



**Peaceful Valley Property Owners
Association Newsletter**

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Welcome to December. By now, you've had time to digest your Thanksgiving dinner and hopefully work off the extra calories even though it's been pretty cold, and we've seen several snowy days already. The St. Louis Blues are off to one of their worst starts in team history, and the Cardinals have made a big splash with the acquisition via trade of Paul Goldschmidt, one of the game's most complete players. A 6-time all-star, winner of 3 Gold Gloves, and a .298 career batting average, he may be the player that gets the Redbirds back into the playoffs after missing 3 years in a row. We lost George H.W. Bush on November 30th, and those of you that fly US Flags, they're supposed to remain at half-staff until

sunset on December 30th to honor his passing. We also lost a PVL member familiar to many of you—Rich Pierce passed away on December 5th. Rich served in a variety of positions for both the PVPOA and PWSD, most recently as the Assistant Operations Manager for the Water/Sewer company. He will be missed. This month, we remember Pearl Harbor on December 7th, Hanukkah runs from December 2nd through the 10th, the winter solstice at 4:23 PM on December 21st (e.g., the shortest day of the year), Christmas on the 25th, Kwanzaa runs from December 26th to January 1st, and New Year's Eve is on December 31st.

December Events: (see the PVL Things to do calendar at <http://www.peacefulvalleylake.com/things-to-do-calendar.html>)

--**Friday December 14th, 7:30PM to 9:30 PM, PV Property Owner's Association Board of Directors Meeting.** Note: We're moving the meeting from the third Friday to the second Friday this month only.

--**Friday December 21st, 5:30PM to 6:30 PM, Public Water Supply District #1 Board of Directors Meeting.** This is the regular monthly meeting.

--**Saturday, December 15th, 5:00 PM-? Holiday Pot Luck**—See item below for details

--**Friday December 21st to Wednesday, January 2nd**—Owensville R-II School District Winter Break

--**Monday, December 24th to Tuesday, January 1st 2019**—PVPOA office will be closed for the holidays. We will reopen on January 2nd. If you need assistance during this time, contact our site manager Tom Bush at 573-437-4518, or Gary Hacker at 573-437-2619 (home) or 314-809-5118 (cell)

PVL Budget Planning

It's that time of year when we start planning our budget for next year. As always, we have a few suggestions from members, so we'd like to get some feedback on these items as well as solicit any additional ideas you may have. The ideas we have so far include the following:



Addition of sail shades at the pool. Those of you that use the pool know that there is no shade whatsoever at the pool until very late in the day. One suggestion is to add some sail shades (triangular weather proof cloth) to provide shade over parts of the pool deck area.



Addition of a pavilion near the beach. We've noticed a significant increase in the number of families that use the beach on the weekends in the summer so there's been a suggestion to add a concrete pad, a cover, and some additional picnic tables.

Widening the road on the west side of the lodge to allow more parking. This suggestion would add about 20 parking spots. The diagram below shows roughly what it may look like, except we would be doing diagonal parking instead of straight in.



Extension of RV parking pads and additional electricity upgrades in Campground. This continues some of the work we started last year to adding water spigots and upgrading electricity to 50-amp service at more sites, plus extending the length of pads to accommodate today's larger RVs.

The costs for the sail shades will probably run between \$500 and \$1000 to acquire and install. The pavilion would be in the \$5000-7500 range, and the additional parking would be in the \$5000 to \$10,000 range. Campground upgrades are estimated in the \$5000 range. Let us know your thoughts about these suggestions, or if you have others you'd like the board to consider, either call or stop by the office, or send us an email at peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com to let us know.



Mark Your Calendar--Annual Holiday Pot Luck, Saturday Night December 15th starting at 5 PM at the Lodge

Well, Thanksgiving has come and gone, and now it's time to ramp up for the holiday season with decorations, power shopping, cooking, and baking, and some great family time. Come share some of that holiday spirit with your friends and neighbors at our annual holiday pot luck dinner at the Peaceful Valley Lake Lodge. If it's anything like last year's event, it will be one of our most popular events. We know many of you will be having traditional holiday fare for your holiday with your families, so we wanted to do something a bit different--we're going with an Italian food theme for this event. Peaceful Valley will be providing lasagna, a pasta dish with sauce, garden salad, and garlic bread, along with plates, utensils, etc., but we ask that you bring something to share. Come join us for a delicious

