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Loon viewed from F-29 on March 28. Photo by Rich Hirsch. See another photo on page 9.

Lakeview

by Janet Hirsch, editor

It's not too early to plan for the Fourth of July, is it? We've seen a hint of warm

weather and soon we'll all be splashing around in the water having a great time. Your kids enjoy the lake and the Fourth of July fireworks -- ask them to help raise the money to support the fireworks display.

We need young volunteers to run for Miss or Mr Tishomingo -- or we need two teams to work in competition so see who can raise the greater amount of money. In the past the kids have gone door-to-door and stood at the front gate asking for donations to the fireworks fund. For more info contact Dixie Bryant (285-6043) or Janet Farwig (274-2038).

And speaking of volunteers -- the boating season has already begun and the boat patrol needs volunteers. Roger Hovis donates many hours to the lake and keeps the waterway safe. If you can assist him by driving the patrol boat for an hour or two on a weekend it would be appreciated. If you are a boater or a fisher you really should take a turn at helping out. Give Roger a call at 274-7019.



Dinner Meetings

6:30 pm Sat **May 13**

Kentucky Fried Chicken

Bring a side dish

Presentation by TAA: "Types of Fish in Our Lake"

6:30 pm Sat **Jun 10**

Pork steaks -- Bring a side dish

Plant Sale

9 am - 12 n Sat May 13

Lake Tish Community House

Come early and get the best hostas, day lillies, grasses, and other plants that the Lakeside Gardeners will have for sale. All proceeds go toward lake improvement projects.

Teen Club . . .

Teen Scavenger Hunt

Sat **June 3**

This is a great event -- and it will be a lot of fun. Let's see who will be the best detective. For info call Samantha Farwig 274-2038.

For more info about the Teen Club see page 5.



Trivia Night work crew: Natalie Farwig, Dale Farwig, Kathy Hopper, Kinsey Frederich, Sami Frederich, Katie Hovis, Dixie Bryant, and Mary Leiweke.

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June 20, 2006

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Website

Send your photos and news to post at the website to jhirsch@catenary.com.

Email

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, jhirsch@catenary.com, (636) 285-0813.

2006 Calendar

- May 8 Mon 7 pm Sewer District meeting
May 9 Tue 7 pm LTPOA Board meeting
May 13 Sat 9 am Lakeside Gardeners Plant Sale
May 13 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - KFC
Jun 3 Sat Teen Scavenger Hunt
Jun 10 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - pork steaks
Jun 13 Tue 7 pm LTPOA Board meeting
Jun 17 Sat 11:30 am LTPOA Annual meeting
Jul 2 Sun Miss Tishomingo Coronation
Jul 4 Tue 3 pm Boat Parade
Jul 4 Tue dusk Fireworks Display
Aug 12 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Murder Mystry
Sep 9 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Soup & Salad
Oct 14 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - October Fest
Oct 21 Sat 1 - 3 pm Children's Halloween Party
6 - 8 pm Teen Party/Bonfire
Oct 28 Sat Halloween Dance, Adults
Nov 11 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Turkey
Dec 9 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting - Chili Cookoff!
Dec 16 Sat 3 pm Christmas Caroling
Dec 17 Sun 1 - 3 pm Children's Christmas Party

Classified Ads

Classified ads are free for LTIA members
FREE

Firewood We're cutting and clearing lots H 37-39 on the south side and have lots of oak and other good hardwood logs. Russ Wilner, 314.351.0780.

FOR SALE

Electric Water Heater Whirlpool Energy Smart 40-gal water heater, 1-1/2 yr old. \$50. Gail Lents (636) 274-4245.

1983 15' fishing & ski boat with 40 hp 1997 Force engine, trailer, \$1100. Marvin Goggins (314) 631-5985.

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

HELP WANTED

Grass Cutting. Need someone to cut our grass for the summer. North side of lake. Chris (314) 481-6887.

