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Community Resource

The Woodlands Word

April 2023

Spring Cleaning

Yes, it's that time of year again. No, we're NOT talking about getting out the scrub brushes and the Clorox, not to mention calling the window cleaners. We're talking about a different kind of scrubbing.

We're talking about cleaning decaying information. And whenever we're talking about information, we're talking about the DIRECTORY.

Rivendell Directory Time

The Rivendell Directory is based on information gathered in the MyHOast system. That system's primary function is to allow and encourage residents to vote on community matters electronically. It also is a repository of each resident's contact information. While MyHOast is a closed system to others, it does create the data we use in the directory.

A Note on the Directory

While many homeowners' associations have abolished printed directories, opting for exclusively electronic versions, for many reasons, Rivendell has decided to continue with a printed directory which is ONLY distributed to Rivendell residents. Many ask: Why is a printed directory important and why should it contain my personal information such as my cell phone number and my email address? The best reason for

both of those happened a few short months ago: Hurricane Ian. While the rain poured down and the winds blew our roofs off, our cell phones were our lifelines. I used mine to contact many people in our neighborhood to check on their well-being and to coordinate drain clean-up to keep our streets from flooding. The bottom line is being available to your neighbor makes a better community.

Where does the "Cleaning" Come In?

The Directory Committee – Christopher Smith, Dana Schroeder, and Kristine Nickel – have organized the clean-up . . . and it's practically effortless on your part. You will be receiving your personalized "Rivendell Owner Contact Information" sheet in an email. It will show you exactly what your directory information (and the MyHOast information) is currently. You will then have an opportunity to correct any misinformation. For example: lots of people put their cell phone number as their home phone, or they haven't updated their email address or privacy setting. There will be instructions on how to correct your info and then send it back. We will do the rest.

That's the easiest Spring Cleaning we'll ever have to do and will have a potentially greater impact.

Thank you. And email any one of us. We're in the Directory.

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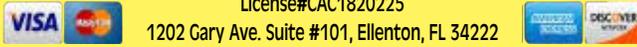
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Cottages Residents Meet Their Landscapers

By Marilyn and Jim May



In response to questions raised at the annual homeowners meeting, the Cottages HOA Board invited all residents to "Meet Our Landscapers" for a question-and-answer session on March 7, 2023. Twenty-eight residents took advantage of the opportunity. Marilee Casale, Board President, introduced the leadership crew for the contracted landscaping company, GreenTech Landscape Management.

Present were Brendan Dooley, Co-Owner

of GreenTech; Brian Roberts, Account Manager, Shane Marino, Irrigation Manager, and Chuck Hollbrook, Operations Manager.

The Cottages, as a community, provides low-maintenance landscaping to homeowners— grass mowing, shrub and tree trimming and leaf collection. That means that basic landscaping and grounds care services are funded by homeowners through the Association budget. In speaking for his company, Brendan Dooley expressed his willingness to accommodate homeowners as much as the Association contract allowed. The Cottages budget does not cover "concierge service" where each property is treated in a custom manner. The Association contract with GreenTech provides mowing, trimming, fertilizing, and clean up on a regular basis.

Marilee explained that the crews follow a work map where each zone of the Circle is worked once per month, depending on seasonal needs. So mowing is done more often during the rainy season beginning April 1, while trimming is done as needed, and a hard trim is done during the winter seasons.



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Neighbors Great Minds...

By Nancy Giordano

It seems fair to say an inventor's mind never rests. Add to that a partner who supports the inventor both personally and professionally and a remarkable couple emerges.

Drs. Edward and Suzanna Lin were among Rivendell's earliest settlers. They moved down from Ohio so their two children could attend Pine View School. They were Rivendell's fourth family beyond the Bridge when they moved into their Millpond Court home. Ed refers to it as the Pine Forest "covered wagon" days... a time when Mallard Marsh did not exist, and Rivendell Blvd ended at Rainbow Point. The Lins were early community leaders and volunteers. Suzanna would bake a rum cake to welcome new neighbors. After around 70 rum cakes, and due to challenges of meeting up with snow-bird neighbors, the tradition eventually ended.

The Lin's early journeys were similar, yet different. Suzanna was born in Hong Kong and at 16 came with her family to Ohio, sponsored by an uncle. Next up was New York, where she attended SUNY at Stony Brook and the School of Medicine & Biomedical Sciences at SUNY Buffalo on her way to becoming a physician.

