

Entrepreneurial Spirit Alive and Well in TR

The opening of **five new businesses** in Two Rivers downtown business district shows that the entrepreneurial spirit is alive and well in the Cool City.

First, welcome to Jasmine and Brian Herron, the operators of **La Bella Café**, in the former Joanne's Floral Shop location at 1701 East Street. Their coffee house features soups, sandwiches and baked goods, along with Friday and Saturday evening live entertainment and wi-fi internet access for customers.

Over on Washington Street, Kevin Voysey has nearly completed his renovation of the building at 1513 Washington. **The Fitness Store** will soon be returning to downtown Two Rivers, with the opening of a new bicycle shop at this location—welcome back to John Brunner and his staff! Also, a high-quality **new restaurant** is in the final stages of pursuing financing for its planned opening at this location.

Just north of Kurtz's, the former Coenen Shoe Repair building has been purchased by Robert and Connie Herbert, who plan on opening **Connie's Treasures** in that location.

At 1611 Washington Street, **Shipwreck Adventures** will be offering diving supplies and instruction, and will serve as the base for the company's diving excursions around the Great Lakes. Captain Greg Such has operated this business from Two Rivers for several years, and is now expanding to a downtown storefront in the building owned by Rick and Colleen Inman.

Congratulations and thank you to each of these businesses for choosing to locate in Two Rivers.

Volunteers Clean Up City Parks, Mariners Trail

This past weekend provided great weather for getting out and enjoying the lakeshore. And a large number of volunteers gave of their time on Saturday to make sure that area parks and trails look good for residents and visitors alike.

Along the shoreline between Manitowoc and Two Rivers, **Friends of Mariners Trail** scoured the trailside greenery and rocky slopes, removing litter and debris. It was a great day for enjoying the trail—just as the cleanup was wrapping up, hundreds of walkers streamed onto the trail for the annual March of Dimes Walk America. And out on the waters of Lake Michigan, a flotilla of Lakeshore Kayakers paraded past, making the most of a near-perfect spring day.

Also on Saturday, over 60 volunteers from eight local organizations participated in **Join Hands Day**, clearing the winter's accumulated litter and debris from Two Rivers City Parks. Congratulations to Judy Goodchild of the Parks & Rec Department for organizing a success cleanup effort that included participation by the Optimists, Boy

Scouts, Friends of Picnic Hill, Friends of Mariners Trail, Wild Ones, Catholic Knights, Disc Golfers and Western Fraternal organizations.

Thanks to everyone who contributed their time and energy to Saturday's community clean-up efforts. Our pride in community is showing!

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