



Riverwoods

VILLAGE VOICE

The Emerald Ash Borer

By The Riverwoods Preservation Council

The emerald ash borer feeds on the inner wood of ash trees, creating a network of tunnels that quickly kills the tree. The insect was accidentally imported from Asia, and was first found in Michigan in 2002. Since then it has spread throughout the Midwest, destroying over 20 million trees

Ash borers are difficult to see. The adults are only about 1/2 inch long. Their presence typically is first indicated by thinning and yellowing of foliage, and by small D-shaped holes in the tree, created as they exit the trees in late June or July.

Ash trees account for about 14% of Chicago's leaf cover. Ash trees account for a somewhat higher proportion of Riverwoods' trees. All are threatened. There is no cure for an ash borer invasion. Once an insect becomes active in a tree, the effect is invariably fatal. There is no known method to prevent an invasion, other than quarantine and removal of affected trees in an effort to stem the insect's spread.

Adult ash borers are able to fly about 6 miles, making control difficult. In June 2006 the emerald ash borer was first found in the Chicago area. Since then it has been found in Wilmette, Evanston, Winnetka, Skokie and other nearby towns.

The Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine Ordinance

By Nancy Morten

What can fit on a penny, is bright green and has already killed over 20 million

trees? The answer is the emerald ash borer. In July, the State of Illinois imposed quarantine on much of northern Illinois, including Lake County. **The quarantine prohibits removal from the quarantine area of certain items, including ash limbs, branches and wood chips larger than 1 inch and all non-coniferous firewood.**

The Village Board passed an ordinance on August 7, 2007 that reflects the quarantine and that requires notification to the Village of infected or dead ash trees, and removal under the direction of the Village forester. The ordinance allows the Village to remove dead or infected trees at the owner's expense if the owner does not do so within 10 days of notice. The owner of a diseased or dead ash tree must use a landscape contractor or tree company that is certified by the Director of the Illinois Department of Agriculture. This person shall have in his or her possession a fully executed, certified copy of the Illinois Department of Agriculture's Emerald Ash Borer Quarantine Zone Compliance Agreement.

To find a list of companies which have this certification go to www.agr.state.il.us/eab/?pg=6

For more information on the emerald ash borer go to www.agr.state.il.us.

Illinois Department of Agriculture (800) 641-3934

U.S. Department of Agriculture (847) 298-3136

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U.S. Department of Agriculture: 312-742-3385

Village home page at <http://www.villageofriverwoods.com>

All Riverwoods Board and Committee 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 8 p.m. Sept 18, Oct 2, 16, Nov 6 and 20.

Riverwoods Plan

Commission

1st Thursday, at 7:30p.m. Oct. 4, Nov 1 and Dec 6.

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.

The Riverwoods

Preservation Council

Call Greg Mancuso, chairman at 847-945-7034.

RRA

Call Sandy Sagan at 847-945-0585.

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. The next Arts & Riverwoods is planned for the weekend of October 13-14.

Join the Riverwoods

Book Club

Exercise your brain. The book club is free to all and meets at the Village Hall one Friday a month, at 10:00a.m.



RIVERWOODS
VILLAGE VOICE

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SEND IN THOSE
LETTERS!

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. Deadline for the Nov/Dec Issue: October 15, 2007
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Village Board of Trustees Meeting Notes

Summary of ordinances, resolutions, and non-routine matters considered by the Board of Trustees from meeting minutes of June 5, 19, July 10, 17 and August 7.

August 7

NORTHBROOK WATERMAIN

Bids for work on the Northbrook watermain have gone out. Pat Glenn stated that he will have a recommendation at the next board meeting.

PLAN COMMISSION REPORT

Shell Oil presented a construction plan with up-dated renderings of a proposed gas station. A public hearing on the subject is planned for the next Plan Commission meeting on Sept. 6.

WELL WATER

Substantial rains have probably raised well water levels. Well data will be updated.

POLICE REPORT

167 citations were issued since the last board meeting (July 17).

A 1995 GMC Jimmy and a 2005 Ford Focus were auctioned off. The net to the Village was \$6,298.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Assistant Chief Ugaste reported there were 283 calls during the last 7 months.

ASH TREES AND THE EMERALD ASH BORER

A provision concerning Ash Trees and the Emerald Ash Borer was adopted as an amendment to the Riverwoods Village Code. The details are on the cover of this issue of the Village Voice.

REDLIGHT CHANGES

The Village Board is considering installation of cameras at certain intersections to photograph cars that run red lights.

July 17

WELL WATER LEVELS

Water levels of all monitored wells are down. We will now check the levels every two weeks rather than once a month.

JULY 10

BIKE PATH

The Village Engineer will see that the bike path repairs are done at the northeast corner of Saunders and Deerfield Roads.

WATER

The Village is continuing to explore the possibility of a 'peak supply contract' with Highland Park to supplement water from Northbrook.

TREE REPLACEMENT

Trustee Svatik questioned whether any residents were turned down for reimbursement of planting trees based on the tree's location. Some residents planted even though they were not reimbursed. This discussion will continue.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Assistant Chief Ugaste reported that there were 48 calls in the month of June. 15 were fire, 3 were car accidents, 25 were paramedic and 5 were other. Total number of calls for the year to date is 248.

