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Free Firewood for RW Owners

All those trees we have to remove each year aren't wasted. We cut them to the appropriate size for fireplaces, split them, and store them for a year to dry out. At that point, they are available to any River Woods homeowner for their personal use, free and delivered to your doorstep (or your garage door, as you prefer).



Please email your request to rwgroundsmgr@gmail.com. Include your unit number, the number of bundles or Bobcat buckets you wish to receive and

where you would like the wood dropped. You must store the wood inside; it cannot be left outside.

Need Fee Envelopes?

Sometimes we find fee checks in the HOA dropbox with no envelope, no address on the check, and signed by someone who is not a registered owners. This makes it difficult for the HOA office to credit the fee payment to the correct owner. If you've misplaced your fee envelopes or we inadvertently didn't deliver them to you, we have extra in the office. Just email us and we'll drop you off a set of fee envelopes.

Where Does This Bag Go?

Recycling can be confusing. Does a cardboard box go into the Recycling container? Suppose it's covered in shiny paper? Does it still go in the Recycling container. What about those flimsy plastic bags from the grocery store? Do they go in the Recycling container? (Answer: No)

Aspen recycling education can be found on the website: <https://www.myriverwoods.org/specifications>. This is helpful information for homeowners who may be confused about what is recyclable. Plastic bags are

never to be recycled. The motto of our sanitation contractor, Aspen Sanitation, is: "When in doubt, throw it out.")

Traditional recycling information can be found at <https://dakotavalleyrecyclingmn.gov>

Review Your Master Insurance

Please read over the 2024/2025 Insurance newsletter found on our website (<https://www.myriverwoods.org>) in the Documents folder. Homeowners should take the time to review important information such as HO6 coverage specifications, River Woods grill restrictions, marijuana exclusions, mortgage change procedure and claim reporting procedures. The time to know what insurance covers is *before* you need to make a claim.

Getting Rid of your Christmas Tree

We make getting rid of your old real (not artificial) Christmas tree easy. We'll do it for you. Just email the Grounds Manager, and we'll pick up your tree and dispose of it. Be sure your tree is undecorated and stand is removed.



Aspen Sanitation will not take your tree with its weekly pick up.

January Dates to Remember

Board Meeting will be held January 21, 2025 at 5:30 in the HOA office.

ACC Committee will not meet in January.

The HOA office is closed New Year's Eve and New Year's Day.

Trash Collection will be on Thursday, January 2, 2025 instead of Wednesday, January 1, 2025.

Don't Feed the Animals — Except Birds

Association rules forbid leaving feed out for animals. It can attract pests and is unsightly. Feeding birds with a bird feeder is an exception to this rule. But do consider using bird feed that is shelled, as the ground under your feeder can get very littered with shells and husks from unshelled feed. (It's not against Association rules to use shelled bird feed. It's just messy.)



Vacationing or Snowbirding?

If you are going on a vacation this winter, or spending your winter months in a warm climate, there is a possibility that the furnace in your River Woods townhouse might fail while you're gone, leaving your water pipes freezing — and bursting — costing you thousands of dollars in repairs.

We suggest you give a friend, neighbor, or relative a key so they can check on your house from time to time to be sure it's still heated. If you have a security system, it may have an option to alert you if your home's temperature falls below a certain point.

River Woods Homeowners Light up for Christmas

