

# MERAMEC VALLEY CAMP RESORT JUNE 2009 NEWSLETTER

## From Your President

I can't believe June is here already. That means that 2009 is half gone and that we are into the busy season here at Meramec Valley. We have had activity in members selling 3 EA sites so far. We have had 12 members come back and we have sold 1 new membership already on Memorial Day weekend. This is good news for Meramec Valley. Members have had great things to say about the changes and improvements in the park. The word is out that we are moving in the right direction again. Float trips will once again be offered at Meramec Valley. Check with the office to find out when reservations will be available. We are shooting for the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of June. We are also looking into offering tickets and shuttle service to the Music Theater in Steelville and possibly winery tour trips. Watch the website and bulletin boards for updates.

With the busy season we are also seeing a few members test the new Manager the new Board of Directors and our commitment to enforcing the rules. The thing everyone must remember is that we have 102 acres of park to cover with all new staff. It is impossible for a staff person or Board Member to be everywhere and see everything. If anyone sees a violation please report it to the Office, the Park Manager or any Board Member. I promise you it will be dealt with as soon as possible. Issues regarding the safety of our members and guests will take priority.

The most broken rules are:

- 1) Glass in the pool area. There are no glass containers of any kind allowed in the pool area.

- 2) Riding on the tailgate or bed rails, trunk deck etc.
- 3) Using profanity or making lewd remarks. Anyone using profanity or making lewd remarks will be removed from the park immediately.
- 4) Drinking in excess. Anyone who becomes a public nuisance do to being in a drunken state will be dealt with by local law enforcement. We must all remember that we are all here to have fun but if your type of fun ruins the fun for other members it will not be tolerated.

I am sure it is going to be a **GREAT** season at Meramec Valley for 3 reasons. 1) We have the best park in Missouri. 2) We have the best staff. 3) We have the greatest Members

**Deter Matlock, President**  
**Meramec Valley Board of Directors**

### Items wanted

Clear wine glasses - no crystal please

You can drop these off at the office for either Kim Zweifel or Michele Matlock to pick up.

**ALL members** are encourage to attend the Monthly Board Meetings – Check the 2009 Activities Calendar for dates, times and location. These are very informative meetings as this is where you find out what's going on in the park.

### VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS WELCOME

If you are interested in volunteering your time, talents or items for any of the yearly activities, please let Michele Matlock or Kim Zweifel know.

**Just a reminder from Greg Zweifel**

- Don't forget to CHECK IN and CHECK OUT
- Obey posted speed limit since kids are at play,
- Only licensed drivers can operate golf carts,
- No riding on tailgates, in trunks or on trunk lids,
- Pick up after your pet(s),
- Don't leave pets outside while you're gone,
- Keep your site tidy, leave the site clean for the next person to enjoy

**If you see something in the park that might be a danger or hazard, PLEASE report this to either a Board Member or to Billy Hulett, Park Manager**

Been to the store yet? How many times do you forget something? Before you run to town for that package of hot dog buns, or the charcoal that you "thought" you had in the camper, or something to do with your little one inside the camper because it's rainy, come in and check the store. We **may** have just what you're looking for. If you have any suggestions for the store, put them in the suggestion box in the Lodge.

**Don't forget your vehicle's window tag. It's a sign you have checked in at the office. Every vehicle must have a tag displayed.**

**IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY, CALL 911, THEN CALL THE OFFICE AT 573-885-2541. IF THE OFFICE IS CLOSED, CALL THE AFTER HOURS PHONE AT 573-205-9054. IN EITHER CASE, LET THE PERSON WHO ANSWERS OUR RESORT PHONE KNOW THAT 911 HAS BEEN CALLED AND GIVE HIM OR HER THE SITE # OF THE EMERGENCY.**

**MAY ACTIVITIES UPDATE**

May 22, 23, 24,25 **MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND** - During this weekend, we had a golf cart parade, and bingo. Unfortunately, the puppet show had to be postponed due to a conflict with some of the puppeteers and graduation. This will be rescheduled at a later date. Due to the rain, the Street Dance was rained out. There were several cars in the park, but didn't stick around once it began raining. Deter, Billy and Billy's band played from 4-6:30, followed by karaoke. Everyone seemed to have a great time

May 29, 30, 31 **MERAMEC VALLEY MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND** - This was the Luau weekend for all the moms in the park. Beth Zweifel, Greg and Kim's daughter, gave massages by appointment. Beth gave \$30 back to the park, which was  $\frac{1}{2}$  of what she collected. There were 51 adults and 4 kids that joined us for dinner. Unfortunately, the entertainment planned was cut short, but it seemed like everyone enjoyed themselves while it lasted.

