

Introduction to RVChat

Neighbor to Neighbor Communication

What is RVChat?

- A *communications* system within the groups.io family of message systems
- It is *limited to RV residents* and is designed for resident to resident communication: the kind of thing you would talk to your neighbors about (We now have 79 members, and more coming!)
- It has many nice *features* to help facilitate communication; we'll review them briefly
- It is a *complement* to, not a replacement for, TouchTown
- It is *moderated*, so messages are monitored for appropriateness

What do I use it for? All kinds of things:

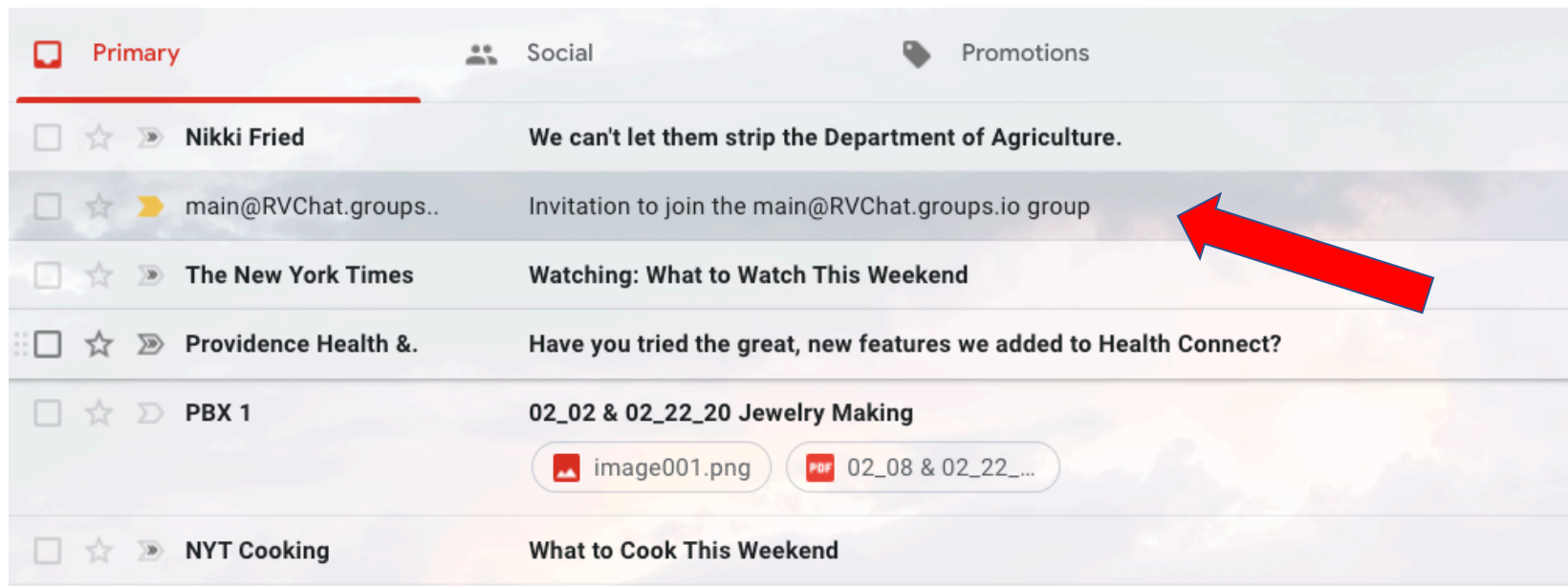
- Finding a pet sitter
- Finding a friend/neighbor to go to an event with
- Looking for people with common interests for a game group or action committee
- Letting people know about something happening in the neighborhood
- Finding someone to take your extra zucchini
- Getting a recipe for a dish you want to try

Getting Started

How do I join?

- Send an email to Susan Hyne (susanhyne@gmail.com) or Cindy Brown (professorcindy@gmail.com) asking to join
- You will receive an email in response
- Follow the directions and in a couple of steps, you'll be in!

The email is from
main@RVChat.groups.io Moderators



Here's what the email looks like; just reply to it.

