Positively Peculiar

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Message from the Mayor:

Hello Peculiar residents !

As another great summer comes to an end and we welcome fall, I wanted to take a moment to share some of the exciting things happening around Peculiar.

First, did everyone see the turnout for our July 4th Celebration? What a great night! It was wonderful seeing so many families, friends, and neighbors come together and enjoy our community. Thank you to everyone who came out and to all those who worked behind the scenes to make it happen. We're already looking forward to doing it again next year and making it even bigger and better!

We also continue to see exciting growth throughout Peculiar. We're happy to welcome Taco Bell and celebrate their grand opening in our community. New businesses choosing Peculiar are a great sign for our future, and there is plenty more happening around town to be excited about.

Fall also means some great community events are right around the corner. On October 24th, our local Chamber of Commerce will host the Harvest Moon Festival. Then, on December 3rd, we'll come together for our Second Annual Peculiar Night of Lights. Last year was a great start to what we hope becomes a longtime Peculiar tradition. Bring your families, enjoy our community, and help us celebrate the season. I hope to see everyone there!

Looking ahead to 2027, our new City budgets have been approved, and I'm excited about the investments we're making in Peculiar. We're putting more funding toward our roads, sidewalks, parks, and community improvements. These are investments in the places we drive, walk, play, and spend time together. Keep a lookout and you'll be seeing more improvements throughout our city.

We're also preparing to give one of Peculiar's most recognizable landmarks some much needed attention, our 3 legged water tower. It's more than just a piece of infrastructure, it's part of Peculiar's identity and something generations of residents have recognized as a symbol of our hometown. We're looking forward to rejuvenating it and making sure it continues to stand proudly over Peculiar for many years to come.

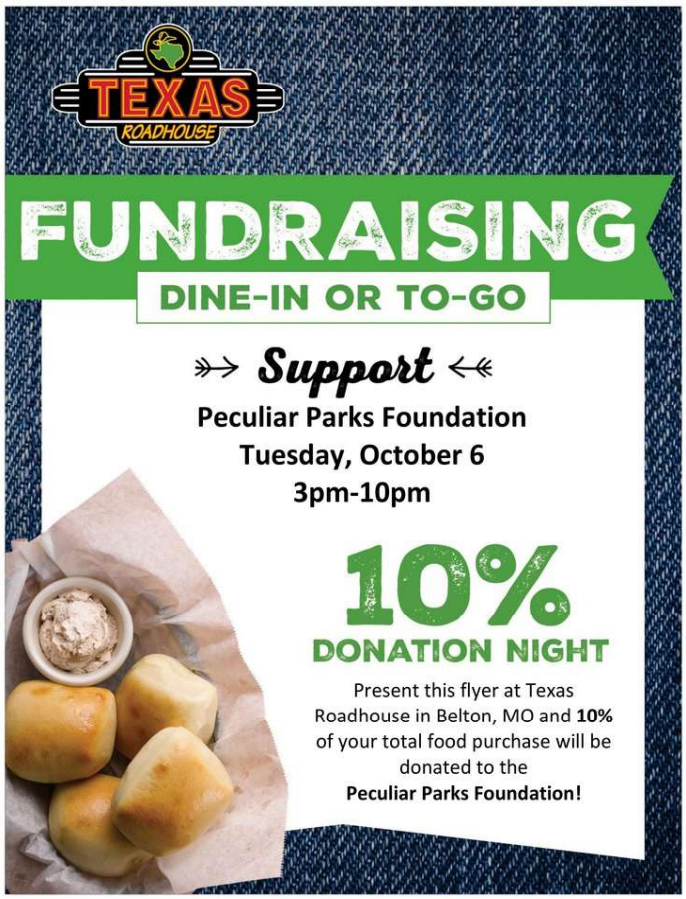
There's a lot happening in Peculiar, and there's even more ahead. I'm thankful for our City staff, local businesses, community organizations, volunteers, and especially our residents who continue to make Peculiar a great place to call home.

Enjoy the fall, enjoy the upcoming events, and as always, I'll see you around Peculiar!

John Shatto
Mayor
City of Peculiar

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HALLOWEEN
YARD OF THE MONTH
ONE WINNER PER WARD
WINNERS RECOGNIZED AT 11/2/26 BOA MEETING
DECORATE YOUR YARD AND HELP
MAKE PECULIAR SPOOKY!!

