



Friday Update December 5, 2014

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Mission Statement:

The Pacific Area Chamber of Commerce is a partnership with businesses, government and the community whose mission is to:

- Promote the community
- Be a voice for business
- Encourage economic growth of new and existing businesses

The New Year is close!

As of the first of the year, the Chamber will be having MONTHLY luncheons! Our January 23rd general membership luncheon will be held at the Opera House.

And don't forget our quarterly Before and After Hours events!!

Resources for Chamber and Community info:

Pacific Area Chamber of Commerce:

www.pacificchamber.com

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City of Pacific:

<http://www.pacificmissouri.com/>

Pacific Partnership:

<http://www.pacific-partnership.org/>

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City of Pacific Schedule

December 2nd – Board of Aldermen at 7pm

December 9th – Planning & Zoning at 7pm

December 9th – Tourism Commission at 1pm

December 16th – Board of Alderment at 7pm

City Hall with the exception of the Police Department will be closed on December 24-25 and January 1st.

Upcoming Chamber and Community Events...

December 7th – Holiday Shopping Extravaganza, Osage West Plaza, 1pm-4pm (*vendor list available on community calendar at www.pacificchamber.com*)

December 10th – Ribbon Cutting for Vapor Trails, 123 E. St. Louis St, 11:00am

December 13th – Christmas on the Plaza, Pacific Station Plaza, 6pm-8pm [Pacific Partnership](#)

January 23rd – General Membership Luncheon, Opera House (3rd floor Brew Haus), 11:45-1:00 **RSVP to Tiffany @ 636-271-6639 or exdir@pacificchamber.com**

January 24th – Piano's For A Purpose, Pacific Eagles, 6pm-10pm **contact the Chamber for tickets or sponsorship opportunities.**

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day...

On August 23, 1994, United States Congress, designated December 7 of each year as National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. National Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day is to remember and honor all those who died in the attack on Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941.

It is a tradition to fly the Flag of the United States at half-staff until sunset in honor of dead patriots.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941 America's naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii was attacked by aircraft and submarines of the Imperial Japanese Navy, killing 2,403 American military personnel and civilians and injuring 1,178 others. The attack sank four U.S. Navy battleships and damaged four more. It also damaged or sank three cruisers, three destroyers, and one minelayer. Aircraft losses were 188 destroyed and 159 damaged.

Heads up...

The Pacific Area Chamber of Commerce and Pacific License Office will be close on December 24th – 25th for the Christmas Holiday!! We will also be closed on January 1st for New Years!

Happy Holidays!!



Shop Local

Meramec Valley Gift Certificates

“Chamber Bucks”

- Over 40 participating locations listed on the back of the gift certificate
- Spend just like cash!!!
- Come in increments of \$5, \$10, & \$25
- Businesses are refunded dollar for dollar

Stop in at Pacific Area Chamber of Commerce to purchase your MVGC today!



Quote of the week...

The truth is that stress doesn't come from your boss, your kids, your spouse, traffic jams, health challenges, or other circumstances. It comes from your thoughts about these circumstances.

Andrew Bernstein, author and a professor of philosophy

Local News Sources...

Missourian
Current News Magazine

For Sale/Rent...

Coldwell Banker Premier.
Summit Valley Apartments

Sales/Deals Around Town

Ann Michelle Photography
Taz T's & More
McDonald's App

2014 Christmas Adopt-A-Family Program

Agape House, Inc.
Cleta Null - Chairperson
1463 Highway 100
Pacific, MO 63069
(636) 742-2244

It's time to begin the 23rd year of helping families and children in need during the holidays. The 2013 Adopt-A-Family program helped 581 families with over 2,500 children and 125 senior citizens and nursing home patients. Diapers, car seats and strollers were donated to Pregnancy Assistance. We gave out approximately 300 bicycles to every child that asked for one. Not a single person who requested assistance was turned away.

