

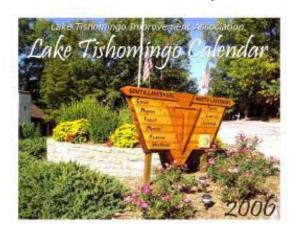
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Sales Office decorated for Christmas by the Lakeside Gardeners.

# Lake Tishomingo 2006 Calendar, \$10



This full color wall calendar is filled with photographs of scenes, people, and events in our lake community. Now available for only \$10. Preview it at the website:

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6:30 pm Sat Feb 11

February Event. . .

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TAA will collect and recycle Christmas trees again this year. Place your tree in the corner of the community house lot by the pontoon boat trailer. For more information call Jason Covington, 285-0527.

*Tishomingo News* is the official publication of the Lake Tishomingo Improvement Association. Articles, letters, photos, and classified ads should be sent to newsletter Editor.

Subscription to this newsletter is included with membership to LTIA Annual membership fee is \$35.

Lake Tishomingo website: www.laketishomingo.com

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#### **Fmail**

We have a list with many lake owners' email addresses to which we send meeting and event notices. If you would like to receive these messages or if you have questions, comments, or suggestions for the website or this newsletter contact Janet Hirsch, F-29, jhirsch@catenary.com, (636) 285-0813.

## 2006 Calendar

Tue	6:30 pm LTPOA Board meeting.
Cot	8 pm "Protecting Our Water Resources"
	6: 30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
	6: 30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
	7 pm LTPOA Board meeting.
	8 pm - 12 m Teen pizza party lock-in.
	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
	8 pm - 12 m St Pat's Party.
Sat	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
Sun	1 - 3 pm Children's Easter party
Sat	Tishomingo Road Cleanup.
Sat	8 am Lakeside Gardeners Plant Sale
Sat	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
Sat	Teen Scavenger Hunt
Sat	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
Sun	Miss Tishomingo Coronation
Tue	3 pm Boat Parade
Tue	dusk Fireworks Display
Sat	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
Sat	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
Sat	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
Sat	1 - 3 pm Children's Halloween Party
	6 - 8 pm Teen Party/Bonfire
Sat	Halloween Dance, Adults
Sat	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
Sat	6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting.
Sat	3 pm Christmas Caroling.
Sun	1 - 3 pm Children's Christmas Party
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## Classified Ads

Classified ads are free for LTIA members

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**Propane Fireplace Logs** with lined firebrick insert. White oak surround. \$175 OBO. Lou Harting (636) 285-1971.

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**1986 Cajun Bass Boat**. 40 HP Mariner, 45 lb. Trust Trolling Motor- 12 vt., Fish Finder, 2 Live Wells, 2 batteries Trailer. \$2,750. Gary Elder at 636-274-2900

**Maytag Dryer**. Neptune propane (we switched to all electric). Like new, model MDG4000AWW. \$200 OBO. Janet Hirsch. (636) 285-0813.

#### **OTHER**

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**Found: Ski Tube** /tow rope. Call to retrieve (636) 274-2939.

# Children's Christmas Party



# **Christmas Carolling**



Saturday December 17 was the day two groups of hearty generous carollers sang their ways around the lake and brought warmth and cheer to every house they visited.

Shown at left are the southside carollers: Jerry Uhlenbrock, Sandy Uhlenbrock, Pat Harting, Casey O'Day, Bev Jost, Lou Harting, Ken Jost, Lexie (Sandy's niece) and Lexie's friend. Their wagon was driven by Mike Leiweke.

The northsiders were Rick Lippitt, Janet, Natalie, Alex and Abby Farwig, Barb McGlynn and grandson Taylor, Barb Rohm, and Dixie Bryant. Wagon driven by Kevin Scheirich (who also contributed to the singing).

Together we raised \$431 for the Hillsboro Food Pantry.

#### Lakeside Gardeners

#### Have you looked at the bus shack lately?

by Fran and Roger Hovis



The bus shelter renovation.

Top: before

Middle: during

Bottom: after

"Nice huh." Without the help from the following groups and individuals we would not have been able to accomplish our task of making the bus shack safer and more appealing.

The donations varied, but were equally appreciated, from Bob and Kay Gephart, Tim and Hilda Schryver, Matt and Maggie Holloran, Marco and Patricia Griffero, LTPOA, and Home Depot.

And thanks to all of those that took time to volunteer their labor: Ron Huber, Josh Marschuetz, Chris Marschuetz, Dan Dickinson, Kim Dickinson, Kinsey Friedrich, Sammey Friedrich, Barb Rohm, Hilda Schryver, Rich Hirsch, Robert Hovis, Frances Hovis, and Katie Hovis.

We would like to thank all of these groups and individuals for all of their support and hard work. So a big thanks to all of you.

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# LTIA Meeting Summaries

by Janet Hirsch and Barb McGlynn

Nov 12, 2005

Board members present: Dixie Bryant, Janet Farwig, Janet Hirsch, Mary Leiweke, and Gail Lents

**Celebrations:** Happy Birthday to Rich Hirsch, Mary Leiweke, and Kathy Zoresku. Happy Anniversary to Bev and Ken Jost, 5 years; and Kathy and Butch Hopfer, celebrating 41 years of marriage.

Treasurer's report as of October 31, 2005:

checking account \$3592.97 Millenium account \$4928.89

We have 117 members for the year 2005 and 8 memberships paid for the year 2006.

**Welcome Wagon:** Delivered a basket to one new homeowner.

**Maintenance:** Rich Hirsch will be installing a new thermostat in the Community House. We need volunteers to clean the Community House each month.

**Newsletter:** Deadline for ads, article, and photos for inclusion in the next newsletter is Dec 25.

**Social:** The Halloween Parties for the children, teens, and adults were very popular. Next events are Christmas Carolling Dec 17, 3 pm and the New Year's Eve Karaoke Party Dec 31. Next month the monthly dinner will be the December Chili Cookoff!

