

Riverside Foundation

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Newsletter
To Our Donors, Families and
Community

Annual Newsletter

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- Pancake Breakfast
United Protestant Church
of Grayslake
November 8, 2014
- Annual Giving Campaign
Fall 2014
- #GivingTuesday
December 2, 2014
- Holiday Housewalk
December 2014
- "Hearts of Gold" Gala
Marriott Lincolnshire
March 7, 2015

Tom Maas Honored at Riverside Foundation's "Hearts of Gold" Gala



*Lincolnshire Residents
Susan and Tom Maas (l to r)*

The highlight of our February 23rd "Hearts of Gold" Gala was honoring Tom Maas with Riverside Foundation's Distinguished Service Award. Mr. Maas has been associated with Riverside Foundation for fifteen years and has served as a member and the President of the Board for his last three years. During his board tenure, he made numerous innovative contributions, the most significant being the establishment of a working relationship with Stevenson High School. This resulted in the ongoing Project Dance marathon that raises funds for Riverside Foundation and SHS's Kids in Need. He was a motivator for board involvement and a generous donor to the agency in numerous ways. We are pleased to honor him with the most prestigious Riverside Foundation award.

From Deborah Rogers our Executive Director

Thank you for reading our 2nd Annual Newsletter and learning more about Riverside Foundation, our mission, our residents and clients and our bright future. We are so excited to be able to provide additional residential services to our clients, who are also very excited to face their new challenges and experience new living environments. Thank you to all of our family members, donors, volunteers and others in the Riverside family for helping us make a difference in the lives of the people we serve. If you would like more information about becoming a part of the Riverside family, please contact us at 847-634-3973 or visit our website: www.riversidefoundation.net.

Riverside Foundation Prepares to Open 2 Group Homes

We are delighted to report that Riverside Foundation has been granted a license to operate Community Integrated Living Arrangements (CILA) in Illinois. Our plan is to expand our services by opening two small group homes in Lake County, by the end of the year. The eight residents moving into the group homes are able to live in the community with continued support and are very excited about having a new residence to call "home." They are looking forward to having their own bedrooms, planning their menus, cooking their meals and even doing the dishes. All the comforts of home will be provided and we are grateful that they will have this wonderful opportunity. Many donors and supporters of Riverside's mission have made their dreams come true. **"I'll be so happy to live in my own home with my own bedroom." Alan Schackney**



Stevenson High School Project Dance - Thank You!

Riverside residents attended Stevenson High School's Project Dance on Saturday, April 12th and had a great time dancing the night away. Project Dance raises funds and awareness for Riverside and SHS's Kids In Need. You may not have noticed the big Thank You sign at Riverside, but we are sending a heartfelt thank you to the students and staff at Stevenson and to Rindy Hallarman and Jim Schneiter, RF Board Members, for all of their efforts putting together 2014 Project Dance.

Stevenson High School Project Dance has raised over \$250,000 since 2010. WOW!

Garden Walk Hosted by Jo Moser and Penny Fulkerson

Jo and Penny's Annual Garden Walk was held on Friday, July 11th and Saturday, July 12th in the beautiful Village of Kildeer. This is Riverside's favorite garden walk and participants toured two gorgeous gardens. The walk delighted those that attended with the serene setting, beautiful trees and lush plantings. For those in attendance that donated \$10 or more, Hawthorn Gardens provided a \$10 coupon to use at their garden store in Hawthorn Woods. The Garden Walk raised \$1,200 and the proceeds will be used to enhance Riverside's residential gardens and small group home gardens.

**Thank you Jo Moser and Penny Fulkerson
for hosting this beautiful event!**



*Host Jo Moser,
Katie Ciura and
Nicole Karda (l to r)*

Riverside Work & Activity Center

The year of 2014 has been an exhilarating time for the workers and staff at Riverside Foundation Work & Activity Center (RWA) because of many new and exciting work opportunities. The State Bank of the Lakes, Lincolnshire Community Association, Hydroforce, ABC Vending, and Medline Industries are some of the companies that have provided work opportunities for RWA. Increased recognition through staff's participation at surrounding Chamber of Commerce groups and events is aiding in promoting Riverside's mission. RWA is a not-for-profit corporation organized to provide intellectually and developmentally disabled workers with occupational skills in a learning environment. For more information about RWA, please contact: Mike Babicz, Marketing Manager at (847) 793-0010 or michaelrwa@riversidefoundation.net.

Former Chicago Bulls Bob Love Serves as Chairperson of Riverside Foundation's 18th Annual Golf Outing



Over 90 golfers attended the Riverside Foundation Golf Outing on June 23rd, at White Deer Run Golf Club, in Vernon Hills. The outing was a fun day of golf, dinner and contests. Former Chicago Bulls Bob Love served as the honorary chair. His inspirational talk was about his life story and how he dealt with and overcame his own struggle with a disability. Riverside's mission was supported by the generosity of the sponsors and donors of the event. With the money that was raised at the golf outing, Riverside will continue moving forward with plans to provide improvements for the residents at the residential facility in Lincolnshire, Riverside Work and Activity Center in Vernon Hills and the two small group homes. A huge thank you goes to Golf Outing Chairman John Watson and the Golf Outing Committee: Mike Babicz, Tom Julius, Pete Mulé, Jim Schreiber, Mike Warden, and Nancy Watson.