LOST & FOUND

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

Found: Fishing Boat There is an older Starcraft fishing boat tied to our dock at A-41. It seems as if at some time it had a B-1 designation on it, but it's not ours. It is white on the outside, salmon inside, has no seats. If anyone lost it, again - it's tied to the dock at A-41. -- Jerry Arbini.

NEEDED

Recipes Remember to keep sending those recipes for the cookbook. Dixie Bryant is compiling them and wants to have them by July 1. Send them to her at dlbrya@stlmsd.com.



St Pat's Party



Al Ferrell

Rosie Ferrell & Butch Hopfer



Al Ferrell

John Hunnicutt & Kathy Hopfer



Al Ferrell

Pat Harting & Sandy Uhlenbrock

Trivia Night



Team Covington, Dickinson, Rodgers, came close to winning.



Team Lents, defending champs of 2005, did not win.



Team Kline, defending champs of 2004, did not win.



Team Hannick, winners!

Kid's Easter Party



Earth Day



John Dauernheim instructs the volunteers for the Earth Day road cleanup.

Words to Fish by

by Gary Ryan, TAA President

On the evening of April 12, the Tishomingo Anglers Association and two members of the LTPOA board met with the Fisheries Management Biologist for our area, Kenda Flores. Ms. Flores, from the Mo. Dept. of Conservation, stressed the importance of fish structure, specifically brush or trees such as pine or cedar being very important to the livelihood and longevity of our fish population. The Anglers Association agreed with the LTPOA board members that when placing the structure it should be placed in ten feet of water to compensate for the lakes fluctuating water level. Shallow fish structure was also discussed. Shallow cover is necessary to help the bait fish escape predators. The bait fish, specifically Golden Shiners, are stocked to be eaten by the bass but given the chance they can reproduce four times a year.

The TAA has stocked tens of thousands of golden shiners since 2001 and there are an increasing number of bigger and fatter bass to show for it. There is one designated area of shallow cover and that is in the north corner of the dam. Two hundred and fifty pounds of golden shiners are to be stocked in that area on April 19, placing them immediately in their "nursery". The only other shallow cover would be for homeowners to safely sink trees or brush under their docks. If the water recedes enough to expose the structure, it should be removed so that it doesn't hinder the beauty of the lake.

Kenda Flores recommends water willow as an excellent aquatic plant for our lake. This plant does not get out of control and is easily managed. Aquatic plants such as water willow are a necessary part of a lake because they are the foundation of the aquatic food chain. Long stemmed flower spikes emerge from the base of the leaves of the water willow. The smallish orchid-like flowers are white and have a cluster of purple spots on the lower petal. A patch of this would look nice in front of a scaley sea wall or to help prevent erosion on a muddy bank.

Homeowners are strongly urged to minimize the amount of weed killer and other chemicals used on their lawns. These chemicals ultimately wind up in the lake and have a negative impact on water quality and the ability of our lake soil to successfully establish aquatic plants.

In the future, the accumulation of aluminum cans at the maintenance yard will be closely monitored by the TAA board and select members. Please put your bag of cans over the fence and out of sight. Because of your can donations, we have collected over \$1000 this year. That money goes directly to \$2400 in stocked fish this spring. The reward for the work the TAA members do such as can collection, installing fish structure, and taking time to research and abiding closely to the advise of a qualified fisheries biologist for each decision made is summed up by words such as the ones Marilyn Meyer shared with us during our meeting. She said whatever we've been doing out here is working because her family members love fishing here and she has heard it said that this is a great fishing lake. She claims some people are even buying single lots out here because of the good fishing.

We will have Ms. Flores shock the lake in May to determine if any adjustments should be made to the fish limits and we will continue to do whatever we can to make this lake a superior fishing lake.

Fish Limits

BASS: Anglers can keep up to 6 fish a day per person UNDER 13 inches.

Keeping some of the smaller 6-12 inch bass will actually help improve the fishery by decreasing the competition some of the smaller bass have for food. The 6-12 inch size is the best tasting eating size! Missouri waters have Mercury contamination, and the smaller fish have the lowest levels of Mercury.

