



Peaceful Valley Property Owners Association Newsletter

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Official Events:

- * **Monday, June 20th, 5:00 PM**, Monthly Public Water Supply District meeting, Lodge
- * **Friday, June 17th, 6:00 PM**, Monthly association board meeting, Lodge

The Pool is Open!

The pool is open 12:00 to 7:00 daily, but will shut down if it is raining or there are thunderstorms in the area.

Review of pool rules:

- Use of the pool is limited to owners/members and their immediate family, or guests accompanied by a member or the member's immediate family. PVL's definition of "immediate family" is children and grandchildren of the member.
- There is a "pool monitor" on duty to check members in. The pool monitor is NOT a lifeguard.
- Children under 14 are not allowed in without an accompanying adult who must stay with the swimmer inside the fence. This is in accordance with our insurance carrier and is non-negotiable. Children 14 and older may enter by themselves.
- Except for service animals, no animal or pet of any type is allowed.
- No glass containers or alcoholic beverages are allowed inside the pool area.
- No cut-offs or street clothes will be worn in the pool. No "cloth" life vests. No inflatable or styrofoam rafts, chairs, or tubes will be allowed in the pool.

The pool rules are for the protection and safety of you, your family, and your guests. Please help our pool monitors in keeping your pool a clean and safe place to swim.

Starting Monday, June 6th, from 1000-1100 there will be Water Aerobics. This will repeat every Monday and Wednesday throughout the summer, weather permitting.

Boating Rules

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 (100 foot minimum) while at speed, jet skiers getting too close to the wake of boats, and movement around the lake not keeping with the counterclockwise rule.

Some other important rules related to boat safety include:

- Displaying red or orange flag when swimmers in the water near the boat. This warns other boats and jet skis to stay clear.
- Swimmers must be within 25 feet of the shore, lake wall, and/or docks.
- Per our association rules, all motorized watercraft must be registered and display the PVL sticker and your member number. The sticker will be issued when the boat/watercraft is registered and dues are paid up. Member numbers are the owner's responsibility. This is one method we have to control non-member boats from using our lake. No guest boats are allowed.



Public Water Supply District Update

The district received \$50,000 from the American Rescue Plan Act. Those funds will be applied toward a booster pump for Skyline Drive. Everything is on track for a new treatment plant to be complete by the end of 2023.

Summer Improvements

Over the next month or two there will be work done to improve our Lake Shore Marina and dredge our beach area. Also gravel will be added and the approach will be smoothed out to the Lake Shore and Dam boat ramps. Please be patient and also avoid those areas when heavy equipment is in use. The multi-year resurfacing and culvert replacement to our seven miles of paved roads is just about complete. All we will be doing for the roads this year is some pothole patching.

Thank you to all who helped pitch in for the May heavy rain clean up.

Book Club

The PVL Book Club will meet Tuesday, June 28th, 4:30, at the Gazebo. This month's book is "Americanah," by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. You are welcome to bring your own drinks and/or snacks to share. Email or text Lolle at lolle_boettcher@ yahoo.com or (314) 800-8780 if have questions.

Security Gate Update

The 100% VOLUNTARY campaign to raise funds to install security gates for our community continues. 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 gate fund is up to almost \$23,000.

The association board has made a commitment to improve security for our community and installing a quality gate system is the key component. The gates will be installed, but if we need to pay for them with association dues it will take longer and may require they be built in stages. The board is currently working to develop a more detailed plan with drawings to share with the members.

Storage Yard



PVL has a free outdoor storage area at the end of Villa Vista Drive where members can store their boats, trailers, and campers. Slots are numbered and they are first come, first serve. The area is unsecure, so store at your own risk. The requirements are that your member number must be on the stored item(s) and that you pass on to the office your slot number and what is being stored (peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com / 573-617-9615). The primary purpose of the storage yard is to store trailers, boats, and campers instead of keeping them on our roadways. The storage yard is not for motorized wheeled vehicles, such as trucks and RVs.

Campground

In case you did not know, PVL has a FREE campground by the dam for member use. The campground has electric and water hook ups and a dump station. It also has fixed bathrooms with showers. There is an on-line reservation system that must be used and members may sign up for up to 14 consecutive days. There is no longer a daily charge for staying more than seven days. More details are on our website.

PVL Library

PVL has its very own library! There is a bookcase in the inside hallway by the Lodge bathrooms for members to borrow books and donate their used books. Check it out.

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.

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 the office.

PVL Challenge

Who is up for a challenge? Walkers, runners, or mountain bikers can make a four mile loop around the lake. The only tricky part is by the spillway. If approaching from the dam, work your way down a small hill, cross the spillway, then zig zag up a steep hill for about 50 yards until you get to the gravel road. The route up the hill is marked with orange stakes. If approaching from Woodson Road, look for the stakes with orange tape. Good luck.



Fishing

The catch and release policy at PVL has been lifted.

Fish size and limits are posted at the lodge and fishing areas, and are updated by the Missouri Department of Conservation.

Paddlefish (or spoonbill) are raised in Peaceful Valley Lake by agreement between our Association and Osage Catfisheries. We allow Osage to raise the paddlefish. In exchange, Osage stocks 500 9"-12' catfish in the lake every year and the association receives a percentage of the profits when they harvest. Because of this agreement, the taking of paddlefish is prohibited.

We ask for your help to reduce the invasive drum fish, blue catfish, and flathead catfish by not returning those to the lake. If you catch a carp, please return.

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