Ed took a more circuitous route. Born in Taiwan, his family moved to Malaysia when he was eight. Dreaming of coming to "America - the land of opportunity" to become a scientist, at age 16, Ed wrote to John Lindsay, then Mayor of NYC, asking for help to come to America to study. Many good Samaritans emerged to lend a hand, including Assistant Attorney General of New York, later Secretary of State William Rogers, and a Japanese shipping magnate who declared bankruptcy just as Ed was to get free passage on his ship to come to America.

Through a series of unexpected twists and turns in his solo journey from Malaysia to Hong Kong to Tokyo and finally the U.S., Ed used up nearly all of the meager savings his family could cobble together. Ed skipped from 9th to 12th grade and three months later entered college. At SUNY Buffalo's Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Ed was the Henry Woodburn Fellow at Roswell Park Cancer Institute, the high-



est honor bestowed by the school. It was at Buffalo another significant event occurred. Yes, you guessed it, Ed and Suzanna met. Ed says he "buffaloed" Suzanna into marrying him. (Did I say Ed is a natural at Paronomasia? That's wordplay, not a medical condition!)

While Ed trained at Yale to become a board-certified anesthesiologist, Suzanna was an Internist in Connecticut serving a medically underserved community and taught medical students. They moved to Ohio where they practiced for six years. During his practice, Ed introduced two major therapy innovations that averted transfusions and selectively blocked post-surgical pain for innumerable patients. Wanting to benefit society on a global scale, the couple left the practice of Medicine they loved, so Ed could become a fulltime inventor.

Ed is the Founder of HealO Medical, while Suzanna serves as its Vice President. As described on HealO Medical's website, in their own words, they create innovative products to solve unmet needs -- from respiratory care to wound care. The goals include improving patient healing and impactfully cutting healthcare costs.

Ed has more than 12 active patents. A recent invention is the SentiO Oxy™, a super oxygenating mask system that brings ICU-level treatment for hypoxia to the home while saving 83% oxygen (compared to HFNC, a life-saving device that became popular after ventilators were shown to be too harsh for COVID lungs). SentiO is useful for both acute and chronic hypoxia, including that encountered in long COVID. Another invention named MaxxO™ is a nasal cannula that doubles the oxygen delivered to the lungs of supplemental oxygen-dependent patients, for which Ed just won Second Place Award from the NHLBI, (National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, part of NIH).

Impressive and lifesaving, indeed. And Ed, while permitted to slow down, please don't let that mind rest completely. The rest of us need it!

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Neighbors

Introducing Lou and Van Nguyen to Rivendell

By Carol Heckert



My next door neighbors, Luong (Lou) and Vancac (Van) Nguyen, live on Placid Lake Drive. Everyone who walks past their house stops to admire their garden, which is filled with beautiful trees, flowers, and potted bonsai trees. Gardening is Lou's passion, and he is outside working on some part of his garden almost every day.

Lou and Van were both born in Vietnam. Lou moved to the United States in 1975 and Van, who was living in Belgium, met Lou and married him in the US in 2003. They lived in Horsham, PA, where Lou worked as a senior research scientist for Dow Chemical Co. and Van as a hospital pharmacist.

The Nguyen's house in Horsham was on a one-acre lot. A pond covered half the property, and gardens filled the other half. Lou built a gazebo, trellises, and a little bridge reminiscent of the one in Monet's famous painting. There were 120 bonsai trees in their garden. They had ducks, swans, pheasants and koi. The gardens were so beautiful that they became a tourist attraction.

Lou and Van brought Van's elderly parents to the United States to live with them in 2018. Van's parents, who were used to the tropical climate of Vietnam, were unhappy living in the colder weather in Pennsylvania. That was the reason the family moved to Florida in 2020. Lou retired, and after a stint at SMH Hospital, Van was hired as Clinical Pharmacist at the new SMH hospital in Venice

Lou moved into the house in Rivendell ahead of his family, bringing 80 of his bonsai trees with him. He now had the time to indulge in his passion for gardening. He promptly took out some overgrown trees and built a walkway behind the house. He found that he could grow some plants that also grow in Vietnam, and that the house already had a large red jacaranda tree they knew from Vietnam. Lou planted an extensive herb garden behind the house containing herbs used in Vietnamese cooking. He said he is still learning what will grow in Florida's climate and sandy soil, so the garden is undergoing continuing changes.



