

MERAMEC VALLEY CAMP RESORT MAY 2009 NEWSLETTER

From Your President

Well here we are April is almost over. We had a great turn out for Easter weekend. We had 19 children in the Easter egg hunt and 7 families in the first ever family hunt for the golden egg. This was a scavenger type hunt for eggs with clues to the next egg and the golden egg at the end. It was a hit and will be returning next year. The new culvert is done except for the railing. The baby pool got a complete makeover. When cleaning started on the baby pool it all but started falling apart. We now have a rebuilt baby pool and it looks great !!!!! All it needs is paint. The dive pool is filling as I am writing this article and the big pool is ready for paint. The mini golf course is also getting a face lift. The rails are all being painted and soon we will have new greens down. The rainy weather has been slowing much of the work down but we are getting there. The water is on every where in the park but bath houses 2 and 3 had a rough winter. We are working on repairing several split pipes in both of these bath houses and as of today bath house 2 should be open Wednesday or Thursday. Bath house 3 might be open by this weekend. If a site is found to be left without being clean up there will be a \$30.00 site clean up fee.

You need to make sure you check out the store. It has been given an update in inventory and pricing. We have more items and lower prices. We now have fountain soda also. If you have forgotten something, give the store a look - you might just find it there and save yourself a drive into town. If you have a suggestion for the store inventory put a suggestion in the suggestion box and we will try to get it on the shelf.

Make sure you get to the **Snack Shack** next time you are in the park. The menu has been updated to

include many new items including **Pizza !!!**
The Snack Shack is under new management this year and the food is **GREAT !!!**

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

ACTIVITIES – APRIL

On April 4 we had 19 kids participate in the Easter Egg Hunt. We had 1 winner in each of the age groups. They were Trevor Lanini (age 11), Justin Stratmann (age 8), and Trevor Lyons (age 4). Everyone had a great time and they look forward to next year. After the kids egg hunt, we had a scavenger hunt for families/adults. Jennette Jenkins found the egg and donated the winnings of \$35 back to the park, which paid for the candy for the kids.

On April 24, we had Spring Week-end Spring Clean Up. We served Danish, muffins, brownies, juice and coffee before the clean up began. Once underway, the playground was painted, the deck was stained and sealed, the Council Fire Pit was cleaned and countless other jobs were done. Thanks to all that helped in the clean up and to Linda Baker for providing a great dinner for us.

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

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
Memorial weekend -
Fri., Sat. & Sun - 8AM to 10PM,
but may remain open if busy.

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.

ACTIVITIES FOR MAY

May 1, 2, 3 Kid's Activities and Adult Horseshoes

May 8, 9, 10 Friday, May 8, you can make your Memorial Day Weekend Reservations even if it's not your guaranteed holiday,
Kid's Activities
Adult Horseshoes
Sunday, May 10, HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

May 15, 16, 17 **Monthly Board Meeting**,
Saturday, April 18 at 10AM
in the Adult Center. these are open to all members.
Kid's Activities
Adult Horseshoes

May 22, 23, 24, 25 **MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND**
Saturday, May 23 - pool opens at 11AM.
Golf Cart Parade at 11AM
Adult Bingo (Sat. & Sun. at 2 PM)
Kid's Activities
Adult Horseshoes
Sunday, May 24 - 50's Street Dance

May 29, 30, 31 **MERAMEC VALLEY MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND**
Make something special for mom from 8-10AM
Luau Dinner (You must sign up and purchase your ticket(s) at the Lodge by Sunday May 25. In order for this to be economically feasible, we need to have at least 30 people purchase tickets. We might roast a pig).
Evening Kid's Activities
Adult Horseshoes

Sneak Peak at June's Activities *Check the calendar for more details*

June 5, 6 7 Teen Night
Ice Cream/Popsicle Social
Kid's Activities
Adult Horseshoes

June 12, 13, 14 Meramec Valley Father's Day Weekend
Kids Activities
Adult Horseshoes

June 19, 20, 21 Board Meeting
Kid's Activities
Adult Horseshoes

June 26, 27, 28 Annual Auction
Kid's Activities
Adult Horseshoes

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. I have received information from only one member to date. Again, if anyone has anything they'd like to be put in the newsletter, please send it to Deter Matlock or put your story, article, etc. in the suggestion box in the Lodge.

Thank you,
Michele Matlock

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.