



## Peaceful Valley Property Owners Association Newsletter

# April 2022

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### Official Events:

- \* **Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 PM**, Monthly Public Water Supply District meeting, Lodge
- \* **Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6:00 PM**, Monthly association board meeting, Lodge
- \* **Saturday, April 23<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 AM**, Annual association member meeting, Lodge

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### Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting will be Saturday, **April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 10:00 AM**, at the Lodge. The purposes of the meeting are to update members on plans for the year, approve a budget for the fiscal year which begins July 1<sup>st</sup>, and certify the election of board members. A minimum of 32 member units must be present to constitute a quorum. We are working on a plan to “Zoom” the meeting for those who cannot attend in person, but those logging in will not count toward our 32 member minimum. A free lunch will be provided after the meeting.

All members should have received an annual meeting packet with a ballot via regular mail and/or email. If not, all the information is available on our website. But also please email the office (peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com) to insure we have the correct mailing and email addresses on file.

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### PVL Board Election

Our lake association is governed by a 9-person board of directors. The board, along with our a part-time office manager, two part-time maintenance staff, seasonal security, and seasonal pool monitors keep our lake community of 182 homes and about 400 additional lot owners operating. Every year three board positions come up for election. Terms are for three years and no board member can serve for more than two consecutive terms. Due to a resignation we will have a fourth board position up for election. This position is for one year only and will go to the candidate with the fourth most total votes. Voting will be held on-line and by mail prior to our annual meeting.

Six candidates have applied to serve on the board. In alphabetically order they are: Jeff Crump (incumbent), Carol Eilermann, Dan Hoemeke (incumbent), Megan Jost, Scott MacArthur, and Joan Strong. Information about each candidate is available through the on-line voting tool.

## Marina Boat Slip Leasing

PVL boat owners are able to dock their boats for up to 48 hours at the main Lake Shore marina, Woodson marina, and along the dam. The reason for the 48-hour rule is because there are far more boat owning members than boat slips available. Thanks to members respecting each other and the 48-hour rule there has always been enough dock space available, even on our busy weekends. Because of this, the Board has decided to lease out FOUR main Lake Shore marina slips for the 2022 season. Cost will be \$100 for the season (May 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup>). Signs will be placed identifying the reserved slips. If interested in a slip please email or call our office manager, Kim Pierce, by April 21<sup>st</sup> to get your name put on the list. We already have more than four members interested, so there will be a lottery drawing at our annual meeting April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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## Boater Safety Course

The State Highway Patrol will conduct a **rescheduled** Boater Safety Course at the Lodge on **April 30<sup>th</sup>** from **9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**. The class is free, but we ask for a \$10 donation per person to cover snacks and drinks, and a mid-day Subway sandwich. Or if you do not want snacks/lunch/drinks there would be no cost. Please email the office ([peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com](mailto:peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com)) if plan to attend and if want snacks/lunch/drinks.

Missouri law requires all motorized boat and personal water craft operators born 1984 and later (38 years old and younger) pass this course. Students can be as young as 13. The course can also be taken on-line at [www.boat-ed.com/missouri](http://www.boat-ed.com/missouri) for a small fee.

As a reminder, guests may use member watercraft, but the member must be present and the guest operator must meet the State boat safety course standards. This includes jet skis. Last summer we occasionally experienced unsafe watercraft operation. Boats getting too close to shore while at speed (100 foot minimum), jet skiers being too aggressive around boats, and movement around the lake not keeping with the counterclockwise rule.

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## Lake Social Activities

Monthly activities are happening. Check the website for the most current updates, but generally the first Thursday of the month is movie night at the Lodge. The third Thursday is board game/cards night, also at the lodge. Doors open at 6:00 and start at 6:30. For both bring whatever food/drinks you like, even better bring extra to share/trade.