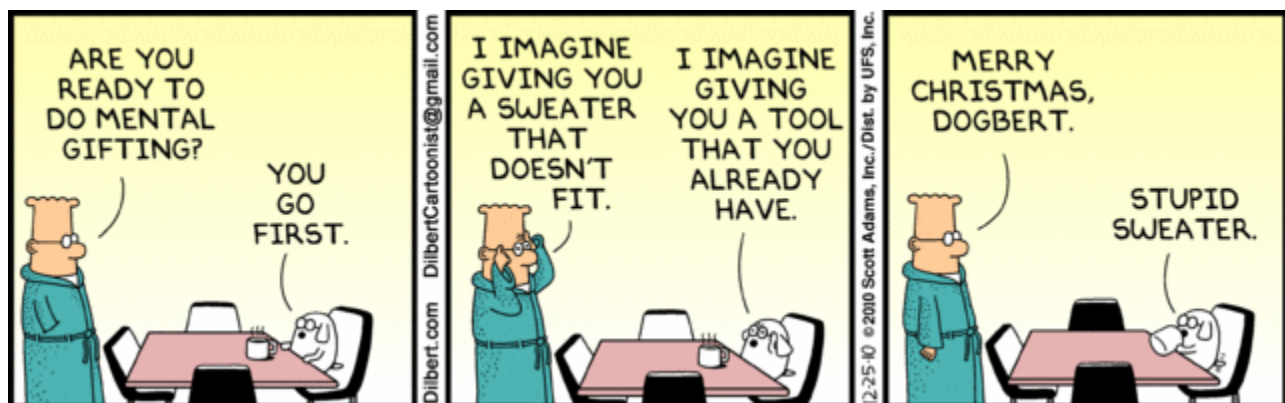


2016 Holiday Pot Luck

meal, some caroling, and in general just sharing the joy of the holiday season!!

PVPOA Board Activities

Many of you know that Mike Garlock has been doing double duty on behalf of Peaceful Valley, serving as Chairman of the Public Water Supply District #1 of Gasconade County, and as the Treasurer of the Peaceful Valley Property Owners' Association, Inc. As the PWSD activities move into high gear over the winter and summer (see related item below) Mike has decided to resign his position on the PVPOA board to focus attention on his duties as PWSD board chairman. Mike leaves the PVPOA board in fiscally sound shape and we appreciate his efforts over the preceding years to get us to this point. Mike has agreed to assist the PVPOA board in our upcoming budget formulation while we determine a successor. In the meantime, anyone who is interested in completing Mike's unexpired term through April 2019, or if you're interested in running for the other 2 director positions that expire in April 2019, you can get a Board of Directors application from the office or download it at https://www.peacefulvalleylake.com/uploads/2/4/7/0/24700980/board_of_directors_application.pdf



Editor's Note: The following is provided for your information on behalf of the Public Water Supply District #1 of Gasconade County. Should you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please address them to the PWSD office at 573-437-7808 during regular office hours M-W-F from 9-2 PM, or via email at office.pwsd1@gmail.com

Gasconade County PWSD # 1
Wastewater Treatment Upgrade (Lagoon Project)
Work Plan and Schedule (as of 11/7/18)

Winter 2018/2019:

- Submit first draft of the Facility Plan (FP) to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR). This will include the evaluation of several treatment options, and first/best choice of the PWSD. As with the Water Study, there will be discussions/review with the DNR prior to their approval.
- Continue with select collection system repairs (focus on worst condition based on CCTV inspection, as well as Inflow & Infiltration (I&I) reduction.
- Continue Flow Observations during rain events

June 1, 2019:Receive approval of the FP from the DNR. At this time, we will have approximate cost of the Lagoon Project, as well as amount of ground needed to build it. Submit the approved FP to MWWRC (Missouri Water and Wastewater Review Committee), which is the first step in pursuing financial assistance from government entities in Missouri.

Summer 2019 to Summer 2020: **

- Pursue funding options (loans and grants)
- Acquire ground needed for Lagoon Project (LP) and long-term improvements
- Continue select collection system repairs, with primary focus on worst condition and imminent failure.

Fall 2020-Spring 2021:.....Design plans, specifications, and contract documents

Spring 2021:Submit to DNR for approval and issuance of construction permit

Summer 2021:.....Solicit bids for construction

Fall 2021 -Fall 2022.....Construction and transition from current single cell lagoon treatment to the new plant.