**Ways and Means:** A Lake Tishomingo Calendar for 2006 is being developed. This will be a full-size color wall calendar with photos of scenes and events at the lake. The calendar committee will meet Thursday Nov 17 at Janet Hirsch's house to select a format, set the schedule, and review photos. Everyone is invited to participate.

**Lakeside Gardeners:** The Gardeners will be refurbishing the bus shelter Saturday Nov 19. All parents of school children are asked to help with this project.

The Gardeners will be decorating the sales office for Christmas and hosting "Portraits with Santa" Saturday Dec 3. Portraits will be photographic prints, the price will be \$5 each or three for \$10.

**New business:** Next month will be the election of LTIA board members. Those who have volunteered to run are: Janet Farwig (for President), Dixie Bryant (for Ways and Means), Kathy Hopfer (for Social), and Janet Hirsch (for Newsletter).

December 10, 2005

Board Members Present – Mary Leiweke, Dixie Bryant and Barb McGlynn

No Minutes were read – will approve the Nov and Dec minutes at the January Meeting

**Treasurer Report** was read by Dixie Bryant. Barb McGlynn made motion to approve, seconded by Mary Leiweke.

Ways & Means – There has been a Lake Tishomingo Calendar produced and on sale for \$10 each. There are several beautiful scenes from around the lake and pictures of a lot of LTIA events. There is a limited amount for sale now, but can order for the future. Contact Bev Jost.

**Garden Club**- The Garden Club had a Pictures with Santa event that seemed to be a big success, they cleaned and decorated the Sales Office to look like Santa's cabin. There were approximately 40 photos taken.

**Social and Recreation** – The Children's Christmas party will be on Dec 18<sup>th</sup> starting at 1 pm. We will have Christmas Carolling on Dec 17<sup>th</sup>, Meet at the Community House at 3:30 and bring a flashlight...dress appropriately. There will be hay-covered wagons for the carollers who will be collecting for the Hillsboro Food Pantry. Warm up with food and beverages afterwards at the Community House. The Community House will be open for New Years Eve, BYOB and a snack...Karaoke.

**TAA-** You can drop off your Christmas trees in the Community House Parking lot in the corner.

Thank you to Rich Hirsch for installing the new Thermostat donated by Barb McGlynn

The following have volunteered to be the LTIA Board Members for 2006

President – Kathy Hopfer

Vice President-Mary Leiweke

Treasurer - Janet Farwig

Secretary - open

Social and Recreation – Gail Lippitt

Ways and Means - Dixie Bryant

Maintenance – Rich Hirsch

Newsletter – Janet Hirsch

Motion made by Jan Hunicutt to accept all positions as read and accept them as elected volunteers. Seconded by Barb Rohm. Approved

NOTE: The LTIA still needs a secretary

Marilyn Meyer acknowledged the repairs and improvements done to the community house this year by Gail Lents.

Birthdays- Ken Jost 60<sup>th</sup>

**Anniversaries** Michael and Mary Leiweke 33 yrs

**Chili Cook off Winners**: 1st place - Ken Jost, was awarded an apron embroidered with a chili pepper and 2005 Chili Cook Off. Mike Leiweke won 2nd place and was given a chili pepper wreath.

Attendance Prize Winners- Katherine Flood, Janet Hunnicutt, Mary Leiweke and Barb Rohm. Winner of Anhueser Gift Basket Raffle donated by Barb Rohm was Rick Lippitt.

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# Lake Happenings

#### Fire

The home of Alan Ricotta on the north side of the lake was the scene of fire Friday, Nov 18. There was extensive damage to the contents and the family is unable to stay in the house.

The Ricottas are renting a house in Hillsboro and they need assistance. To offer help to this family call Alan Ricotta, cell phone: (314) 324-0085 or work: (636) 274-5900.

#### Celebration

Ray and Bev Lauer celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on October 23, 2005 by enjoying a trip to New York City. They toured all the major attractions and were especially awed by visiting Ground Zero and seeing the solemn displays in that area. In addition to visiting NBC's Today Show, Central Park, Times Square, the United Nations and the Empire State Building, and walking among literally millions of people throughout the city, they were able to see three Broadway Productions — Mama Mia, Hairspray and Chicago, as well as enjoying scrumptious meals at some fine restaurants.

#### Travel

Mike and Liz Higgins recently returned from a Caribean Cruise that included Panama.

#### **Briths**

Congratulations to Mike and Mary Leiweke -- they have two new grandbabies: Carter Joseph, born to Adam and Jennifer Leiweke, and Noah Michael, son of Nathan and Kelly Leiweke.

#### Thank-you Note

#### To all our friends at Lake Tishomingo

The fire on September 4, 2005 changed our lives forever. It has been a real challenge to accept what has been dealt to us, but becuse of our faith, we are managing the best that we can.

The first couple of days were the hardest and all of the neighbors down here somehow made that easier. Thank you just doesn't seem like enough for all the help and contributions that we have received through this ordeal

Everyone seems to be adjusting well except for maybe Abbey, who just doesn't quite understand why her house and toys were taken away. The gifts, toys, and money have made this easier for making a livable environment in the temporary house that we are in.

Thanks from our hearts to each and every one who gave anything, even just a prayer. We will be forever thankful for the comunity that we live in and cherish each and every one of you.

Janet & Dale Farwig and Family







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# CRITICISM, or more appropriately Commentary, Disapproval, Interpretation, Judgment

by Ray Lauer

First, I want to advise how important criticism (or the other nouns shown above) is to an elected body of individuals entrusted with the care of a group's welfare or other considerations, and in this particular instance the clearing of the roads during inclement weather. Understandably property owners are upset by the conditions of our roads on December 8 and 9.

