



*hello neighbors*

AND FRIENDS OF THE SOUTH WEDGE

### **Don't be an April Fool!**

Sign up for upcoming classes and volunteer opportunities!



### **Earth Day is this Month**

~We're celebrating early with our Energy Series~



**Register Today!**  
**Energy Efficiency: At Home**  
**Practical Solutions for Building Sustainable Communities**

**Monday 4/7 at 5:30pm-6:30pm**  
Abundance Co-op Community Room  
571 South Ave, Rochester, NY

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**Sign Up Today!**  
**Green Energy Improvements:**  
**What Does Energy Mean to You?**

**Thursday, April 10th**  
**5:30pm – 6:30pm**  
**NeighborWorks Community Partners**  
**570 South Avenue**

We cover different heating systems (furnaces, boilers, heat pumps) and their impact on energy use, common ways homes waste energy, and practical tips to save on electricity and gas.

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## **Reserve Your Seat!**

**Soup & History with Rose O'Keefe  
Nineteenth-Century Notables in Mount Hope Cemetery**

*Friday, April 11th*

*5:30-6:30pm*

*Abundance Community Room*

*571 South Avenue, Rochester*

Get to know local history in a casual setting!

[Register Here](#)

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*community engagement*



### Join Us!

**Pinnacle Pop-Up**  
**Wednesday, April 9th**  
10:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.  
919 S. Clinton Ave

We will take requests for wearables from residents and distribute requested items from our resource library. We also promote our free, low-cost, and donation-based programming.



### Meet Us!

**Clean Sweep – SWPC: Mount Hope Ave.**  
**Saturday, May 3rd**  
7:30-8:00 a.m.: Breakfast and pictures with the Mayor at Innovation Field  
We will take the bus from Innovation Field to SWPC headquarters at 224 Mount Hope Ave.  
**Clean Mount Hope Ave. from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**  
Bus will take us back to Innovation Field at 11:45 a.m. to enjoy the Rochester Red Wings game!

## hot topics (and upcoming meetings)

### 634 South Ave: Zoning Variance Decision

The March 27th zoning meeting for the 634 South Ave zoning variance was *declined*, 3 to 2.

### 125 – 137 Comfort St: Site Plan Review

A proposed project requiring site plan review is under consideration by the City of Rochester's Manager of Zoning. You are invited to comment, though it is not required.

- **Project Applicant:** Xiaofan Jiang – TCT General Contractors
- **Project Address:** 125-137 Comfort Street
- **Project Description:** Construct a four-unit multifamily structure
- **File:** SP-029-24-25
- **Zoning District:** R-2 Medium-Density Residential District
- **Zoning Code:** 120-191D3(a)[14]
- **Comments may be provided in writing by email or mail.**
- **Email:** [siteplanreview@cityofrochester.gov](mailto:siteplanreview@cityofrochester.gov)
- **Address:** Site Plan Review, 30 Church St. Rm. 125B, Rochester, NY 14614
- **Comment deadline:** 4:00 p.m., Friday, April 11th, 2025
- **More info:** <https://www.swpc.org/calendar/125-137-comfort-street-zoning-meeting>

### Proposed Drive Through at 655 & 677 South Goodman St & Karages Place

- City of Rochester ShareFile for a Drive-Through 655 & 677 South Goodman St. & Karages Place
- Share File for site plan <https://cityofrochester.sharefile.com/share/view/s97a10cfa30b4ed3aea6fe53d62bcbce>
- Comments Due Friday, April 18th by 5pm (please submit comments by mid week (4/15) if possible, so comments are uploaded in time for review.)
- **Zoning Meeting Monday, April 21st at 6:00pm at City Hall: 30 Church St, Room 302-A, 14614**
- **More info:** <https://www.swpc.org/calendar/zoning-655-677-south-goodman-st-karages-place>

## UPCOMING MEETINGS:

### SWPC Meetings

*Reminder: SWPC's Community Engagement Meetings and Board Meetings are opportunities to have your voice heard!  
Consider attending a meeting or applying to join the board.*



**April 23rd**  
**5:30-7PM**

***Community Engagement Committee (CEC)***

**SWPC Headquarters**  
**224 Mount Hope Ave.**

The SWPC Committee meetings are open to the public and meet the 4th Wednesday of each month.

Join us in person at the SWPC Office at 224 Mt Hope Avenue Rochester NY 14620.

Contact us at (585)256-1740 or  
at [info@swpc.org](mailto:info@swpc.org)

**April 16th**  
**5:30-7PM**

***SWPC Board Meeting***

**SWPC Headquarters**  
**224 Mount Hope Ave.**

The SWPC Committee meetings are open to the public and meet the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Join us in person at the SWPC Office at 224 Mt Hope Avenue Rochester NY 14620.

Contact us at (585)256-1740 or  
at [info@swpc.org](mailto:info@swpc.org)

check out our [calendar](#)

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*highlights* (and local business spotlights)



### Starlight

- Type of Business: Convenience Store/Deli
- Location: 830 South Avenue
- Social Media: [@starlightroc](#)



### Mercury Coffee

- Type of Business: Coffee Shop
- Location: Unknown
- Social Media: [@mercurycoffeeco](#)



### FEATURED BUSINESS:

#### Pat's Coffee Mug

- Hours: Monday – Friday, 6:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
- 627 S. Clinton Ave
- *Cash Only*

[Read more](#) about Pat's Coffee Mug Reopening!

# JOIN US!

for SOUTH WEDGE STEPS

**FREE  
EVENT**

*Rain or shine!*



**TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS  
MORNINGS at 8:30AM**

**MEET OUTSIDE OF ABUNDANCE FOOD CO-OP  
571 SOUTH AVENUE, ROCHESTER**



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**WALK AROUND *the* WEDGE WITH US  
and GET YOUR STEPS IN**

(APPROX. 30 MINS, ROUTES WILL VARY)



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for sponsoring "10 Ways to Combat Climate Change"

[Rochester Ecology Partners](#)

for sponsoring Rose O'Keefe's Soup & History Class

[Historic Houseparts](#)

### Thank You to Our Friends

If you had an opportunity to take one of Ruben Ornelas' FREE dance classes at Groove Juice Swing and want more, Ruben is offering a new class at Nu Movement in the Neighborhood of the Arts Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 PM  
Details here:

<https://numvmnt.com/signup/movement-improvisation-for-everybody>

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## *south wedge festival* "the year of the busker"



**We are looking for  
Buskers, Artists and Sponsors for Wedge Fest!**

This year's Wedge Fest theme is Year of the Busker.

Festival Date: Saturday, August 16th

If you have local musicians who'd like to busk during the event, have them reach out to SWPC at [info@swpc.org](mailto:info@swpc.org) or (585) 256-1740



## SPRING DRIVE

Our coat drive is winding down, and our spring drive is sprouting!

We are seeking:

Canned goods and non-perishables  
**NEW** Large, XL, and XXL men's and women's underpants  
New socks

Donations will provide assistance to local individuals & families in need.

**Drop off Mon-Thurs 10am - 2pm**  
**224 Mt Hope Avenue**

[info@swpc.org](mailto:info@swpc.org)

*until next time*  
**GO SOUTH WEDGE!**

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