Join the Riverside Foundation Auxiliary

The Riverside Foundation Auxiliary is a group of caring women who support Riverside in all kinds of fun and gratifying ways: Auxiliary social events, providing support for holiday celebrations at Riverside, special outings and events with Riverside Foundation clients, fundraising

through events like the Annual Gala and the Holiday Housewalk, and many more! They are always looking for new members willing to share their time and talents. They promise you will find your volunteerism as rewarding as it is appreciated. Find out more at their website: Riversidefoundation.net/

auxiliary.html or call the Riverside Foundation office at 847-634-3973 and an Auxiliary volunteer will be happy to contact you.

**Congratulations to
Rande McMillan
2014 Auxiliary Volunteer
of the Year!**

Make a Difference!

**#GIVING
TUESDAY**

December 2, 2014

#GivingTuesday is a worldwide day dedicated to giving and celebrating generosity. The Coleman Foundation has invited Riverside to participate in their #GivingTuesday Matching Grants Program and will offer a dollar-for-dollar match of donations received online on December 2, 2014 from donors who have not previously contributed to our organization, up to a maximum of \$15,000. Please make a donation on December 2nd and then tell your family, neighbors, friends, and colleagues how you are giving and ask them to make a donation to Riverside. Thank you for your contribution and for helping us to raise funds on #GivingTuesday for our Riverside Community.

**www.riversidefoundation.net
December 2, 2014**



**Lincolnshire Residents
Rande and Cary McMillan (l to r)**

Pat Hughes Emcees Riverside Foundation's 2014 "Hearts of Gold" Gala Tom Maas is Honored and Jim Morrissey Serves as Honorary Chairperson

Riverside Foundation held its 2014 "Hearts of Gold" Gala on Saturday, February 23rd at the Lincolnshire Marriott Resort in Lincolnshire. The wonderful event provided an elegant evening of dinner and dancing along with silent and live auctions. The 2014 Distinguished Service Award Honoree was Tom Maas, the emcee was Pat Hughes and the 2014 Honorary Chairperson was Jim Morrissey. Riverside received generous support from our 2014 Corporate Champion Sponsor, Baxter Credit Union and Tom Maas treated guests to a serving of RumChata.

This year the fund-a-need at the Gala was "Love is in the Air" Conditioning. The funds donated were used to provide air conditioning for the lower level of the Riverside residence.

Thank you to the Riverside Foundation Auxiliary for a dazzling event. We extend a special thank you to Sandy Saltiel and Peggy Gaier who were the Gala Co-chairs and to Jill Raizin, Riverside Foundation Auxiliary President. Riverside wishes to thank all of the sponsors and donors that help support the ongoing programs and mission. Thank you for your continued dedication to Riverside.



*Lincolnshire Residents
Tom Maas, Pat Hughes and
Jim Morrissey (l to r)*



RF Auxiliary Members (l to r) Gala Co-Chairs Sandy Saltiel and Peggy Gaier ~ President Jill Raizin



*Betty Traylor, Merle Roskam,
Kelly Sweeney and
Steve Roskam (l to r)*

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

Lincolnshire's July 4th Parade was a fun filled event for Riverside Foundation residents, staff and members of the Auxiliary Board! The weather was warm and everyone enjoyed watching the parade from Riverside Foundation Auxiliary Board member Karen VanderBeke's front yard, which is on the Lincolnshire parade route. Residents enjoyed the floats, dance troupes, marching bands, decorated tractors, waving to everyone that passed by and a great picnic that included homemade sloppy joes! Riverside won 2nd prize with our Fun, Family and Friends themed van that was decorated with pictures of the residents. Thank you to the Riverside Foundation Auxiliary that sponsored this activity and to the VanderBeke family! It was a fabulous 4th of July celebration.

Camp Red Leaf



*Sandy Marmitt & Rick Lange
having fun at Camp Red Leaf!*

Who doesn't love camp in the summer?

Twenty seven clients of Riverside attended Camp Red Leaf this summer for 6 days each. They enjoyed JCYS Camp Red Leaf's beautiful wooded acreage and Wooster Lake in Ingleside. Their outdoor adventure included many fun-filled activities including hiking on the natural trails, water activities at Wooster Lake and the heated outdoor pool, a hayride, talent show, arts and crafts, camp fires and many other wonderful activities. On the last day of camp, the clients wore their favorite Camp Red Leaf T-shirt.

"Oh, we have so much fun at camp!" Katie Ciura

Thank You Riverside Foundation Auxiliary for your \$7,600 Donation!

Televisions, Wii Video Games, a Portable Defibrillator, Camp Sessions, Dinners, and Movie Tickets are some of the items purchased for Riverside.

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We're on the Web! Come check us out:
www.riversidefoundation.net

Riverside Foundation

Riverside Foundation is a 501(c)3 not-for-profit organization serving adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities at the Residential Facility in Lincolnshire and Work and Activity Center in Vernon Hills.

Our Administrative Offices & Residential Services are located on Highway 22 just east of the Des Plaines River in Lincolnshire and the Work and Activity Center is located on Corporate Woods Parkway in Vernon Hills.

Riverside Foundation Mission

Riverside Foundation will provide quality services and supports to adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities, ensuring opportunities for individual choice and with commitment to providing these supports in a positive and caring environment.