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River District Association

9th Annual Membership Meeting and Dinner

Rockford, IL -- River District Association will hold the 9th Annual Membership Meeting and Dinner tonight, Thursday, February 8, 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm at Paragon on State, 205 W. State St.

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The Annual Membership Meeting and Dinner is a time for members to connect, socialize, and learn about what's been happening with the organization over the past year. It is also a good opportunity for non-members to hear about what the organization does and get to know the people who are enthusiastic about Rockford's downtown.

The program will include a visual DVD presentation called Retrospect 2006 that was produced by Curt Johnsen. River District Association Board of Directors President, Rebecca Kopf, will give a presentation about what the many board members, volunteers, and staff have been up to this past year and what is in store for this year. There will be retiring board member recognition and election of new board members and officers.

New board member candidates that will be voted on by Association Members who are present at the meeting tonight include John Frana (the Frana Group), Judy Johnson (River District Catering), and Lana Paris (United Way of Rock River Valley). Returning board members that will be voted on are Brian Harger and Pam Hein. Board members present will vote for board officers: Rebecca Kopf (President), Scott Long (Vice-President), Pam Hein (Secretary), and Maureen Flanagan (Treasurer).

Entertainment will be provided by Mike's Music Box (Mike Kelly) during the social hour and through the first half hour of dinner. A Cash Bar and complimentary Hors d'oeuvre will also be available during the social hour from 5 – 6 pm. Dinner starts at 6 pm and program at 6:30 pm. Dinner will be a mixed green salad, French bread, Mixed Grill (marinated & grilled shrimp with seasoned and slow roasted prime beef) served with fresh vegetables and potato. Vegetarian (Pasta Primavera) is available upon prior request. Dessert will be assorted cheesecakes and lemon bars.

Cost is \$40 for members or \$45 for non-members. cash, check, VISA, Mastercard accepted. Call 815-964-6221 or email Kim@RiverDistrict.com to make reservations.

The mission of River District Association is to promote a growing, thriving, prosperous business and residential community in Rockford's downtown neighborhood, River District.

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