Invitation to join the main@RVChat.groups.io group  Inbox x



main@RVChat.groups.io Moderators <main+invite+8204190972389201483+1881136@rvchat.groups.io>
to cbrown ▾

Hello,

You have been invited by Cynthia Brown to join the Groups.io group main@RVChat.groups.io.

If you have questions about this invitation, send them to main+owner@RVChat.groups.io.

To accept the invitation, please reply to this email, or you may [accept the invitation](#) on the website.

If you are not interested, or if cbrown@pdx.edu is not your email address, please ignore this email.

Cheers,

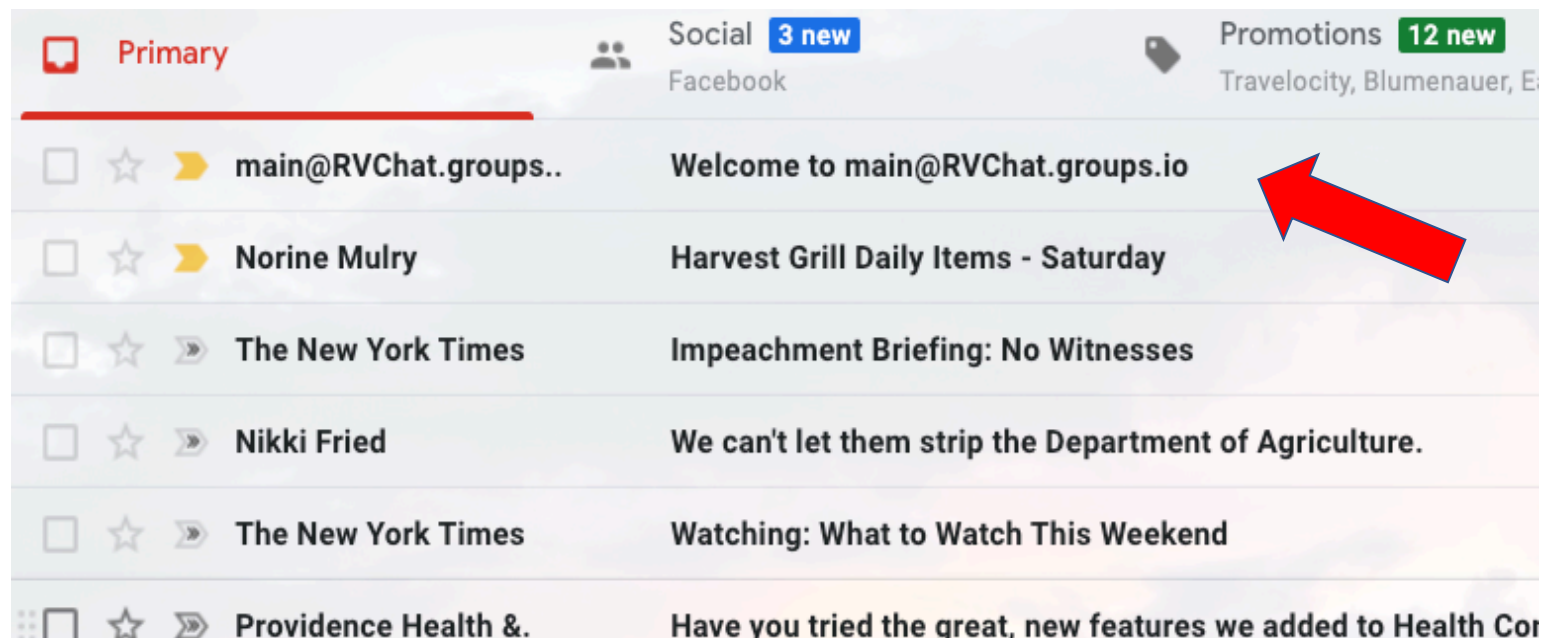
The Groups.io Team

 Reply

 Reply all

 Forward

You will get another email in reply:



Welcome to main@RVChat.groups.io  Inbox x



main@RVChat.groups.io Group Moderators <main+owner@rvchat.groups.io>
to cbrown ▾

7:16 PM (2 minutes ago)



Hello,

Welcome to the [RVChat@groups.io](https://groups.io/g/RVChat) group at Groups.io, a free, easy-to-use email group service. Please take a moment to review this message.

