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Can You Help? By Pam Babbitt

Dr. John Connelly is a Rivendell resident who works with Gannon University, a non-profit Catholic University based in Erie PA. Gannon University has several graduate students who will be completing a Florida internship in medicine or physical therapy. The internships are for short periods of time (8-12 weeks) and while the students are here, they need to have housing.

The graduate students (Doctors, Residents, Physician Assistants, Physical Therapists and Occupational Therapists) would be pleased to have a room with residents in their homes and pay a weekly/monthly rate. These graduate students have very little time for anything other than studying and working on their clinical rotations. Please contact him if you have a room you would like to rent. Contact information: CONNELLY004@gannon.edu or 814-860-6170.

**Next Rivendell Board Meeting
Sep 8th, 2014 6PM
at Historic Spanish Point
in Osprey**

**Any changes to this date
will be posted on the website
www.rivendellcommunity.com**

Message From The President

If you have just moved into Rivendell, I say “**Welcome** to our community.”

It seems that sometimes problems arise in the community from homeowners not understanding that the Woodlands at Rivendell is a deed-restricted community. As we all know or should know, the purpose of deed restrictions is to protect the value, attractiveness, and desirability of our community. Deed restrictions and covenants are important documents that are legally binding upon all residents, whether as owners or renters. For those who have misplaced their information concerning the community rules and procedures, they can be obtained on the manager’s website http://www.lighthousepropertymanagement.net/portal_logo.html. The Deed Restrictions can also be found at www.rivendellcommunity.com; password: osprey.

At times most of us have thought of improvements we would like to make to our property or homes only to realize that we are prohibited from doing so by our deed restrictions. These deed restrictions require that we give up our individual homeowner “creative” rights for the good of our community.

Our community was developed to showcase its natural beauty and that is why our house colors are subdued natural tones, our yard art is restricted and our planting beds require mulch

The Rivendell Homeowners Association, through the Board of Directors and Lighthouse Property Management, are responsible for enforcing restrictions. Please keep in mind that violations can involve fines to the homeowner, which the Board would rather not have to implement. Any changes you would like to make to your property require submission of an Architectural Review Committee **application** with **plat** showing property lines etc.,

Some improvements that have been made over

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the summer are:

(1) The County has started to come around to fix the sidewalks. If anyone notices a slab sticking up on the sidewalk, please let Lighthouse know so they can inform the county of its location.

(2) I am not sure if everyone knows there is Crescent Park on Shadow Bay Way that has swings and slide for the smaller children to enjoy.

(3) Have you noticed the lights under the clusters of palm trees on Placid Lake Drive and Scherer Way? What a difference it makes in the evenings!

(4)The sign at the entryway from Park Trace to Rivendell is now lit at night.

A big thank you to the Maintenance chair and committee for all their hard work, which is never-ending.

Let Lighthouse know if you have not received a copy of *The Woodlands Word* or a copy of the Rivendell Community Directory. *The Woodlands Word* is a nice thing to receive each month, as it is full of interesting things. If you like to take photos or have news you would like to share, you are welcome to send them to The Woodlands Word.

I thank you once again for any support you give to the Board or have given to keep this a lovely community.

Gwen Stepien, President

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**Next Maintenance
Committee Meeting**
The Maintenance Committee
meets the last Wednesday
of each month at 7pm
in the Cottages Clubhouse



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Take a look at the photo above. Resident Nancy Dobias can find lots of things in it. Can you? If you have a fun picture to share, send it to judysokal@gmail.com.

Mind Game for Your Imagination By Nancy Dobias

I sent this picture to a friend of mine and when she looked at the picture, she saw more than what was there. At the top of the log in the water, she saw a fox's head. The fox's eyes were looking off to the side at the tree. About half way down the log in the water, she saw a polar bear sprawled out on his stomach and it looked like he, too, was looking at that tree. *(The right arm can be seen very well but only a portion of his left arm is showing.)* There also looked to be a serpent trying to get out from under the polar bear's body. *(Half of his body is already out. You can see his head is near the side of the log, almost to the water.)*

After Uschi told me what she saw, I started looking again at this picture and I noticed that under the fox's snout was the front end of a baby elephant! *(The elephant is heading toward the water.)* I bet there are more things to see...