AT&T

A representative of AT&T made a brief presentation to the board concerning the status of a proposed agreement between AT&T and the Village covering the installation of AT&T cable equipment in the village - "Project Lightspeed." AT&T has begun a six to nine month construction process to install cable equipment on county property in the Village. AT&T has requested 6 permits.

The AT&T representative stated that AT&T would like a cooperative relationship with the Village, and is planning to make the installation as inconspicuous as possible. The 8 cable boxes to be installed are roughly 4' x 4' x 2.5', in either grey or tan. They will work with a landscaper.

The board intends to determine its regulatory authority.

RAFFLES

Our Village may consider an ordinance requiring licenses for the conduct of raffles. The

restrictions would be to prevent fraud and scams.

June 19

WAGE ORDINANCE

The Board adopted an Ordinance Establishing the General Prevailing Rate of Wages in the Village.

June 5

POLICE REPORT

Police Chief Weinstein reported that a 1997 Dodge Caravan sold for \$3,600 and a 2004 Ford Explorer sold for \$7,000. The Village made \$10,070 minus the commission.

ARTS AND RIVERWOODS

David Neidelman, representing Arts and Riverwoods, presented the board with a \$1,000 donation to go towards the Village garden. Immediately following, he requested \$14,000 towards this year's art show. The Village approved. Arts and Riverwoods has received a 501(c)(3) charitable status.

LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

An area business has violated the Liquor Control Ordinance and has refused to pay the fine. David Neidelman, Cheryl Chamberlain, William Svatik and Mike Ford have been appointed by the board president Kaplan, to form a Village Liquor Control Commission. They will have a hearing to determine what actions to take.

MAINTENANCE FOR THE VILLAGE HALL AND POLICE DEPARTMENT

A bid from SKS Construction has been accepted to power-wash, stain and chink the Village Hall and the Police station. The cost is \$6,900 and \$4,500 respectively.

If You See A Pink Paint Mark On Your Tree, You Can Remove the Tree With a Permit

By Nancy Morten

The Village Forester conducts an annual Village-wide Dutch Elm Disease survey. Elms which are identified are marked with pink paint and must be removed. If you have a tree that has been marked by the Forester, you can remove the tree prior to receiving the notification of "immediate removal" letter from the Village: however you must contact the Village to make arrangements to obtain a tree removal permit. There is no fee associated with the permit, but the Village requires any proposed tree removal work to be on file.

You can obtain a permit form online and submit it to the Village, or you can come by the Village Hall and fill it out there.

Hazardous Trees

By Nancy Morten

In the next month, the Village of Riverwoods will be conducting a survey of hazardous trees throughout the Village.

Trees identified as a hazard are those that pose a threat to the roadway and should be removed or pruned. They may be dead or seriously decayed and could fall onto the roadway, or they contain dead or decayed limbs that could fall onto the roadway. These trees will be marked with red paint if they need to come down, and green paint if pruning is necessary to make them safe to the roadway.

Please take the time to walk along your roadway and identify any hazardous trees. An arborist may be helpful in identifying these trees. Prune them as needed to keep your streets safe.

Police Report

By Police Chief Morris Weinstein

There is increased concern about youths and their use/abuse of alcohol and other substances. The safety of our youth has always been important to the Board of Trustees and the Riverwoods Police Department. Your Police Department is always available to assist parents and youths. The following are excerpts from the Village of Riverwoods Municipal Code:

5-2-1: CURFEW:

HOURS: Eleven o'clock (11:00) P.M. on any Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday until six o'clock (6:00) A.M. of the following day; and one minute after twelve o'clock (12:01) A.M. Friday or Saturday until six o'clock (6:00) A.M. of the following day. For anyone under the age of 18.

5-2-5: OFFENSES CONCERNING ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR AND MINORS:

1. It shall be unlawful for any person to sell, give, deliver, dispense or furnish alcoholic liquor to any person under the age of twenty one (21) years.

3. It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of twenty one (21) years to purchase, obtain, receive, accept, have in his or her possession or control, sell, give, deliver, mix, dispense, serve, furnish or consume alcoholic liquor.

4. It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of twenty one (21) years within the village of Riverwoods to be under the influence of alcohol, or under the influence of cannabis or under the influence of a controlled substance or under the influence of an intoxicating compound. A person under the age of twenty one (21) years within the village of Riverwoods shall be considered to be under the influence of alcohol if the alcohol concentration in the person's blood or breath is more than 0.00.

It shall be unlawful for any person under the age of twenty one (21) years to misrepresent his or her age to circumvent the provisions of this section, including, without limitation, presenting or offering to any person any identification card that is false, fraudulent, forged or not actually his or her own identification card.

D. PRESUMPTION OF KNOWLEDGE:

1. Presence In Vehicle Or Premises: Whenever a person is present within any vehicle or premises of which such person is the owner, lessee, permittee, bailee, legal possessor or occupier thereof at the time that a violation of the provisions of this section is occurring and has not informed the police thereof, it shall be prima facie evidence that such person had knowledge of such violation.

2. Failure To Control Access: An owner, lessee, permittee, bailee, legal possessor or occupant of any vehicle or premises shall be deemed to have permitted such vehicle or premises to be used in violation of this section if he or she knowingly authorizes such use or enables such use to occur by failing to control access to such vehicle or premises or to the alcoholic liquor maintained therein.

3. Parental Residence: Every parent or legal guardian of any minor whose residence is used by any occupant, invitee, visitor, guest or other person under the age of twenty one (21) years in a manner that constitutes a violation of this section shall be presumed to have permitted the conduct that constitutes the violation unless the contrary is established by a preponderance of the evidence.

