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ON THE COVER
 Golfers stand proudly as the National Anthem kicks off the opening to River Landing's 2020 Hope for the Warriors Invitational!



HOPE FOR THE WARRIORS 12



SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE 15



CUSTOM HOME PROGRAM 16

RIVER LANDING REAL ESTATE



HOME SALES

January 1, 2020 - September 10, 2020 = 30
 September 1, 2019 - September 1, 2020 = 40
 Currently Under Contract = 3

LOT SALES

January 1, 2020 - September 10, 2020 = 21
 September 1, 2019 - September 1, 2020 = 32
 Currently Under Contract = 0

2020 ARCHITECTURAL UPDATES

New homes approved = 2
 New homes completed = 2
 Homes currently under construction = 2
 Total completed homes in River Landing = 474

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GOLF CORNER

FROM THE PRO

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BANGING BALLS OR PRACTICING?

Every day I see our members out on the range hitting golf balls, but are you truly practicing to get better? Many of you simply go out to see how many balls you can hit in an hour's time with no plan on how to improve your game. Believe it or not, you are doing your golf game more harm than good by simply "banging balls". Let's talk about how to create a routine when practicing that will help you accomplish your goals and improve.

When you first get to the range, allow yourself to settle in by hitting a few wedge shots, maintaining a smooth tempo. Hit a few different wedges and start with short shots moving into the longer shots. No need to hit a lot of golf balls, just a few to get loose. Next, move into your mid irons (8 or 7). This is where your plan begins to go to work for you. Stay smooth, working on one thing at a time. Practice swings are a good way to start the process of focusing on what you are trying to improve.

Take a practice swing in between each shot. Once you set into the shot, try to repeat what you just practiced during your swing. Keep doing this for 15 to 20 shots and then move on to the long irons/

hybrids, fairway woods and then the driver. When hitting the longer clubs, hit fewer shots, maybe 10 to 15 with each one. Your total time at the driving range should be no more than about 30 to 35 minutes. In that amount of time you will have hit over 75 shots and taken about the same amount of practice swings. Always remember - the more tired you get, the more often bad habits tend to sneak into your swing!

The most forgotten part of the game is the short game. Most players will go straight to the driving range, hit the driver 50 times, and walk right past the putting green. We ALL need to spend more time on the putting green and continue to work on our chipping. I know it's not the most fun thing to do, but

it will pay the most dividends while on the golf course. If you spend 30 minutes on the range, you should spend more time working on your short game. I believe you can improve your score by 5 to 6 shots a round by having a great putting stroke and short game that you can take with you to the course.

Finally, while playing, PLEASE take the time for a practice swing. It does NOT slow the round down and will actually help speed up the round because you will most likely hit better shots. Golf is not a race for who can finish first; it's a game of who can score the lowest. If you take what you have practiced with you to the course, you will have a great time and have a great round of golf!!

HOLES-N-ONE

Congratulations to Kathy Russell for her hole-n-one on June 27. She aced the 5th hole of the Landing Course with a 7-iron from 103 yards.

On July 1, Jeff Hale made his fourth hole-n-one on the same hole (#5L) using his 9-iron from 150 yards. Jeff told me he can teach anyone how to make a hole-n-one. All you need to do is purchase a series of lessons with him!

Larry George
Director of Golf & Hospitality

2020 RIVER LANDING MEMBER-GUEST

This year was our first Member-Guest in six years and it was a huge success! The weather was perfect and spirits were high!

Overall, 48 teams competed in the 9-hole match-around. Each flight consisted of six teams playing against each other. The flight winner (or the team accumulating the most points over the five matches) qualified for the Member-Guest Shootout. The eight teams in the Shootout then played an alternate shot format with three teams losing on Hole 10 – River, three teams losing on Hole 14, and the remaining two teams playing Hole 18 for the title.