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Traveling the Loop Road by Nancy Dobias

When I lived in the north, I always thought it would be so neat to drive down Alligator Alley. I envisioned a narrow dirt road, swamps on either side, and alligators swimming in the water or sunning themselves on the bank. I couldn't wait for that day when we would live in Florida and we could go on that sightseeing drive. Well, my dreams were shattered when my husband told me that Alligator Alley was just a nickname for a portion of I-75 that went from the east coast to the west coast of Florida, and that most people did not see any alligators when they traveled it.



BUT there is a road that is down in this area that is a definite must-see if you want to experience what life is like in the Great Cypress Swamp of Florida. It's nicknamed the Loop Road. Make sure you have a full tank of gas before you start the trek because once you're on the road, it's a straight stretch through to the other end of the Loop Road. There are several places to pull over to take photos and fish in the waters alongside the road. But there are no gas stations, roadside rests or picnic tables... unless you count the alligators wearing the bibs in preparation for their next meals. The speed limit is around 20 mph and it's a dirt road for most of the way, so you might want to leave your convertibles at home! The road is about 25 miles long.

I only saw one alligator along the road but my friend saw several when she went. They're there- I could hear them in the swamp. In fact every time I got out of the car to take photos of the scenery, I wondered whether I might surprise one. In the literature I've read about the Loop Road, they warn you not to take your pets out of the car and walk down the road with them or you may as well be ringing

the dinner bell. They also warn you to be careful and to realize you are in their territory, in their home, and to respect it as such. Here's the alligator we met alongside the road. I don't know where he was going but I'm glad he was already out of the weeds by the time we got there! I would have hated to have stepped out of the car and have this guy appear out of the water at my feet! I'm sure he's a friendly soul but I'd rather admire him from afar...



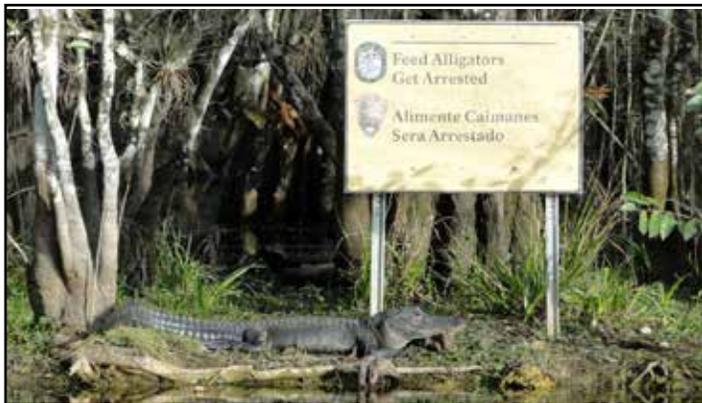
Speaking of afar, one of the neat things about driving the Loop Road is listening to the sounds all around you and imagining what it must have been like to be drifting along in a pirogue or canoe, (or whatever kind of boat the early people must have used) to traverse the Great Cypress Swamp and survive all the perils that surrounded them. Beauty and danger—life depended upon attention to every little detail. Listening to the sounds of the swamp could certainly pull you back in time if you let it draw you in...



For instance, as I was focusing on this beautiful bird, I began to wonder, "Could something be coming up behind me? Or what might be slithering through that water that I can't see?"

I do know, that if you want to see alligators, we

saw plenty in the streams bordering Rt. 41 East to the Loop Road as we were going down. There are several rest stops where you will see people congregating as they check out these alligators. The best one that we found was on the way back after we had left the Loop Road. It was in the HP Williams Picnic area at the intersection of Rt. 41 and Turner Road. You definitely want to make a side trip for a few miles on Turner Road. This must be where the alligators hold their conventions. Some of the alligators must have been politically motivated because this little guy was having his own personal "sit-in" demonstration in front of a sign that he must have found offensive. I have never seen as many alligators as I saw here.



Yes, if you have an imagination and you open your mind to an infinite number of possibilities, the Great Dismal Swamp of Florida via the Loop Road is something you might want to try. I loved it and I can't wait to go back! I wonder what it might be like at night....