5-2-8: DISORDERLY ASSEMBLIES:

A. It shall be unlawful for any person who occupies a residence within the village knowingly to authorize, permit or enable such residence to be used for a gathering of two (2) or more persons where any one or more of the persons is under twenty one (21) years of age and the following factors apply:

1. The person occupying the residence knows that any such other person under the age of twenty one (21) years is in possession of or is consuming any alcoholic beverage; and

2. The possession or consumption of the alcohol by the person under twenty one (21) years of age is not otherwise permitted by the laws of the state of Illinois.

B. It shall be unlawful for any owner of a residence within the village to knowingly authorize, permit, enable, cause, host, condone or suffer to occur any gathering at such residence in violation of subsection A of this section or any other disorderly assembly of persons at such residence that endangers the peace and safety of the residents of the village. For the purpose of this section, the term "owner" shall mean a person either leasing, residing in, or in any way

exerting control over any real property within the village. Acts that are hereby declared to threaten the health and safety of the residents of the village and that, when committed by persons in assembly, are hereby declared to constitute a disorderly assembly include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Possession and consumption of alcoholic beverages by persons under the age of twenty one (21) years, intoxicated persons and others prohibited by village ordinance and/or Illinois statute from possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages.

2. Use or clear evidence of use of cannabis or other controlled substances prohibited by village ordinance and/or Illinois statute.

3. Illegal use or possession of fireworks as defined in 425 Illinois Compiled Statutes 35/1.

4. Fighting, battery, assaults or threats, or the throwing of objects capable of causing physical injury or property damage.

5. Depositing of trash, garbage or hazardous material upon public or private property, excepting trash or garbage other than household hazardous waste that is deposited in a proper receptacle approved for disposal of trash.

6. Trespass of person on parked vehicles by persons attending such assemblage upon private property.

7. Such circumstances and conditions which, taken as a whole, constitute a condition of encouraging and contributing to the delinquency of minors.

C. Upon being given notice by any member of the police department of the existence of any of the activities set forth in subsection B of this section, such owner shall immediately act to terminate the assemblage. Failure to do so shall constitute a further violation of this section. (Ord. 02-3-7, 3-5-2002)

A. The corporate authorities hereby find that assemblies of unsupervised minors from time to time have been organized in violation of the village's curfew requirements and prohibitions against disorderly assemblies, and that such assemblies have been conducted in a manner that promotes unlawful intoxication and disorderly conduct within the village, thus resulting in damage to real and personal property within the village and posing a threat to the value of property within the village, and also threatening the general health, safety and welfare of the residents of the village, and the corporate authorities recognize the need to provide the means to eliminate such problems in order to prevent intoxication, quarreling, and disorderly assemblies and to ensure the safety of the property and residents of the village. The corporate authorities further find that increased parental responsibility is essential for the effective control and elimination of disorderly assemblies by unsupervised minors.

Furthermore, the corporate authorities find that it is in the best interests of the village that such acts be prosecuted by the village as a local offense; that penalties therefor be im-

posed which are related to the nature of the act and the type of offender; and that parents or legal guardians of minors found guilty of such acts be held responsible for any monetary penalty or order of restitution or reparation imposed. The diligent pursuit of such interest will tend to increase parental supervision of minors and reduce the incidence of disorderly assemblies at which intoxication, fighting, noise, disturbances and other disorderly conduct is prevalent, thus advancing the welfare of residents of the village.

It should be noted that Riverwoods Police Department provides the local news agencies with the names and addresses of any adults who are charged with any of the cited ordinances.

Potpourri from the Building Department

By Russell Kraly, Director, Community Services

Here we are the middle of “Dog Days of Summer.” It’s been hot and humid and we’ve had a ton of water dropped on us the past two weeks! The vegetable and flower gardens are doing extremely well; it’s their type of weather. The well users are lovin’ it, and none of us have to waste time or money watering.

Make sure to keep your ditches clean and clear of all debris. This rain is great, but we’ve had some drainage problems caused by debris in the ditches that eventually gets caught in the culverts and then cause a back-up.

Don’t forget, if you have a project being planned, to come into the Building Department and make sure your property is not in a flood plain or wetland. Also, our Village Engineers are still doing “Certificates of Elevation” if needed.

The State of Illinois has passed a new law that is effective immediately. All home are to be equipped with “Carbon Monoxide Detectors”. They can be battery operated or a plugged-in unit, installed on the wall or ceiling, but must be located within 15’ of a bedroom door. I am advising everyone to go a step further and in conjunction with the new law: install one on each level of your home at the stairway entrance. That is the path of least resistance and will hopefully also catch the gases before they get to the sleeping area. Do not install them next to the furnace; there is always a small amount of leakage next to the furnace or hot water tank that can set the alarm off. Install them outside the door to the furnace room, high on the wall or ceiling. If you have any questions, please call me.

This is a reminder. The last couple of years we’ve noticed a disturbing trend. People have been bringing their boats, trailers and RV’s home to park for the winter. By Village ordinance, this is a violation. You can be ticketed and fined. We will be enforcing the ordinance this year. Start making plans now to store your boats, trailers and RV’s off-site.