You can visit your group, start reading messages and posting them here: <https://groups.io/g/RVChat>



The email address for this group is: RVChat@groups.io. Because our system allows for participants to post via web or email, you can use this email to post new topics.

But most importantly, please add this email address to your safe sender list in your email client.

A forum for peer-to-peer communication among Rose Villa residents.

You can set your subscription settings here: <https://groups.io/g/RVChat/editsub>. You can opt to receive a daily summary, or only special notices.

If you do not wish to belong to this group, you may unsubscribe by sending an email to: RVChat@groups.io

To see and modify all of your groups, go to <https://groups.io>

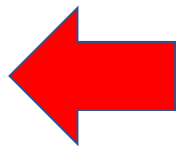
Regards,

The [RVChat@groups.io](https://groups.io/g/RVChat) Moderator

Save this email!

- It has a lot of useful links in it.
- Follow the link to the main site and
- Set up a **bookmark** on your browser so you can easily return to it.

- Home **Owner**
- Subscription
- Admin
- Messages
- Hashtags
- New Topic
- New Poll
- Chats **2**
- Subgroups
- Directory
- Calendar
- Photos
- Files
- Databases
- Wiki



Useful features!



Here's what you see when you follow the link in the email to the main site.

RVChat main@RVChat.groups.io
A forum for peer-to-peer communication among Rose Villa residents.

Group Information

- 57 Members
- 74 Topics, Last Post: Jan 30
- Started on 11/02/19

Group Settings

- All subscribers can post to the group.
- Posts to this group do not require approval from the moderators.
- Messages are set to reply to group and sender.
- Subscriptions to this group require approval from the moderators.
- Archives are visible to subscribers only.
- Wiki is visible to subscribers only.
- Members can set their subscriptions to no email.

Top Hashtags [\[See All\]](#)

- #chat **3**
- #council discussion of resident council elections **2**
- #poll **1**

Message History

Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

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Message History

| | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct |
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| 2020 | 59 | | | | | | | | | |
| 2019 | | | | | | | | | | |

Group Email Addresses

Post: main@RVChat.groups.io
Subscribe: main+subscribe@RVChat.groups.io
Unsubscribe: main+unsubscribe@RVChat.groups.io
Group Owner: main+owner@RVChat.groups.io
Help: main+help@RVChat.groups.io