Another alligator didn't look too happy about that sign either but he might have been hoping one of the tourists might come just a little bit closer....



Here's one that seemed to be "friendly..." unless he was carrying his salt and pepper where I couldn't see....hmmmm....

I think he would love to have you come to visit and perhaps appreciate an area of Florida that most

never think of when they say the name Florida. It's a beautiful area but you might not want to go during the rainy season (May-October), so Google the Loop Road, learn all about it, see if it's for you. We liked it!

1. Take 75-S and stay on 75 through the toll booth area (75/Alligator Alley).
 2. Take Rt. 29 South to Rt. 41.
 3. Follow Rt. 41 East to the Loop Road (It's not well marked, use the GPS and trust it. The road goes through a little residential area and then becomes a two-lane dirt road—the Loop Road)
- If you get to the Indian reservation, you've gone a mile or two too far on 41.

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Pregnant Gator and a Giant Rattlesnake!

By Nancy Dobias

Did you ever see something for record books? It happened to me one day after we had played Myakka Pines Golf Club in Englewood. I can't go there without taking my camera. If we get behind slow golfers, out comes my camera and I start snapping away at all the idiotic things I see golfers do. (Just kidding!) I look for alligators and wonder what stories they might have to tell. For instance, we met this big guy on the 10th hole, beside the tee box. If you notice, he seems to have a very contented look on his face. We were wondering why he had such a big smile on his face and it wasn't until we were on another hole that we found out why.



We met his "lady friend." She was pregnant and due any day to give birth. At least that's what the ranger told us. When I asked him how he knew she was pregnant, he said he knew the alligator and could tell she had gained 50 pounds. I guess that's the magic number for female alligators.



I thought it interesting that she wasn't smiling....

Back to what I had first said- one for the record books. I was feeling pretty proud of myself when we left Myakka because I had gotten a picture of a pregnant alligator! Little did I know that was not the one that would make my day...

Because we finished *early*, my husband wanted to check out a state park road across from the course. Being an adventurous soul, he wondered where it went and asked if I wanted to check it out. I readily agreed because I thought it might afford me the opportunity to finally see a constrictor snake in the wild. I had heard plenty about them on the news but

of course I had never seen any. We turned down that road and went not more than a mile when we noticed a red snake crossing the road. We stopped to let him pass and then maybe a hundred yards farther, another snake began to cross the road. But this snake was a BIG SNAKE!!! I told my husband, "Pull over! Pull over!! I want to get his picture!! It's a BIG SNAKE!!!" Larry pulled over and as I got out with my camera, he asked me if it was a rattlesnake. I thought, "He's nuts! This is not a rattlesnake! Rattlesnakes are not THIS WIDE! Rattlesnakes are not THIS LONG! This must be a boa or a python! This snake is HUUUUUGE!!!"



Well, Larry wouldn't let it drop. I was trying to focus my camera while he kept bothering me as to whether it was a rattlesnake or not. Because he seemed so adamant on its being a rattlesnake, I decided to just start talking while focusing. My logic was that if it was a rattlesnake, it would shake its rattles. (I didn't take into account I could also frighten the snake back into the weeds.)



Eastern Diamondback Rattlesnake

Well, he didn't shake its rattles, and I didn't get as good a picture as I wanted, but Larry was right. When we got home and looked at the pictures, we could see he DID have rattles but chose not to use them that day.

Too bad my pictures don't do him justice. I needed to be up on the car shooting down on him to really show his size and beauty. What most impressed me was his girth! I never realized a rattlesnake could be that wide, that thick! He was about 6 feet long and very wide. A truly remarkable snake. In



You can see his rattles in this picture!

the pictures he just looks like the size of a black snake from Ohio, but this guy was a BIG BOY! I never realized they could be this huge, and I'm not so sure people should be looking for their lost golf balls in the tall grasses...

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I have many memories from my early childhood of talking into my Grandpa's pocket, so his body-aid would pick up my voice. Both my grandfather, Howard and my Mom, MaryEllen, were profoundly hard of hearing.