We have heard that a company is calling village residents and telling them that the Village is saying you should have your water quality checked. They probably also want to sell you a water filtering system. The Village has not and does not endorse this activity. This company is acting on their own; we are not telling anyone to check the water quality, and we certainly wouldn’t endorse a company to try and sell you a system.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and fall. Snow and cold temperatures are just around the corner.



STATE OF ILLINOIS
OFFICE OF THE STATE TREASURER

MEDIA ADVISORY

By Mike Dropka, Communications Assistant to Illinois State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias

Residents can pay bills and request records via the internet. Riverwoods residents can pay their water bills and parking tickets online beginning August 15 thanks to the Illinois State Treasurer’s Office.

To pay online, residents should log onto www.illinoisepay.com. Type “Village of Riverwoods” into the search box and follow the prompts.

The Village of Riverwoods joins the Lake County Treasurer’s Office, which already provides the E-Pay service to his constituents.

“Riverwoods residents can pay their bills on their own timetable without leaving the comfort of home,” said State Treasurer Alexi Giannoulias. “We are working to spread this convenience to all counties and government agencies across the state.”

E-Pay is designed for local governments and state agencies to offer constituents easier, faster payment choices.

Village of Riverwoods Accounting Administrator Suzy Crohn is grateful for the E-Pay program provided by the State Treasurer’s Office.

“The citizens of Riverwoods can benefit from this program,” Crohn said. “E-Pay is great especially when citizens of Riverwoods are out of town and their bills need to be paid. Constituents can still make their payments on time.”

For more information contact the State Treasurer’s office at 312-814-5234.

Tax Help

The Chief County Assessment Office has scheduled two "Public Information Meetings" and ten "Tax Help Centers".

Public Information Meetings are educational outreach sessions at which a Power Point presentation shows the audience how the real estate taxation process works and what taxpayers can do to assure that their property is being assessed properly. Two are scheduled: Thursday, Nov. 8 at 7pm and Saturday, Nov. 17 at 10am at the College of Lake County (Grayslake Campus, Building C - Auditorium).

The Tax Help Centers are where residents can receive one-on-one assistance with questions about their particular property assessment and how to evaluate the accuracy of their valuation. There are three locations, Grayslake, Vernon Hills and Waukegan. Call the Chief County Assessment Office at 847-377-2050 for the various times and dates October thru November. Or visit the website at www.co.lake.il.us/assessor

SWALCO Household Chemical Waste Program

SWALCO is pleased to announce the expansion of our HCW (Household Chemical Waste) program.

Residents now have two ways to dispose of household chemical waste safely and conveniently.

Mobile events are held at locations throughout Lake County. The next one will be:

September 29 - Lake Forest
Lake Forest Municipal Services Center
110 E. Laurel Ave.
8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Drop-off your household chemical waste on selected public drop-off dates, by appointment only, at the Gurnee facility. Schedule your appointments online at: <http://www.co.lake.il.us/swalco/events/hcw.asp>. Sign up for one of the available time slots and you will receive an email confirmation of your appointment.

These free events are open to Illinois residents ONLY. If you have questions regarding items that are accepted, please check our website, or contact SWALCO at 847-336-9340. Contact us or visit www.swalco.org to learn more about other upcoming collections and programs.

Lake County Health Department Advises Residents to be Careful During Flooding

The recent rains in Lake County have brought about incidents of flooding and possible sewer back-ups in a number of areas. The Lake County Health Department/

Community Health Center recommends the following steps to minimize health hazards for residents who have experienced flooding in or around their homes:

- Remember, flood waters can be very powerful.

Even streams and rivers that appear to be calm or shallow can be very dangerous. Do not attempt to enter or cross flooded streams or rivers, even if they appear safe.

- Prevent children and pets from playing in or drinking contaminated floodwaters left in puddles or flooded areas. Contact with such water may result in illness. Be extremely careful about possible dislodged manhole covers, and the whirlpool or suction effect if water is draining. Also, people with open cuts or other wounds should take extreme care when walking through floodwaters due to the possibility of contracting tetanus. In general, flood workers who have had a tetanus shot within the past 10 years will not need to be revaccinated. However, workers who acquire a wound and who have not had a tetanus shot within 5 to 10 years may need a tetanus booster. The advisability of vaccination should be evaluated by medical personnel or a family physician.

- Although disease outbreaks are rare after flooding, flood water can contain organisms that may cause disease. If you are in a flood area and become ill, report to your family physician. Symptoms to watch for include nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, abdominal cramps, muscle aches and fevers.

- If you have a private well, check its condition.

If the well casing is submerged, surface water may have entered the well and contaminated the drinking water. In these cases, you should not drink the water until it is tested and shown to meet drinking water standards. If coliform bacteria are present in your drinking water, the well should be disinfected by a licensed water well contractor and then re-sampled. LCHD has three regional offices where you can pick up sterile bottles to be filled and returned for analysis, and where information can be obtained about disinfecting wells. The fee for the analysis is \$15.00 per sample, and the tests usually take about three days to complete. LCHD staff will also go out to homes to collect samples for a fee (including analysis) of \$47.00. The three regional offices are located at: 3010 Grand Avenue, Waukegan, 847-377-8020; 118 South Main Street, Wauconda, 847-984-5000; and 121 East Grand Avenue, Lake Villa, 847-356-6222. All three offices are open from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

- Before re-entering a flooded home or basement, make sure that no electrical or other safety hazards, such as leaking gas, exist.