We want you to be a part of this wonderful and worthwhile program. There are 2 ways to get involved:

1. The Adopt-A-Family Program can provide you with the names of families that you can help directly by providing food and gifts.
2. You can donate gifts, toys and clothing to us for distribution.

Items may be donated to the address above or by contacting one of these people:

Cleta Null (636) 742-2244 or **Brenda McDaniel** (636) 271-5315

Items Needed Include:

New clothes, toys and gift items for infants, preschoolers, school-aged children and teenagers. Cash donations are also accepted and put to good use.

Families needing assistance may submit applications to: Agape House, Meramec Valley Schools, Mission Community Church or contact one of the people listed above.

Pacific United Methodist Men's Club Christmas Tree Lot

Where: Pigg's Pets, 1710 W Osage, Pacific

When: From November 22nd to December 23rd (or we run out of trees!)

Hours:	Sun	None to 7pm
	M-Thu	2pm to 7pm
	Fri	3pm to 8pm
	Sat	9am to 7pm

Tree types: Scotch Pine
Frasier Fir
Balsam
Balsam Fir



TAX CREDITS AVAILABLE THROUGH ALIVE

We wanted to share the good news! ALIVE, Inc. has been awarded \$105,621 dollars in tax credits, administered through the Missouri Department of Economic Development. We're pleased to offer you the use of the tax credits on a "first come, first serve" basis.

As you know, ALIVE is a non-profit agency serving adults and children impacted by domestic abuse. In FY13/14, we served a total of 2,783 adults and children. We answered 9,138 crisis calls; provided emergency shelter for 292 adults and 366 children, totaling 5,180 Nights of Safety.

With your donation, you are guaranteed a 50% credit on your Missouri tax liability. Instead of paying taxes to the State, you can make a charitable donation to ALIVE in the form of cash, stocks, bonds, or real estate. In addition, you get the regular charitable deduction on your federal income tax as well.

Please consider a donation for families in Franklin County and St. Louis in order that they may receive the necessary services they require when they are most in need. NAP credits cost us nothing, but with your support of our mission, they could mean everything to an adult or child.

If you have any questions regarding tax credits, please call Maggie Menefee our Executive Director at 314-993-7080.

Cathy Covington
Crisis Intervention Coordinator/Court Advocate
ALIVE, Inc.

Special Community Message:

Kaleidoscope Consignment

Please help us help the families in our area....



As the need for assistance in our area increases we are finding that our area is in desperate need for food in our pantries. We are pitching in to help this situation. Bring in 3 nonperishable food items and we will give you 5% off your purchase. This will be going on until Christmas. Please help us feed everyone in our community! We would like to challenge all the businesses in Pacific join us in this fundraiser!

December 4th

Christmas Social and Community Awards

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Christmas Social last night! Hope everyone enjoyed the music by Spanky Entertainment and our very own PHS Jazz Band! Thanks to the Eagles for once again giving us a place to meet and a good meal.

I just want to say “thank you” to our Board Members who are coming off the Chamber Board in January. Joyce Couch of Husky Corp., Jack Bone of First Christian Church, and our President, Tim Baker. Your service to the Chamber and our community is invaluable!

Congratulations to the Chambers newest board members:

- Adam Krauss – D’Angelos Pizzeria
- Beth Bowers – Shelter Insurance
- Rick Presley – Presley’s Glass

And welcome back to board member Joshua Sachs of Bank Star. Josh has been re-elected for another 3 year term.

2014 Community Awards were handed out to following people last night:

- Pioneer of the Pacific Business Community Award – Mary Ellen Baker
- Citizen of the Year Award – Phil Hardcastle
- Chamber Member of the Year – Douglas Straatmann
- Business of the Year – Janet Groom for Wayside South LLC

Finally, I want to say Thank You to Pauline Mason of the Missourian for giving out the First Responder Awards! The First Responders in our area are some of the best and we’re all grateful for everything they do to educate our children and keep our community a safe place to live.

I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and safe New Year!! I look forward to 2015 and am excited about our communities’ future. We have a healthy start going forward and potential for much more growth and success!