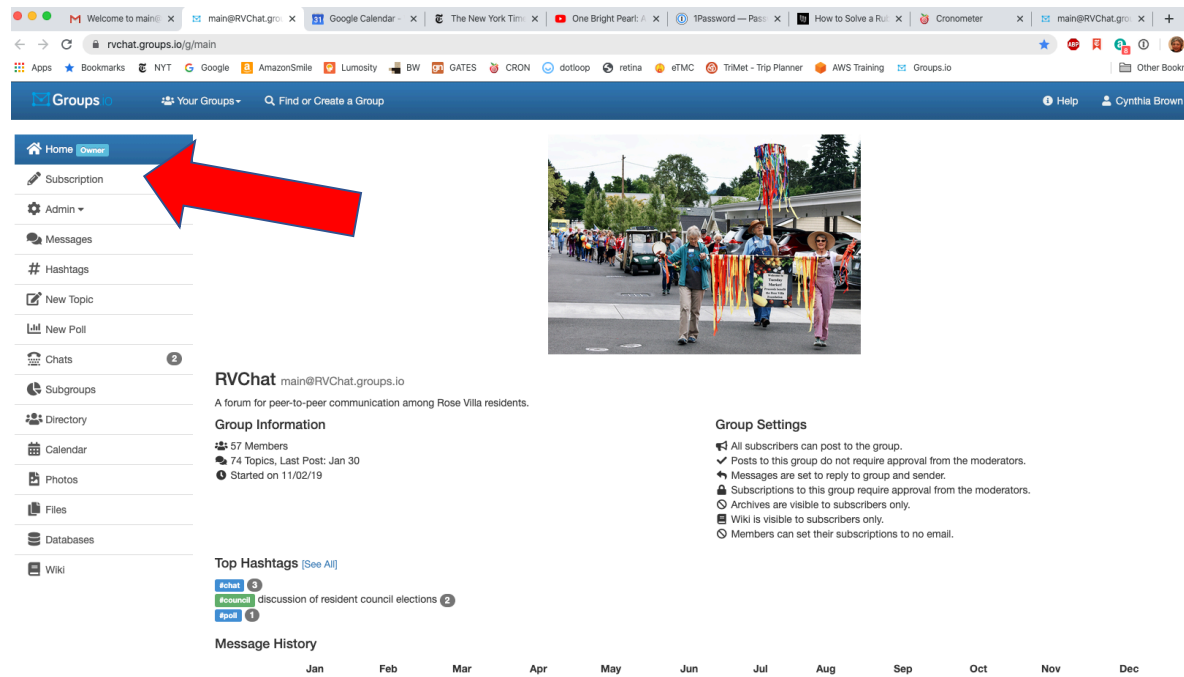


Here's the bottom of the main page with some useful email addresses.

Subscription

You are subscribed to this group.

Use the Subscription link on the left to set your email preferences: single, digest, etc.



The screenshot shows the RVChat website interface. The browser's address bar displays 'rvchat.groups.io/g/main'. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with the following items: Home (Owner), Subscription, Admin, Messages, Hashtags, New Topic, New Poll, Chats (2), Subgroups, Directory, Calendar, Photos, Files, Databases, and Wiki. A large red arrow points to the 'Subscription' link. The main content area features a header image of a parade, followed by the group name 'RVChat main@RVChat.groups.io' and a description: 'A forum for peer-to-peer communication among Rose Villa residents.' Below this is the 'Group Information' section, which includes 57 Members, 74 Topics (Last Post: Jan 30), and a start date of 11/02/19. To the right is the 'Group Settings' section, which lists various permissions such as 'All subscribers can post to the group' and 'Subscriptions to this group require approval from the moderators.' Below the settings is the 'Top Hashtags' section, showing '#chat' (3), '#council' (discussion of resident council elections, 2), and '#poll' (1). At the bottom, there is a 'Message History' section with a horizontal timeline from Jan to Dec.

Home **Owner**

Subscription

Admin

Messages

Hashtags

New Topic

New Poll

Chats **2**

Subgroups

Directory

Calendar

Photos

Files

Databases

Wiki

main@RVChat.groups.io / Edit Subscription / Cynthia Brown <professorcindy@gmail.com>

Membership Group Profile Member Integrations Email Delivery History

Group Address
main@RVChat.groups.io

Email Delivery

- Individual Messages**
You will receive each message in an individual email.
- Full Featured Digest**
Group up to 12 messages together as one email instead of being sent individually (rich formatting).
- Plain Digest**
Group up to 12 messages together as one email instead of being sent individually (plain formatting).
- Daily Summary**
A daily summary, delivered in the morning, of the group's messages from the previous day.
- Special Notices Only**
You will only receive special notices from the moderators.
- No Email**
You will receive no emails.

Set your preference and then
**scroll down to the bottom to
save...**

Signature

- Use Signature For Web Posting
- Use Signature For Email Posting

Advanced Preferences



Notifications

- Email when there are messages needing approval.
- Email when there are members needing approval.
- Email when a member joins/leaves this group.
- Email when group storage limits are reached.
- Email when someone creates or deletes a subgroup.
- Email when someone reports a message.

Owner Email

- All Emails
Receive every message that is sent to main+owner@RVChat.groups.io.
- Members Only
Receive only messages sent by members.
- None
Receive no messages sent to main+owner@RVChat.groups.io.