My Mom's hearing was due to surgical procedure. She had been wearing hearing aids for years before I came into the industry 14 years ago. The first time I fit her with aids she was startled by how much better she heard. I knew the technology had not improved dramatically so it wasn't until I realized she had been using moderate technology levels. That experience showed me how much it had cost her in connecting with others and being part of the group by wearing aids not fit for her busy lifestyle.

She didn't have to buy a moderate set, I just don't think she knew how much benefit and ease of listening a higher level of technology would provide for her challenging hearing and busy lifestyle.

I do understand that there are times when you have to compromise due to financial strains. If you have to compromise do so knowingly. Be aware of what you are choosing between.

Having my life, my family so directly affected by hearing loss I am truly passionate about helping others hear their best. I lived in a family that had frustrations that occurred from not hearing someone or frequent misunderstandings.

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Florida's Hidden Gems

Submitted by Linda Pearlstein, edited by Judy Sokal and excerpted from *Floridians Don't Want You To Know About These 8 Hidden Vacation Gems* by Sean Breslin, 06/10/14 (www.weather.com/travel/travel-pro/florida-vacation-destinations-you-dont-know-about-20140609)

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There's so much of Florida you've never seen, so why go to the same places when you visit? Sorry, Floridians – all of your secrets are about to be revealed.

While we all have our favorite vacation destinations in the Sunshine State, there's so much more to Florida that's begging to be seen and enjoyed. The popular beaches have their draws, but there are lesser-known stretches to visit if you're looking for a more peaceful trip.



1. Bahia Honda State Park

Located 35 miles east of Key West in the Florida Keys is one of the most spectacular landscapes you can find in the entire state. Bahia Honda State Park boasts a beach that provides the perfect tropical paradise. Stop on your way back to the mainland or make plans to spend a few days taking in the picturesque scene. Be sure to take a snorkel trip to Looe Key, which is a national marine sanctuary!



2. Caladesi Island

Your only chance of getting to the prettiest parts of this island is by ferry or private boat, so you know it's secluded. USA Today reports that there are three miles of undeveloped beaches on Caladesi Island, giving visitors the chance to enjoy pristine views during a picnic or hours of beach time.



3. Santa Rosa Beach

Florida's Emerald Coast doesn't get any prettier than the scene at Santa Rosa Beach. Clear blue water set against a backdrop of blue skies makes this beach a vacationer's dream and a must-see. Located between Pensacola and Panama City, Santa Rosa Beach is an ideal getaway from the well-traveled vacation hotspots that surround it.



4. Gasparilla Island

Northwest of Fort Myers is a thin strip of land that peeks out into the Gulf of Mexico on the southwestern side of the state. If you're looking to spot all kinds of wildlife or get in on some of its tarpon fishing, which USA Today says is "epic," Gasparilla Island is a spot to put on your bucket list.



5. Blowing Rocks Preserve

North of West Palm Beach and east of Lake Okeechobee is a spot that USA Today says many Florida residents don't even know about. The limestone rocks bear the brunt of the crashing waves at high tide, looking far more like a West-Coast beach than one typical of Florida. It's a sight to behold, and one not seen by many vacationers.



6. Pine Island

Coastal Living says this is a quiet option for a getaway that's worth every dime. You can take kayaks along the waterways west of Fort Myers and rest up in one of many historic hotels before eating a big meal of fresh seafood. Noticing a pattern here? You should visit Florida's western coast.



7. Cedar Key

North of Tampa on the state's west coast is another gem where you can expect a quiet getaway, if that's what you're looking for. Cedar Key, according to Coastal Living, doesn't have stoplights, but it does have some pretty tasty clam chowder. If that sounds like your kind of vacation, there's a piece of land waiting to host your vacation.