It should be noted that Hole 10 – River created some unexpected heartache with 3-putts and even a ball hitting a sprinkler head requiring a chip off. Consequently, the teams of Mike Russell and Joe Hoffman, Don Cmar and Kevin Cmar, and Dub Davis and Daniel King had the quickest exit. On Hole 14 – Landing, a topped tee shot, a ball out-of-bounds and some poor chipping contributed to the exit of Skip Romanet’s team, as well as those of Ed Dillard and Brian Dillard, and Justin Hunter and Rod Hall. Two teams were left to battle it out on Hole 18 – River. There were no bad shots on this particular playoff hole, but there was a net-stroke for the team of David Fussell and Hugh Surles. Doug Batchelor and Bobby Hinkle made par with a true alternate shot format to match the team of Fussell and Surles. A 4/3 beats a 4 every time on the golf course though! Congratulations to our 2020 River Landing Member-Guest Champions, David Fussell and Hugh Surles (coincidentally our 2013 Champions as well).

Thank you to all who participated to make this tournament successful, and congratulations to our winners listed below!

FLIGHT 1		FLIGHT 2	
1st	Ed Dillard & Brian Dillard	Mike Russell & Joe Hoffman	
2nd	David Sutton & Chris Warren	Joe Phaneuf & Jared Tyndall	
3rd	Mike Teachey & Steve Wilkinson	Jim Harless & Ron Hulett	
FLIGHT 3		FLIGHT 4	
1st	Doug Batchelor & Bobby Hinkle	David Fussell & Hugh Surles	
2nd	Billy Peterson & Craig Elder	Corey Blackwell & Trevor Smith	
3rd	Guy White & Chris White	Paul Smith & Darrell Cavanaugh	
FLIGHT 5		FLIGHT 6	
1st	Skip Romanet & Gerald Merrell	Justin Hunter & Rod Hall	
2nd	Dale Robinson & Scott Robinson	Glenn Batten & Nolan Hall	
3rd	Bob Petrone & Tim Powers	James Gantz & Jim Honeycutt	
FLIGHT 7		FLIGHT 8	
1st	Don Cmar & Kevin Cmar	Dub Davis & Daniel King	
2nd	Don Thomas & Sam Doom	James Peay & Dennis Hart	
3rd	Scott Stephens & Butch Frazee	Keith Saylor & Bill Cain	

Save The Date

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

Senior Club Championships | September 19 – 20

Member & 3 Guests | September 25 – 27

Twilight Golf & Social | October 2

RLGALS Swing for the Cure | October 17

Member 4 | October 25 – 26

REMINDERS

Safety First – Please wait for the golfers ahead of you to clear the landing area before you hit your next shot. It only takes 1 errant shot to change our community. Are you really impatient enough to jeopardize someone’s life? If you are, think about someone doing the same thing to your spouse, child or best friend. It’s just a game!

Practice Range Mats – When the balls are set to hit on the range mats, you must only hit on the mats. They are intended to protect and prolong the natural grass tee for all golfers.

Golf Cart Pairing – You must pair up when leaving the 1st Tee and make sure

there are 2 riders in each cart. It is careless and adds age to our cart fleet if you do not! Ask the Golf Shop about COVID-19 cart accommodations.

Back Driving Range – Please keep golf cart traffic limited to the cart path or beside the south practice tee. Our maintenance staff is trying to improve and beautify our practice area and the traffic elimination will help substantially.