- Do not eat food that has been exposed to floodwaters, unless the food is in cans. Thoroughly wash off sealed cans in good condition. Immerse the cans in a bleach disinfecting solution made by mixing two teaspoons of household bleach per gallon of water for at least five minutes. All spoiled foods and leaky or bulged cans should be discarded.

- Using a household detergent solution, scrub the basement and other areas of the house that have been

flooded. Flush the washed areas with safe water. Follow this washing with flushing or mopping with a disinfecting solution of one-quarter cup of household bleach in a gallon of water.

- Scrub furniture, walls, fixtures and appliances with soap and safe water. Affected clothing and bedding should be machine-washed.
- Wash hands and scrub fingernails thoroughly with soap and safe water after working in flooded areas. This is especially true before eating or drinking.
- Non-porous children's toys that could be mouthed must be cleaned with soap and safe water, and then soaked for at least one minute in a solution of one tablespoon of bleach to a gallon of water. Do not rinse objects after soaking. Allow to air dry. Machine washable cloth toys should be machine washed if contaminated with floodwaters.

Do not hesitate to ask any questions if you have any doubts about the safety of any food, water or conditions around your home. Call Environmental Health Services of the Lake County Health Department at: (847) 377-8020.

When Should I Replace My Smoke Detector?

By Assistant Fire Chief Rob Ugaste – Lincolnshire-Riverwoods FD

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends replacement of smoke alarms (detectors) after 10 years while the U.S. Fire Administration (USFA) recommends replacement every 8-10 years. According to the NFPA, aging smoke alarms don't operate as efficiently and often are the source of nuisance alarms. Unless you know that the smoke alarms are new, replacing them when moving into a new residence is also recommended.

There are many different brands of smoke alarms available on the market. According to the USFA they fall under two basic types: ionization and photoelectric. **Ionization alarms** sound more quickly when a flaming, fast-moving fire occurs while **photoelectric alarms** are quicker at sensing smoldering, smoky fires. There are also combination smoke alarms that combine ionization and photoelectric into one unit, called **dual sensor smoke alarms**. Because both ionization and photoelectric smoke alarms are better at detecting distinctly different yet potentially fatal fires, and because homeowners cannot predict what type of fire might start in a home, the United States Fire Administration recommends the installation of both ionization and photoelectric or dual sensor smoke alarms.

As a note, a recent investigative report by TV Channel 13 in Indianapolis, Indiana found that ionization type smoke detectors failed to react for long periods when exposed to significant amounts of smoke. It is currently unclear whether there are problems with this type detector or if the test was flawed. Until more information becomes available, we recommend use of the combination type smoke detectors (dual sensor).

In addition to the basic types of alarms, there are alarms made to meet the needs of people with hearing disabilities. These alarms may use strobe lights that flash and/or vibrate to assist in alerting those who are unable to hear standard smoke alarms when they sound.

We also stress the need to change the batteries every year. Pick a date that you will remember and make it an annual family project. Once again, if you have moved into a new home or business and you don't know the age of the batteries in your smoke detector it is safest to spend the time and money on new batteries. And please don't remove the batteries from your detectors for use in other devices. It's hard to believe, but we still hear tragic stories from people who removed smoke detector batteries to power children's toys and forgot to replace them.

If you still have questions or need help with your smoke detectors please call us at 847-634-2512 and ask for the Fire Prevention Bureau or the Shift Commander.

Arts & Riverwoods

By Leslie Ames, Arts and Riverwoods Chairperson

Please plan on joining Arts & Riverwoods' 48th Annual Juried Art Show and Preview Gala Party. Tickets for the Gala are \$50 in advance and \$75 at the door. Invitations will be mailed in early September. Call Leslie Ames for more information at 847-774-4574.

Volunteers are need to work the Preview Gala Party on Friday evening, October 12th, as well as the Art Show continuing on Saturday and Sunday, October 13-14th.

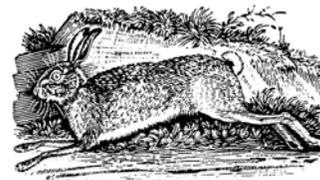
Volunteers will be asked to work a 3-hour shift and may qualify for a free ticket to the Preview Gala. Call Joyce Lipke Neidelman for more information at 847-948-8437.

Join RRA

Join the RRA today for \$20 and receive two Village of Riverwoods vehicle stickers. The RRA, Riverwoods Residents Association, organizes and supports so many worthwhile community events that you may wish to become involved in; the Village Halloween party, the annual perennial plant sale and garden walk and much more. Meet your neighbors and friends while helping build a strong community.

If you are interested in joining, make out your check to RRA and mail with your name, address and email address to: RRA, P.O. Box 341, Deerfield, IL 60015.

To volunteer contact membership director, Sandy Sagan at 847-945-0585. She would love to hear from you.



Theatre in the Woods

By Sandy Sagan

Theatre in the Woods celebrated its ninth year with six sell-out performances of Neil Simon's "The Odd Couple (Female Version)" directed by Donna Lubow. More than 600 playgoers cheered the play's cast the last two weekends of July. Many groups of "girlfriends" used the occasion for a girls' night out laughing together at the uproarious adventures of fussbudget Flo and obstreperous Olive and their longtime Trivial Pursuit friends.

Estonion House provided a lovely setting for the play; patrons took advantage of the summer weather to stroll the grounds before performances and during intermission. The Theatre in the Woods board is looking ahead to the annual fall performance of the children's play "Snow White" and making plans for next summer's performance. Watch your Village Voice for announcements regarding auditions and future performances and remember that Theatre in the Woods invites anyone with theatrical interests - whether on-stage or backstage - to join them by calling Sandy Sagan at 847-945-0585.