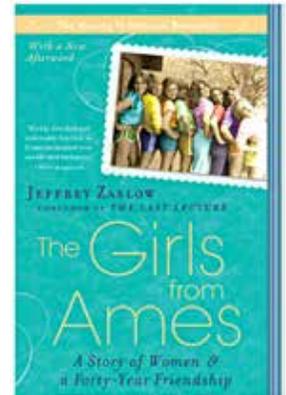
8. Weeki Wachee River

If you want to go somewhere with crystal-clear water, we saved the best for last. The Weeki Wachee River has some of the most pristine water you'll ever see, as seen in the photo above. And with all kinds of wildlife residing in the waterway – Buzzfeed says even manatees swim in these waters – a quiet kayaking adventure down the Weeki Wachee would be sublime.



**Book Group Schedule
By Marilyn Probert**

The Book Group will meet on Monday, September 8 to discuss *The Girls From Ames*, a nonfiction account concerning eleven women who grew up together in Ames, Iowa, and how they have maintained their friendship over some forty years. The author, Jeffrey Zaslow, has spoken to the ten remaining women (the eleventh died under mysterious circumstances) and compiled a report that shows the efforts that went into keeping in touch. Over the years there have been careers, marriages, divorces, births, deaths, but the women have always tried, and usually succeeded, to be there for each other. Pat Sobczak will host the group at her home at 803 Placid Lake Drive. Please call Pat at 941-918-4633 if you'd like to participate.



The October selection will be *The Kitchen House*, a first novel by Kathleen Grissom. Lavinia, a little girl orphaned on the passage from Ireland to the United States, finds herself living as an indentured servant under the care of Belle, the master's illegitimate slave daughter. Lavinia learns to clean and help with cooking, and, as the years pass, she becomes accepted in the big house while caring for the master's opium-addicted wife. Lavinia's heart belongs to her black family in the kitchen house, but her white skin sets her apart. While they love her, they don't entirely trust her.

In November the group will read *The Language of Flowers* by Vanessa Diffenbaugh. In this debut novel Victoria Jones does her best to alienate those around her, but some are still willing to love and forgive her.

The Book Group meets at 7:30 pm on the second Monday of the month. All Rivendell residents are welcome; please call the month's hostess if you plan to attend.

RESIDENTS HELPING RESIDENTS

KNITTING AND CROCHETING: Rivendell Cottages Resident **Connie Woodward** is offering individual or small group crocheting or knitting classes in her home at 579 Meadow Sweet Circle. Bring your yarn and needles. You can have your project completed by Christmas! I have many different patterns to teach you. Please call **941-966-1259** to make reservations.

CAT SITTER: Kay Adams, a longtime resident of Rivendell and a stay-at-home mom, offers cat-sitting service to Rivendell residents. Kay is very responsible and loves cats. Reasonable rate. Call **941-966-2939** or email kayadamsart@gmail.com.

BABYSITTER: 14 year-old Rivendell Pine View student has certified American Red Cross Babysitter's Training with Pediatric First Aid and CPR. I absolutely love kids! Call **Zoe Gavette** at **941-918-8200**.

BABYSITTER: Natasha Nielsen, Pine View School junior, can watch your children while you go out. I can also help with homework. I am polite and responsible and am CPR certified through the American Red Cross. Call **941-966-1419**.

LAMPPOST REPAIR: Rivendell Resident **Bill Bloom** is offering lamppost repair services. Is your lamppost light staying on? Charge is \$40 for parts, labor and cleaning. Replacing a burned out bulb is \$15, and this includes new bulb and cleaning. Call **941-918-8386**.

BABYSITTER: Sivan Yohann, 941- 408-5549, a Pine View junior and a very experienced babysitter. I will keep your kids busy with soccer and crafts and all sorts of activities. I am extremely friendly and responsible! References available upon request.

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BABYSITTER, PET SITTER: Nathalie Michalowski, resident of Rivendell, 25 years old, and certified babysitter/nanny, offers baby-sitting service. I'm very responsible, I love kids, and have 9 years experience. I also offer pet sitting service. References are available upon request. Please call at **941-726-5958**.

Submissions to Residents Helping Residents

Please send your name, phone number,
and a description of the service
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Rivendell residents.