If anyone has any ideas for activities for next year, please let us know by sending me an email through the Meramec Valley website or dropping your idea in the suggestion box in the Lodge.

Michele Matlock/Kim Zweifel  
Activities Committee

**WANT TO MAKE \$500?**

Effective 4-18-2009 YOU CAN MAKE \$500 if you, a member, bring in a new member. A new member who buys a membership from the park, not a member to member sale or transfer, and mentions the current member's name who referred them to the park, the current member, will receive a **\$500.00** referral fee.

### SNACK SHACK

Great food, great friends and great prices..... Have you been there yet? It's so convenient for breakfast, lunch, dinner or just a quick snack.

Mon., Tues. & Thurs. - 8AM to 8PM  
Fri. & Sat. - 8AM to 10PM  
Sun. - 8AM to 6PM

### ACTIVITIES - JUNE

- June 5, 6, 7 **Teen Night at the Pavilion** Friday, June 6, 7:00 - 10:00PM, bring your cd's, listen to music and meet new friends. **ICE CREAM AND POPSICLE SOCIAL**, Saturday, June 6 at 2:00PM, See weekend activities sheet. **Kid's Activities and Adult Horseshoes** - See weekend activities sheet
- June 12, 13, 14 **MERAMEC VALLEY FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND-Dad's and Kid's Father's Day Fishing Derby, Saturday, June 13**, bring your tackle boxes, bait and fishing rods. Catch the white catfish and win a prize. **Steak Night**, Saturday, June 13 at 6:00PM at the Pavilion. There will be a charge for dinner. You **must** sign up and purchase your tickets at the office by June 7. Kids menu available. **Tickets are required for dinner.** Kid's Activities and Adult Horseshoes - See weekend activities sheet
- June 19, 20, 21 **Friday, June 19** at 8:00AM, you can make your **JULY 4 WEEKEND RESERVATIONS**, even if it's not your guaranteed holiday, **Monthly Board Meeting**, Saturday, June 20 at 10:00AM in the Adult Center. **Open to all members.** **Kid's Activities and Adult Horseshoes** - See weekend activities sheet. **Sunday, June 21 - HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all the Dads**
- June 26, 27, 28 **ANNUAL AUCTION WEEKEND**, Saturday, June 27 at 7:00PM at the Pavilion. Bring your items that are in good condition to the pavilion for the Auction. Hot dogs, soda and popcorn will be for sale during the Auction. Get there early to get your number for bidding. **Kid's Activities and Adult Horseshoes** - See weekend activities sheet

### Sneak Peak at July's Activities

#### Check the calendar for more details

- July 3, 4, 5 **JULY 4 WEEKEND** - Teen Night at the Pavilion, Golf Cart Parade, DJ Dance, Fireworks Display,
- July 10, 11, 12 **THANKSGIVING DINNER WEEKEND** -
- July 17, 18, 19 **Monthly Board Meeting, KID'S CARNIVAL WEEKEND, Fuzz Tail's Birthday,**
- July 24, 25, 26 **CHRISTMAS IN JULY, Kid's Activities and Adult Horseshoes,**
- July 31 August 1, 2**NEW YEAR'S EVE**, Saturday, August 1, 7:00-11:00PM. Adult Horseshoes, **Special Evening Kid's Activities**, Bring your beverage and an appetizer to share with friends, and listen/dance to music. "Midnight" will be at 9:00PM so little ones can celebrate with mom and dad. There will be a nominal charge for noise-makers, hats and champagne toast at "midnight". You **must** sign up and purchase your tickets at the office by July 26. See weekend activities sheet.

Hello? Can you hear me now? Is anyone out there in the park that has something for the newsletter?

I have volunteered to assemble the monthly newsletter for Meramec Valley. I feel this newsletter can be very informative and could be a great avenue for news at and about the park. However, without input from the membership, I don't have much to assemble. Again, if anyone has **anything** they'd like to be put in the newsletter, please send it to me or put your story, article, etc. in the suggestion box in the Lodge.

Thank you,  
Michele Matlock  
[mdbagsby@hotmail.com](mailto:mdbagsby@hotmail.com)

### Did you enter the raffle yet?

Kim Zweifel will be assembling groups of items to raffle throughout the season. Check often at the office to see what's being raffled. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.