Annual Village Halloween Party

You are invited

Get into the spirit of Halloween
at this Popular Village Event

Village Halloween Party

Saturday, October, 27th
Village Hall, 300 Portwine Road
4-8p.m.



Everyone is invited to
Ride the horse-drawn wagon
Enjoy music and song
from 4:30 - 6:30p.m.

Bring your children or grandchildren
Wear your costume
Free hotdogs, cider, candy and
lots of surprises for all.

Volunteers are needed and very welcome
Contact Sherry Kaplan at 847-945-1972

Community Christian Church

Kickoff Sunday, September 9 Looking for a warm, caring Christian community? Join us on Sunday, September 9 for Kickoff Sunday at Community Christian Church. A special worship at 10 a.m. followed by a picnic lunch served on the church grounds. A new fall Sunday school program will also begin for all children through 9th grade. Childcare is available during the 10 a.m. service for infants and toddlers.

Community Garage Sale, October 6 Community Christian Church brings the annual Community Garage Sale to Lincolnshire on Saturday, October 6 from 8 - 3 p.m. Interested in donating gently used items? Please contact the church office at 847-945-8824 or check out the website at www.ccclincolnshire.org. Community Christian Church is located at 1970 Riverwoods Road in Lincolnshire.

Texas Hold 'Em Tournament for Center for Enriched Living

The Center for Enriched Living is planning its 2nd annual Texas Hold 'Em Tournament. This fundraiser will be held Sunday, November 4 at Field's Chrysler-Jeep in Northfield. Doors open at 11a.m. and tournament runs from 12-noon to 6p.m. Cost is \$300 to play or \$65 spectator fee. There are specials if you register early. There are opportunities for sponsors also. Center for Enriched Living is a charitable organization that helps people with developmental disabilities live more independent and fulfilling lives. For more details about the center or the tournament call 847-948-7001.

Orphans of the Storm Holiday Bazaar

Orphans of the Storm animal shelter announces its Holiday Bazaar, November 3-4 from 11a.m. to 5p.m. on the shelter grounds at 2200 Riverwoods Road. A special sale for pets and people too. Shop from a wonderful collection of holiday items to please the pet in your life or surprise your animal-loving friends. The shelter is now accepting donations of new items to add to our collection (Thanksgiving and Christmas-related items.) Drop off your donation at the front desk of the shelter any day from 11a.m. - 5p.m. Help us raise much-needed funds for the stray dogs and cats of Orphans of the Storm. For more information call the shelter at 847-945-0235.

Deerfield Park District

SEPTEMBER

15th Community Services Day at Brickyards/PTSC*
18th Kelly Miller Circus at Brickyards

OCTOBER

8th Columbus Day - School's Out program
12th Mother/Daughter Event
13th 50+ Lifestyle Expo/Flu Shots at PTSC*
19th Hoopla Dance at Shepard Middle School, 7-9p.m.
26th - 27th Halloween Hoopla at JPCC
29th Fall Luncheon w/Barbara Rinella at PTSC*

NOVEMBER

1st Super Seniors (IL Secretary of State) at PTSC*
9 - 11 Deerfield Family Theater Performances
16 - 18 Deerfield Family Theater Performances

*Patty Turner Senior Center

For details on any of the Halloween-related, or other events, call: 847-945-0650 or visit: www.dfpd.org.

Low Energy? Under Stress?

By Randall Davis, D.C. / Center for Holistic Medicine

The seven major signs of stress are fatigue, headaches, sinus or allergy complaints, sleep disturbances, gastro-intestinal symptoms, pain in neck, back, arms or legs and irritability.

If you have one or more of the above 7 major signs of stress, you might have malfunctioning adrenal glands.

The adrenal glands are two small glands that sit above the kidneys. Electrically, and energetically, the adrenals are like the water pump in your car's engine. They help the heart to pump blood back to the brain. If you stand up from a sitting position and get dizzy, you might have tired adrenals, and your body will most likely be tired too.

Adrenals make anti-inflammatory hormones. If you have any chronic inflammation in your body such as sinusitis, gastro-intestinal upset, or pain and soft tissue inflammation, the adrenals will tire from working hard to secrete anti-inflammatory hormones. This causes the adrenals to run out of components to produce other hormones such as estrogen or progesterone. These are crucial for female hormone production. Hormone imbalance also affects mood.

The adrenals also produce cortisol and DHEA. These two hormones are involved in the physiology of virtually every cell in the body. Cortisol is the primary hormone that directs immune function.

Here are a few basic tips to help improve the health of your adrenals:

1. Eliminate dietary stress in the form of caffeine, tobacco and sugar.
2. Engage in mild exercise, which relaxes and relieves stress.
3. Add vitamin C and B complex to the diet.
4. Drink plenty of water (half your weight in ounces).

If you are suffering from any of the 7 major signs of stress, or have questions regarding female hormones, Dr. Randall Davis can be reached at 847-236-1701. He is an expert in nutrition and specializes in balancing hormones naturally. Dr. Davis practices at the Center for Holistic Medicine, 240 Saunders Rd, Riverwoods. www.holistic-medicine.com.

