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NEW KAYAKING EXPERIENCES, STAND UP PADDLE BOARDING COME TO THE WOODLANDS WATERWAY THIS SPRING

THE WOODLANDS, TX (March 19, 2015) – Riva Row Boat House on The Woodlands

Waterway is gearing up for another spring season when those on family and couples getaways can enjoy new kayak offerings and the debut of stand up paddle boarding classes.

Walking distance from several hotels, Waterway Square and Market Street, Riva Row Boat House now offers 90-minute, Sunday kayak excursions, kayak rentals with picnic lunches and Saturday stand up paddle boarding classes in addition to standard single and tandem kayak rentals.

New to Riva Row Boat House this spring is a Sunday Lake Woodlands Excursion, led by an instructor certified by the American Canoe Association, where single and tandem kayakers will explore nature while learning new kayaking techniques. The 90-minute excursions (\$40 for a solo kayak and \$55 for a tandem) are scheduled for Sunday, April 12, April 26, May 3 and May 17 starting at 10 a.m.

Also new for spring is a kayak-and-picnic pack (\$60), a two-hour tandem kayak rental on Lake Woodlands complete with picnic lunch on the lake.

Riva Row Boat House also will debut introductory classes in stand up paddle boarding where individuals will learn the proper stance for balance and control as well as paddling and

turning techniques that will have participants standing on the water in no time. Classes are offered Saturday, April 11 and 25, May 9 and 23, from 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

An introduction to kayaking class (\$40 per person) is available April 9 and May 7 from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. Private and group kayak lessons also are available.

Riva Row Boat House, a popular destination for those vacationing in The Woodlands, will continue to rent single kayaks (\$15 for first hour) and tandem kayaks (\$20 for the first hour). Both are \$5 for each additional hour. Springtime rentals are available daily from 9 am – sunset, except Tuesday and Wednesday, thru May 17, 2015. The Boat House is open daily from 9 a.m. – 8 p.m., except Wednesday, from May 18 – August 23, 2015.

Kayaks are rented on a first-come, first-serve basis or by reservation by calling 281-210-3965. All classes require reservations made 24 hours in advance. Riva Row Boat House is located in The Woodlands Town Center at 2101 Riva Row. Visit www.thewoodlandstowship-tx.gov/rivarowboathouse for more information.

Those looking for a less strenuous way to enjoy The Woodlands Waterway can board a Waterway Cruiser on the weekends or sit back and enjoy the synchronized Fountains at Waterway Square, a 120-foot long, 10-foot high water wall with 22 choreographed jets of water shooting 75 feet into the sky. An interactive children's pop fountain with 34 color-lit spouting jets provides extra family fun.

Go to www.VisitTheWoodlands.com to plan a weekend stay in The Woodlands and to request a Discovery Guide and Savings Book. While on the website, register to win a free weekend getaway to The Woodlands. Also, "like" The Woodlands Convention & Visitors Bureau on Facebook at www.Facebook.com/VisitTheWoodlands, "follow" them on Instagram at

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Located just 30 minutes north of Houston, Texas and minutes from George Bush Intercontinental Airport, The Woodlands is the destination for leisure guests, individual business travelers and groups of all sizes. Visitors to The Woodlands and residents of the community enjoy more than eight million square feet of world-class shopping, dining and entertainment options, more than 194 miles of hike-and-bike trails, 124 parks, the 1,700-acre George Mitchell Nature Preserve, the Cynthia Woods Mitchell Pavilion, kayaking on Lake Woodlands, and taking a cruise on The Woodlands Waterway. The Woodlands features world-class sporting events including the Memorial Hermann Ironman Texas, Insperity Golf Championship and the Nike South Invitational. The Woodlands also is home to more than 1,650 guestrooms in upscale and boutique properties, select service, limited service, conference and convention centers and a resort.