Guys will alternate running and walking the high school track as their truck fills up with donations of food items. Families are invited to volunteer. Come by to drop off a donation, walk the track with The Guys and participate in this community-wide event. There will be kids' games, seated chair massages, raffles, and much much more!

For more information or to volunteer contact the West Deerfield Township office at 847-945-0614.

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## Riverwoods Book Club

### *Listening is an Act of Love*

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By June Melber

"A Celebration of American Life" from the Storycorps Project, will be discussed at the next meeting of the Riverwoods Book Club on Friday, May 1 at 10:00a.m., at the Village Hall. This is the current selection of the "One Book, One Zip-code" project. Refreshments will be served, all are welcome, and it's completely free! This book contains brief narratives, and it's difficult not to find someone in the book to identify with. If you've never attended a book club meeting, this book discussion is a great way to give it a try. I promise, if you don't find the meeting interesting, I'll refund the price of admission.

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### A WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS

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We would like to welcome a few new residents: Steve Donahue, and his grandchildren Brittany (18), Josh (7) and Caroline (5), to our community. They moved here from Elmhurst to be closer to family. Steve is a stock options trader and enjoys golf and bridge.

Teri & Bill Covaci and their 5-year old twins Albert & Matthew, and 6-month old David. Bill is in real estate and Teri is busy as a stay-at-home mom. They choose Riverwoods for the rural setting and came here from Glenview.

## Woodland Health Study

**In May, the Riverwoods Preservation Council will commence Phase II of the Riverwoods Woodland Health Study.** This study is sponsored by the RPC with matching contributions from the Village. The fourteen sample sites used in the study are on both public and private properties and were selected to be representative of the historically wooded portion of the Village. Phase I of the study, conducted on the sample sites last September, showed almost a complete absence of oak saplings and of shrubs taller than one meter, a high percentage of bare ground, the replacement of oaks with maples and other tree species, and predominantly poor or fair diversity and quality of the perennial (herbaceous) plants on the woodland floor.

During Phase II, RPC will document the diversity and abundance of spring plants on the sample sites, especially spring ephemerals. These plants are less sensitive to tree canopy closure because they grow before canopy trees leaf out. Many of these plants, particularly white trillium, are also useful as indicator species for the browse habits of white tail deer. Patterns of growth of white trillium may suggest the level of browse.

In addition, RPC will measure available light on the canopy floor. Preliminary results indicate that loss of light is a major factor in limiting understory plant growth. Light measurements will enable us to compare our observations with studies written by ecologists.

What's next? After the data from Phase II has been analyzed and reported, RPC will initiate the final phase of the study, which will include discussions with local preservation and restoration ecologists regarding the applicability of proven woodlands management techniques to the Village's woodlands. RPC also will meet with the Village Engineer to review soil data and determine the changes in local hydrology that may be occurring over time, including cresting patterns of the Des Plaines River and changes to the surface water table.



## Riverwoods Preservation Council

The Riverwoods Preservation Council's mission is to preserve a sound balance of plants, animals and development in Riverwoods.

Keep up to date with the RPC and our calendar of events at [www.riverwoodsrpc.org](http://www.riverwoodsrpc.org) or send us your email address and we'll keep you informed: [riverwoodsrpc@comcast.net](mailto:riverwoodsrpc@comcast.net) or P.O. Box 122, Deerfield, IL 60015

### MEMBERSHIP FORM

I would like to become a member of the RPC.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

My Biggest Concern \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I want to support the RPC. Enclosed is my check for

\$25  \$50  \$75  \$100  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail to: RPC, P.O. Box 122, Deerfield, IL 60015

Riverwoods Preservation Council. The RPC is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation. All contributions are tax-deductible. If your employer matches contributions, don't forget to provide us with the matching contribution form.

## Riverwoods Residents Association

Riverwoods Residents Association (RRA) forms a support network within our Village. RRA is made up of volunteer residents who care about making their community the very best it can be. Membership is \$25 per family and includes two vehicle stickers. Mail your check to RRA, P.O. Box 341, Deerfield, IL 60015.

### MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please include me as an RRA member.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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## Don't Be a Water-Waster

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People may think because of our namesake, Lake County, that we have an endless abundance of water — but think again. In the summer months, municipal water use doubles. We are outdoors watering lawns and gardens, filling swimming pools and washing cars. Summer peak demand places stress on municipal water systems and increases costs for tax payers and water users.

By applying some handy tips, your lawn and garden can cope with drought conditions and you can minimize water wastage. Don't be a water waster! Here are some things you can do:



**Don't over-water your lawn.** Lawns only need watering once every 5 to 7 days in the summer. A hearty rain eliminates the need for watering for as long as two weeks.

**Avoid over-fertilizing your lawn.** The application of fertilizers increases the need for water and is a source of water pollution.

**Use a rain barrel** Collect rainwater from your roof in a rain barrel or other large container and keep it covered with an insect screen. Direct the down spout of your eaves-troughs into the rain barrel This water has few contaminants and is perfect for watering the garden. This will cut down your water bill and do something good for the environment.

**Check your appliances.** Appliances use as much as 40% of household water and provide the greatest opportunity for water savings. If you have an older dishwasher, water heater, clothes washing machine or other aging appliances, consider purchasing new water efficient appliances. Look for the WaterSense label to choose quality, water-efficient products. For more information, visit <http://www.epa.gov/watersense/>.

**And remember** Riverwoods does have an even/odd watering restriction plan in affect May 15 -Sept. 15. Even addressed households may water on even numbered calendar days and odd on odd days. And watering will be permitted from 5pm to 10am only.