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## Public Water Supply District (PWSD)

All homeowners and water availability lot owners should have received a letter from the PWSD providing an update on the progress of the new wastewater treatment project and other recent improvements to our water and sewer system. In summary, a new treatment plant will cost \$2.7 million, but governmental grants will pay for approximately 2/3 of the cost. Construction is expected to begin in a year and be complete by the end of 2023. Rates for homeowners will increase by \$256/year and by \$20/yr for water only users. Please contact the PWSD at 573-437-7808 or [office.pwsd1@gmail.com](mailto:office.pwsd1@gmail.com) if have questions, or attend their monthly meetings. PWSD President, Mike Garlock, will attend our annual meeting and give an update.

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## Security Gates

We continue to hold a 100% VOLUNTARY campaign to raise funds to install security gates for our community. If you feel gates would be a benefit this campaign is a way to show your support. Contributions can be made on-line through our website or in person at the office.

The association board recently decided to include a \$5,000 bequest left to our association by longtime resident, Elizabeth Rowe, who passed away almost three years ago to the security gate fund. When the gates are complete a plaque will be included in her honor. With the bequest, the gate fund is up to about \$17,000.

The association board has made a commitment to improve security for our community and installing a first-rate gate system is the key component. The gates will be installed, but if we need to pay for them mostly with association dues it will take longer and may require they be built in stages.

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## Book Club

The PVL Book Club will meet at the Lodge Tuesday, **April 19th**, at 4:30. This month's book is "The Paris Library," by Janet Skevlein Charles. You are welcome to bring your own drinks and/or snacks to share. Email or text Lolli at lolli\_boettcher@yahoo.com or (314) 800-8780 if you have questions.

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## Help Wanted

Our lake association is seeking part-time seasonal security monitor(s) and pool monitor(s).

The ideal security monitor is someone who is familiar with the area and good with people. Duties include manning the entrances and driving the grounds. Your own vehicle/golf cart is required and mileage will be paid. Hours are flexible, but generally geared toward weekends, mornings when fishermen arrive, and evenings. We do not have the budget or personnel to provide security monitors 24/7, but we try to have enough of a presence to serve as a deterrent. Security monitors verify membership and confirm that a visitor is a guest of a member. Security monitors do not confront non-authorized visitors, but ask them to leave. If the non-authorized visitor does not leave the Gasconade County Sheriff is called.

Pool monitors stay at the pool, generally 12:00 to 7:00 when the weather is nice and the pool is open. They insure users are members or guests of members. Pool monitors are not life guards. Light cleaning and light pool maintenance is required at pool opening and closing. Shift lengths are flexible.

Pay is \$11.50/hour for both jobs. Candidates do not need to be members. If interested in earning some extra income and supporting our lake association, email Julia Baker, Julia.l.lewis@gmail.com.

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## Fishing – Need Your Input

For a variety of reasons our lake fish population has been down. Last year we asked anglers to practice catch and release for bass, bluegill, and crappie. And we also asked for help to reduce the invasive drum fish, blue catfish, and flathead catfish by not returning those to the lake. One of the topics of the annual meeting will be whether to continue catch and release for another season. Member input will be sought. If you cannot attend the meeting, please email your thoughts to **peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com** and we insure they are included in the discussion.

## **Opportunity for Exercise and Fresh Air**

Member Mary Thompson is organizing three clean up mornings at the lake and needs volunteers. The days will be Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 12:00. The plan is to clean up around the beach/gazebo area first, then by the Lodge and retaining wall. Please bring your own tools/equipment. If have questions, Mary's number is 573-437-7687.

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## **Lodge/Gazebo Rental**

The PVL Lodge and Gazebo across from the beach are available for members to rent. The cost is \$75/day, with a \$200 security deposit for the Lodge. The Gazebo is \$25/day, with a \$50 security deposit. Check our website for availability and reserve through Kim.

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For future newsletter topics/suggestions please email me (Bob) at oreskovic63090@gmail.com.

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