



## Peaceful Valley Property Owners Association, Inc's Newsletter



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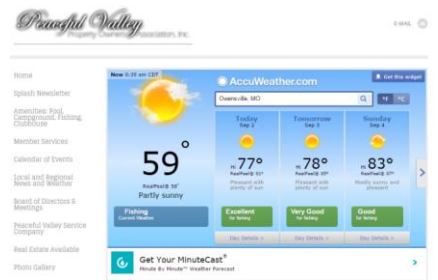
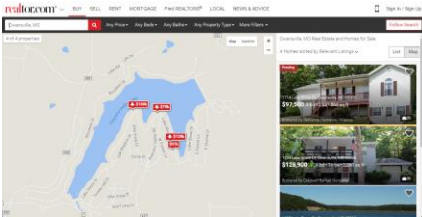


### September 2016

Well, it's getting closer to fall, school is back in session, days are getting shorter, and the Cardinals are making the NL wild card race exciting, with the Cubs (?) having the best record in baseball. September at Peaceful Valley means several things—the pool will be closing, a switchover from a summer to a fall maintenance schedule, and seeing more and more boats pulled out of the lake for winter storage.

Another big changeover will be a handoff of the monthly Splash from Charlotte Bailey to Gary and Ricky Hacker. Charlotte's been taking care of the Splash for the last few years, but now has to spend more time with her husband James, so she just doesn't have the time to do the great job she's been doing the last several years. With the handoff, we will be keeping the very popular "Meet Your Neighbor" portion of the newsletter with this month's subjects being none other than Charlotte and James!!

Gary has also taken over maintenance of the PVL website at [www.peacefulvalleylake.com](http://www.peacefulvalleylake.com) and has added a few items including a current weather tab with fishing outlook for Owensville, and area real estate listings courtesy of Zillow.com and realtor.com. The Zillow and Realtor.com listings are for properties that are listed with a realtor, so if you have a house or lot that's for sale by owner and want it listed on the real estate page, provide the information to Gary at [pvl.gary@gmail.com](mailto:pvl.gary@gmail.com)

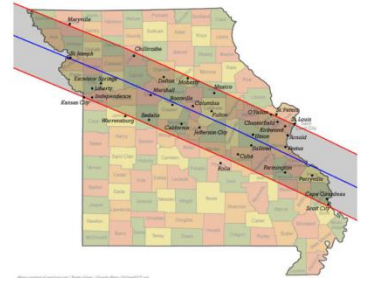


**Sad News:** Carl Kurtz, longtime owner and member of the PVL community, passed away on Monday, Aug 29. Here's a link to the Obituary [www.baue.com/obit/carl-e-kurtz/](http://www.baue.com/obit/carl-e-kurtz/). A memorial service will be held for Carl on October 1, 2016 at 11:00 AM at Christview Christian Church, 64 Terrie Ln, St Charles, MO 63301. Carl served as a Board Member and President of the Owner's Association, and also served as President of the Service Company. Carl worked at McDonnell-Douglas and Boeing for 55 years. Carl and his wife Wanda were featured in the October 2015 edition of the Peaceful Valley Splash--here is a link to the article [www.peacefulvalleylake.com/october-2015-splash.html](http://www.peacefulvalleylake.com/october-2015-splash.html)

### Eclipse 2017 Planning.

In just under a year, on August 21, 2017, we will experience something that hasn't happened in over 300 years in this part of the world—a total eclipse of the sun! And guess what--Owensville is near the centerline of the eclipse path. At 1:14 PM that day, the moon will completely block the sun and turn day into night for 2 minutes

and 32 seconds with the whole eclipse sequence lasting over two hours. Since this event won't happen again in this area until 2505, this is a once in a lifetime opportunity. The Owensville Chamber of Commerce is making plans for what they believe is going to be a large influx of visitors and noted that between Owensville and Rosebud, there are only 28 beds in the motel and Bed and Breakfasts in the area. The chamber is holding a meeting on September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM at the Owensville Middle School to discuss event planning and is encouraging people with houses or rooms to rent to hear about how to use AirBNB to list their properties for rent for the event.



Since the eclipse happens on a Monday, the chamber is planning for a weekend of activities. See the article on the front page of Aug 31 Gasconade County Republican or at [http://www.gasconadecountyrepublican.com/news/owensville/article\\_a4d714c0-6f84-11e6-880e-c39f9788163b.html](http://www.gasconadecountyrepublican.com/news/owensville/article_a4d714c0-6f84-11e6-880e-c39f9788163b.html)

### Nearby Restaurant Reviews

Since moving to PVL permanently in April 2015, Ricky and Gary Hacker have been taking day trips to nearby cities and towns to check out different restaurants. Since nearly everyone knows about the restaurants in Owensville, and Kline's Down Home Café in Rosebud, we won't review those. We'll focus on places in neighboring communities such as Cuba, Linn, Jefferson City, Rolla, Washington, etc. If you have a favorite restaurant and you want to write a review, let us know and we'll include it in future editions. This month we're reviewing "The FourWay" in Cuba, MO. (see <http://fourway66.com/> for more information and menu)