West Deerfield Township Offering Carbon Monoxide Detectors

By Julie Morrison, West Deerfield Township Supervisor

West Deerfield Township is offering First Alert Carbon monoxide detectors to the public for just \$22. This model plugs into an electric outlet and has battery-backup, so there's virtually no installation. On January 1, 2007, Illinois law mandated that all residences have a CO monitor not more than 15 feet from the entrance to each bedroom. West Deerfield Township is located at 601 Deerfield Road in Deerfield. Call Supervisor Julie Morrison at 847-945-0614 for information. Checks or cash, please.

In the Kitchen with Gale Gand

By Gale Gand,

I always seem to have an overabundance of carrots in my vegetable drawer lately and, like when I have too many zucchini at the end of the summer, I need ways to use them up. It's not because we had such great success growing them in the garden this year (actually I've never had success growing carrots in the garden) but because we buy them every time we go to the store. It goes like this...we're in Whole Foods and I say to my husband, "Do we have carrots for Forest?" and he says he thinks so but not convincingly enough and so they are added to the cart. Then once home I see we have them already, as usual.

Who is Forest? Our new neighborhood horse, of course, adopted by our friends Ellen and Dave. One of our usual routines these days is to ask our kids if they want to visit Forest, and upon leaving we grab a bunch of carrots; then on bikes and in strollers we walk one block over. It's part of our little Riverwoods life.

Forest arrived at the beginning of 2007 after Ellen's corral sat empty for a few months. She had Harvey the horse for 13 years before that and when he died, we were so hoping for another to join the neighborhood. Forest Jump is his full name, having been trained as a jumper and a racehorse (he came in 1st once!) in his previous life. Now he spends all his time outdoors in his corral, in his barn or going for rides, and being fed large amounts of carrots from my family.

But still, the carrots, we always have more than we need. So here's a recipe I use to put them to good use: my favorite Carrot Cake, which is more like a dried fruit and vegetable salad held together with a little batter. Maybe I should rename it "Forest Cake".

SPICED CARROT CAKE

2 1/2 cups grated carrot
1 1/2 cups walnut pieces
1 cup chopped pineapple, fresh or canned
1 cup golden raisins
1 cup shredded coconut
1/2 cup flour
1 1/2 cups flour
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
2 teaspoons baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
4 eggs
1 1/2 cups sugar
1 1/2 cups vegetable oil
powdered sugar

In a large mixing bowl toss together the carrots, walnuts, pineapple, raisins and coconut with the 1/2 cup flour to coat them and keep them from sinking to the bottom of

the cake batter. Sift together the remaining 1 1/2 cups flour, cinnamon, nutmeg, baking soda and salt. In a mixer with a whip attachment mix the eggs and sugar 'till light and fluffy or "ribbon" stage, then drizzle in the vegetable oil. Then fold in the dry ingredients and pour it over the carrot mixture. Fold carefully to blend then pour the batter into a buttered, floured 10-inch cake pan with a circle of parchment paper in the bottom of the pan. Bake at 350 for 1 - 1 1/4 hours 'till firm to the touch in the center. Let cool on a rack and then turn out. Dust the top with powdered sugar and cut into wedges to serve.

Gale Gand is executive pastry chef/partner of Tru and Cenitare restaurants, host of Food Network's "Sweet Dreams" and an author, as well as a Riverwoods resident.

Dear Plant Ladies

Questions answered by Sheila Hollander and Margie Kaul, our Riverwoods Plant Ladies

I understand that the delivery for the Plant Sale 2 has not passed. Is there still time to order a tree or shrub?

Yes. It's not too late. Call Margie Kaul or Sheila Hollander and let us know what you want and we'll do our best to get it for you.

What's up at the Village Garden? I've noticed some activity.

So glad you asked. We've made huge strides in getting rid of the junk plants, although the problem is enormous. We've gotten rid of some dead and dying trees. We've planted some grasses in the sunniest location and a lot of shrubs and trees. Come out and take a look. It's a huge project, but we feel like we're beginning to get somewhere.

What about cicada damage at the garden?

You'll see some damage to the full grown trees, but nothing that will hurt them in the long run. The netting worked and the new planting have been spared. They all look quite healthy and many are thriving.

Oh, another question. I was wondering about damage from emerald ash borer beetle and the gypsy moth. What do they look like and when would I know if I have them?

There is a lot of information on the internet, but basically the ash trees just begin to die from the canopy down. If you think you have an infestation, it's vital to verify the damage. Call the Village Hall and arrange for the forester to come and check it out. You don't want to make the problem worse. There are also gypsy moth treatment options an arborist can suggest to you. We were sprayed for gypsy moths in south Riverwoods this year and north Riverwoods last year. It's helped a lot.

When should I transplant my trees and shrubs? I'm thinking I'd like to move everything in my garden about 10 feet to the left.

You might want to rethink your landscaping plan, but transplanting is definitely an option. According to David Beaulieu in his newsletter, there's no time like the present. Autumn is good, but early winter and early spring are better.

Here are some tips.

