

PACIFIC UPDATE

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Message From Mayor Filley

Picture of "Muffins with the Mayor"
at Coleman Elementary School.



As the year ends, I am filled with gratitude and pride at the remarkable accomplishments we have achieved together in 2024. It has been extraordinary year of growth, resilience, and unity for our beloved city.

I want to thank each of you for your contributions to our community. Whether through volunteering, participating in city events, supporting local businesses, or simply being good neighbors, your dedication to the betterment of Pacific is truly inspiring.

This year, we have made strides in several key areas such as community development, infrastructure, economic growth and community engagement. We underwent a major lift station project, several street projects, new businesses and homes, and many events and parades.

Where our community really came together was with the flood in November. Volunteers showed up from near and far to help fill sandbags and deliver them to those who were in need. Some local businesses, as well as one in our neighboring town of Eureka, brought food and drinks to the volunteers. We were very fortunate to not have the major flooding we were expecting, but had we, our community was prepared.

As we celebrate this festive season and look towards a new year, may we continue fostering a spirit of compassion, collaboration, and hopeful ambition for our city. It is a privilege to serve as your Mayor, and I look forward to working with all of you in the coming year to make Pacific an even better place to live, work, and thrive.

Your Mayor,
Heather





Jefferey White Memorial Skate Park coming soon...



The City of Pacific has been awarded a \$240,572 grant through the Land and Water Conservation Fund to move forward with building the Jefferey White Memorial Skate Park!

In 2012, US Army SPC Jeffrey L. White was killed in action while deployed with the 501st Airborne in Afghanistan. He was a local PHS graduate and avid skateboarder. Many of his friends and family came up with the idea of building a skate park in his honor. They teamed up with the City of Pacific, then worked hard to raise 25% of the approx. \$500,000 needed to memorialize our fallen hero. The City of Pacific applied for the grant and will be supplying the other 25% of the grant match.

The skate park will be constructed into the hillside by the gazebo across from the pool at Pacific City Park. The skate park is to be completed by Fall of 2026!



Picture of proposed skate park, designed by American Ramp Company.

Final design to be created now that funding has been approved. Stay tuned!



Christmas on 66

On Saturday, December 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., families, friends, and neighbors are invited to gather at Red Cedar Inn, 1047 E Osage Street, for a festive day of holiday activities, food, and community cheer. Best of all, entry is free for everyone!

The event includes an array of holiday-themed activities to delight visitors of all ages. A main highlight for children is the chance to meet Santa and Mrs. Claus. Parents are encouraged to bring their cameras for an opportunity to capture this holiday memory. A bouncy house, face painting, and other fun activities will be available to keep young guests entertained. An adorable petting zoo featuring baby goats will allow kids to meet and pet some friendly animals. Holiday enthusiasts can also explore a model train display. For kids 12 and under, Christmas on 66 has prepared free goodie bags filled with holiday treats and surprises. All ages can browse a variety of vendors at a mini Christmas market, offering unique gifts and local finds. Saucy's Pizza will be selling hot pizzas. The Lions Club will be grilling up favorite classics: hot dogs and hamburgers and Coffey's Coffee will sell coffee and hot chocolate.

Christmas on 66 is organized by community volunteers and local businesses to create a memorable experience for Pacific and the surrounding area. Held at the iconic Red Cedar Inn, this event also serves as a tribute to the historic charm and community spirit of Pacific.

Vote in our Holiday Decorating Contest!

It's the 3rd year of our annual Holiday Decorating Contest, and the City is aglow with Christmas spirit! Residents and businesses have gone all out, decorating their homes and buildings to create dazzling displays that light up Pacific.

Now it's your turn to join the fun! Vote for your favorite decorated home and business—these participants are proud of their hard work, and your vote can help encourage their holiday creativity. Simply scan the QR code below or visit the Red Cedar Inn & Tourism Facebook page to find the voting link.

Let's keep the festive holiday feeling going strong! And if you know someone who didn't enter this year, be sure to encourage them to join in the competition next year.

Help us celebrate the season and recognize those who make our community shine!



Scan here to vote for your favorite!