For those not able to venture out that day because of the snowfall, be assured the highways and road surfaces of Jefferson County were not better than ours, at least not until the overnight hours on Thursday. This is verifiable from someone who needed to drive first to Kimmswick for a meeting, then to Fenton, and back to Lake Tishomingo in the afternoon. Tishomingo Road was not cleared during our absence, from 11 a.m. until our return at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Likewise, Old Highway 21, New Highway 21, Highway M, Interstate 55 and Highway 141 were nearly impassable during these hours. We questioned why the workers were so slow in getting those routes cleared before the afternoon rush hour, and the weather predictors said the problem occurred because of the severe cold temperatures for several days prior to the snow. Even though some of the roads had been pre-treated, the salt from spreaders had little effect until continued salting was done much later on December 8.

Everyone can agree the roads in our subdivision were miserable for travel. (The kids enjoyed being able to sled on them, though, and those with four wheelers had a ball as well!) But, here's what happened.

Kevin Seelbach was off work that day, so he and Henry Brym ventured to the storage yard to get the truck running, hoping to spread salt. They discovered that even though they had personally inspected the equipment several months ago, a chain had broken on the spreader, rendering it inoperable. They then made an effort to plow the roads but, like the highways in our county, the truck was unable to cope with the severity of the problem.

#### Committees

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Finance	Janet Hirsch	285-0813	jhirsch@catenary.com
Security Gate	Roger Hovis	274-7019	robhov@direcpc.com
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Lakeside Gardeners	Dixie Bryant	285-6043	dlbrya@stlmsd.com
Tishomingo Anglers	Rick Hannick	274-1385	trickyricky@jcn.net

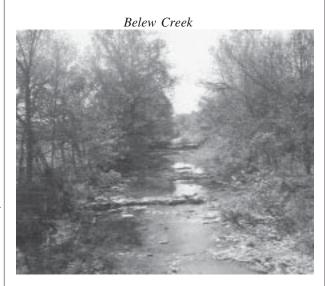
Next, when they faced the realization our equipment was insufficient, a backup was called. Dale Waller, who had plowed and salted the roads last year, was called and he promised to bring his equipment to help out. Lo and behold, his truck became disabled. Once he had it repaired, he serviced those customers who had priority over us, and he did arrive here about 8 o'clock on Thursday night. A second coating of salt on Friday would have aided the road conditions, but he wasn't able to return.

I hope everyone will grant that this board inherited some old equipment. Money was spent last winter in an effort to get the truck, plow and spreader operational, at a high cost. Because there are no longer employees here at the lake to operate the truck, a contract was signed last year with a gentleman who

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Finance Committee 6:30 pm Wednesday Jan 4

LTPOA Board Meeting Tuesday Jan 10 6:30 pm



"Protecting Our Water Resources"

This program presented by the Stormwater Mgmt Program will explain how you can play a role in protecting the water quality in your watershed.

8 pm Tuesday Jan 10

#### LTPOA Meeting Minutes - Nov 8 2005

The meeting opened at 7:04 p.m. with the following board members present: Matt Holloran, Ray Lauer, Ron Sansone, Pat Harting, Marilyn Meyer, Larry Kimmel. 21 lot owners were present.

The minutes of the September meeting having been posted on the website, inserted in the newsletter and passed out at the meeting, President Sansone asked for a motion to accept the minutes, motion made by Ray Lauer, seconded by Matt Holloran, motion passed unanimously.

#### **Treasurers Report**

Marilyn Meyer, Treasurer, reported the following:

#### Cash Inflow:

Cash Inflow:	
Regular Assessments 2004	456.60
Regular Assessments 2005	2,248.02
Special Assessments 2004	152.20
Special Assessments 2005	285.39
Legal	475.94
Insurance Refund	762.00
LotSale	1,500.00
Interest	70.48
Total Cash Inflow	5,950.63
Cash Outflow:	
Loan Payment	4,489.55
Security Guard (30 hrs/week)	1,021.20
Road Maintenance	11,500.00
Administration	320.82
Employment Taxes	844.60
Federal Taxes	582.00
Utilities	109.83
Total Cash Outflow:	18,871.00
Checking Account Balance	142,871.14
Money Market Balance	2,658.64
Total Cash on Hand:	145,529.78
Outstanding Assessments:	
Special (2004-2005)	150.00
Regular (2004-2005)	650.00
Special (2005-2006)	1,482.89
Regular (2005-2006)	7,179.40
Loan Principal October 31, 2005	146,216.47

Marilyn reported that as of the end of October there were 10 delinquent assessments already at the Attorney and 3 more letters will be mailed this week.

There were 16 at the end of September and 3 of these have been settled. There is only one remaining delinquent assessment from 2004-2005

Matt Holloran made a motion, seconded by Ray Lauer to accept the treasurer's report as read. Motion carried.

The following bills were presented for payment:

 $\begin{array}{lll} Legal-3^{rd} \ quarter & \$3,426.00 \\ Property \ /personal \ taxes & \$2,759.00 \\ \end{array}$ 

# Highlights

#### Snow Removal

Interest - \$22.33 per day

Anyone who is able to assist with snow removal this winter, either as a paid worker or as a volunteer, should contact Matt Holloran.

Motion made by Matt Holloran seconded by Larry Kimmel for payment. Motion carried.

Due to settlement of delinquent taxes two lots are now for sale, I59 and I60.

Consideration was being given to opening either a six (2.75%) or three (2.2%) month CD as this would earn more money than the checking account (.55%). Approval was given from the board for the treasurer with the assistance of the finance committee will look into investing monies in the future.

President Sansone thanked Janet and Rich Hirsch for all their work on the newsletter. He said that the newsletter is getting better and better all the time.

#### **Finance Committee:**

Janet Hirsch reported that the Finance Committee did not meet last month but they did assist the treasurer in the compilation of the reports and will be assisting with the decision to invest in CDs for the future.

#### **Security Director**

Ray Lauer read his report.

Marilyn asked if we could not a suggest a speed limit. Unfortunately, due to the fact that our roads are not wide enough for the sheriff to come in, this is not possible. Speed bumps and barricades were discussed but neither were considered feasible. The cost of speed limit signs would be looked into.

