

Meramec Valley News

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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

As we are almost halfway into the 2008 camping season, I would like to talk about our children's safety at Meramec Valley.

If you look in our "Share Ownership Rule Book", you will find rules and regulations on keeping our park safe for children.

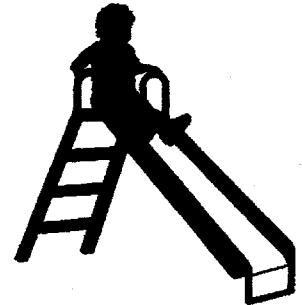
There are about 200,000 children treated in hospital emergency rooms for injuries related to playgrounds. When it comes to swimming pools and hot tubs or saunas, there are state guidelines that apply.

Vehicle safety at Meramec Valley comes under the same rules and laws that apply to the State of Missouri. Vehicle speeds shall not exceed 10 mph or as posted. According to the National Safety Council most accidents that involve children are caused by unattended and unsupervised children.

Let's keep our park safe for our children.

Happy Camping,

Bill Blanner



*Have a Safe and
Happy 4th of*



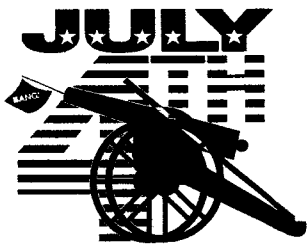
Safety Corner

Hello fellow campers and welcome to the hot days of summer.

Just remember to use plenty of sun block, while in and around the pool.

Drink plenty of water and obey the safety rules of the park. May we all enjoy our park to the fullest without any accidents.

Mike Childres



If YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY

CONTACT 911 if NEEDED

CONTACT Office

1 573 885-2541

If office is

NOT AVAILABLE

CALL

1 800 926-6657

AND

KEY IN

CAMPSITE NUMBER

FROM THE OFFICE

Thank you to those that have paid your dues for the 2008 camping season, As a reminder to those that paid half, the other half is due by August 1st.

The gate system has been a great improvement for the park. We have more members paying these dues to get into the park. Not everyone likes the car tags, but at least guests and non-members are taking that extra step to come in and sign in and get a tag.

Thanks again to all members for trying to make our job in the office run more smoothly.

Have a Great Summer.

Sherry I

ANNUAL AUCTION NOTICE

It was another very successful year for the Auction. All the long hard work that goes into putting this event on was all worth it. The River Rats made \$2,300.00 profit. All this money goes back into the park, and at this time, we are still talking about what to do with the money. We will let everyone know what is being done when the time comes. Thanks to all that came to the Auction and that helped out, and that donated items to the park for the Auction. Without all of this we could not put this event on. We had a real good turn out and it is always so much fun to go home and see just exactly what you bought....

Thanks Again,

ALL THE RIVER RATS

A THANKS YOU TO:

Sherry I and Sherry II in the office. They are always cordial and with the two new computer programs implemented in this busy time of year, they have to juggle even more tasks. It is difficult to remember all the new changes that go with the new computer programs and all the extra work, now that we are open to NON Members. They handle rude people who should know by now, they are to be on a site for 14 days and then MOVE by 2:00pm on the 14th day, very graciously and patiently. June 20th was a very busy day with all the July 4th reservations. That just happened to be the day the gate card repairman decided to come and shut down the phones and computer system at 8:30am, when everyone was trying to call in for their reservations. So be thankful you don't have to walk in their shoes sometimes. **Thank You Sherry I and II and keep up the good work.**

Rose Boehme and Lou Mueller never fail to come and help with the deboning of the turkeys at the Thanksgiving in June dinner. They always help set up and clean up.

Thank You, you hard working girls!

Linda Walsh now Baker for doing the newsletter every month.

Keep up the good work Linda and Thank You.

Susan Mealy

COME JOIN THE FUN AT **Las Vegas Night**

**Saturday
July 7th and July 21st
7:30pm
Adult Center**

Everyone will use the chips that we provide to play the games.
At 9:30pm everyone will use these same chips to bid on prizes.

We will also have a 50/50

Feel free to bring your own drinks and snacks

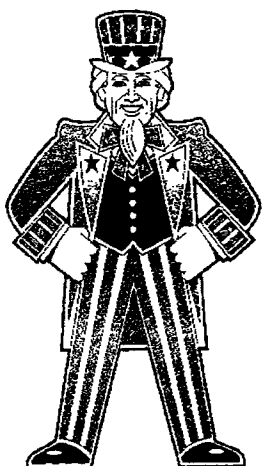


A Blonde's Year in Review

JANUARY - Took new scarf back to store because it was too tight.
FEBRUARY - Fired from pharmacy job for falling to print labels...Helllooo...bottles won't fit in printer.
MARCH - Got really excited...finished jigsaw puzzle in 6 months... box said 2 - 4 years!
APRIL - Trapped on escalator for hours...power went out!
MAY - Tried to make kool-aid...wrong instructions... 8 cups of water won't fit into those little packets!
JUNE - Tried to go water skiing... couldn't find a lake with a slope.
JULY - Lost breaststroke swimming competition... learned later, the other swimmers cheated, they used their arms!
AUGUST - Got locked out of my car in rainstorm...car swamped because soft-top was open.
OCTOBER - Hate M&M's... they are so hard to peel.
NOVEMBER - Baked turkey for 4 1/2 days. Instructions said 1 hour per pound and I weigh 108!
DECEMBER - Couldn't call 911..."Duh"...there's no "eleven" button on the stupid phone!