Lou's goal is to have flowers growing all year round, giving off continuous color. We are fortunate to have Lou and Van living in our community.

Note from interviewer: Ken and I were married in Horsham, PA near Lou and Van's house. Now we are next door neighbors in Rivendell. It's a small world!





Protecting Our Wetland Preserves and their Benefits. Beautiful. Natural. Wildlife Habitats. Valuable.

Sue Remy, Ponds & Preserves Committee.

We are so fortunate to live in Rivendell with its 115 acres of 14 Wetland and Upland Preserves. Not only are they natural assets that enhance our community, they serve many vital functions in addition to being part of our stormwater management system. As we learn more about the many ecological functions associated with wetlands and their significance to society, we can continue to implement the best management practices to keep our wetlands healthy and vibrant.

Wetland preserves provide many benefits to our community.

- **Natural water quality improvement.** Wetlands provide the ideal conditions needed for the removal of excess pollutants, including both nitrogen and phosphorus, from surface water.
- **Wildlife habitats and “biological supermarkets.”** Our wetlands support a rich food web, from microscopic algae and submerged vascular plants to Great Blue Herons, Otters and many other animals. For many species, wetlands are primary habitats where these species depend on them for survival. For others, wetlands provide important seasonal habitats, where food, water, and cover are plentiful.
- **Flood storage.** Wetlands store and slowly release surface water, rain, tropical storms, groundwater, and flood waters. Trees and other vegetation distribute and absorb excess water too. Controlling excess runoff can result in less monetary flood damage (and related insurance costs), as well as protection of human health, safety, and welfare.

- **Shoreline erosion protection.** Wetland plants hold the soil in place with their roots, absorb the energy of waves, and break up the flow of wind-driven currents.
- **Aesthetic appreciation.** Protecting wetlands can protect our safety by reducing flood damage and preserving water quality, and in turn, protect our property values.

Did You Know? Wetlands are among the most productive ecosystems in the world, comparable to rain forests and coral reefs. They also are a source of substantial biodiversity in supporting numerous species from microbes to mammals. Plus, the ability of wetlands to control erosion is so valuable that some states (e.g., Florida) are restoring wetlands in coastal areas to buffer the storm surges from hurricanes and tropical storms by dissipating wave energy before it impacts roads, houses, and other man-made structures.

Wetlands are vital to survival for some wildlife. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service estimates that up to 43% of the federally threatened and endangered species rely directly or indirectly on wetlands for their survival (e.g., the wood stork and Florida panther).

Respect and protect our wetlands preserves. Leave them alone and “natural.” Do not put anything in, or remove anything from, these preserve areas. Incurion violations are enforced to keep preserve areas natural and functional. Together we can keep our wetland preserves healthy for wildlife, and our community.

[Source: Wetland Functions and Values – epa.gov/watertrain]

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(Photos: N. Dobias)

March Rivendell Board Meeting - Nutshell Version

Directors Bruce Lorie, Cathy Daignault and Mary Angel were present in person, Greg Volack via Zoom and Kevin Boggess was absent.

For insurance purposes, the Board felt it was important to accept the names of all those individuals who serve Rivendell on her various committees and so a list of various names were read and ratified as members. Should you want to know who these individuals are, check the *Woodland Word* or the website in a few weeks.

I thought I heard that 21 owners had not paid their dues and these will be turned over to the attorney for collection.

Bruce wanted authorization to move money to a more lucrative CD. He felt he found one that offered 5% interest. He was granted permission to explore this option.

There was again a lot of discussion centering around whether the community feels it's important to regulate the type of materials that people use on their roofs. Rivendell has asphalt shingles, barrel tile, and metal roofs as well as a tesla type of roof. Bruce said he's been hearing from people who were upset when a shingle roof was approved on Placid Lake and so he wanted to add a rule in the ARC Guidelines that restricted what type of roof would be allowed. He wanted something in ARC Guidelines that would say you were not allowed to change from one roof type to another. I told him that he is only hearing from those who are opposed to the shingle roof on Placid Lake but there were those who believed it was much ado about nothing. I had heard from people who felt owners should make their own decisions based upon their own situation and the supply chain issues that were affecting them. Another person said he would have lost insurance on his home had he waited for tile to become available. More discussion followed.