The guard's hours would be reduced to 20 hours for the winter months.

#### **Building Director**

Larry Kimmel reported on the following activity:

1. John Johnston – I2 & I47-50

Main residence on second tier, requesting to put dock on lakeside lot. Request granted.

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#### November 2005 Security Report

Once again the issue of dogs being allowed to run loose here at Lake Tishomingo has surfaced. On October 26, according to a property owner, his small dog was attacked and severely injured by a large German Shepherd that came onto his property. The owner had to separate the dogs and, in doing so, feared for his own safety. The property owner transported his injured canine for emergency veterinary care and incurred significant costs because of that treatment.

Almost simultaneous with the report of that incident, information was received of another pet being attacked by a resident's dog. In that instance, the owner was walking her smaller dog on the roadway, with a leash, when a large dog left the property of the owner and inflicted injuries requiring attention of a veterinarian.

I'm sure we all see dogs running loose in our travels around the lake. They frighten those who jog or enjoy walking the roads, leave unwanted deposits on lawns, destroy newspapers thrown by the carrier, and tend to scare young children who are guests or live at the lake. In other words, dogs that are not secured by owners at their homes are a bother and nuisance, and the owners are in violation of County laws. For anyone who enjoys walking or jogging, it's sometimes wise, to quote the words of a famous American, to "walk softly and carry a big stick".

Everyone should be aware there is a leash law in Jefferson County. Wandering dogs that are not under the control of an owner are subject to seizure by the authorities. Anyone who is bothered because of dogs on their property, or because they feel threatened when confronted by these animals, is invited to make a telephoned complaint to the Jefferson County Animal Control office at (636) 797-5577. Let's all make a concerted effort to keep our subdivision safe, and prevent injuries to humans as well as to other dogs.

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Several years ago, a boat motor was stolen from the craft used by those working the dredge. In the past several weeks a resident received a message, left on her home recorder, to the effect that motor had been recovered and waiting to be claimed. She believed the message was left by the Jefferson County Sheriff's office, however, when I contacted that agency was told they are not holding the motor. When I asked, it was discovered the message had been erased from the recorder, and we have no idea which police department recovered the boat motor. I have possession of the title to prove it is property of Lake Tishomingo, but have no idea where it can be claimed. If further information is forthcoming, we'll get the motor and determine its condition.

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Wayne, our guard, was on duty on Saturday afternoon, October 29, and while near the entrance, observed a couple in a car stop at the gate, which was lowered. The male driver was not observed attempting to contact anyone from the phone/speaker system, but the woman exited the car, and forced the gate bar up to allow the vehicle access to the lake. Seeing this, Wayne pulled in front of the car to force the driver to stop, and when Wayne left his truck, the driver made two attempts to strike him. Wayne contacted the Sheriff's office, as well as Roger. A deputy arrived within minutes of the call, as did Roger.

Wayne explained the situation to the sheriff's deputy while Roger was present during this conversation. The couple was given the option, by the deputy, of defraying costs of damages to the gate mechanism, or being cited and getting a later appearance in court at Hillsboro. The woman indicated she would consider the matter and contact Roger the following day with their decision. The couple, a man and wife, arrived at the lake to visit friends.

This week Roger informed me the woman called and elected to pay a fine. She has sent \$175 for the offense.

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It seems, from complaints received during the month about the operation of vehicles on our roads, there is a common denominator between older folks, people of middle age and those who are young. A substantial number of people have a tendency to speed, or in some manner operate their vehicles carelessly. We had hoped once the roads were sealed, thereby providing a reasonable marking in the middle of the road, drivers would at least stay in their own driving lane. If one has driven here since the sealing was completed, you will find drivers still cross over to the wrong side of the roads, especially when negotiating the many curves on both North Lakeshore and South Lakeshore. Mostly, the cove roads are secure from these violations.

As has been reported previously, the sheriff's office is prohibited from enforcing traffic regulations here at the lake because the roads are not wide enough for that activity. That is the reason we do not post a speed limit. Through the benevolence of Kevin Seelbach, we will be installing some signs that remind drivers to slow their speed, indicating children are at play.

All we can do is appeal, once again, to all people who use our roads ... to drive in a safe manner and at a reasonable speed. Many children are at play; some walk to the bus stop in the morning and walk again to their homes after classes. They deserve a safe environment when on the roadways.

Please *Slow Down*, drive safely and <u>prevent accidents</u>, and possibly injuries.

Submitted by Ray Lauer

Nov LTPOA Minutes continued from previous page

For the record Larry reiterated that if you do not have a house, only a lakeside lot, you are not allowed to dock a pontoon boat at the dock.

2. Rick Cardell - N26 & 27

Permission to remove silt from in front of lots.

Permission to extend boat ramp 12' further into water.

Permission to excavate in creek bed of lot N54 (owned by the lake) for the purpose of allowing silt to build up in bed prior to entering the storm piping.

Permission to place silt in volcano.

Permission was given to the first three requests. However with respect to item four, this was denied. President Sansone however gave permission (if the ground was dry) for the silt to be dumped at the back of his property

Kevin Seelbach has contacted 4 contractors to do repairs on the lake boat ramp and repair the sea wall. President Sansone explained that the plan was to tear out the old boat slip and replace it with one twice as wide and make it go further into the water.

Kevin has also been in contact with SLC Trucking regarding

removing silt from the volcano and putting it on their property. Matt Holloran said that we must obtain a mechanics lien from them prior to commencement of work as SLC is in the process of selling the business.