Anglers are NOT allowed to keep any bass over 13 inches PERIOD.

The bigger bass are the spawning females and help the propagation of future bass. Therefore, be sure to handle all released fish with care by wetting your hands FIRST before touching the fish. Then, be sure to release the fish immediately. It can also help to avoid using a net and avoid letting the fish flop around in the boat. This will help prevent the removal of the fish's protective slime coating. Bring your camera with you on your fishing trip so you don't have to go back for a picture of a larger fish. If you catch a trophy bass and want a mount, do not pay a lot of money for a skin mount that kills a fish and smells and decays after 10 years. Instead, release the fish and get a fiberglass reproduction. All you need is the measurements of the fish or an estimate of the weight, and a taxidermist can make a beautiful, realistic reproduction that will last a lifetime for the same price as the cost of a skin mount.

CATFISH: The limit is 4 fish per person per day over 14 inches.

BLUEGIL: Limit 10 per day per person.

CARP: No limit. Please remove all carp. Eat them (they are excellent table fare) or just dispose of them in the garden. You may use rod and reel, bow and arrow, or nets to catch carp. Anything except Kentucky fishing poles (dynamite)! Chum an area with corn for a few days and then use a tiny but strong hook with kernel of corn using low diameter line. You must be stealthy when approaching the shoreline to catch carp because they are spooked easily.

REDEAR: Release all redear. Their purpose is for forage and to keep grubs and shellfish under control.

GREEN SUNFISH: (big-mouthed aggressive panfish/warmouth). No limit—go nuts! Destroy all of these fish or else decorate your garden or feed your cats. They compete with the crappie, bass, and bluegill and are an undesirable fish. They are fine to eat just like bluegil, but rarely grow very big. Just kill them if you don't want to eat them.

CRAPPIE: Restricted. Release all catches at this time. We stocked more crappie, but they are not recruiting without aquatic vegetation. Crappie require a significant amount of submerged aquatic vegetation to survive, spawn, and hide. Tishomingo does not have any aquatic vegetation because we overstocked 1000 grass carp several years ago. Please report any catches of crappie to TAA.



LTIA Meeting Summaries

by Marilyn Hannick and Mary Leiweke

March 11, 2006

Board members present: Kathy Hopfer, Mary Leiweke, Dixie Bryant, Janet Hirsch and Gail Lippitt.

President's Comments: Kathy welcomed all and thanked everyone for the good dishes that they brought, which were served with corned beef for this evening's dinner meeting.

Minutes of the February 11 meeting were read by Mary Leiweke. Dixie motioned to accept as read. Gail Lippitt seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report was read by Dixie. We have 72 members as of tonight. Dixie motioned to accept the report and Mary Leiweke seconded the motion.

Ways and Means March 25, we will have a Texas Hold-em Tournament at the Community House. Saturday, April 1, we will be sponsoring a Trivia Night. Lastly, Dixie is collecting recipes for our Lake Tishomingo Cookbook. Deadline for recipes is July 1.

Tishomingo Newsletter: Janet Hirsch reported that she sent out 361 newsletters on February 27. If you did not receive a copy, please call Janet. April 20 is the next deadline for any May/June events that you would like to be included. "Tishomingo News" is on our website.

Lakeside Gardeners: The first meeting of 2006 of the Lakeside Gardeners was held at Charlene Sansone's house on Saturday, February 19, 2006. The meeting's agenda included discussion of projects for this year. On March 4, seven members enjoyed the annual Orchid Show at the Missouri Botanical Gardens.

Annual plant sale will be Saturday, May 13, at the Community House. We need donations of plants, pots and soil. Especially we are looking for donations of hostas, daylilies, grasses, cone flowers, black-eyed susans and irises, but all plant materials are appreciated. Please notify Rich Hirsch or Marilyn Meyer if you have plants that the gardeners can dig and divide for sale. Members are also asked to solicit plant donations from friends and nurseries where they shop.