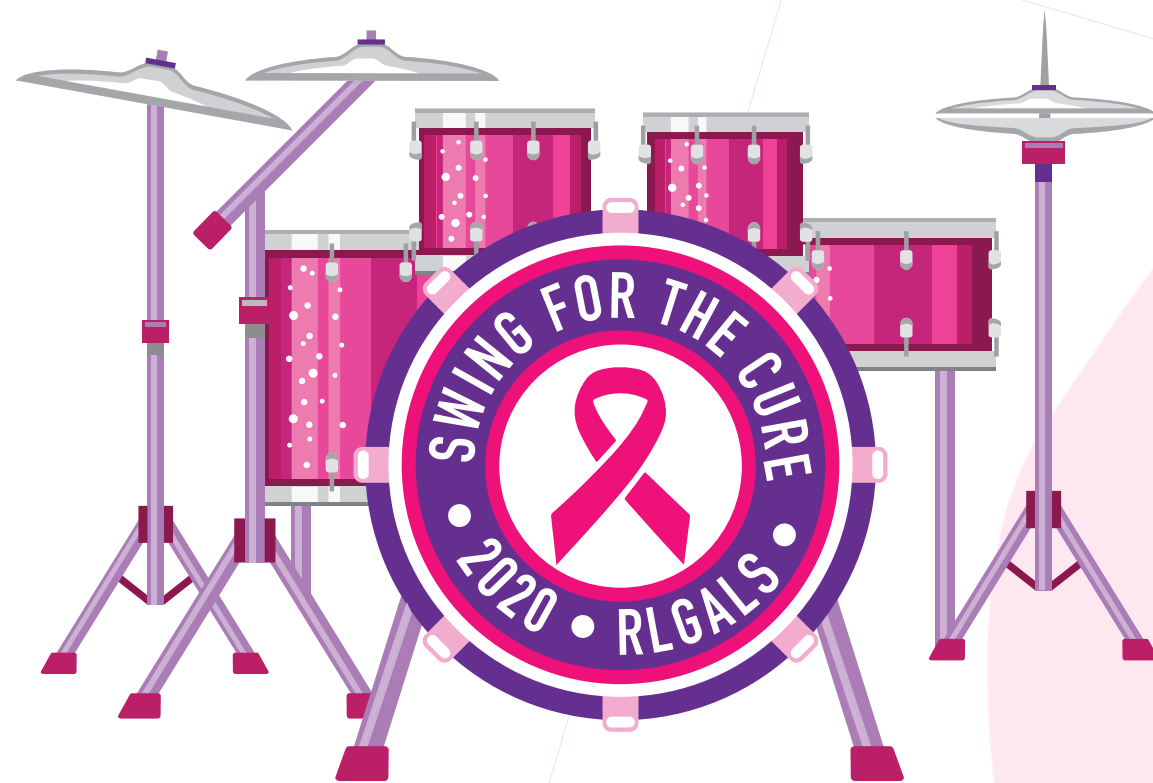
Native Grasses & No Mow Areas – You must not drive golf carts or push carts through the native areas. There should never be any vehicles in the grass, this will not be tolerated.

Golf Shop Vendors – Please know that just because you don’t see it in the Golf Shop doesn’t mean we can’t order it! We can compete with and usually offer a better price on new product than most golf stores. Please ask a member of the golf staff for a price if you don’t see it in the golf shop.

Cigarette Butts & Trash – Please keep River Landing Green & Clean “No butts about it!”

Golf Course Cart Towels – Please, please, please return any cart towels you may have accidentally left in the trunk of your vehicle.

LET'S BEAT IT



Plans are well underway for this year's Swing for the Cure events, and the RLGALS once again look forward to raising funds in support of our local community and Vidant Cancer Care. Ball Drop ticket sales are already in full "Swing"!