#### **Maintenance Director**

- 1. Matt requested that requests for assistance for snow plowing be placed in the next newsletter. Dale Waller did a great job last year. He charged \$25 per hour. However, it is very difficult to get three bids for snow plowing, so Matt said that if you were aware of anyone, please let him know.
- 2. Please be aware that with the darker nights, it is now very difficult to see children riding their bikes along the roads. Please be aware that it is very dangerous going around some of the curves.
- 3. Matt volunteered the use of his boat ramp to remove anyone who could not get their boat out of the water due to level of the lake. He requested that you call and leave him a message prior to using the ramp and that if you choose to use the ramp, you assume all liability yourself.
- 4. He asked that everyone be very careful when burning the ditches. He said that racking them into the lake if you have a sea wall is a good place to burn them.

#### CRITICISM continued from page 9

consented to use our equipment. Now, another year has passed, and the spreader once again has failed. There are reasons for the problems, but suffice it to say there is no need to delve into that topic. The situation is being rectified as this memo is written. Kevin has delivered the truck so it can be outfitted with a new spreader and for the necessary repairs to the plow. We should be ready to address the needs of property owners when we next experience snow.

We need to remind everyone, once again, there is an issue about money here, as well as seeking bids, something about which the board was criticized earlier this year. Bids are being sought so that we can get someone to use our equipment for subsequent snowfalls. Also, please remember that one of the current board members previously brought his own snow removal equipment, and in some instances one of his employee, to help us clear the roads. That's no longer a reasonable expectation for reasons previously enunciated.

Next, allegations have been made about the cancellation of the board's meeting on December 13. There is speculation board members were afraid to face the criticisms about the road conditions. That is not an accurate assumption. In fact, as unreasonable as it may seem, that's farthest from the truth. The reality is several of us had previously scheduled engagements from months ago, another member had to cancel at the last minute on Tuesday, and in effect there were insufficient numbers for a

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Tim Schryver said he would appreciate knowing if anyone had a speed boat trailer he could borrow or buy.

LTIA No report as Gail Lents was not present.

#### Web Site

Janet reported that burn permits information and the latest newsletter was now posted on the web site. The newsletter was mailed on the  $5^{th}$ , if you have not received it, please let her know. The deadline for the next newsletter is December 25.

#### Sewer Committee

The next meeting of the sewer committee will be on November 22 at 7 p.m. in the Community House. President Sansone said that hopefully this would be on the April ballot.

#### **New Business**

Permission was requested by the residents of G cove that they be personally allowed to remove the silt and place it on lake property across the road from the cove. The cove was dug out in 1976. Larry and Matt were to be consulted on specifics as to how this could be achieved so that the silt did not go back into the lake after rains. Permission from lot owners involved would also need to be obtained. After considerable discussion on how this could be achieved, Matt suggested that people considering removing silt from in front of their properties this winter should get together and possibly get a better price from contractors. He also made the following recommendations for anyone wishing to clean up their own cove:

Take pictures of the site prior to commencement of work in case of any damage.

Make sure that the contractor is aware that we require any damage to the roads be repaired the same or better than originally. Make sure that any contractor is fully insured. There is to be no digging into any bedrock.

Matt said he would be willing to go and look at any work prior to commencement.

With the lake at present being so low Matt will check with the Department of Natural Resources to see if it is feasible to take the lake down 3 or 4 more feet, we could gravity siphon silt from the lake.

quorum. In retrospect, perhaps the meeting should not have been cancelled on such short notice, and for that we need to be cognizant of people's opinions, feelings, and assumptions, or put it more simply ... we should offer an apology. We are fully cognizant that whenever we face the property owners again, there will be gripes and we will listen to them intently and take whatever brickbats are thrown our way.

While this is written as a personal response, let me assure you this board is addressing issues with fiscal responsibility. When seated, the outstanding indebtedness on the loan amounted to \$441,988 (as of 11/7/03). The amount has been reduced to about \$133,019 as of this date. That's a tribute to a lot of people, including those who serve on the finance committee, but most importantly to the property owners here at Lake Tishomingo who approved an additional assessment to allow all of us to again have a measure of fiscal stability. The property owners who supported the endorsement of the additional assessment are the ones who should be given the most credit for recognizing the need to get us over the hump.

Now that the amount of the loan has been reduced, the board recognizes we need to begin addressing other important issues here, some of which have been neglected for years.

We do appreciate criticism, we are aware of the concerns of many of our neighbors, and we now all need to work together to move forward. As problems are identified and in recognition we haven't any full or part time employees, volunteers are always welcome and certainly appreciated.

Also with the lake being so low it was a good opportunity for "junk" to be removed from the lake. Volunteers would be contacted. Permission to remove "junk" from the lake is not required.

Katie Hovis read a letter requesting donations for the repair of the bus shelter. Any one interested in donating could contact Katie at 274-7019 or Hilda Schryver, 285-7474. The Board made a donation of \$300 toward the shelter.

Larry Kimmel said that he had been in contact with the Anglers in connection with the removal of the fish ladders in the lake. These are creating a liability for the community as they are very dangerous to both swimmers, skiers and boats. It was not clear who authorized them to be put in the water but this showed a tremendous lack of responsibility. The ladders are approximately 6 ft long and 1x strips are nailed to it. These are placed in the water to attract small fish which in turn attract larger fish. Discussion followed on various ways of marking fish covers etc. and the need to remove large numbers of trees and stumps etc. from the lake. It was also stated that nothing should be placed in the lake within 50 ft of the shoreline and permission from a lot owner had to be obtained before anything could be placed in the lake. Larry Kimmel requested that Rick Hannick and Gary Ryan from the Anglers Association contact him.

There being no further business, Ray Lauer made a motion, seconded by Matt Holloran to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Pat Harting

Secretary



We have an opportunity to provide the best environment to our lake with a real sewage system. With almost 250 homes, a real sewage system has become a necessity for the quality of our lake. Every day we wait wll cost us more and more in the future. On April 4, please vote yes.

Ron Sansone LTPOA President Sewer Committee Report

# Formation of Tishomingo Sewer District

by Marilyn Meyer

Selection of Project Engineer and Attorney

The Tishomingo Sewer Committee has been meeting since Oct., 2003. We have interviewed three engineers and had input from other lake communities before we decided upon Bill Brunjes of Union, Mo. Our attorney for forming the sewer district is Raymond Dickhaner of Hillsboro. He is a respected local attorney with experience in organizing districts.