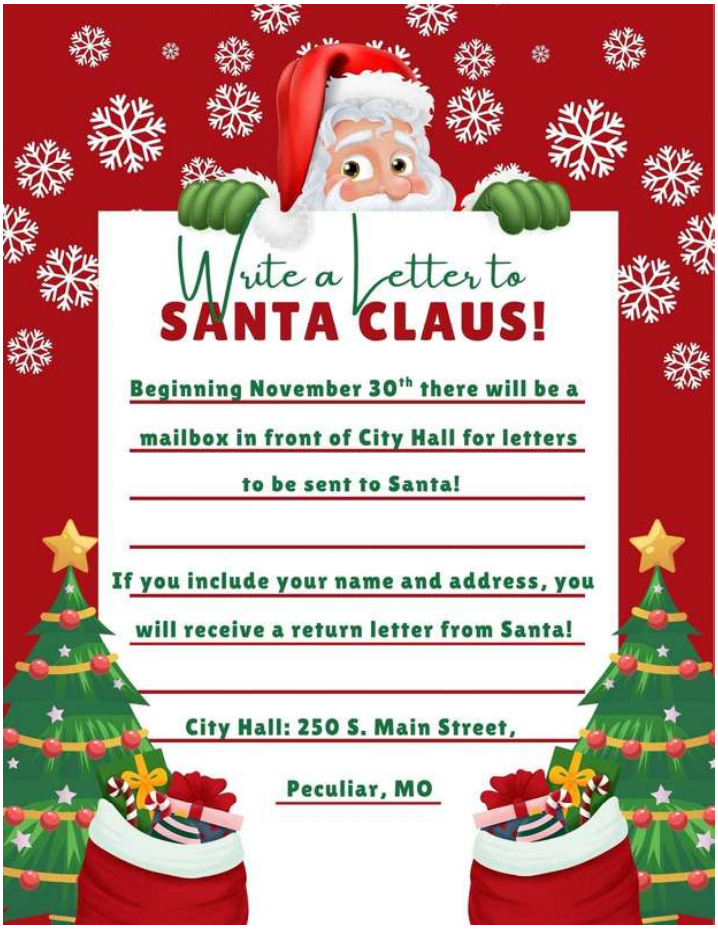

TEXAS
ROADHOUSE
FUNDRAISING
DINE-IN OR TO-GO
Support
Peculiar Parks Foundation
Tuesday, October 6
3pm-10pm
10%
DONATION NIGHT
Present this flyer at Texas Roadhouse in Belton, MO and 10% of your total food purchase will be donated to the Peculiar Parks Foundation!

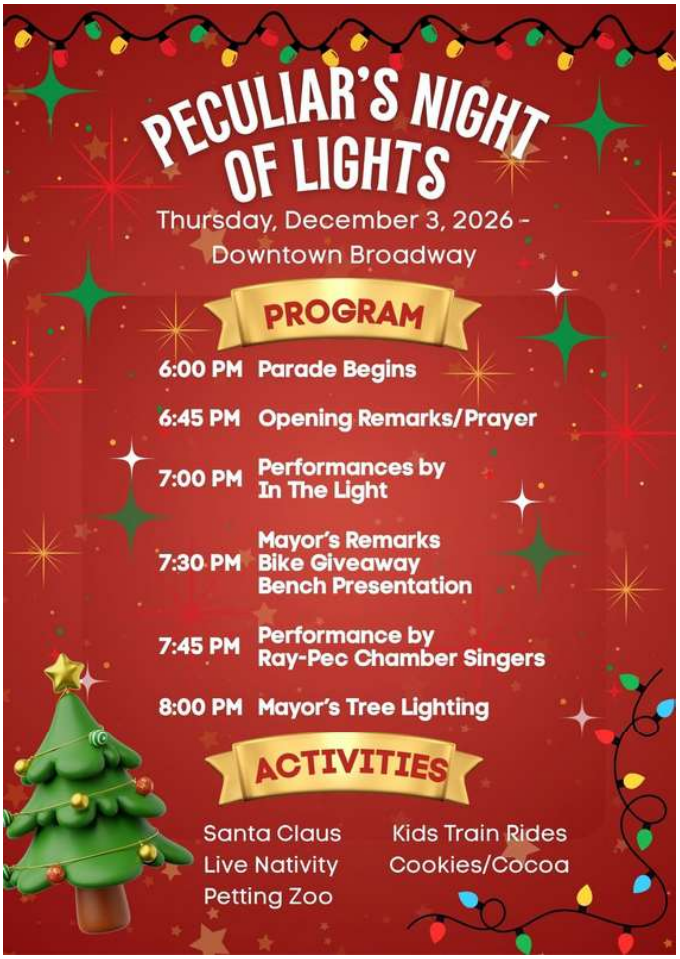

PEOPLE
BUSINESS
COMMUNITY
TOMORROW
25th ANNIVERSARY
Area Chamber of Commerce
PECULIAR
Area Chamber of Commerce
2001–2026
Where Business & Community Rise Together
Third Friday Coffee
State of the Chamber
Friday, October 16, 2026
8:00 AM
First Baptist Church Peculiar
216 E Broadway St
Peculiar, MO 64078
Hosted by the Peculiar Area Chamber of Commerce
Join us as we look back on everything the Chamber accomplished during our 2026 anniversary year, celebrate our successes, and share what is ahead in 2027. Chamber awards will also be presented.
Coffee & donuts served
GOOD COFFEE • STRONGER CONNECTIONS • A BRIGHTER PECULIAR