Email your information to Marilyn at
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All I Really Need To Know I Learned In Kindergarten

Excerpted from *All I Really Need To Know I Learned
in Kindergarten* by Robert Fulghum



All I really need to know about how to live and what to do and how to be I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate-school mountain, but there in the sand pile. These are the things I learned:

- ✓ Share everything.
- ✓ Play fair.
- ✓ Don't hit people.
- ✓ Put things back where you found them.
- ✓ Clean up your own mess.
- ✓ Don't take things that aren't yours.
- ✓ Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.
- ✓ Wash your hands before you eat.
- ✓ Flush.
- ✓ Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.
- ✓ Live a balanced life - learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some.
- ✓ Take a nap every afternoon.
- ✓ When you go out into the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands, and stick together.
- ✓ Be aware of wonder.
- ✓ Remember the little seed in the styrofoam cup: The roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that.
- ✓ Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the Styrofoam cup - they all die. So do we.
- ✓ And then remember the Dick-and-Jane books and the first word you learned - the biggest word of all - LOOK.

Everything you need to know is in there somewhere. The Golden Rule and love and basic sanitation. Ecology and politics and equality and sane living.

Take any of those items and extrapolate it into sophisticated adult terms and apply it to your family life or your work or your government or your world and it holds true and clear and firm. Think what a better world it would be if the entire world had cookies and milk about three o'clock every afternoon and then lay down with our blankies for a nap. Or if all governments had a basic policy to always put things back where they found them and to clean up their own mess.

And it is still true, no matter how old you are - when you go out into the world, it is best to hold hands and stick together.

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Architectural Review Committee Minutes 07/29/2014

The ARC meeting was called to order at 5:57 pm with a quorum of committee members present. Committee Chair: Jessica Fenton; Members: Jim Stepien, and John Martin.

The following applications were reviewed and decided upon for action.

ITEM	ADDRESS	WORKPLAN	RESOLUTION
Old Business			
1.	1046 Scherer Way	Repaint house same color.	Resolved: Denied Motion: Jessica 2 nd : John Vote: Unanimous Reason: <i>No paint samples.</i>
2.	808 Shadow Bay	Replace current cage with bronze cage. Extend cage straight across back of house.	Resolved: Approved Motion: John 2 nd : Jessica Vote: Unanimous
3.	808 Shadow Bay	Paint house: Lenox Tan Trim: Deep In Thought. Front door: Scenic Drive. Paint driveway:	Resolved: Approved Motion: Jim 2 nd : John Vote: Unanimous
4.	900 Scherer Way	Planting various flowers in front yard, 2 flower Pots. 2 Boulders. Work already completed.	Resolved: Approved Motion: Jessica 2 nd : John Vote: Unanimous
5.	718 Fordingbridge Way	Replace sod with St. Augustine grass. Repair irrigation. Hedge at back.	Resolved: Approved Motion: John 2 nd : Jim Vote: Unanimous
NEW BUSINESS			
6.	925 Eagle Isle Court	Addition.	Discussion only. Homeowner will submit application for vote at a later date.
7.	767 Fordingbridge Way	Install lanai screen attached to house.	Resolved: Approved Motion: Jim 2 nd : John Vote: Unanimous
8.	900 Scherer Way	55-gallon PVC rain barrels painted the same color as exterior stucco. Plant shrubs to block from view.	Resolved: Approved Motion: Jim 2 nd : John Vote: Unanimous
9.	762 Shadow Bay Way	Paint house same color.	Resolved: Approved Motion: Jessica 2 nd : John Vote: Unanimous

10.	700 Shadow Bay Way	Install a footing/knee wall. Install a sliding glass door on top of the footing.	This application could not be considered at this time. The committee requires more information.
11.	1211 Lost Creek Court	Perma A Coat roof in color to coordinate home.	Resolved: Denied Motion: Jim 2nd: John Vote: Unanimous
12.	1080 Mallard Marsh	Landscaping removal and replacement.	Resolved: Approved Motion: Jim 2nd: John Vote: Unanimous
13.	751 Anna Hope Lane	Paint house same color.	Resolved: Denied Motion: Jessica 2nd: Jim Vote: Unanimous Reason: <i>No paint samples.</i>

Next meetings: **August 26** and **September 30, 2014** at **6 pm.**

Motion to close the meeting: Jessica

Second: Jim

Vote: Unanimous

ARC meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Next Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Meeting

The ARC Meets the **last Tuesday** of each month at 6:00pm

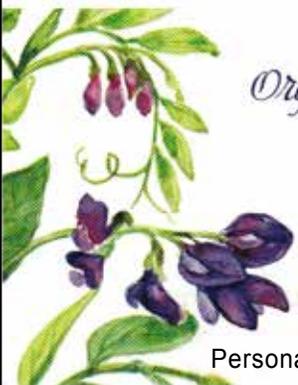
Location: Cottages Clubhouse

Applications are due to Lighthouse Management by the **third Tuesday** of each month.