Welcome New Members

Don & Tammy Reeves
Mike & Trinda Wadsworth
Tom & Carline Boldt
William & Christy Winkler
Robert Voss



**ATTENTION
MEMBERS AND
GUEST
ALL GOLF CARTS
IN THE PARK
MUST BE
REGISTERED
BY JULY 1st
OF EACH YEAR
WITH THE OFFICE
YOU MUST HAVE
PROOF OF
INSURANCE AND
THERE IS A \$10.00
PROCESSING FEE**

Activity Report

We have been pretty busy since our last meeting. First off, I want to thank Linda Walsh for doing her Adult Craft last month. They made greeting cards and today after our meeting is another Adult Craft. It's sure nice to see members getting involved. Linda said she made \$21.00 last month and that it will be used to buy paint for the ceiling in the Adult Center.

We've had a couple Jam Sessions one on May 3rd and one on May 17th. The Deckers sold Hot Dogs, Chips and Soda and also had a 50/50. All profits go back to the park. I'd like to thank: Rose Hasting, Katie Landing and Louise Mueller they all won the 50/50 and donated the money back to the park. They said a lot of people gave extra money for their purchases. The Deckers want to say Thanks to the musicians and their thoughts and prayers are with the gentleman who had a health problem after the Jam Session.

We also had Las Vegas Night. The Deckers made a profit for the park of \$250.00. They had a good turn out and lots of fun. I would like to say "Thank You" to the Deckers. They all really have worked very hard to help out our park. Memorial Day Weekend the pools all opened. We had our 1st golf cart parade and adult BINGO. We also had a D.J. Dance and Mary and Leon Taylor had their puppet show. We had a bad storm come through the park and had a slight delay and then on with the show. The Deckers sold hotdogs and soda again and had a great turn out. Last weekend was our Thanksgiving weekend. I'd like to Thank all those that helped with the Turkeys. I was not there but I understand the Deckers again worked very hard with this event.

Tonight there will be another Las Vegas Night here in the Adult Center.

Next weekend is our Annual Auction, everyone is welcome. It's a lot of fun and boy do we have some good stuff this year!

Bob Leonard

Farewell to All

Kelvin, Edward and myself would like to extend our thanks to all of those who made our stay at Meramec Valley a memorable one. As you know Kelvin has accepted a position back at a previous employment and therefore we found it necessary to leave Meramec Valley Resort as employee's but will be returning as a member. We have made many friends, and and will miss all of your smiling faces and friendly chats. We want to thank all of you for your gifts, cards, well wishes and for all the special times, laughs and memories that we will take with us. It's been great working for all of you, and we will keep you in our hearts and in our prayers. Looking forward to visiting with you all as a member. See you soon.

Again, a special thanks to all.

God Bless,

Joyce, Kelvin and Edward

Attention Members

Would you like to run for the
Board of Directors
See Sherry in the office to
get your name on the list.



Letters TO The Editor

Americanism

*"Americanism is an
unfailing love of country;
loyalty to its institutions
and ideals;
eager to defend it against
all enemies;
undivided allegiance
to the flag;
and a desire to
secure the blessings
of liberty ourselves
and posterity"*



Thought of the Month

"An apology is the
superglue of life.
It can repair just about
anything"

PLEASE SUBMIT
YOUR STORIES, COMMENTS
AND REPORTS BY THE
15TH OF THE MONTH TO:
LINDA BAKER
MERAMEC VALLEY NEWS
1360 HWY. UU
CUBA MO.
65453
OR
SEND E-MAIL TO
MVRNEWS@SBCGLOBAL.NET



Activities

JULY



Friday, July 4th
Adult BINGO
2PM Pavilion

Game Night

6:30PM Adult Center
Bring your favorite game to share.



Saturday, July 5th
Golf Cart Parade

11AM Meet at comfort station #3

DJ Dance

7p.m. Pavilion



Fireworks Display

9:30PM At the Lake



Friday, July 11th

Game Night

6:30PM Adult Center



Saturday, July 12th

Adult Craft

11:00AM Adult Center

We bring all the supplies needed.

The craft will be on display at the office. Limited to 20 crafters sign up early

Fuzz Tail's Birthday

2PM Lodge

Ice cream and cake will be served. So all kids come sing Happy Birthday to Fuzz Tail.



Adult Horseshoes

Las Vegas Night

7:30 PM Adult Center

Friday, July 18th

Game Night

6:30PM Adult Center



Camper Decorating Contest

For Christmas and win a nice prizes.



Las Vegas Night

7:30 PM Adult Center

Saturday, July 19th

Board Meeting

10:00AM Adult Center



Kids Carnival

11:30AM - 1PM Pavilion



Friday, July 25th

Game Night

6:30PM Adult Center

Saturday, July 26th

Christmas In July

2 PM Lodge

For ages 0 - 10
Christmas Party with Santa



AUGUST

Friday, August 1st

Game Night

Saturday, August 2nd

Adult Horseshoes

Friday, August 8th

Game Night

Saturday, August 9th

Board Meeting

Adult Horseshoes

Live Band "Punch Line"

Friday, August 15th

Game Night

Saturday, August 16th

Baseball Weekend

Las Vegas Night

Friday, August 22nd

Game Night

Saturday, August 23rd

Wine & Chese Party

Friday, August 29th

Game Night

Saturday, August 30th

Golf Cart Parade

Adult BINGO

Adult Horseshoes

D J Dance

Sunday, August 31st

Las Vegas Night

Pick up your kld's activities sheet in the office