#### Mechanics of the System

Feb. 9, 2005 the committee met with Bill Brunjes, Donna Martin, and Cathy Coffman both from USDA, Rural Development. (Funding of the project will be from the USDA). At this meeting Mr Brunjes gave us an engineering proposal for a wastewater collection and treatment facility. The proposal is for individual sewer lines to be connected to every house, augmented by a grinder (pressure) pump to move effluents to the main pipe along the road. The treatment plant would be behind the dam. The effluent would be treated using aeration in closed modules.

#### Formation of the Tishomingo Sewer District

Our next step was to form a legal district. It encompasses our local watershed which boundaries are determined by the dam, the north and south ridges above the lake, and extending about a mile east on Tishomingo Rd.

Mr Dickhaner filed the petition with the circuit court in Hillsboro. Our petition was heard Oct. 13, 2005 and the court has recognized us as Jefferson County Public Water District #13 subject to confirmation April 4, 2006 by the voters in Lake Tishomingo Precinct. We have petitioned under Mo. Statute #247.040 which allows us to seek court per and at a later time develop a water facility.

Election April 4, 2006

The formation of the district must be confirmed by voter approval. The election is very important -- without it we cannot move forward with the sewer project. It requires that 51% of the voters in this precinct approve the formation of the district. Only registered voters can participate.

#### Funding of the project

The project is estimated to cost about \$3.5 million. We are hoping that funding for the project will be 80% loan and 20% grant money. The loan would be in the form of 30-year revenue bonds issued by the USDA and the grant would be a Rural Development Grant from the USDA.

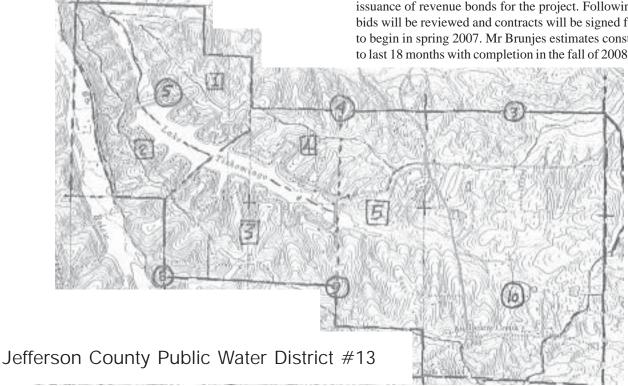
To quality for grant money we must demonstrate a certain economic need. The median household annual income for homeowners in the district must be below \$39,043. A survey by an independent agency will be conducted and homeowners will be sent survey forms in which they are asked to estimate their annual income. At least 80% of the homeowners must mail in their survey form for the survey to be valid.

We would repay our debt with monthly sewer bills over a 30 year period. We do not know the final cost for the sewer project because we will have to meet whatever standards for wastewater are in effect in 2006. The Department of Natural Resources continues to update their requirements.

The plan is to pay for all the project costs with the loan/ grant funding. This means no up-front cost to any current homeowner. The estimated monthly sewer bill per household will be \$30 to \$40.

#### Election November 7, 2005

Registered voters in Tishomingo Sewer District will be asked to vote again in the November, 2006 election to approve the issuance of revenue bonds for the project. Following the vote, bids will be reviewed and contracts will be signed for construction to begin in spring 2007. Mr Brunjes estimates construction phase to last 18 months with completion in the fall of 2008.



# It's Never Too Early To Think About Security

by Ray Lauer

There are three security related issues ... boating, the entrance gate and home burglary prevention ... we feel compelled to bring to the attention of property owners for this publication, because they have an impact on all of us here at Lake Tishomingo.

# Once there were thirteen, but now there are so few

Reviewing archives provides the opportunity to see what has occurred in the past, and how things should be approached in a similar manner as we face the future. When recently looking at how we might have more storage space in the house, my wife decided it would be a worthwhile project to discard some of the papers that have accumulated in our basement, most notably information about the lake.

I found it interesting that in an undated list from a previous board member, who had responsibility for security issues, we at one time we had a total of 13 people who volunteered to serve on the Patrol Boat. Last summer we were blessed with only three or four who consistently said they would spend a couple hours each weekend making an effort to keep our boaters and swimmers safe.

Some of the people reflected on that list are long time residents who have given countless hours to the lake patrol, such as full time residents Morris Sallee and Ed Melchior. They are no longer able to participate. Others, like Marco Griffero, Bob Johnson, and Fred Fulford, continued to give of their time in 2005. Others have sold their property and moved away and that's one reason our volunteer base has diminished.

During the past several summers, Roger Hovis has taken responsibility as manager of the patrol boat. He has been an ardent volunteer for this most valuable service, but he finds it increasingly difficult to recruit property owners willing to give up two hours on either Saturday or Sunday to volunteer for lake patrol duties.

Understandably weekends are the times when guests are invited to the lake, and that perhaps is the reason some people find it difficult to donate a bit of their time to fill the schedule for the patrol boat. Roger only expects the boat to be operational 6 or 8 hours on both weekend days, depending on the amount of boat traffic present, and this would entail 3 or 4 volunteers each day (in two-hour shifts). If a greater number of volunteers were available, maybe a dozen, it's possible the time donation could be reduced to a one-hour shift, and those willing to help would be expected to work either only on Saturday or Sunday each weekend.

We bring this to your attention in sufficient time before our next boating season in the hopes there will be more volunteers stepping up and letting Roger know of your interest.

# We need to know your thoughts, so tell us your opinions

There are two approaches regarding the security gate. The Board members hear comments from the few people who attend the monthly meetings. I am approached with the same comments from people when discussing security matters here at the lake.

The questions we receive are, "Why isn't the gate lowered 24 hours every day?", or conversely, "Why do we even maintain the security gate?"