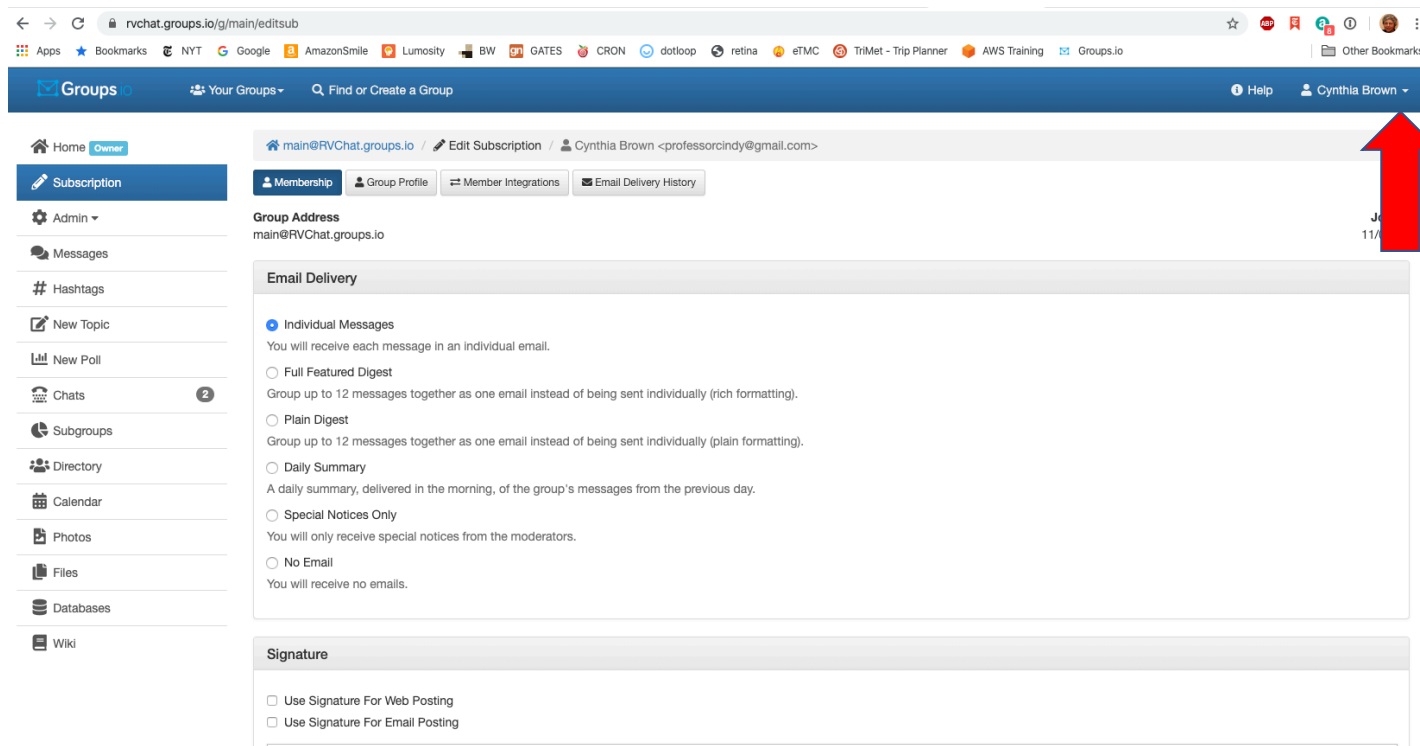
Save

Unsubscribe



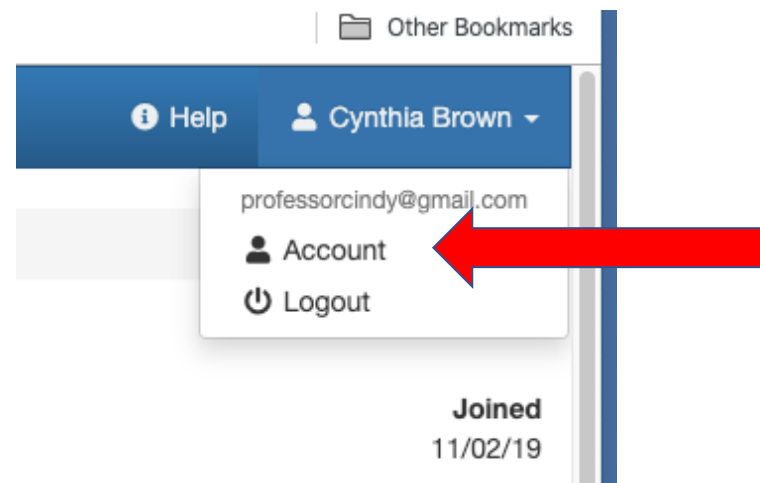
Click the blue Save button to save your preferences!