Next meeting will be Saturday, March 25, 10 a.m., at Bev Jost's house. All are welcome.

Social and Recreation:

Saturday, March 18, will be our St Pat's Party. The Children's Easter Party will be on Sunday, April 9 from 1 – 3 p.m.

Also, because July 4 is nearing, please ask your children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews (ages 12 – 19) to consider running for Mr/Ms Lake Tishomingo.

Tishomingo Anglers: At the last meeting which was held Friday night, March 10, only 2 members showed up. So they just played poker.

Jason Covington is looking for some non-invasive plants/water plants for additional cover for the fish. Please call Jason at 636.285.0527 with your opinions or to volunteer to help. On Wednesday, March 29, we will be spending \$2400 to stock the lake with shiners, catfish, crappie and red-ear. (We have free delivery.)

Maintenance: no report. We still need the metal soffit put back up on the Community House.

Welcome Wagon: Mary Leiweke will be delivering some baskets to our new owners this week: Don and Shelley Fendler at 2907 S. Lakeshore; Leslie and Sharon Lauer at C-55/59; and Russ Wilner at H-37-39. For those owners who have bought lots (with no residence), we will now be handing out a "welcome packet" in a manila envelope to them.

March Birthdays: Janet Hirsch, Sandy Uhlenbrock, Eric Leiweke and Rick Hannick. **March Anniversary:** Rick and Gail Lippitt.

New Business: The Board feels that the young people that collect for our Fourth of July celebration should be rewarded more for their efforts. They are thinking of incorporating a teen night with the Coronation, including hot dogs, watermelon, karaoke or a DJ. This may gain more interest with the youth who work so hard for us. Sunday, July 2, at 6 p.m. is the date of the Coronation.

Jerry Uhlenbrock had two suggestions: *continues on page 6*

April, 8, 2006

Board Members Present: Kathy Hopfer, Mary Leiweke, Janet Farwig, Dixie Bryant, and Gail Lippitt.

President's Comments: Kathy welcomed everyone and thanked them for the many wonderful side dishes that were brought to share at our Easter ham dinner meeting.

Minutes were read by Mary Leiweke. Dixie made a motion to accept the minutes as read and seconded by Janet Farwig.

Treasurer's Report was given by Janet Farwig, we have 84 paid members as of tonight. Checking account balance:\$4238.46. Millennium account balance: \$4949.41. Gail Lippitt made a motion to accept the report as read and it was seconded by Dixie Bryant.

Ways & Means: Dixie reported on the March 25th Texas Hold-em tournament. It was well attended. The last two players decided to split the pot at 2:30 a.m. so they could go home! The April 1st Trivia Night was also well attended and a good time was had by all players. The financial reports for these two events will be given next month at the May LTIA dinner meeting. Dixie again requested recipes for the *Lake Tishomingo Cookbook* that will be used as a fall/winter fundraiser.

Tishomingo Newsletter: Deadline for the next newsletter will be April 20.

Garden Club: There will be a plant sale on Saturday May 13. Please help with donated plants, both indoor and outdoor plants sell well. The garden club also needs pots and potting soil or whatever else you have to donate. Rich Hirsch and Marilyn Meyer will be available to help you identify, divide and dig your outdoor plants to donate for this sale.

Social and Recreational: Gail Lippitt reported that the children's Easter Party will be April 9 at 1 pm at the community house. The Easter Bunny will be there to help with the egg hunt and provide the opportunity for pictures to both young and old. The next LTIA dinner will be May 13 we hope to have fried chicken as a main dish so please bring your favorite side dish for chicken. We do not have any volunteers for Mr. or Miss Tishomingo at this time. It has been suggested that kids/teens from the North Side vs. South Side and have a contest to see who can raise the most donations (money) for our wonderful fireworks display.

Maintenance: No formal report. Kathy asked for the fascia to be replaced on the front of the community house. Mary asked that the trash cans in front of the community center be used for picnic and boating trash not household trash. Everyone should have their own trash service provider. Dixie asked for volunteers to cut the community house grass this week because the hall is rented for next week. Eric Leiweke volunteered to cut the grass on Monday afternoon weather permitting.