CITY OF PACIFIC NOTICE OF FILING FOR APRIL 2025 ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the City of Pacific will hold the annual election on Tuesday, April 8, 2025 for the purpose of electing the following:

- One Alderman for Ward One - Two-year term
- One Alderman for Ward Two - Two-year term
- One Alderman for Ward Three - Two-year term
- City Marshal - Unexpired one-year term

Filing for said offices opens Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. in the office of the City Clerk, 300 Hoven, Pacific, Missouri and continues during regular business hours from 8:00 a.m. thru 5:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. Office will be closed December 24th & 25th, 2024 for Christmas.

Filing will close Tuesday, December 31, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Let's be trained and ready

Disasters present in a variety of types, sizes and timeframes. Experience indicates preparing in advance provides the best insurance that their impact can be managed more effectively. Reality says the more trained volunteers a community has, the better the real-time crises and post-incident recovery will flow.

Pacific Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) is seeking to organize a trained, local group of civic-minded volunteers who would serve, if available, at a time of need. Potential volunteer situations include a flood or tornado event, staffing a heating/cooling center, or search-and-rescue support. Other possible volunteer scenarios include Special Event operations, staffing a resource center and obtaining storm damage assessment data.

When an unplanned situation occurs, "many hands make light work". All training received can be applied in many settings, not just for Pacific at-large. If you'd like to explore how you can get involved to make a positive difference, please send your name, cell and if you already have some training/interest/certifications on a relevant topic to ema@pacificmissouri.com. An informational meeting will be scheduled (Spring?) to discuss details, opportunities, requirements, and more. Thanks in advance for caring. #TogetherSTRONG

Join the Red Cedar Inn Team and Make an Impact!

The Red Cedar Inn is looking for dedicated volunteers to help bring our events and community outreach to life! From hands-on event assistance to sharing the story of the Red Cedar Inn at local gatherings, your time and energy can make a real difference!

From our Teen and Adult Easter Egg Hunt to working the front gate at the Rodeo, assisting with Fall Festival booths, and much more, there are countless ways to get involved.

With so many opportunities, there's something for everyone. Email Kelly O'Malley at komalley@pacificmissouri.com today to learn more about how you can contribute. Let's make every event unforgettable!



**THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES RECENTLY
CHOSE PACIFIC AND WE'RE PROUD TO
WELCOME THEM TO OUR COMMUNITY!**



Camila's at the Royal
Winehouse 66
Pacific Sweet shop
G's House of Flavors
Rt 66 Goodies
Pacific Nails Spa
121 N. 4th LLC
Songbird LLC
Pacific Childcare

Welcome
 TO
PACIFIC

The City of Pacific would like to give a shout out and thanks to PHS DECA students for cleaning up Pacific City Park and Brush Creek in November. This initiative was part of operation Missouri Stream Team.



New Year, New Trash Service for Pacific

We are pleased to announce that Meridian Waste will be our new residential trash collection service provider, starting January 1, 2025. This change comes as part of our ongoing commitment to improve waste management services, enhance sustainability efforts, and provide reliable service to our community.

Key Information:

Service Start Date: January 1, 2025

Collection Days:

Service Guidelines: See the flyer 



Pictured above you will see Mayor Filley and Tourism Director O'Malley accepting an award for Red Cedar Inn from St. Louis Historic Buildings Commission. The award was for exemplary work in preservation and rehabilitation of Red Cedar Inn.

This is the third award Red Cedar Inn has earned since reopening as a museum and tourism center in August 2023. Great job to the Red Cedar Inn staff!

Join Pacific's Route 66 Centennial Celebration!

The City of Pacific is gearing up for the Route 66 Centennial, and we want you to be part of the excitement! Whether you're a business owner or resident, there are plenty of ways to get involved and celebrate this historic milestone.

We'll be hosting two informational meetings on January 22nd at City Hall to share the different projects and opportunities available.

Meeting times will be announced on the Red Cedar Inn & Tourism Facebook page, so stay tuned. This is your chance to make Pacific shine as we celebrate the legacy of Route 66. Don't miss out—join us and help make history!

