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## **Official Events:**

- \* **Friday, March 17th, 6:00 PM**, Monthly association board meeting, Lodge
- \* **Monday, March 27th, 5:00 PM**, Monthly Public Water Supply District meeting, Lodge

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## **Annual Meeting**

Our annual meeting will be Saturday, **April 22nd, 10:00 AM**, at the Lodge. The purposes of the meeting are to update members on plans for the next 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 30 members must be present to constitute a quorum. We are working on a plan to “Zoom” the meeting for those who cannot attend in person. Those logging in will count toward our 30 member minimum.

One of the items to be discussed at the annual meeting is a change to our association by-laws. As currently written any change to the by-laws requires approval of 2/3 of the total membership. This translates into 314 of our 470 members, a very difficult task to contact enough members every time an update is needed. The proposal will be to allow for 2/3 of those attending the annual meeting to make a change. But to do so we need 2/3 of our total membership approval. Opportunities to vote on an update of by-laws will be sent to members at various times over the next year.

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## **PVL Board Election**

Our lake association is governed by a nine person board. The board, along with our a part-time office manager, part-time maintenance worker, seasonal custodian, seasonal security, seasonal pool monitors, and contracted services keep our lake community of approximately 185 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. Duties and responsibilities of the board include attending monthly meetings and active participation/involvement in our association operations. This year one current board member (Gary Hacker) is term limited. Voting will be held on-line and by mail prior to our Saturday, April 22nd annual meeting. To apply please stop by the office or email Jamie (peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com) to get a short application.

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## **Help Wanted**

Our lake association is seeking a second part-time maintenance worker to supplement our year round part-time worker, Don Gauzy. The position's workload and hours are very flexible, but generally about 15 hours a week from spring to fall, and geared more toward weekends, but not entirely. Pay will be in the \$15/hour range. Duties will include upkeep of our facilities, road maintenance, and some landscaping. The perfect candidate is a member looking to earn extra income while helping to maintain our lake community. If interested, visit, call, or email our office manager Jamie (573-617-9615), peacefulvalleylake@gmail.com.

In addition our association is seeking a part-time custodian worker. This position works 1-2 hours a week during the off season and 3-5 hours per week while the pool is open. Pay for this position is \$13/hour and perfect for a resident looking for some extra income.

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## **Owensville Rural Fire Protective Association (ORFPA)**

PVL non-ambulance emergency service is provided by the Owensville Volunteer Fire Department. This all volunteer department does not receive tax funding outside the city limits of Owensville, membership is required. The annual due is \$58. If a fire department respond is required, to include vehicle accidents, and not a member, cost is \$100 per call and \$500 per hour. Homeowners should have received a letter from the ORFPA. If not, contact Cheryl at 573-437-4308.

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## **Bad Dogs**

Our office has received complaints of dogs running loose and being aggressive toward residents. We do not know who the owners are. Not that we should need a rule to manage common courtesy, but our Association does has a rule that dogs need to be on a leash or fenced. If any member(s) have a problem with a particular dog(s) and are able to identify the owner, please pass on to the office.

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## Burn Pit

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources has been in communication with our association about a problem with our burn pit. The problem is that no centralized burning of yard vegetation can be done if any homes are within 200 yards. There are some work arounds that involve coordinating with the Owensville Fire Department. But for now **DO NOT** place any yard waste (leaves and tree limbs) at the burn pit area if the chain is up. If the chain is down, then it is okay to place your yard waste. In the future we are looking at purchasing a wood chipper and composting, in addition to conducting burns at specific times.

Under no circumstances should any resident start a fire at the burn pit. Doing so risks a fine from the MODNR. The burn pit is monitored with a security camera. In the meantime, residents may continue to burn their own yard waste on their own property. But if do, please apply common sense and be safety conscious.

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## 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, or along the dam. The reason for the 48 hour rule is because there are far more boat owner members then boat slips available. Because our members respect the 48 hour rule there has always been enough dock space available, even on our busy weekends. Last year the Board decided to lease out 4 of the 16 main Lake Shore marina slips. This season we will lease out SIX slips. 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, Jamie Gerloff, to get your name put on the list. So far seven members have requested a boat slip, so there will be a lottery drawing at our annual meeting in April.

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## Street Address Numbers

We plan to place another order of green address number signs. These are helpful for emergency services, deliveries, and guests. If interested, order through Jamie at the office. Cost is \$20, by check made out to PVPOA. Also if you have a green sign or your home number is clearly marked it is okay to remove the unsightly outdated black emergency service sign.



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## PVL Book Club

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 5:00 PM at the Lodge. The book will be "Her Hidden Genius," written by Marie Benedict. If wish, may bring snacks and beverages. Email Lolle at lolle\_boettcher@ yahoo.com if have questions.

## Campground

One of the benefits of PVL membership is free use of our campground. The campground has electric, bathrooms/showers, and a waste pit. Members may reserve a spot for up to 14 consecutive days. Reservations are mandatory and are made through our website.

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## Boater Safety

Missouri law requires all motorized boat and personal water craft operators born 1984 and later (39 years old and younger) pass a State boater safety course. A course can be taken on-line at [www.boat-ed.com/missouri](http://www.boat-ed.com/missouri) for a small fee. Students can be as young as 13.

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. Our lake speed limit is 40 miles per hour. The safety of all our members and their guests is our top priority.

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