NOTE: The ARC recommends that applications be received one week before the next meeting. Applications received after the monthly date will have to wait until following month.

REMINDER: If you are submitting an ARC Application Form for landscape changes, you must attach a copy of your Site Plan (also called a Survey of Lot or Plot Plan or Plat). Your application will NOT be reviewed without a copy and this would delay your work. The Site Plan should show names of specific plants and locations for proposed landscaping or fencing.

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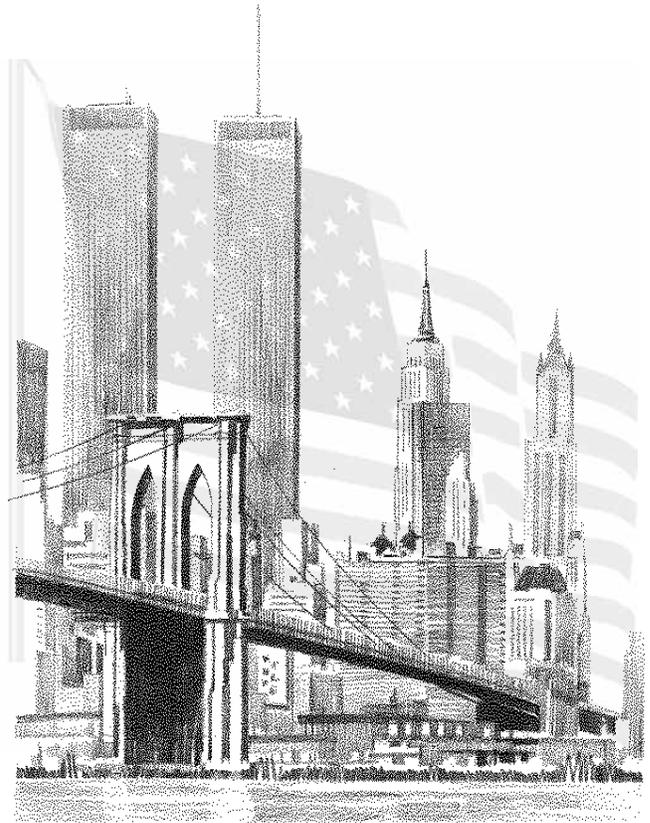
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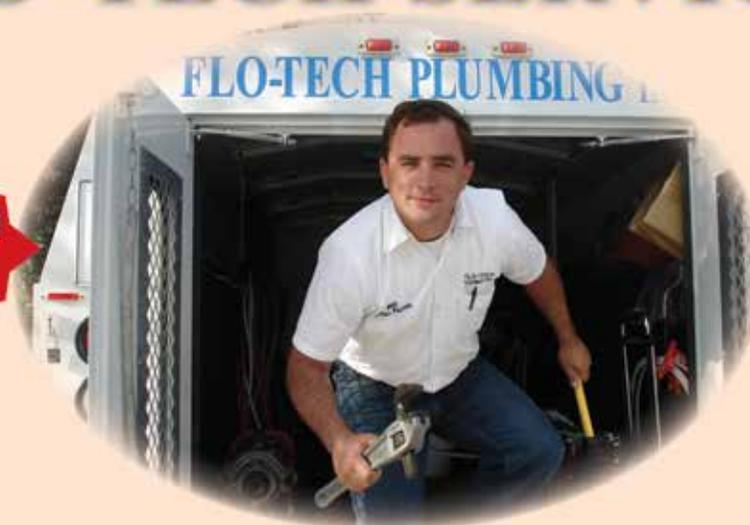
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