



## Join Us For Rivendell Wildlife Week - November 13 - 20. Be a Nature Watcher! Join the Audubon Bird Walk!

By the Ponds and Preserves Committee

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We know you love our wildlife friends – that’s why you live here! The Ponds and Preserves Committee is hosting a **Rivendell Wildlife Week**, November 13 - 20, 2021 and is **seeking your help**. We have received Grant funding to install aquatic plants in our ponds to control erosion. One of the conditions of the Grant is annual reports about Rivendell wildlife. We are asking residents to help us observe and document the diverse wildlife that calls Rivendell home. Two special opportunities are planned for you to get involved.

### 1. Rivendell Nature Watcher – Anywhere in Rivendell – Nov. 13 – 20.



#### **You can be a Rivendell Nature Watcher!**

Dog walkers, joggers, bikers, parents with kids, folks taking a walk, or just sitting on your lanai – anyone! We ask residents to pay extra attention to the wildlife you see as you spend time in Rivendell.

During this Wildlife week, we are asking residents to note any wildlife they observe - any wildlife. Then call Bob Frank, who will enter the information into a database. If you like, take a picture – we can help identify the animal if you are not sure. This does not need to take a lot of time or effort. Just enjoy Rivendell as you usually do - but this week, record the wildlife you see as you wander around your area.

**Sign up to be a Nature Watcher today!** Please contact **Bob Frank** at [frank@ohio.edu](mailto:frank@ohio.edu) for details, and to sign up. Please let us know as soon as possible, but in any case, before Nov. 10. We encourage all residents to participate, and hope to have at least one Nature Watcher observing each pond.

### 2. Audubon Guided Bird Walk – Saturday, Nov. 20, 8:00–10:00 am

**The Grand Finale of Wildlife Week - join us for a very special Bird Walk!** Sharing her bird knowledge, **Alena Capek, Venice Audubon Society**, will guide residents on a tour around Rivendell to observe birds in our habitat. On the last tour, participants observed over 30 species! Bring your binoculars and camera for an exciting morning of birding. You don’t want to miss this tour!

**Reserve a spot today!** For information and to reserve a spot by Nov. 16, please email **Melle Lee Warren** at [melle\\_lee@hotmail.com](mailto:melle_lee@hotmail.com). (Adults only, please.)



Photos: River Otter (Bob Frank), Brown Thrasher (Melle Lee Warren)