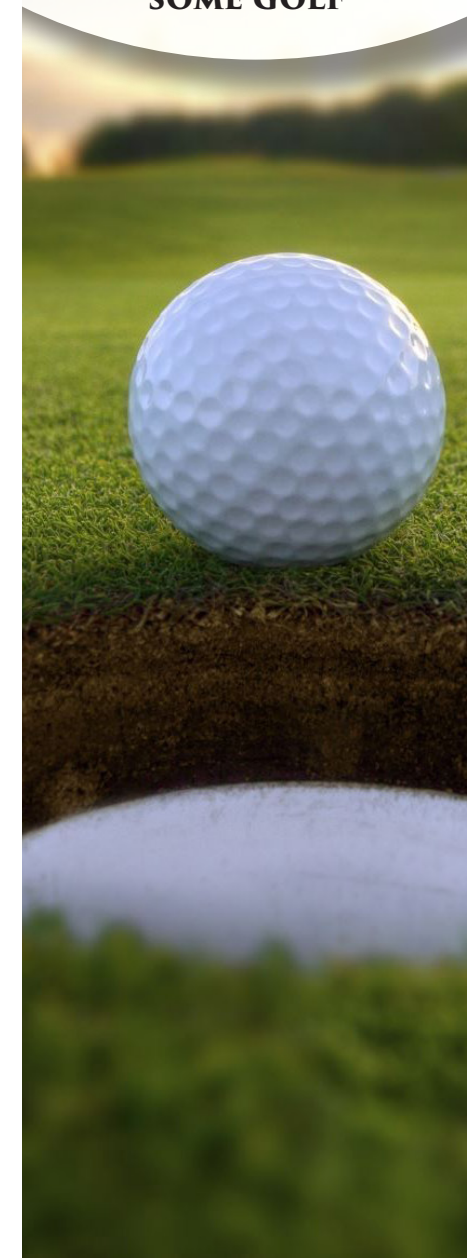
Please join us on Saturday, October 17th, for our golf tournament and Sunday, October 18th, for the Helicopter Ball Drop and Rock & Roll Bingo. Event details and registrations for all events are available in River Landing's weekly "Glance Ahead".

Thank you in advance for your support!

Cathy Harless
Swing for the Cure Chair



"WHERE RIVER LANDING
MEN MEET TO SHARE A
LAUGH, A BEER, AND
SOME GOLF"



The 2020 RLMGA golf season continued through the 2nd quarter (June – August) with a mixture of rainy and very hot weather. Since the last update, we have held two more tournaments; the Summer Classic and the Captain's Tourney. These were well attended with 74 and 54 players respectively, for an average of 64 players; slightly ahead of prior years' numbers. The winnings purse for each tournament was \$500, as budgeted. Also, with these tournaments we were able to re-institute the 50/50 drawings, which collected \$320 and \$270 for the budget and distributed the same amounts to the winners. Of particular interest was that we were able to provide meals again for these tournaments which were well received by the players.

Regarding Play Days during this quarter, there were 28 dates scheduled, but unfortunately there were also 6 rainouts. For the 22 dates actually played, we averaged 45 players with attendance definitely favoring Tuesdays; where the average was 55 players, while Thursdays only averaged 36 players.

During this quarter, we also held the always-popular Pot-o-Gold Day on July 14th. This tournament occurs twice each year; once in the middle and once at the very end of the season. On this Play Day, extra money that has been set aside from each Play Day is paid out as extra winnings. All participants are guaranteed to win something. Normally this tournament requires a minimum of 8 days be played prior to the event to qualify for participation. However, due to the high number

of rained out Play Days, this requirement was reduced to 6 days. This year we had 66 players participating and paid out a total of \$875 to the field. Winnings ranged from a minimum of \$5 to \$20 for the big winners.

Some very good play by our members has, again, been reported this quarter. Since the last update, we finally have our first, and so far only, hole-in-one achieved by Walt Dlugolecki; and 6 players have reported eagles: Tom Brown (2), Harry MacLaughlin (2), Jim Harless (2), Bill Peterson (2), George Maggio and Pete Ogilvie. Great playing guys!

Each year we typically have around 4 dates where the RL courses are closed and the RLMGA plays at an offsite location. This year, however, due to COVID-19 this has not happened yet. At this time, there is one date scheduled to play an offsite location on September 29th. We will be playing an away game at North Shore Golf Club located in Sneads Ferry. These events are always fun and enjoyed by those who attend. More info will be promulgated at a later date.

Remember to visit the website: **RLMGA.info** for any information you need concerning RLMGA activities and results. If you are reading this and are not an RLMGA member, but would like to be, application forms are located in the RL Golf Shop, and on the website: **RLMGA.info**. We would love to have you join us!