The FourWay is located in a 1932-vintage former Phillips 66 gas station and car dealership on the corner of Hwy 19 and Old Route 66 in Cuba, MO. Opening in April 2016, the completely renovated interior feels like home, if you like eclectic antiques, quilts/pillows, and wooden booths salvaged from the old Schneithorst's Restaurant in St. Louis. The restaurant features lamb and beef burgers, along with a decidedly Mediterranean style menu of kabobs, sandwiches and salads. We got three different appetizers to try as many different things as we could. We go the Patti Trio, which is three beef or lamb sliders on a ciabatta bun, with feta cheese, onions, and slaw. We got a spinach pie, which was spinach baked in a fillo dough and their flash fried Brussel sprouts. All were outstanding. In addition, the business is family-owned by a woman and her son and daughter. The day we visited, daughter Haley greeted and seated us, and son Sam did the cooking. There was nothing on the menu over \$10. Hours are 11 AM to 9 PM Wednesday through Sunday. We give The Four Way a 🍴🍴🍴 rating

### Meet Your Neighbor: Charlotte and James Bailey



We wanted to take this opportunity with Charlotte stepping down as the Splash editor to have her and her husband James as the subjects for the Meet your Neighbor for September. James and Charlotte have been married 47 ½ years and have two daughters, Jana, 42, and Christyn, 39. Jana married Rafał Pietrzak in December 2015 in Poland and lives there teaching English. Christyn, a Social Worker, is married to Tony Grant, and live in North Carolina with their daughter Katrina, 10.

Charlotte and James met while students at University of Missouri when she was a senior majoring in Interior Design, and he was a graduate student studying Accounting.

James and Charlotte lived in Michigan for 31 years while James was employed by Ford where he was an Inventory Control Supervisor. He worked there during Ford's conversion from stockpiling materials for months, to a near just-in-time method whereby literally millions of things were constantly moving in and out of the warehouse within days of arrival. He retired in 2003.

While their kids were young, Charlotte was a stay at home mom and Girl Scout leader. After they grew up, she held a variety of jobs, including secretarial work, interior decorating sales, and worked for MacTemps, a temp agency for Macintosh users. As computers became more prevalent in the workplace, she found she wasn't as good with the graphics software, but could type blisteringly fast, which made her popular at MacTemps. Eventually she became an administrative assistant to an executive in the automotive industry.

Charlotte and James are definitely cat lovers with 4 inside and 2 ½ outside cats. The outside cats are Uno and Dos, with the ½ cat visiting every so often but not a permanent resident. The inside cats are Pumkin, Princess, Cerveza, and Vino



Page from one of James' stamp albums

Both of them have several hobbies. James has been collecting stamps since he started by earning a Cub Scout merit badge when he was 8. His specialty is pre-1940 stamps from around the world and he has a dedicated stamp room where he has several albums and boxes full of stamps. James estimates that he has over a million stamps. He also collects beer bottles (empty, because he's "not going to waste good beer!") and has several hundred bottles on shelves in their downstairs bar.

Charlotte is an accomplished painter starting with watercolors but now painting in oils. She's been taking classes from Renee Hackmann in Linn since 2007, and her Friday classes are one of the highlights of the week. In addition, Charlotte plays organ and piano, playing every Sunday at the Woollam United Methodist Church.

Charlotte used her artistic skills to design their beautiful house which has a very unique fireplace system with a back-to-back fireplace that separates the living room from the kitchen on the main floor, and continuing to the lower level where the back-to-back fireplace separates their custom designed wood bar area from their Mizzou-themed game and pool room. Even the pool table has Mizzou gold-colored felt topped with a Black and Gold tiffany-style pool light fixture.



Charlotte's painting of her beloved Tigers

When their daughters were in their teens, they hosted 16-year old Marta from Madrid, Spain for a summer of immersive English language training. Later on, they went to visit Marta and her parents in Spain and remarked that even though the Baileys and Marta's parents didn't speak each other's language, they were able to communicate. They got along so well that the family even let the Bailey's borrow their Peugeot to travel to the Costa del Sol (but James mentioned they wouldn't let them take the Porsche ☺). They have enjoyed other travels. One of their favorite trips was a 2-week European river cruise on the Rhine and Moselle from Belgium to Switzerland

## **How did they get to Peaceful Valley?**

James' parents came down in 1970 to get a free television if they would take the PV sales pitch. They bought a lot for future use for the family, and when his parents passed James inherited the lot. Eventually, they bought a double lot where their present house is located and built their house in 2004.

James and Charlotte have been active volunteers for a variety of Peaceful Valley Activities. James has served on the Property Owner's Association Board of Directors for 6 years, with 2 of those as Treasurer. Charlotte has been the editor and main contributor to the PVL Newsletter "Splash" for the last 3 years, contributing 13+ Meet Your Neighbor articles.

Charlotte is stepping down from writing the Splash as James has been diagnosed with Progressive Supranuclear Palsy (PSP). According to the National Institutes of Health, PSP is a very uncommon brain disorder that affects movement, control of walking (gait) and balance, speech, swallowing, vision, mood and behavior, and thinking. The disease is somewhat similar to Parkinson's Disease, and in fact is often mis-diagnosed as Parkinson's. The Bailey's are sharing this information to help get the word out about this disease, as it is much rarer than Parkinson's. For more information, see <http://www.psp.org/>.

We want to thank Charlotte and James for their support to Peaceful Valley Lake and wish them luck in battling James' PSP.

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Drone image of the dam shot by Mike Nolen in May 2016. To see more, go to <http://www.peacefulvalleylake.com/may-2016-aerial-shots-of-pvl.html>