Birthdays: Kenny Lanning and Charlie Lents are our birthday boys for April and Janet and Dale Farwig are celebrating their 18-year wedding anniversary.

New Business: Boat parade will be at 3:00 on the 4th of July. A discussion was held about the bulletin boards need for repairs.

TAA: Meets the second Friday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Teen Report: The teen group met and played washers this month. The plans for future events possibly waffle ball for May and tubing for June. No set dates yet, watch for future updates.

Attendance Prizes Drawing: Pat Harting won the 2006 *Entertainment Coupon Book*. Kathy Zoresku selected the beautiful pansy hanging basket. Once again the ever lucky Michael Leiweke. won a 28 qt. cooler and Ken Jost won a hummingbird feeder with food.



Ann Landers Advice

What mom says and what she teaches sometimes differ

Dear Readers: What follows was sent by David Broome of Mesa, Ariz. and it reminded me of my own dear mother—and yours, too, I'll bet. Can you hear her voice? I can. Here it is:

My mother taught me there's a time and place for everything: "If you are going to kill each other, do it outside. I just finished cleaning the house."

My mother taught me religion: "You had better pray that the stuff you spilled will come out of the carpet."

My mother taught me logic: "Because I said so, that's why."

My mother taught me foresight: "Make sure you wear clean underwear. You never know when you might be in an accident and be taken to the hospital."

My mother taught me control: "Keep laughing, and I will give you something to cry about."

My mother taught me about the science of osmosis: "Shut your mouth, and eat your supper."

My mother taught me about being a contortionist: "Look at the back of your neck. It's filthy."

My mother taught me about stamina: "You will set there until all that spinach is finished."

My mother taught me about weather: "Your room looks like it was hit by a tornado."

My mother taught me about straight talk: "If I told you once, I told you a million times, don't exaggerate."

My mother taught me self-control: "Don't go near the cake. I made it for my bride club."

My mother taught me about behavior modification: "Please stop acting like your father."

My mother taught me it is more impressive when others discover your good qualities without your help.

My mother taught me the quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your pocket.

My mother taught me a closed mouth gathers no foot. -

My mother taught me that some days you are the bug and other days you are the windshield.

My mother taught me never to test the depth of the water with both feet.

My mother taught me if you always tell the truth, you won't have to remember what you said and to whom.



LTIA Summary, continued from page 5

Charm Hopper is now in possession of the Tishomingo Belle Pontoon Boat. Jerry suggested that we would need about 6 men for carpentry work to remodel the boat. We could rent out the boat as a fundraiser. Some discussion. Secondly, he brought up that we have about 50 new 5'x 2' blocks. We could sell each block to our members and place a commemorative family name on the blocks, which would be placed in the marina area. More discussion followed.

Drawing for the attendance prizes was next. Winners were: Russ Wilner, Mary Leiweke, and Sandy Uhlenbrock.

President Kathy Hopper will post a list on the back bar for sign-up to help clean the Community House.

Gail Lippert motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. Mary Leiweke seconded the motion.



Teen Club Report

by Natalie Farwig

Teen Lock-in

The Teen Lock-in was on February 17. We had nine teens show up and we had a fun time playing video games, twister, and just chillin'. The teens that came were Natalie Farwig, Rick Kardell, Sami Frederick, Jack Kardell, Brett kardell, Alex Farwig, Sam Farwig, Kinsey Frederick, and Katie Hovis. We had three great chaperones: Janet Farwig, Sharon, and Rick Kardell. We had lots of fun and planned to have one event every month. The next event is the Teen Game Night on March 3 at Kardells' house.

Teen Game Night

The Teen game night was a lot of fun. We had games, snacks, and a fun time. We had eight kids show up at the game night including: Samantha Farwig, Katie Hovis, Alex Farwig, Natalie Farwig, Jack Kardell, Rick Kardell, Brett Kardell, and Heather Locke.