Then Bruce dealt with an ARC request that had been turned over to the Board for a decision. A home wanted to replace tile with shingles. One side of the street had tiles, the other had shingles and the ARC wanted the Board to decide. The Board voted 3 to 1 to allow the shingles. (Greg was the opposing vote.)

After that decision, the Board took up another agenda item about specifying in the ARC Guidelines that you could not change from the kind of roof you originally had to a different type of roof. If you had tile, you had to stay tile. Obviously this caused audience input since the Board had just approved a shingle roof on a home that used to be tile.

Others argued there is no authority in the Covenants for the Board to even designate what type of materials can be on a roof. The Board argued that they had spoken with an attorney who assured them that they could but then that led to a comment that perhaps the attorney did not understand the situation. Perhaps it was worded incorrectly to him.

The Board seemed to be talking about roof materials being covered in the Covenants but audience members argued that Covenants only talked about whether a home was being materially altered. In other words, semantics seemed to be the issue. There was a lot of back and forth about words and what they meant.

Discussion continued.

An original owner said that when they bought into Rivendell, they bought a home in Unit 3 and were offered a choice between shingle and tile. Obviously the developer had no intent to limit the type of roof available to owners when the Covenants were written. There is no language in the Covenants that deals with this.

Another owner said that it would be selective enforcement to deny a shingle request when the Board just allowed a home to change from tile to shingles. He further stated that he'd be talking to an attorney if he were denied a request to change his roof.

More discussion followed.

Finally it was suggested that rather than mess with the ARC Guidelines, the Board should instead be asking the owners what they want via an amendment to their Covenants. It was suggested that an attorney develop an amendment that specifies the actual roof materials that will be allowed in Rivendell and then let the community decide whether this is acceptable. Next Bruce moved to a change he wanted to make to the standing rules. I mentioned that when you revise your standing rules, you're supposed to give a 14 day notice to the community of what you're planning to do so that owners can decide whether they want to attend the meeting and be heard. Bruce believed that only a 2 day notice was needed and so I mentioned that he might want to run that by the attorney since I had already discussed this issue with my attorney over a past problem with a previous Board.

This led to a discussion about the standing rules not yet having been changed to align with our recently approved amendments. Once the amendments were approved, the new Board should be ensuring that the standing rules and the amendments are not at odds, that they are in sync. If no one takes the initiative and does this, then there will be contradictions in our documents.

It was mentioned that before the new roof is installed at the pool, the pool will still be open for swimming but the solar panels will be removed and will no longer be helping to heat the pool. Once construction begins, the pool will be closed. Mulch was approved, palm tree trimming was approved. The Wildlife Count week begins this weekend.

Submitted by Nancy Dobias

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Wildlife Window: The Two-Striped Walking Stick. Masters of Camouflage. Nocturnal. Caution: Don't Touch.

Sue Remy, Ponds & Preserves Committee.



What looks like a stick, but is actual an insect? Meet the Walking Stick, a master of camouflage. While North America has six species; only two are found in Florida, the common walking stick and the two-striped walking stick. Both are difficult to find as they are nocturnal, only moving about at night. They spend most of the day immobile and visually blending to whatever plant they are on, or perhaps your lanai screen or house wall. Although their camouflage is good, it is not perfect, and they are usually preyed upon by birds, rodents, and praying mantises.

Let's learn more about the **Two-striped Walking Stick** (*Anisomorpha buprestoides*), the most abundant species in Florida.

Appearance. Slow-moving and wingless, the two-striped walking stick is smaller and stockier than the common walking stick. Females are 2.6" long while males are 1.6" and often seen riding on the backs of the female. Typically, they have three longitudinal black stripes with two longitudinal yellow stripes.

Feeding. Walking sticks feed on leaves of trees (oak, ligustrum, crepe myrtle) and tall shrubs (rosemary and roses), eating between the leaf veins, but causing only minor damage.

Mating. Fall is the mating season for walking sticks. A mature male walking stick will attach himself to a female to ensure finding a mate. They will stay attached until one of them dies. After mating, the two-striped female comes down to the ground to deposit her eggs in several different

locations. When the weather warms, the eggs hatch and the nymphs climb into the trees and shrubs where they complete their immature stages to become adults.

