

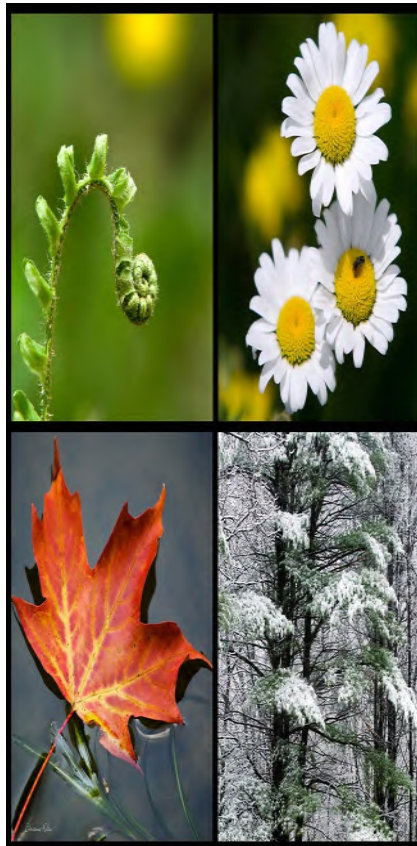
Rivers Run Cottage Connections

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INTEREST

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Four Seasons Nature Group



Calling all Rivers Run nature lovers.

There is ample evidence that many residents enjoy our beautiful surroundings all the plants and creatures that share our space. If you are a nature lover, you are invited to join others who share your interest on Wednesday, February 1 at 2:00 p.m. at cottage 1203. Marilyn Carlson and Lynn Musgraves will be hosting this exploratory gathering.

The purpose of this meeting is to explore resident interest in starting a four seasons nature group and to brainstorm ideas for how the group might function and what options might be of interest. Prior suggestions include touring our own nature community, going further afield to bird watch, sharing personal knowledge, bringing in speakers and more. This is your chance to share your nature interests and make suggestions for the possible formation of a new RR group.

To make sure there is ample meeting space, contact Marilyn at 235-0935 by January 29 if you plan to attend.

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Rivers Run Nature Group...Exploratory Meeting

Wednesday, February 1, 2023...2 p.m.

Cottage 1203

Contact Marilyn at 235-0935 by January 29 if you plan to attend.

Hosted by
Marilyn Carlson & Lynn Musgraves

All Are
Welcome



Rivers Run Holiday Project

Due to many generous Rivers Run residents, our holiday project was successful in raising \$2000 for the Crisis Nursery Organization. Your contributions purchased 18 Wal Mart gift cards, one for each of the current nursery families. The remainder of the money will be held till spring when it will be used for outdoor storage and play equipment for toddlers who spend time at the nursery's westside location.

Crisis Nursery provides emergency care for babies and toddlers who's parents are in need of childcare due to family emergencies like hospitalizations, care giving responsibilities, temporary work demands and more. If you are interested in knowing more about this organization, talk to RR neighbor Greg Robbins who volunteers there on a regular basis.

The Center For Youth serves young people in need. One part of the Center's program is Crisis Nursery.

Volunteers are always needed to keep the homes open 24/7. Volunteer shifts are generally 2 to 4 hours. Interested individuals must complete an interview, orientation and background checks as well as provide references.

Go to <centerforyouth.net/volunteer>



**Volunteer's
Needed!**

Social Committee Needs Volunteers

The RR Social Committee continues to need volunteers for all types of tasks. If we are to continue a full social calendar of events, then help is needed to organize and facilitate various monthly activities, special events and outings. You can also help by taking on one event or even one task. Maybe you are able to open up your home for a social event, facilitate a monthly game time or organize some event of your liking. Volunteers are also needed to do various tasks before, during and after an event. Maybe you can set up tables, make the coffee, do the shopping, handle clean-up and trash and so on. Some of these tasks may seem easy enough, but when one or two people are doing all the preparation, set up and take down, it turns out to be a lot. It continues to be true—many hands make for light work.

If you want to be more involved and have a say in what is planned, there is a space for you on the Social Committee. This group of 4 to 6 volunteers meets once a month to plan the calendar, research event details and carry out the plans, if other volunteers are not available. There are several tried and true events that have become annual events, but the committee is always open to suggestions and maybe you have something new to offer. Not able to be a long term Social Committee member? Then you might consider coming on board for a few months. If there are a few people who can volunteer for a shorter time, then some volunteers could cycle through quarterly committee assignment or tasks.

It is important to know that some of the Social Committee members have served for a decade now and a few are dealing with health issues that could force them to take a step back from social committee responsibilities. With each person lost from the committee, a replacement is needed so that we can continue to provide a calendar of events as well as the regular newsletter.

We welcome Bonnie Nellist to the Social Committee as well as saying thanks to Karen Petras for serving as a short cycle member of the group. Ginny Phelps is also taking leave from the committee, but, for the near future, will continue to publish the newsletter.

Contact Jim Galvin or any Social Committee member to ask questions or volunteer.



CPR Training???

The Social Committee is researching options for having a CPR class offered right here at Rivers Run. If there is sufficient interest, we will work to get a date on the calendar

If you are interested in participating, contact

Jim Galvin.



Dinner at Mecate Grill



For dinner out in February, the group will enjoy some Mexican fare at the new Mecate Grill in Park Pointe. Mark your calendar for an early dinner on Thursday, February 16 at 4 :00 p.m. To reserve your spot at the table, contact Marilyn no later than Monday, February 13.

The Mecate Grill offers a variety of traditional Mexican dishes from tacos to burritos to frijitas and more. There are house specialties and some vegan options also. Prices range from \$10 to \$22 with most items listed being less than \$20.

Plan to join the dinner group and enjoy a little Mexican fiesta on February 16.