Update 2024-A

City of Pacific Collection Guidelines

Refer to this overview for basic information about your services and visit MeridianWaste.com/Pacific for the latest news and updates to guidelines and collection schedules.

Prepare for Pickup

Set Out Time: Place carts curbside the night before or no later than **6:00 AM** on collection day to ensure service.

Materials: All waste materials must be **INSIDE** the provided cart (i.e., garbage in the garbage cart, recycling in the recycling cart). Items placed outside the cart will **NOT** be collected. (An extra 96-gallon cart may be requested for an additional fee.) To help contain litter, please bag waste before placing it in the garbage cart. Do **NOT** bag recycling.

Weight Limits: Carts **CANNOT** exceed sixty (60) lb. each.

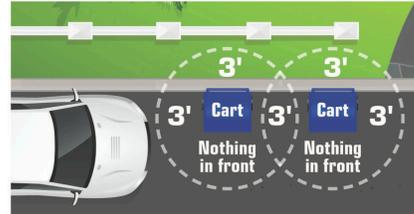
Holiday Schedule

If the holiday falls on or prior to your regular collection day, pickup will be delayed by one day through the end of that week. If the holiday falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the collection schedule will **NOT** be affected.

Holidays Observed: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

Cart Placement

Carts **MUST** be **LESS THAN three (3) ft.** from the curb and **MUST** be **AT LEAST three (3) ft. away** from any standing object (this includes mailboxes, vehicles, and other waste containers).



More Information: MeridianWaste.com/Pacific
Email: CustomerCareMO@MeridianWaste.com
Phone: (314) 291-3131



**HAZARDOUS WASTE IS
NOT PERMITTED**

Garbage

- Collected **weekly**
- 96-gallon Meridian Waste cart.
- Only the contents within the trash cart are collected; no materials left outside the cart will be collected.
- Additional carts available for service fee of \$5.00 per month for each additional cart or \$4.00 for seniors.
- **Materials Accepted:** Containerized, non-hazardous municipal solid waste.

Recycling

- Collected **weekly**
- 64-gallon Meridian Waste cart.
- Only the contents within the recycling cart are collected; no materials left outside the cart will be collected.
- Additional carts available for service fee of \$5.00 per month for each additional cart or \$4.00 for seniors.
- **NO** plastic bags, plastic films, or construction materials. Do **NOT** bag recyclable materials.

Bulky Waste/White Goods

- One item per month at no cost and must be scheduled in advance. Additional items are \$30 per item.
- To schedule collection, call Customer Care at (314) 291-3131.
- **Materials Accepted:** Large items like toilets, sinks, mattresses, carpet, furniture, large toys, bicycles, stoves, washers, dryers, refrigerators, and other similar items.
- **Weight Limit:** Safe for two people to pick up.



Get your income taxes prepared for FREE!

The Gateway EITC Community Coalition, a non-profit organization, offers free tax preparation services for households earning less than \$67,000. Visit our free tax preparation sites at the Timbers in Eureka or Tri-County Senior Center in Pacific, where our IRS-trained and certified preparers will complete and e-file your tax return at no cost. Choose a direct deposit to receive your refund in just 7-10 days. For more information, visit www.gatewayeitc.org or call 314-539-4062. The appointment Coordinator will be available starting January 14, 2025. Call 630-909-9357 to schedule appointments. Tax preparation will begin on February 4 at the TriCounty Senior Center and Feb 5, at The Timbers.

Tri County Senior Center
800 W. Union Street
Pacific, MO 63069
Tuesdays 9am-11:30am Appointments required

The Timbers of Eureka
1 Coffey Park Lane
Eureka, MO 63025
Wednesdays 9am-11:30am Appointments required

Are you “winter” ready?

Ready or not, Winter is around the corner. With this comes not only fun and joy if you love what Mother Nature brings, but also a set of possible risks and dangers. Below is a reminder list of actions we all can take to help ensure we are not victims of the upcoming season.