December 31, 2022:.....Project complete

*** If State Revolving Funding (SRF) is pursued, add another year to this step, and push remaining dates out a year, with final project completion by December 31, 2023*

Restaurant Review: Meramec Vineyard & Winery, St. James, MO

The Meramec Vineyards & Winery at 600 Rt. B in St. James has been around since 1999, but as of January 2018 has a new set of owners, Joe and Michelle Boulware. Joe and Michelle and their two small children have a vision of a family-friendly venue with food to go along with the wine. As they make renovations inside and out, they've rolled out a bistro-themed menu, with locally sourced ingredients for a true taste adventure only a few miles from Peaceful Valley. They've got a two-part menu, one with year-round selections featuring appetizers, salads, burgers & sandwiches, and galettes (French-inspired cuisine, similar to a pizza on pastry dough). Their other menu changes with the seasons and features dishes, salads, and a weekly soup special using the season's best ingredients.



L to R, Meramec Vineyards & Winery Server Amber and owner Michelle Boulware behind the wine bar

Ricky and I went there recently and ordered their Big Prairie Pimiento Dip for an appetizer and a Mushroom, Thyme, and Bacon Galette, which came with a choice of salad. We got the Harvest Apple Thyme Salad from the seasonal menu. The dip was wonderful—pimiento cheese covered with bacon, then baked and topped with green onions, served with freshly baked, toasted French bread slices. We probably could have stopped there. Next came the salad—slices of sweet green apple topping a combination of lettuce (not Romaine anymore) craisins, candied walnuts, parmesan cheese shreds, with an apple thyme vinaigrette dressing. Last came the galette—we had the lunch size portion, which looked like a half of a 10”

pizza, with a very light and flaky pastry dough as the base, covered with a goat cheese/cream cheese mixture then topped with mushrooms and bacon then baked to a toasty brown. Very tasty.

Meramec Vineyards & Winery offers several varieties of private label wine, multiple Missouri craft beer brands on tap, private label hard liquor, and a variety of sangrias featuring different fruit flavors. They’re not making their own wine just yet—that’s something they’re planning. The restaurant is open from 11 AM to 9 PM daily, with a daily lunch special until 3 PM. Every Sunday they host a Food & Family meal featuring a food special along with family friendly games and events, and the occasional musician. From Peaceful Valley, take MO 28 west to Hwy B (right before Bland). South on Hwy B about 21.5 miles, it’ll be on your left shortly after you enter the St. James city limits. Meramec Vineyards & Winery gets a 🍷🍷🍷 rating.

Bistro Menu

Appetizers

Scioto Dipper \$4
Herb & garlic infused oil, served with warmed bread
🍷 Missouri Vidal Blanc

Big Prairie Pimiento Dip
Small \$7
Large \$11
Cheese & pimiento dip, served hot & bubbly with bacon and toasted bread
🍷 Missouri Norton 2016 or New World Red

Forest City Sampler
Small \$14
Large \$20
Meat & cheese tray with a large variety of crackers, olives, & pickles
🍷 Missouri Chardone

Extra Bread \$3
Our fresh baked, buttery bread...Yum!

Extra Crackers \$2
Please ask your server

Salads \$8

Lucy's Cranberry & Almond Salad
Feta Cheese, Bacon, House Vinaigrette dressing
🍷 Missouri Vignoles

Mayme's Sunshine Salad
Fresh, Colorful Garden Salad, House Honey Dijon
🍷 Missouri Vidal Blanc

Add Grilled Chicken to any Salad \$2⁵⁰

Sandwiches

Served with kettle chips and pickle

Chicken Salad \$9
Served on choice of Croissant or Everything Wheat Bread
🍷 Missouri Vidal Blanc

Pulled Pork \$10
Served on toasted Brioche Bun
🍷 Missouri Chardone

Big Prairie Burger \$13
Beef patty topped with pimiento cheese dip, bacon, tomato, and lettuce
🍷 Missouri Vignoles

Meramec Pub Burger \$13
Beef patty topped with grilled mushrooms, house made pickled red onions, house Brown Ale Dijon, and Monterey Jack Cheese
🍷 Missouri Norton 2016

Plain or Cheeseburger Available \$10
Please ask your server

Savory Galettes \$15

French inspired, exposed filling pies
Served with a choice of salad

Mushroom, Thyme, & Bacon
🍷 Missouri Chambourcin or Missouri Chardone

Chicken Artichoke
🍷 Missouri Chardone

Roasted Tomato & Basil Ricotta
🍷 Missouri Chardone

Philly Cheese-Steak
🍷 Missouri Norton 2016

Chicken Bacon Ranch
🍷 Missouri Vidal Blanc

BBQ Chicken
🍷 Missouri Norton or Missouri Vignoles

Buffalo Chicken
🍷 Missouri Vignoles

Daily Lunch Special Until 3pm

🍷 Pairing Suggestions Ask your server for beer suggestions See our Beer and Wine Card for descriptions and prices