Harry MacLaughlin
RLMGA SECRETARY

BATTLE *of the* SEXES

In June, River Landing's men and women golfers faced off in the annual Battle of the Sexes Tournament, featuring an Individual Net Stableford format. It was a beautiful day and the course was dry and hard - which resulted in longer drives and harder approach shots. There were some great rounds at par or better during the event (listed below). In fact, it seemed as if this Battle of the Sexes was the closest match in the tournament's seven-year history. Ultimately, the River Landing Men prevented the defending champion River Landing Women from scoring a consecutive victory. The men narrowly secured the win with a team average of 17.933, edging out the women who had a team average of 17.733. The men will now be able to put their names on the Stu Glass Battle of the Sexes Trophy.

WOMEN

Cheryl Nichols	20 pts.
Maureen McCarthy	21 pts.
Donna Samper	20 pts.
Carol Kelly	18 pts.
Kathy Russell	22 pts.
Helene Zupko	20 pts.
Suzie Zalar	18 pts.
Anita Iacovino	20 pts.

Richard Russell	25 pts.
Skip Romanet	22 pts.
Tom Castellino	20 pts.
Dennis Zalar	25 pts.
George Maggio	19 pts.
Wayne Weller	20 pts.
Dale Schweinsberg	22 pts.

MEN



UPCOMING EVENTS



SEPTEMBER

RL Senior Club Championships
Saturday, September 19 to
Sunday, September 20
8:30 AM

Member & 3 Guests
Friday, September 25 to
Sunday, September 27
9:30 AM

OCTOBER

Twilight Golf & Social
Friday, October 2
5:30 PM

RLGALS

Swing for the Cure
Sunday, October 17
9:30 AM

RLGALS Ball Brop & Bingo
Saturday, October 18
5:00 PM

Member 4
Saturday, October 24 to
Sunday, October 25
9:30 AM

NOVEMBER

RLMGA Closing Day
Saturday, November 7
9:30 AM

RLGALS Closing Day
Saturday, November 14
9:30 AM

DECEMBER

Holiday Mixer
Saturday, December 5
10:00 AM

For more information on upcoming events, please visit the **Community Calendar** at riverlanding.com

Events are subject to change



BRINGING HOPE TO THE WARRIORS AT RIVER LANDING

On August 17, 2020, Hope For The Warriors® once again chose beautiful River Landing for its celebrity golf tournament - the 11th Annual Hope For The Warriors Invitational.

Emceed by National Baseball Hall of Famer Johnny Bench and National League Gold Glove Award winner Doug Flynn, the event brought out 19 teams to play the 6-person scramble tourney. Flynn noted, "Over the years, seeing how many lives have been impacted by HOPE has been amazing! They interact with our service members and

their families on a personal level, ensuring everyone gets the individualized care, attention and support they need."

Due to COVID-19 and the number of precautions and restrictions placed on our nation, there was early conversation about canceling the event altogether. For River Landing and its owners, Dell and Wendy Murphy, that just wasn't an option. They were determined to move forward with the event in some capacity because, as Wendy was quick to point out, "The pandemic hasn't slowed

down Hope For The Warriors. They are still working with our heroes and they are still operating within their mission. The event must go on to support them!" That dedication led to an idea of hosting this year's event as a reunion for past celebrities, golfers, veterans, warriors, and the like. Anyone who participated in the past was invited to return. There were no sponsorships this year and no golf fees. Instead, the event was a showcase of support by River Landing and the Murphy Family, who are committed to the organization.



As golfers showed up on the day of the tournament, they were able to get warmed up on the driving range and enjoy breakfast, which was sponsored by Smithfield Foods and prepared by the banquet staff of River Landing. The tournament then began with

a beautiful presentation of colors by the 2nd Marine Logistics Group from Camp Lejeune in Jacksonville, NC, followed by a welcome from both River Landing Director of Golf & Hospitality, Larry George, and HOPE co-founder and CEO/President,

Robin Kelleher. Next, it was time for a shotgun start and the first golfers headed to the tee box, ready to enjoy a beautiful day of golf in honor of all the service members, veterans, military families and families of the Fallen in our community and nation.