- House maintenance, e.g. service the furnace, space heaters, check the smoke & CO2 detectors, fireplace/flue cleaning, disconnect hoses from outside spickets, etc.
- Proper clothing and accessories – for us humans and our pets
- Vehicle preparation (e.g. tires, locks) and maintenance (e.g. battery, fluids, wipers)
- Fire extinguisher checks
- Signs/symptoms of frostbite and hypothermia
- Park off-street if possible, to aid plowing
- Know your physical limits for shoveling
- Hydration and outside time management
- Preparation for extended electric outages, e.g. blankets, flashlights, food, water
- Correct use of quality electrical cords and lights
- Check in on your neighbors, especially the vulnerable, young and elderly
- Employers may create a Winter Weather Policy for employees and customers
- Have multiple means of obtaining emergency, real-time alerts
- Validate your ICE contacts, and your family Communications and Emergency Plans



Pacific’s Emergency Management Agency (PEMA) wishes you Happy Holidays and winter season. Be #PacificSAFE

City crews are ready when Old Man Winter comes to call

Let it snow? City snowplow drivers might not necessarily agree, but if it happens, City crews will be ready. The City has five trucks with plows and salt spreaders ready to deal with the winter weather. The City’s response typically starts with the hillside areas first, which are pre-treated with salt as winter weather approaches. Once the snow starts falling, the main arterial roads take top priority: Highway N / Congress, Old Gray Summit Road, Thornton Road, Payne Street, Lamar Parkway, Indian Warpath. Secondary roads are next on the list: Union Street, 4th Street, Cedar Drive, Columbus Street, Olive Street, Industrial Drive / Candlewick, Integram Drive. Neighborhood and subdivision streets are cleared once the main routes are passable.

Residents are reminded that Osage Street through the City is a MoDOT route. 1st Street, Viaduct, Highway OO and Hogan Road are also MoDOT routes. The City assists with these routes as necessary, especially in an emergency, but MoDOT has first responsibility.

Yard Waste Do’s and Don’ts

Brush and yard waste are picked up by city crews on the first week of the month. To arrange a pickup, call the maintenance building, 636-257-2163, and leave a message with your address to be added to the pickup list. Help us keep debris off of the roads, sidewalks and out of the storm system.

Section 525.100 of the city code reads:

No person shall sweep any dust, dirt, leaves, limbs or any refuse or rubbish whatever from any building, store, yard or premises of any kind or character, upon or into the sidewalks, streets, alleys or other public ways in the City.



City crews often work 12-hour shifts in a major snowstorm event. While the City does not have any designated snow routes subject to enforcement, resident cooperation in moving vehicles off the street is always appreciated and helps crews clear the roads faster. When the worst of the snow hits, the best course of action is to just stay home and let the emergency responders do their job.

Snowplow crews are dispatched through the City’s 911 communications center. Please call 636-257-2424 for any non-emergency issues.

Jensen Point Bathroom is open

The new bathroom at Jensen Point is finished and will stay open year-round. This heated addition to one of our most popular parks was made possible through a Municipal Park Grant awarded to the city in 2022.



Employee Spotlights

Roy Hinkle

Roy Hinkle started working for the City in April of 1994. "R.T.," as he's often referred to, was hired by former Public Works Commissioner Ed Gass and has been the City's street supervisor for approximately 25 years.

After 30+ years, Roy will be retiring around the first of the year and will be missed by all. You can see his hard work all around town and not only on our streets, curbs, and sidewalks. He has also helped with the construction of the wrought iron fence at Jensen Point, the gazebo at ADAM's Garden, and many other landmarks in town.

In retirement, Roy is looking forward to deer hunting and spending time with his family and grandkids.

Thank you, Roy, for your service to our City!

Thank you!



— HAPPY — Retirement

Donald "Buck" Dailey

Buck Dailey started working for the City in August of 1994. Buck is a Maintenance Laborer with our Street Department and with over 30 years of service to our city he will be retiring in January 2025. His knowledge and expertise will definitely be missed!

Buck has been keeping our city in tip top shape by doing most of the grass mowing and trimming along Osage and other city lots in the summer months. He does all the sickle mowing along streets like Denton Rd, Industrial, Hwy N, Thornton, etc. Buck also does street asphalt/concrete work and sidewalk/curb and gutter work, storm drain replacement, snow plowing, etc. with the city crews.