Caution. The two-striped walking stick has an unusual defense mechanism that is lacking in the common. It can accurately spray (up to 2 feet) a smelly acidic compound on any would-be attacker. The spray comes from a gland just behind the head on the thorax. The compound is very painful if it contacts the eye and may require medical attention, but no permanent damage has been reported. **Obviously, observe from a distance and do not handle.**

(Source: UF/IFAS Ext. Services)

Photo: **Two-striped Walking Stick, male is catching a ride on the female's back.** (B.Frank)

Earth Day April 22



What is Earth Day?

Earth Day is an annual event, celebrated on April 22, on which day events worldwide are held to demonstrate support for environmental protection. It was first celebrated in 1970, and is now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network, and celebrated in more than 192 countries each year.

Earth Day began on April 22, 1970 and has been an important day ever since. It's a day to reflect on our planet, our environment and what we can do to help keep them healthy.

A month later a separate Earth Day was founded by United States Senator Gaylord Nelson as an environmental teach-in first held on April 22, 1970. Nelson was later awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom Award in recognition of his work.

Artists' Corner is Going Strong!



On February 8th, an enthusiastic group met at Jayne Irene's home to see her beautiful and creative "modern quilts". Several of the guests were prior attendees at Artists' Corner, and there were a number of new guests, all of whom were quilters. There is a wide range of expertise and talent among quilters in Rivendell and everyone appreciated Jayne's work that was on display. Jayne is pictured on the left with one of her quilts.

Artists' Corner met again on March 8th when Jean Freestone presented her oriental and landscape art quilts. Jean and two of her quilts are pictured below. Another of her quilts is pictured to the left. Jean's exquisite attention to detail and her love of animals and the environment is displayed in her work and have won her many ribbons and honors. Everyone was grateful that she shared her talent with them. These two events have helped Rivendell Quilters get to know each other.

The next meeting of Artists Corner will be on Wednesday, April 12th at 2pm.

Barbara Thierfelder will present her works in watercolor. Because space is limited for this event, please contact Allie Sandow at 513-403-7228 for more information.



Jayne Irene with her quilt above



Jean Freestone's Rivendell quilt above, and Jean with an oriental quilt to the right.



Is That a Boat in Our Ponds? What's Up? Yes, Pond Management Team is Keeping Ponds Healthy.

Sue Remy, Ponds & Preserves Committee.

You may see a boat in our ponds occasionally and wonder why and what they are doing. Working closely with the P&P Committee, Beautiful Ponds (BP) is now our pond management contractor and will be using new methods and strategies to keep our ponds healthy and vibrant. Every lake and stormwater pond community is a complex ecosystem that requires regular maintenance. Beautiful Ponds uses less invasive and more environmentally-friendly approaches to manage aquatic communities. By implementing water quality management, erosion control, and biological control methods, they provide a safer, more natural alternative.

As part of their management responsibilities, the BP team will do maintenance work along the shorelines and sometimes in the water, especially in larger bodies of water, such as Placid, Eagle, Mallard, Millpond, Otter, Scherer, Rivendell, Bobcat, etc., or where shoreline access is not effective. When needed, the boat used is a small 14' Carolina skiff powered by an electric trolling motor. While our HOA rules do not allow folks to operate a motorized or paddle watercraft on any portion of our surface water management systems for fishing or recreation, BP has been given permission by the Board of Directors to launch a boat and perform maintenance duties as needed.

The primary actions in the water involve inspecting and targeting invasive plants and nuisance native species, such as cattails, primrose, torpedo grass, alligator weed, and algae, etc. Targeted areas are often near preserves areas where access has been difficult in the past. They may do water quality testing and sampling as well.

Rivendell is excited about this new relationship and working together with Beautiful Ponds for the benefit of our community, our ponds, and our wildlife friends. Their unique approach will help us improve our water quality, wildlife habitats, natural assets, and keep property values strong.



When needed, the BP boat used is a small 14' Carolina skiff powered by an electric trolling motor. Pond management actions include regular inspection and treatment of invasives and nuisance native plants. Water quality testing and sampling may also be done. (Courtesy photo)



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APRIL 2023

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Being a small business owner it is important for us to know how clients find us. Whenever a new client comes into our office we always ask, how did you find us?

During the shutdown due to covid, the majority answered "online" since there weren't any gatherings.

Now that we are able to get together we are getting more referrals from existing clients. They tend to say, 'my neighbor said I wasn't hearing well and should see you.'

My favorite this year came from Betty. When asked, "How did you find us?" she said, "I overheard my friend, Shirley, say she loves her hearing aids". That is a direct quote.