A late lunch was provided by Highway 55 that allowed hungry golfers to enjoy the restaurant's trademark "all-American diner" experience by way of hamburgers, hot dogs, and even a sundae bar!

After all the teams reported in, Larry George delivered a few announcements and declared the winners. The runner-up team consisted of Dave Fussell (member), Patty George (m), Guy White (m), Don Hancock, Joshua Kivett, and Josh Boyd. The winners of the tournament with a score of 55 strokes were Wade Leatham, Steve Thompson, Ron Himsworth (m), Daniel Hardesty, and Cheryl Nichols (m). Once the winners were recognized, Kelleher delivered a word of appreciation to River Landing for its continued commitment to HOPE. Kelleher also noted that, despite a year like no other given pandemic complications, the tournament was able to raise more than \$36,000 towards the mission of HOPE - helping veterans, service members, and military families with needs that include clinical health and wellness, sports and recreation and transitional services.

The event closed with a special presentation to Dell and Wendy Murphy from Hope For The Warriors. In a moving gesture, Kelleher presented the couple with an over-sized pair of camouflage and white New Balance golf cleats signed by the celebrities and warriors who made the 2020 tournament the incredible event it was!



DUPLIN CHRISTIAN OUTREACH MINISTRIES SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

We would like to thank our River Landing neighbors for all of the generous donations made to the Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries (DCOM) School Supplies Drive. Many of you probably felt you would like to do something during the pandemic, but were not sure how you could help. The school supplies have been distributed to students throughout our county and will positively impact the educational development of our youth.

Not only has DCOM conducted this school supplies drive, but they have also focused on food donations, and will continue to support students who need food over the weekends with their Backpack Ministries Program. Other services for the community include financial and utility assistance, as well as counseling. Again, we thank you all for your contributions in support of our county!

Christy Wintrode & Elaine Masinick
River Landing Residents





BUILD A HOME AS UNIQUE AS YOU ARE

Join us in the Fall! Learn all you need to know to get started building your custom dream home. Have all of your specific questions answered in one place, at one time!

- Meet with CHP Builders
- Talk with CHP Allied Partners
- Tour custom homes
- Meet RL team members
- Hear from RL residents
- Engage in social opportunities
- Enjoy wonderful food and first-class service



PAST SHOWCASES



WALLACE-ROSE HILL FRIENDS OF THE ARTS

The Wallace-Rose Hill Friends of the Arts was created in 2004 to promote local cultural growth and awareness of the Arts. The objective is to bring Fine Arts programs to schools and the entire community, donating any surplus proceeds to the school system's Art and Music programs. We aim to inspire our students to unlock their potential through positive engagement with the artists that W-RH FOA brings to the schools; fostering the belief that they CAN achieve their dreams and goals and enhancing the learning process that will get them there!

The Friends of the Arts establishes close working relationships with principals and faculty at participating schools, and these educators are extensively engaged in program planning and execution. In 16 years, the program has hosted 437 performances and 90,300 students have been involved. Some of the great benefits of W-RH FOA include, professional annual tuning of school pianos and annual scholarships to high school seniors totaling \$8,000. There have also been 31 community performances and 66 total Artistic Acts. Since its inception, W-RH FOA has contributed \$250,000 to local arts!

W-RH FOA is a non-profit organization under section 501(c)(3). All contributions are totally tax exempt. Contributions can be forwarded to W-RH FOA 192 Cypress Pt, Wallace, NC 28466. If you would like to be involved, please contact Tom Castellino or visit <http://www.wrhfoa.com/>.

Tom Castellino



DUPLIN CHRISTIAN OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Duplin Christian Outreach Ministries runs "Blessings in Store", a thrift shop in downtown Wallace. All of the proceeds collected from the store are used to support DCOM and its multiple ministries. These ministries include, but are not limited to, the Crisis Center, multiple food pantries, Feed Our Hungry Children, and Backpack ministries, which supplies nonperishable weekend foods to children who receive free lunches. Volunteers are constantly needed at the store to help sort donations and to help "man" the register when it is open. Myself and several others from River Landing have volunteered at the store and love what we do to help those in need. We can always use more help!