PECULIAR PARKS & RECREATION
Reading with REC
Join us for a fun, free program for little learners and their grown ups!
TUESDAYS
YEAR ROUND
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM
LOCATION VARIES
WEEK TO WEEK
We will read a book and do a correlating activity!
READ
EXPLORE
CREATE
PLAY


PARKS & RECREATION
PECULIAR
BASKETBALL REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN
K-9TH GRADE
ENROLLMENT CLOSES
OCTOBER 23RD
PRACTICES BEGIN
FIRST WEEK OF NOVEMBER
GAMES WILL START
DECEMBER 5TH
LET'S PLAY!


20TH
PECULIAR
ANNIVERSARY
2006-2026
PECULIAR
HARVEST MOON
FESTIVAL
Area Chamber of Commerce
PECULIAR
Area Chamber of Commerce
2001–2026
Two Decades
OF COMMUNITY, TRADITION & FALL FUN!
SATURDAY
OCTOBER 24TH, 2026
10AM – 7PM
·DOWNTOWN PECULIAR·
featured this year:
THE HAUNTED HIGHLINE TRAIL
KIDS COSTUME PARADE
LEADING INTO THE HAUNTED HIGHLINE TRAIL
HAUNTED HIGHLINE TRAIL
SWEET TREATS & SPOOKY FUN AWAIT!
FOOD VENDORS
VENDORS
KIDS AREA
STAGE ENTERTAINMENT
AND MORE!
PROUDLY SPONSORED BY
Monkey Printing
Screen Printing, Embroidery & Much More


Write a Letter to
SANTA CLAUS!
Beginning November 30th there will be a mailbox in front of City Hall for letters to be sent to Santa!
If you include your name and address, you will receive a return letter from Santa!
City Hall: 250 S. Main Street,
Peculiar, MO





Caring Hearts of Peculiar



Help Light the Tree for Caring Hearts of Peculiar

Caring Hearts of Peculiar, a 501(c)3 charitable non-profit, is beginning the Light the Tree fundraising campaign for 2026-27. To donate, go to the website and donate any amount through the PayPal portal, or you can donate at the Mayor's Tree Lighting on December 3. It supports local organizations that benefit the residents of the 64078 address area,

Watch the Tree Light up in the Downtown Peculiar Parking Lot!

*For more information, recipient groups, financials, or to make a direct donation: **www.caringheartsofpeculiar.org***

Help Your Local Peculiar Community-All donated funds go to agencies serving the Peculiar area.

DATES: Early November thru December 31





Wreaths Across America Ceremony

Wills Cemetery, Peculiar, MO

December 19, 2026, 11:00 a.m.

The annual Wreaths Across American Ceremony will take place at the Wills Cemetery, 21825 Thorngrove Road. This Ceremony pays honor to Veterans at Christmas time as volunteers place live greenery wreaths on the known graves of Veterans buried at the Wills Ceremony. Over 4,000 cemeteries across the country will be conducting similar ceremonies at the same time of day.

Mission of Wreaths Across America

REMEMBER our Veterans, HONOR those who serve, and TEACH children the value of Freedom.

We hope this Ceremony helps keep the memory of our Veterans alive.

City Meetings

Board of Aldermen
1st & 3rd Mondays, 6:30 p.m.
Meeting agendas and minutes available on City website.

Planning and Zoning Commission
2nd Thursday, 6:30 p.m.

Park Board
2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m.
Quarterly

All meetings are held at City Hall in the Council Chambers and are open to the public. City Hall is located at 250 S. Main Street.



City Hall Will Be Closed on the Following Holidays:

Election Day - November 3, 2026
Veterans Day - November 11, 2026
Thanksgiving - November 26 & 27, 2026
Christmas Eve - December 24, 2026
Christmas Day - December 25, 2026



Report A Concern

How to use the Report a Concern for Citizen Concerns:

1. Visit City of Peculiar Website at: www.cityofpeculiar.com
2. Click on the Report a Concern button at the top right of page.
3. Click on the Report a Concern tab
4. Fill out the Report a Concern form completely
5. Choose Area of Concern that best fits your concern



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