Betty explained that other people complain about their hearing aids, especially when trying to understand conversations in groups. Yet Shirley was in a line dancing class and while talking to another woman said, "I love my hearing aids."

Hearing someone say they love their hearing aids, Betty knew she had to check it out. Betty walked over to Shirley and asked, "who helps with your hearing aids?"

When I heard the story I was thrilled to know how well we had fitted our client Shirley. Knowing that Shirley is able to be social and hear with confidence is our intention.

Our goal is to help clients hear well in groups. To know that we helped Shirley hear well in a dance class and so well that she shared how much she loves her hearing aids is such a great testimony for us.

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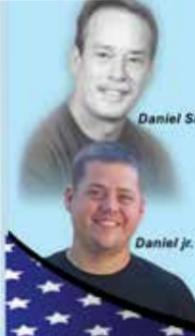
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REAL ESTATE CORNER HOW DO BACK-UP OFFERS WORK?

By Barbara Gahry

You have listed your home and now have an accepted offer. You have indicated to the listing agent that you would be willing to accept a back-up offer after the primary deal has been sealed. It is not uncommon to accept one or more back-up offers in markets with limited inventory. A back-up offer simply means that a buyer will purchase a property from a seller, with accepted terms, should the primary contract fall through. Back-up offers are negotiated, just as any other offer. Once it's signed off and executed by both buyer and seller, it becomes a legally binding contract. This means the back-up buyer has agreed to submit an earnest money deposit, just as with any other accepted offer. Assuming there are no issues with the primary contract, and all conditions have been met for closing, the back-up buyer is now entitled to receive the earnest money deposit back. If the primary contract falls through, the ACCEPTED, EXECUTED back-up offer is legally obligated to perform. One positive for sellers is that there is no need to put the home back on the market and have more showings. An acceptable back-up offer negates the need to go through the process all over again.



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Board Liaison: **George Smith**

CERT Committee

Chair: Paul Englert (paule253@hotmail.com)
Board Liaison: **Cathy Dagnault**
Members: Need Volunteers. Please contact Paul if interested.

Communication Committee

Chair: Kristine Nickel
(kristine@nickelcommunications.com)
Board Liaison: **Bruce Lorie**
Newsletter: Kristine Nickel, Nancy Giordano, Barbara Gahry, Adele Kellman
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Webmaster: Gary Mruz
At large: Marylin and Jim May

Architectural Review Committee (ARC)

Chair: Rich Bunce
Questions or Submissions:
Patricia.Goldstein@mgmt.tv
Board Liaison: **Bruce Lorie**
Members: Janet Lorie, Maureen Emmons Joe Casale, Maria Ilioff,
Jim Duncan

Fine Administration Committee (FAC)

Chair: Robert Thierfelder (rcthierfelder@gmail.com)
Board Liaison: **George Smith**
Members: Ken Alerie, Bill Bloom, Mary Kennedy

Maintenance Committee (MC)

Acting Chair: Mark Giordano (mjg283@gmail.com)
Board Liaison: **Greg Volack** (gregvolack@gmail.com)
Members: Carole Myles, Mark Giordano, Dave Cook, Kevin Humbert

Ponds & Preserves Committee

Chair: Bob Frank (frank@ohio.edu)
Board Liaison: **Kevin Boggess**
Members: Dave Gill, Ken Heckert, Tom Hurban, Sue Remy, Norma Lee Rhines, Allie Sandow, Frank Freestone, Ray Elliston, Larry Dobias

Social Committee

Chair: Maria Ilioff
Board Liaison: **N/A**
Members: Lisa Boggs, Kathy Halaiko, Adele Kellman, Kathy Lysak, Jennifer Parker, Allie Sandow, Jane Stevens

Block Captain Committee

Chair: Rachel North Zipay (mobilerach@verizon.net)
Board Liaison: Mary Angell

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Rivendell Website

www.rivendellcommunity.com
Contact Lighthouse Management for password to RESIDENTS section.

Woodlands Word Deadline:

Submit articles and information to Kristine Nickel
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by the tenth of the month.

Updates to the Contacts Page:

Kristine Nickel kristine@nickelcommunications.com

Nuisance Alligator

Call Florida Fish & Wildlife - SNAP 866-392-4286
Do Not Call Lighthouse Property Management

Sarasota County Sheriff

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