We had an awesome time and we would like to thank Sharon and Rick Kardell for letting us have it at their house and being our chaperones. Thanks!

Our next event will be a washer tournament April 1. We will keep you posted with the upcoming events every month.

All the teens are invited to join in the monthly activities. There will be events like scavenger hunts, movie night, wiffle ball, and tubing. Watch the bulletin board for announcements. Contact Samantha Farwig for more info, 274-2038.



Lakeside Gardeners

Plant Sale

Sat May 13

Saturday May 13 Plant Sale. The annual plant sale is always a popular event. To donate plants, pots, seeds, or anything else contact Marilyn Meyer.

Lake Happenings

Congratulations

Congratulations to lake resident **Jimmie Dean** and new bride **Andrea Emily**. Best wishes for a long and happy life together.

Congratulations to **Katie Hovis** for being selected for the National Honor Society. Katie is a former Miss Tishomingo and we are all very proud of her accomplishment.



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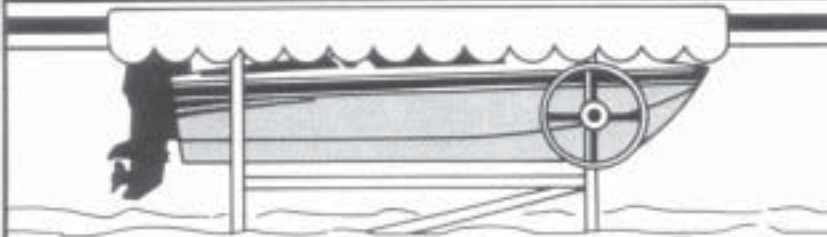
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Neighbors Working Together

Photos by Fr Denny Schaab and Janet Hirsch



Cove G-H, before

Cove G-H was filled with silt and mud until the weekend of February 25. At that time the five owners (Fendler, Granroth, Schaab, Kroeger, and Shea) worked together to hire excavators and trucks to clean out their cove.



Cove G-H, after

They hired P & M Excavating (Butch Malone 636.274.5721) and Biller Hauling (314-581-2018) to clean the silt and mud. They worked three days and the results are fantastic. View additional pictures of the silt removal project at the website: laketishomingo.com.



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March 28 - 29 seven or more loons visited the lake.

Another Good Year

This has been another good year for our lake community and we've been able to make good progress in a lot of areas. It would not have been possible without the efforts of many people -- the board members and a lot of others who worked very hard this year. To the people who volunteer and do the tasks that need to be done, who continue to help us grow and improve as a community we offer a sincere thank you.

Here is quick review of what we have accomplished together.

Conducting lake business and enforcing fiscal responsibility

- Reduced the loan principal down to about \$120,000. Expect full repayment by the end of 2007.
- Quickly and vigorously prosecuted delinquent assessments.
- Enforcement of the rules and regulations of the lake.
- Grass cutting and trimming by volunteers saved \$18,000 this year.
- Placed cash in certificates of deposit to earn greater interest.
- Continued to save money by having only one employee, our security guard.

Maintenance of lake property

- Continued the water quality testing program and reporting of faulty septic systems.
- Began the renovation of the beach area, including removal of the mountain of silt. Expect completion by the end of 2006.
- Replaced the boat ramp and seawall.

- Replaced the salt spreader and repaired the truck used for salt and plowing.
- Sealed the center seam of the roads.
- Repaired and graveled the parking lot.
- Continued gate operation to deter intruders.

Planning for the Future

- Formed Sewer District 13.
- Beginning a program to monitor the leak at the back of the dam.
- Sections of the roads will be repaired this summer.
- Roads to be seal coated this fall.

Community Organizations

- Boat Patrol maintains safe conditions on the water.
- Lakeside Gardeners donated and installed the new entrance sign, repaired and painted the bus shelter.
- LTIA maintains the Community House and sponsors community events.
- TAA stocks the lake, monitors the fish population, and sponsors fishing tournaments.
- Volunteer Corps meets third Saturday of every month to cut grass, rake leaves, and clean debris from the culverts to protect the roads.