Buck enjoys hunting and fishing and can't wait to be doing it more often.

Thank you, Buck, for your service to our City!

We will miss you

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 11- Christmas Social, Pacific Chamber and Partnership

December 14-Christmas on 66 at Red Cedar

December 14- Hometown Christmas and Parade, Pacific Partnership

January 25- Pianos For A Purpose, Pacific Chamber

March 15- St. Patrick's Day Parade, Pacific Partnership

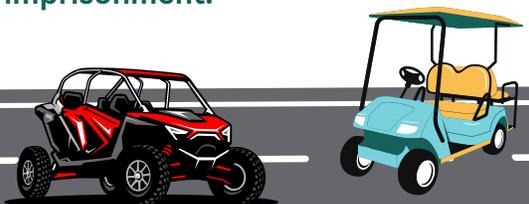
Bingo every Friday at Pacific Eagles Hall



REMINDER to all ATV / UTV

Operators: Missouri State Law prohibits operation of ATVs or UTVs in the city limits of Pacific on two roadways:

Osage (RT 66) and 1st Street (OO & F). These are state routes. Violators subject themselves to fines and or imprisonment.





Ways To Stay Informed

Mass Notification System

Regroup is the City of Pacific's mass notification system. Get alerts about severe weather, water main breaks, accidents and more!

Notifications can be delivered via phone call, text or email. Sign up at: pacificmo.app.regroup.com/login



Scan here to sign up for Regroup

Watch Our Channel On YouTube

Did you know that you can watch City meetings live on YouTube?

Stay informed about what's going on in our community by subscribing to our channel! youtube.com/@cityofpacific768/st



Scan here to go to the City of Pacific's YouTube Channel

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PAYING YOUR

WATER BILL ONLINE



Go to: www.pacificmissouri.com and click on Utilities Bill Pay, or scan the QR code above.



On the Forte page enter your full account number **minus** the decimal point and your account will come up.



Pay your bill and if you have any problems or questions contact the Utility Billing Clerk

****If you are using a third-party payment provider (not recommended) make sure when paying that it's Pacific, MO and NOT Pacific, WA.**

You can mail or drop off payments to:
300 Hoven Drive
Pacific, MO 63069

Contact the Utility Billing Clerk at:
636-271-0500 ext 215

Have any Fall projects to do? We are trying to make the permitting process easier! Check out our guidelines and examples page on our website.

Scan the code or go to:
www.pacificmissouri.com



Brush and Yard Waste

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To learn more about services offered by our public works department, scan the QR code or check out public works under departments on the city website at: www.pacificmissouri.com



Court

Have a court question, get a ticket or need to pay a fine? Please visit courts.mo.gov to pay your ticket online or contact 636-257-4553 for more information.

Emergency Public Works

Have a Public Works Emergency after hours? Please call the Police Department at 636-257-2424 and they will contact them.



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Mark your calendars!

November 28-29- Closed for Thanksgiving
December 24-25- Closed for Christmas
January 1- Closed for New Years
January 20- Closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 17- Closed for President's Day

Board of Aldermen meet on the first & third Tuesdays at 7 pm.

Planning and Zoning Commission meets on the second & fourth Tuesdays at 7 pm (as necessary)

Get Informed!

The city website allows citizens to receive notifications when certain new items are posted. For example, the full Board of Aldermen meeting packet is posted on the Wednesday before each meeting. Each packet includes copies of proposed bills and resolutions, staff reports, and various other information.

Can't find what you're looking for? Send an email to twilson@pacificmissouri.com and let us know!

Pacific SAFE Initiative

Preparation and awareness are invaluable pieces of maximizing individual readiness and action planning. The City of Pacific encourages every resident and business owner to be a member of our free Emergency Mass Notification System (ReGroup). We use this key tool to contact enrolled members with shared alerts, warnings, and messages deemed useful ahead of, during, and after important events. Please allow us to help you be aware by joining at: <https://pacificmo.app.regroup.com/signup> or by using this QR Code.

