



Riverwoods Preservation Council

A group of resident volunteers

dedicated to preserving the ecological heritage of the community.

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Dear Neighbors:

Recently I was part of a conversation that included three other Riverwoods residents from Thorngate, the Duffy area, and Vernon Woods respectively. Despite the differences in the natural character of where each of us lived, it was clear that we each highly valued living in this unique and special place. I've also spoken to young families who specifically chose Riverwoods as the place to raise their children because of our community values. The RPC acts locally on ecological matters that are at the core of these values.

Over the last year, the RPC has effectively worked both publically and behind the scenes on a wide range of projects, issues, and education. Our textile recycling effort has paved the way for similar projects in Lake County. Our fall program on safer and more cost effective landscaping directly addressed the growing concerns about child and pet health related to traditional herbicides and pesticides. Because of the continuing inclusiveness of Mayor Norris and the Village Board, the RPC has been a strong voice promoting the green infrastructure aspects of the Village Hall renovation and other private development.

We are reassessing the RPC-created demonstration rain garden next to the police station, which was overwhelmed by parking lot salt. In addition, we are assessing the heritage value of Village property and helping to define the role that a consulting Village Ecologist could play in our community. We promote the many Village cost-sharing programs related to property stewardship and organize the annual road way clean up. Finally, the RPC will continue our ongoing communications in the Village Voice and via email.

I'm proud to be associated with the Riverwoods Preservation Council and gratified that we have such an organization that looks after our common interests. I know that you probably get a great many financial support requests this time of year. Please consider that our efforts are undertaken 100% by volunteers and that all of our focus is on local matters that affect each of us every day. Thanks in advance for your tax-deductible contribution.

On behalf of the RPC Board

Mike Clayton

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Current Resident or

Yes, I want to support the RPC in its efforts to preserve the Riverwoods we know and love! Enclosed is my check for:

__ \$25 __ \$50 __ \$100 __ \$250 Other \$_____ **Join at a level of \$100 or more and receive a 10% discount on most plants sold next spring by the Plant Sale Committee.**

__ I have enclosed my employer's matching contribution form

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

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Street Address: _____

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Each household in Riverwoods should have received from the Village one copy of the RPC's woodland guide, *In Our Own Backyard*. If you would like to purchase an additional copy or copies at \$14.95 each, please add the appropriate amount to your check. Thank you!

Please consider joining a Committee. You can devote as little or as much time as you like to specific RPC efforts. For details on Committees, please see our webpage, Facebook page or call Mike C. at 847 867 0947. If you are interested in more information, let us know!

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