Thank you to everyone, for all you did this past year and all you continue to do to make this a better place for all of us.

Ron Sansone,
LTPOA President

Committees

Boat Patrol	Roger Hovis	274-7019	robhov@direcpc.com
Finance	Janet Hirsch	285-0813	jhirsch@catenary.com
Security Gate	Jason Covington	285-0527	jason_cov@msn.com
Sewer	Marilyn Meyer	274-1812	marilynmeier@earthlink.net
Volunteer Corps	Ken Jost	274-0453	kbkjos@aol.com
Website/Newsltr	Janet Hirsch	285-0813	jhirsch@catenary.com



Organizations

LTIA	Kathy Hopfer	274-3791	
Lakeside Gardeners	Dixie Bryant	285-6043	dlbrya@stlmsd.com
Tishomingo Anglers	Jason Covington	285-0527	jason_cov@msn.com

Building Boom

The Building Committee has been receiving many requests for permits for construction of garages, decks, docks and so forth. It is good to see all of the improvements that are being made to the residences here at the Lake. Now is the time to take a look and see if you are needing to repair or replace structures on your property.

Remember that any attached structures must be kept in a state of good repair and must be painted or stained in a manner that all parts thereof substantially match in color.

All lots are to be clear of non-operating vehicles, boats, trailers as well as trash and construction debris. No non-operating vehicle, boat or trailer may be stored or dumped on any lot or roadway within the boundaries of Lake Tishomingo subdivision, unless they are stored within a structure closed to public view.

A non-operating vehicle shall be defined as follows:

- a) any vehicle that is in a state of disrepair or disassembly or is being dismantled,
- b) any vehicle missing an engine, hood, trunk lid, doors or any part that will make it inoperable,
- c) any boat or trailer that is in an inoperable state

All docks and sheds are to be kept in a safe condition and shall maintain an appropriate appearance such that Lake Tishomingo shall be maintained as a high-grade subdivision in accordance with the applicable restrictions.

Remember that the rules and regulations of the LTPOA are intended to ensure that we continue to have the beautiful community that we all enjoy.

Larry Kimmel
Building Director



Highlights

Assessment Reminder

Special Assessment (\$1/ front foot) due June 1
Invoices were sent April 25, 2006

Regular Assessment (\$3/front foot) due August 1

Election in June

The annual LTPOA meeting and election will be held 11:30 am, Saturday June 17, 2006. There will be three board positions to be filled and one proposition to be decided. The proposition will be to lower the lake in the fall to facilitate seawall/dock repairs and the excavation of silt from the lake.

There will also be an opinion survey form to complete, so everyone can express their thoughts on how the lake organizations are doing.

Median Income Survey

Homeowners: remember to fill in and return the Median Income Survey. We must have 80% response for the survey to be valid. All the data are completely confidential. The results of this survey will determine if we are eligible for federal grants to lower the monthly sewer user fees.

Special Thanks

As treasurer I really appreciate all of the volunteer work this year which has saved the lake a great deal of money. Much time and effort has been donated during the year. Many hours were given for mowing, clean-up, repair of our equipment, the gate operation and the seawall construction. Thank you.

We are planning to seal all of the roads this summer to protect our paving investment. Another capital investment, repairing the leak in the dam, will be discussed at the annual meeting. We will have a ballot vote regarding lowering the lake in September for individuals to repair seawalls and docks. The finance committee will have a survey for you to express your preferences for lake improvements. We look forward to your suggestions. With everyone's cooperation our lake community will continue to improve.

Marilyn Meyer
Treasurer



Schedule for Assessment Collection

	Special	Regular
Mail invoices	May 1	July 1
Assessments due	June 1	Aug 1
Send 2-week reminder notice "taking to court"	June 15	Aug 15
Assessments delinquent. Turn over to attorney for prosecution	July 1	Sept 1

Unpaved Driveways

Last June the lake owners voted on the proposition "any driveway or access road fronting to the lake roads, must be paved for the first 20 ft by July 2007. The proposition passed by overwhelming majority: 1113 to 271.