1. Dig the new hole before you dig up the plant. Less time spent out of the ground the better.
2. The new hole should be twice the width and depth of the root ball but a little on the shallow side to avoid having the roots sitting in water and rotting.
3. Don't break up the soil in the bottom of the hole. That could cause the shrub to sink and lead to root rot.
4. Start digging about 3 feet from the base and all along the perimeter to get a feel for the main mass of roots. Keep as much of the root mass intact as you possibly can. You'll probably have to cut a little, so use a cutter and cut clean.
5. After it's loose, put it gently on a tarp and drag the tarp to the new location.
6. When you plant, tamp down to prevent air holes.
7. Water at once.
8. Mound up the soil to create a berm in a ring around the tree. That can funnel the rain towards the tree rather than away from it.
9. And now the big one.....KEEP IT WATERED. Use mulch to prevent evaporation and weeds, but keep the area around the base clear for a few inches.

Send us your questions. We'll do our best to answer them.

Sheila Hollander 847-945-4879

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The Buzz is Gone

By Riverwoods Preservation Council

A significant portion of our food supply depends on pollination by honey bees. The honey bee population seems to be collapsing. Scientists don't know why.

Wild honey bees have almost completely disappeared. The only remaining honey bees are kept in colonies by beekeepers. The beekeepers maintain the bees in hives – frequently numbering in the hundreds - and travel all over the country renting the bees to farmers. Honey is of minor importance. The bees are released into fields to pollinate commercial crops.

Lately, beekeepers have been reporting that their honey bees have been dying at a dramatic rate, or simply vanishing without a trace. The dying honey bees appear overwhelmed by some catastrophic illness, their insides turning to black mush. When the bees disappear, they leave hives full of honey that other bees will not touch.

It's called "Colony Collapse Disorder", it's appearing in both the U.S. and Europe, and no one knows the cause or the cure.

Honey bees are necessary pollinators of about one-third of U.S. crop species. For some crops, such as apples, blueberries and almonds, honey bees are essential. Without them, the crops would not exist. For other crops, honey bees are merely extremely important. Without them, shortages

would exist and prices would skyrocket. The consequences of Colony Collapse Disorder could be enormous.

In prior years, the big problem has been parasitic mites that have developed pesticide resistance. Mites are believed to be what has practically killed off the wild honey bee population. Colony Collapse Disorder is caused by something different, and far more lethal. But what?

Some scientists think it's the result of a newly introduced Asian mite or a mutated virus. Others suspect pesticides, such as a widely used nicotine-based neurotoxin or a long-lasting pesticide banned in France but used heavily elsewhere. Still others suspect that genetically modified plants with built-in pesticides, common in agriculture, affect bees directly or disable their immune systems. Some believe bees are suffering from severe stress caused by constant travel packed in large trucks and by lack of nutritional diversity – in winter bees are fed corn syrup instead of honey and in summer bees feed on nectar from one type of plant on giant farms.

Difficulties in finding a solution include the lack of data concerning the abundance and diversity of alternative pollinators, if any, and insufficient information about adverse effects of modern chemical-dependent farming practices. As one commentator put it, there has been a "benign indifference to the precarious nature" of the balance of nature.

About twenty thousand species of bees have been identified. Beekeepers in the U.S. and Europe rely on a single species of bee, the western honey bee, to pollinate all food crops. In addition, beekeepers must make annual purchases of queen honey bees to make up for bees that have died or disappeared. The purchased queens come from a small number of "breeder queens" further limiting the genetic diversity of the bee population. Scientists believe that dependence on one species of bee and a small pool of breeder queens create significant risk to our food supply. The weakness of one bee is a weakness of all.

Honey bees are desirable pollinators because they are generalists – they are attracted to a large variety of flowering plants – and because they form huge colonies that can be moved to where pollination is needed. They overwhelm with numbers, and they return to the hive when their work is done. Other pollinators are more selective and less social - less amenable to collection and transport to crops, and less likely to return once released. We have relied on honey bees for so long, and have changed the landscape so much, that suitable replacement pollinators may be difficult to find.

According to the National Research Council of the National Academy of Science, "Pollinator decline is one form of global change that actually does have credible potential to alter the shape and structure of the terrestrial world."

Could Colony Collapse Disorder signal the beginning of a biological meltdown, or will it turn out to be something easily addressed? No one knows. Albert Einstein is said to have offered the following observation: "If the bee

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disappeared off the surface of the globe then man would only have four years of life left. No more bees, no more pollination, no more plants, no more animals, no more man."

Interesting Bee Facts:

Honey bees form colonies of from 20,000 to 80,000 bees.

Most wild bees, unlike honey bees, are solitary and don't form colonies.

Honey bees nap in the afternoon.

More than 95% of honey bees are worker bees, which are female.

When worker honey bees sting, they leave an odor that directs other honey bees to the sting site.

Male honey bees (drones) buzz ferociously, but cannot sting.

Honey is predigested food made by bees from nectar.

A honey bee produces only a small portion of a teaspoon of honey in its lifetime.

Honey is used by honey bees as food in the winter. A typical colony makes 50 - 100 pounds of honey

each year. It takes 2 million flowers to make 1 pound of honey.

A queen honey bee can live eight years or more. Worker bees and drones live about 6 to 8 weeks.

Worker bees are active pollinators for only a few weeks. Drones do not pollinate.

Honey bees sting to defend a populated hive, and are unlikely to sting when building the hive or away from the hive.

Honey bees communicate by odor, sound and various dance moves.

Bumble bees are native to North America, and form small underground colonies of one to five hundred workers.

The entire bumble bee colony dies each winter – except for the queen, which starts a new colony the next spring.

Bumble bee workers live about a month.

Even natural herbicides and botanical insecticides can harm bees.

A diversity of plants that flower at different times is best for bees, since flowers must be present during bees' short life spans.