The gate was installed before any of the current board members took office. Nonetheless, the gate was installed only after much discussion and a vote of the property owners. Now, hearing the two divergent views, we need to know the opinion of everyone who is currently a property owner.

There are several considerations about the gate being lowered all the time. One, whenever your guests arrive on any day of the week, someone needs to be available at your property to allow the gate to be raised when your home is called. Also, anyone coming to perform work on your property will need to be informed about the security feature at the gate. If contractors will be working on one's property during an extended schedule, Roger Hovis can program the gate (for a fee) with a four-number code for a specified period of time.

The gist of this issue is **property owners need to identify their preferences about the gate**. This can be accomplished by appearing at a monthly meeting, telling any of the board members when you see us around the neighborhood, someone could circulate a petition, or you are welcome to call me.

In the end, if there is no overwhelming preference indicated, we will continue to maintain the gate schedule as at present, i.e., lowered on weekdays during the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., and on both weekend days (except for the time it is raised for the mail carrier).

#### Crime Prevention Begins at Home

We are indeed fortunate there is little reported crime in our subdivision, especially as it relates to home burglaries. After a long career in law enforcement in St. Louis, I thought it would be worthwhile to share some of the methods police officers have learned about he prevention of the crime of burglary.

The material found in this article is contained in an article that was published some years back by the National Neighborhood Watch Program. Because there are so many factors property owners should consider while trying to protect their homes, some of the important issues are shared this month, and then in subsequent publications, additional tips will be provided.

- The majority (nearly 70%) of all burglaries required the forcing of a door or window to gain entry. Most houses are protected by simple and relatively ineffective door and window locks. Modern hardware is available for these entry points which will stop the amateur and slow up the experienced burglar.
- Sound residential security practices and good locks are a *deterrent* since they eliminate the opportunity for an easy burglary.
- *Delaying* a burglary for four minutes is generally considered sufficient to prevent entry into a house. A criminal wants to avoid capture, so the longer it takes to force a door or window the greater the burglar's risk.
- Finally, the fear of *detection* is the third element of burglary prevention. The possibility of detection is increased if you can delay a burglar, if you can force him to work where he can be observed, and if he will have to make noise or attract attention.

Keeping in mind the principles of deterrence, delay and detection, you can take positive steps to decrease the likelihood that your house will be burglarized.

Cookin' Cove

# **Holiday Party Treats**

y Rich Hirsch

This month's recipes start out with the winner of the 2005 Lake Tish chili cookoff contest. Although he used venison for his award winning chili, Ken said you can also use lean ground beef if you prefer or if Queen's is out of deer.

Ken Jost's Gold Medal Chili

2 lb ground venison (or lean ground beef)

1 large onion, diced

1-1/2 c chopped celery

2 28-oz cans Bush's chili beans, undrained

2 14-1/2-oz cans diced tomato, undrained

10-1/2-oz can Rotel tomato & green chili, undrained

2 t salt

2 T chili powder (to taste)

2 T sugar

1/2 t black pepper

4-oz can diced green chilies (optional)

Brown meat in large pot with onion and celery. Drain. Add the rest of the ingredients and bring to a boil. Reduce heat, simmer and stir for 45 minutes. Taste and adjust seasonings. Best when reheated the next day.

Our next recipe was a stand out amongst the other fine dishes served at a Guy Fawkes Day celebration in November.

#### Ginny Schweiss' Asparadillas

30 asparagus spears (woody end removed)

10 fajita-size flour tortillas

8-oz cream cheese

1/4 c mayonnaise

1 T prepared mustard

1/2 t sesame seeds

Red and yellow peppers cut into strips

1-1/4 lb thinly sliced deli ham

Drop asparagus into boiling water. Boil 2 min then remove and place in cold water to stop cooking. Drain.

Mix cream cheese, mayonnaise, and mustard. Cover tortillas with mixture. Sprinkle with sesame seeds and cover with thinly sliced ham.

Lay one asparagus spear at edge of tortilla, tightly roll tortilla adding red and yellow pepper strips and two more asparagus spears as you roll. Repeat for remaining tortillas, then cover and refrigerate. When ready to serve cut into 1" slices to look like pinwheels. Makes about 50 appetizers.

Although our next recipe is usually served with turkey, this sweet potato dish also goes well with chicken, ham, or beef. Janet brought it to the November LTIA dinner.

#### Janet Hirsch's Baked Stuffed Sweet Potatoes

7 medium large sweet potatoes

3/4 c crushed pineapple

1 c black walnut pieces (divided)

1/3 c brown sugar

1 t salt

3 T butter

2 T bourbon

Wash the sweet potatoes, coat with Crisco, salt, and puncture with a fork. Bake one hour at 375 deg. on a broiler rack.

Slice the baked potatoes and gently remove the pulp. Try to keep the skins intact. Mix the pulp with 3/4 c walnuts and all other ingredients. Stuff the skins with the mixture and sprinkle with remaining walnuts. Bake in a greased (or sprayed) glass casserole dish until browned, about 30 at 375 deg.



Chyree DeRoode and Marilyn Meyer demonstrate wreath making to Katie Hovis and Janet Hirsch.

If you missed the Lakeside Gardener's wreath making workshop in November, you missed tasting some of Chyree's Streusel bars. Fortunately, with the following recipe, you can make them at home.

#### Chyree DeRoode's Cinnamon Apple Streusel Bars

1-1/4 c graham cracker crumbs

1-1/4 c flour, all-purpose

3/4 c packed brown sugar, divided

1/4 c granulated sugar

1 t ground cinnamon

3/4 c butter or margarine, melted

2 c medium-size apples, peeled and chopped Preheat over to 350 deg. Grease 9 x 13-inch baking pan. Combine graham cracker crumbs, flour, 1/2 c brown sugar, granulated sugar, cinnamon, and melted butter in large bowl until well blended; reserve 1 cup of mixture. Press remaining crumb mixture into bottom of greased pan.