February 16...4 p.m...Dinner at Mecate Grill

Sign-up by February 13 with Marilyn

235-0935 or kastner2@rochester.rr.com



Important Words for February---

Chocolate is cheaper than therapy, and you don't need an appointment.

Moral---Eat lots of chocolate!!



2023 HOA Meeting Schedule

HOA meetings are scheduled for 4 p.m. with the exception of the Annual meeting which is at 5 p.m. Meetings are offered via Zoom or at The Cove Lecture Room. Watch your email for final location or Zoom link.

March 14...4 p.m.

May 9...4 p.m.

July 11...4 p.m.

September 12...5 p.m.

November 14...4 p.m.

MARCH

GAME TIME!

Saturday, March 11

2:00 p.m.

The Cove's Captain Room

Join your neighbors for time of fun and games.

A variety of table games will be available, so come to play an old favorite or try something new.

Light snacks and munchies will be provided.

Bring your beverage of choice.

No cost...No reservations

Just come with beverage in hand and enjoy the afternoon.

Pasta Dinner



Sunday, March 19...5:00 p.m.

At The Cove

You're invited to a pasta dinner with friends and neighbors on Sunday, March 19 at 5:00 p.m. at The Cove. Dinner will include 2 types of pasta—a gluten free-vegetarian combination and pasta with meat—bread, salad and dessert. Cost for this feast is a mere \$5.00 per person, payable at the door. Participants are asked to bring their own beverage and make a reservation no later than March 14.

Sue or Larry Rausch are taking reservations at 272-1147.

Event is facilitated by Mary Hayes, Bonnie and Randy Nellist

Pasta Dinner...March 19...5:00 p.m...The Cove

\$5/person...BYOB...Sign Up by March 14

Sue and Larry 272-1147

Dinner Out...Lovin' Cup

The Out-to Dinner group is heading back to a favorite spot. Join the group on Thursday, March 23 at 4 :00 p.m. for dinner and conversation at the Lovin' Cup at Park Pointe. Advance reservations are needed, so let Marilyn know by March 20, if you plan on attending.

The Lovin' Cup has a variety of soups, salads, sandwiches and some specialties that are in a category of their own. Prices range from \$12 to \$20 for most selections with drinks being extra. Whether you're repeating a menu favorite or trying something new, there are lots of tasty options and daily specials.

March 23...4 p.m...Dinner at Lovin' Cup...Sign-up by March 20 with Marilyn

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Book Club

Book Lovers Welcome

**Third Tuesday
of each Month**

**6:30 p.m.
In person or via Zoom**

**For more information
contact Jim Galvin**

This group currently meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. either in person at cottage 1203 or via Zoom depending on individual comfort level or distance from Rivers Run.

New readers are always welcome to join the group.

February Book Club has a change of date...

**Monday, February 20: *The House of Broken Angels* by
Louis Alberto Urrea**

March 21: *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks

Rivers Run Ladies Lunch Outing



February 24...1:00 p.m...Mecate Mexican Grill at Park Point
sign-up by February 20

March 31...1:00 p.m...Applebees on West Henrietta Road
Sign-up by March 27

Advance reservations to Clare Gnazzo at 287-6009

Craft Group...February 14 and 28...March 14 and 28... 2 p.m. at the Cove

This group is open to all residents, male and female, who enjoy some type of hand work—needle work, sewing, even coloring. If you have a hand craft project or just like the relaxation of coloring, then this is the group for you. Participants share their work, chat about various topics, enjoy some laughter and time with others.

The Craft Group will meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, generally from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Cove Club Room. On Tuesdays when there are HOA meetings, the group will end at 3:30 for people to attend the HOA meeting. There is no cost to join this group and all are welcome.

Group facilitator is Julia Eng at <jlae@rochester.rr.com>

Calling all Rivers Run gents for Breakfast

The men's breakfast group meets regularly on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.
Start time is 8:30 a.m.
Location is Peppermints on West Henrietta Road.

February 8 and 22...March 8 and 22...8:30 a.m.

All men are welcome, so mark your calendars. There is no need for reservations, just show up at 8:30 a.m. to enjoy the coffee and conversation.

February

HAPPY
Valentine's
DAY

February Calendar

- ◆ February 8—Men's Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Peppermints
- ◆ February 14—Craft Group, 2:00 p.m., Cove Club Room
- ◆ February 16—Dinner Out, 4 p.m., Mecate Mexican
- ◆ February 20—Book Club, 6:30 p.m., Cottage 1203

Note February change of date to Monday

- ◆ February 22—Men's Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Peppermints
- ◆ February 28—Craft Group, 2:00 p.m., Cove Club Room
- ◆ February 24—Ladies Lunch Out, 1:00 p.m., Mecate Grill



February 9 is one of several days set aside to celebrate chocolate, so enjoy lots of chocolate, but **BEWARE!!**

Chocolate makes your clothes shrink!!

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March Calendar

- ◆ **March 8—Men's Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Peppermints**
- ◆ **March 11—Table Games, 2 p.m., Cove Club Room**
- ◆ **March 14—Craft Group, 2 p.m., Cove Club Room**
- ◆ **March 14—HOA Board Meeting, 4 p.m., Cove Lecture Room or Zoom**
- ◆ **March 19—Pasta Dinner, 5 p.m., Cove Lecture Hall**
- ◆ **March 21—Book Club, , 6:30 p.m., Cottage 1203 or via Zoom**
- ◆ **March 22—Men's Breakfast, 8:30 a.m., Peppermints**
- ◆ **March 23—Dinner at Lovin; Cup, 4 p.m.**
- ◆ **March 28—Craft Group, 2 p.m., Cove Club Room**
- ◆ **March 31—Ladies Lunch, 1:00 p.m., Applebees on West Henrietta Road**



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