Christy Wintode

Our River Landing Members and Residents have proven time and again that their generosity and dedication to those in need is unmatched. Many of you volunteer your time and resources in countless ways; not only in River Landing, but also in the greater Wallace and Duplin County region. We recently asked you to tell us what organizations you are passionate about. Thank you for the following contributions, and for all you do to serve our local community!



PET FRIENDS OF DUPLIN COUNTY

Pet Friends of Duplin County works to promote the well-being of pets. Through memberships, fundraising and donations, and partnerships with local vets, we are able to provide twice-yearly free/low-cost rabies clinics and low-cost spay/neuter assistance to families in need.

Pet Friends strives to reduce the feral cat population in our county and supports the Duplin County Animal Shelter. We also collaborate with another group to publish animal rescue and adoption needs of the shelter. We need your help! Volunteers are always needed for our rabies clinics and fundraising events. To become a member or to learn more, check us out at petfriendsonline.org or find us on Facebook.

Kebby Schweinsberg, President

DUPLIN COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION



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I am very passionate about the Duplin County Community Foundation where I have served as a board member for the last 4 years. The DCCF is involved in helping local organizations, providing assistance to children and storm victims, and delivering grants to Duplin County organizations.

In addition to our local assistance, it is our goal, and my hope, to grow our Community Foundation funds by expanding our philanthropic efforts in a strategic way. We love your volunteerism and the desire to place someone else's need ahead of your own. We would love to see members of Duplin County leave a part of their legacy, for the benefit of others, to this great County. That is what Duplin County residents are made of! If anyone is interested in volunteering or making donations, feel free to contact me at kimberlyannbutler@hotmail.com

Kimberly Butler



North Carolina

GUARDIAN AD LITEM A CHILD'S ADVOCATE IN COURT

After retiring and moving here from the DC area, we have found many, many things rewarding while living at River Landing. Among the most significant is the volunteer work that we have done for many years now. My wife, Daryl, is the volunteer Lead Disaster Coordinator for Red Cross in Duplin and Pender Counties, and I serve as a Guardian Ad Litem. Both are very time consuming, yet very rewarding and important.

A Guardian Ad Litem is a person who is trained and sworn in by the court system to serve as an advocate for a child, or children, who has been removed from their home due to some sort of abuse or neglect. As an advocate, the GAL works to ensure the child is getting the different kinds of support and services they may need. You work very closely with the Department of Social Services, but are independent and impartial as you assess the needs and interests of the child.

The primary responsibility of the GAL is to determine what is in the best, long term interest of the child, and to establish a permanent plan for them. The recommendations are then presented (via brief written report) to the court. You also serve as the voice of the child in the court, explaining what the child feels is in his or her own best interest.

Almost always, the initial recommendation to the court is "reunification", getting the child back into the home and custody of the parent. That often requires the parent to agree to a set of actions. Depending on the situation, this might include parenting and/or anger management classes, random drug screening, etc. Studies have shown that children are more successful when returned to a parent or family member than living long term in the foster care system. The GAL plays a critical role in making reunification possible.

The need for Guardian Ad Litem volunteers is great in both Duplin and Sampson Counties, where dozens of children are in foster care without support or advocacy, which, unfortunately, could impact their lives in a negative way if the situation is not addressed. If you are interested in becoming a Guardian Ad Litem volunteer, I will be happy to tell you more about it. My wife would also be happy to discuss volunteer opportunities with the Cape Fear Chapter of the Red Cross.

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Daryl Steinbraker (703-626-8120)



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*Four County Electric
Membership Corporation*

Natural Gas (800) 725-7504
*Piedmont Natural Gas
Customer Service*

Water/Sewer (910) 285-2812
Town of Wallace

Trash (910) 285-1038
POA Office

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