Bake 8 min. Remove from oven, set aside. Toss apples with remaining brown sugar in medium bowl until brown sugar is dissolved; arrange apples over crust. Sprinkle remaining crumb mixture over filling.

Bake 30 - 35 minutes. Remove from oven, cool. Drizzle with glaze (1/2 c powdered sugar and 1 T milk).



# Financial Report Nov 30, 2005

Cash In Flow: Assessments	Aug-05	Sep-05	Oct-05	Nov-05	YTD			Budget
Regular (2005-2006)	60,629	21341	2248	2352	86,571			162,708
Special (2005-2006)	0	0	0	0	0			54,236
Special (2005)	1,334	1151	285	329	3,099			
Regular (2004-2005)	2,023	150	457	0	2,630			
Special (2004)	200	0	152	0	352			
Revenue: Other								
Gate Revenue	25	25	0	285	335			
Gate Damages Revenue	0	0	0	0	0			
Trailer Rental Revenue	0	0	0	0	0			
Penalty & Legal Fee Revenue	1156	518	476	81	2,231			
Insurance Refund	0	0	762	503				
Interest Revenue	68	75	70	63	276			
Lot Sales	0	0	1500	0				
Donation Revennue	0	0	0	0	0			
Miscellaneous Revenue	0	0	0	0	0			
LTIA Share of Insurance	0	0	0	0	0			
Total Incoming Cash Flow	65435	23261	5950	3614	95,495			216,944
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Cash Out Flow: Loan Repayment	Aug-04	Sep-04	Oct-04	Nov-04	YTD		Variance	Budget
\$4,489/mo	4490	4490	4490	4490	17,958	17958	0	53,875
Cash Out Flow: Loan Principal								
From special assessments		2000		2000	4,000	4,000	0	54,236
Expenses: Lake Operations								
Required								
Road maintenance	0	0	11500	0	11,500	6,667	-4,833	20,000
Insurance	0	13961	0	0	13,961	4,333	-9,627	13,000
Security guard (20 hours/week)	1024	1024	1024	1024	4,096	4,000	-96	12,000
Employment taxes	0	0	845	0	845	0	-845	0
Snow removal (wages + salt)	0	0	0	0	0	6,000	6,000	9,000
Legal	1028	0	0	3426	4,454	2,667	-1,787	8,000
Admin, newsletter, postage, tapes etc	0	0	321	0	321	1,000	679	3,000
Property taxes	0	0	0	0	0	933	933	2,800
Utilities (propane, elec, telephone)	115	118	110	124	467	600	133	1,800
Motor fuel	0	0	0	85	85	33	-52	100
Grass mowing	0	600	0	0	600	0	-600	0
Taxes	270	0	582	0	852	0	-852	0
Gate and Security Expense	1083	0	0	0	1,083	0	-1,083	0
Discretionary/Emergency	0	0	0	0	0	2 222	2 222	10.000
Equipment repair/replacement	0	0	0	0	0	3,333	3,333	10,000
Emergency maintenance Building repair	0 0	0	0	0 0	0 0	3,333 1,667	3,333 1,667	10,000 5,000
Total Outgoing Cash Flow	8,009	22,192	18,872	11,149	60,222	56,525	-3,697	202,811
Net Cash Flow	57,426	1,068	-12,922	-7,535				
Checking account balance MM account balance	153,943 3,389	155,908 2,542	142,871 2,659	136,684 1,311				
Total Cash on hand	157,332	158,450	145,530	137,995				
FY 2005-2006 Reg assessments collected	134,296	155,638	157,886	160,238				162,708
Loan principal	155,766	150,014	146,216	140,419				

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#### Actual Quotes from Fed. Employee Evaluations

"Since my last report, he has reached rock bottom and has started to dig."

"Works well when under constant supervision and when cornered like a rat in a trap."

"This young lady has delusions of adequacy."

"She sets low personal standards and then consistently fails to achieve them."

"This employee should go far - and the sooner he starts, the better."

"This employee is depriving a village somewhere of an idiot."

#### Quotes from military Officer Efficiency Reports

"Not the sharpest knife in the drawer."

"Got a full 6-pack, but lacks the plastic thingy to hold it all together."

"A gross ignoramus -- 144 times worse than an ordinary ignoramus."

"A photographic memory, but with the lens cover glued on."

"A prime candidate for natural de-selection."

"One-celled organisms outscore him in IQ tests."

"Fell out of the family tree."

"Gates are down, the lights are flashing, but the train isn't coming."

"Has two brains; one is lost and the other is out looking for it."
"He's so dense, light bends around him."

"If you gave him a penny for his thoughts, you'd get change."

"If you stand close enough to him, you can hear the ocean."

"It's hard to believe that he beat out 1,000,000 other sperm."

"Some drink from the fountain of knowledge; he only gargled."

"Wheel is turning, but the hamster is dead."

#### 0 & A

How Do You Catch a Unique Rabbit? Unique Up On It.

How Do You Catch a Tame Rabbit? Tame Way, Unique Up On It.

How Do Crazy People Go Through The Forest?

They Take The Psycho Path

How Do You Get Holy Water? You Boil The Hell Out Of It.

What Do Fish Say When They Hit a Concrete Wall? Dam!

What Do Eskimos Get From Sitting On The Ice too Long? Polaroid's

What Do You Call a Boomerang That Doesn't work? A Stick

What Do You Call Cheese That Isn't Yours? Nacho Cheese.

What Do You Call Santa's Helpers? Subordinate Clauses.

What Do You Call Four Bullfighters In Quicksand? Quatro Sinko.

What Do You Get From a Pampered Cow? Spoiled Milk.

What Do You Get When You Cross a Snowman With a Vampire? Frostbite.

What Lies At The Bottom Of The Ocean And Twitches? A Nervous Wreck.

Where Do You Find a Dog With No Legs? Right Where You Left Him.





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