Click the down triangle next to your name to set your password



The screenshot shows the 'Edit Subscription' page for the group 'main@RVChat.groups.io'. The user's name 'Cynthia Brown' is visible in the top right corner of the page, with a small downward-pointing triangle next to it. A red arrow points to this triangle. The page content includes a sidebar with navigation options like 'Home', 'Subscription', 'Admin', 'Messages', 'Hashtags', 'New Topic', 'New Poll', 'Chats', 'Subgroups', 'Directory', 'Calendar', 'Photos', 'Files', 'Databases', and 'Wiki'. The main content area is titled 'Email Delivery' and contains several radio button options for message delivery preferences: 'Individual Messages', 'Full Featured Digest', 'Plain Digest', 'Daily Summary', 'Special Notices Only', and 'No Email'. Below this is a 'Signature' section with two checkboxes: 'Use Signature For Web Posting' and 'Use Signature For Email Posting'.

Click on Account



Be sure to set a password!

The screenshot shows the Groups.io account settings page. The top navigation bar includes the Groups.io logo, 'Your Groups', a search bar for 'Find or Create a Group', and user information for 'Cynthia Brown'. A left sidebar contains navigation links: Login, Preferences, Security, Identity, Other Services, Recent Bounces, and Billing. The main content area is divided into sections: 'Account', 'Social Logins', and 'Billing'. The 'Account' section contains an 'Email' field with the value 'professorcindy@gmail.com' and a 'Change Email' button. Below this is a note: 'Note: Your email is hosted by Gmail, so we will re-write the From line for the copies of your group messages that we send back to you.' with a 'Learn More' link. The 'Password' section features an empty password field, a red arrow pointing to it, and the text 'Passwords must be at least 6 characters long.' Below the field are 'Change Password' and 'Delete Password' buttons. The 'Social Logins' section has two checked options: 'Allow Facebook Login' and 'Allow Google Login', each with a brief description and a 'Change Social Login Preferences' button.

Groups.io Your Groups Find or Create a Group Help Cynthia Brown

Login Preferences Security Identity Other Services Recent Bounces Billing

Account

Email

professorcindy@gmail.com

Change Email

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[Learn More](#)

Password

Passwords must be at least 6 characters long.

Change Password Delete Password

Social Logins

Allow Facebook Login
Allow login to your account via Facebook.

Allow Google Login
Allow login to your account via Google.

Change Social Login Preferences

Set up a profile! (Subscription -> Group Profile)

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Membership **Group Profile** Member Integrations Email Delivery History

Profile Photo



1 file selected Browse ...

User Name
@CindyBrown45

Display Name
Cynthia Brown





















The name listed with your posts. Note: When you post, your email address is also shown to group members who receive messages via email.

Profile Privacy
Public

Add a photo to your profile; it will show up here.

main@RVChat.groups.io / Member Directory

Showing 56 of 56 Members

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|  Andrea Drury Email |  Arlin Brown Email |  Barbara Tuck Email |
|  Betty Hosokawa Email |  Bill Cunitz Email |  Byron Windhorst Email |
|  Carolyn Bailey Email |  Cathy Schar Email |  Cynthia Brown Email |
|  Cynthia Brown Email |  Dave and Jan Dobak Email |  David & Jennifer Allen Email |
|  Dianna Shaffer Email |  Dori Jones Email |  Dorothy Quinn Email |
|  Doug Walker Email |  Duren, Jack Email |  Ed Gellenbeck Email |
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