In September the board urged homeowners to pave their gravel driveways before the June 2007 deadline to prevent damage to our road surface.

To aid owners with compliance Matt Holloran provided the specifications:

- 6" rock base
- 3" of asphalt
- minimum length of 20 feet from the roadway

The following contractors are recommended as capable of performing the work:

- Byrne and Jones 314-567-7997
- Dura-Seal 636-464-1733
- Wegener 314-849-2604

You are encouraged to have your driveway paved as soon as possible.



Lake Tishomingo Property Owners Association

LTPOA

Annual Meeting

President	Ron Sansone	(636) 271-4844	ron@ronsansone.com
VP/Buildings	Larry Kimmel	(636) 274-2295	lkimmel@worldnet.att.net
Secretary	Pat Harting	(636) 285-1971	paharting@ranken.edu
Treasurer	Marilyn Meyer	(636) 274-1812	marilynmeyer@earthlink.net
Security	Ray Lauer	(636) 285-3328	rbl1242@aol.com
Real Estate	Kevin Seelbach	(636) 285-8959	kseelb@yahoo.com
Maintenance	Matt Holloran	(314) 773-9400	holloranoffice@aol.com

Annual Meeting and Election **Saturday June 17, 2005**

The annual meeting of the Lake Tishomingo Property Owners Association will be held June 17, 2006 at 11:30 am at the Community House. After the meeting the voting for the election of board members will begin. The polls will remain open until 2:30 pm. The financial records will be available for your inspection and the Directors will be available for your questions.

The election will be to fill three positions on the Board of Directors and decide the issue of lowering the lake to provide for seawall repair and silt removal.

Instructions to place your name on the ballot

1. The candidate must be a lot owner in Lake Tishomingo Subdivision.
2. All 2005 regular and special assessments and 2006 special assessments must be paid in full including any lien fees, interest, and attorney fees.
3. The candidate must submit a letter, in person or by certified mail requesting his/her name be placed on the ballot giving full name, mailing address, block letter and number in the subdivision owned by him/her to the election commissioner. Last date a filing can be accepted is June 7, 2006.

Instructions to vote

1. All assessments must be paid and up-to-date by June 16, 2006.
2. Present property owners must be recorded on the LTPOA assessment books by 1:00 p.m. June 16, 2006. Only one person can vote for co-owned lots.
3. Your ballot will be marked with the number of votes you will cast.
4. The number of votes is determined by the size of your lot (one vote for each ten front feet, but not less than five or more than ten per platted lot).

Instructions for voting by absentee ballot

1. To obtain an absentee ballot contact the election commissioner by phone or send a certified letter requesting a ballot to the election commissioner.
2. Include your name, mailing address and proof of current assessments paid or a notarized affidavit giving your name, block, and lot(s) number(s) owned by you.
3. Include a self-addressed envelope and your ballot will be mailed to you.
4. Your completed ballot must be received by the election commissioner on or before 2:00 pm June 16, 2006 for it to be counted with the regular ballots for the June 17, 2006 election.

Election Workers Needed

Saturday June 17

11 am - 3 pm

To volunteer call Mary Leiweke
(636) 274-9002

Election Commissioner

Mary Leiweke
7768 Meadow Dr, Lot B-7
Hillsboro MO 63050
phone (636) 274-9002

LTPOA Meeting Minutes - March 14, 2006

The meeting opened at 7:01 p.m. with the following board members present: Matt Holloran, Ray Lauer, Pat Harting, Marilyn Meyer, Larry Kimmel, Ron Sansone and 21 lot owners.

The minutes of the November 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 Larry Kimmel, seconded by Matt Holloran, motion passed unanimously.

President's Report

President Sansone reported on the installation of the new seawall. He wanted to thank all of the volunteers who had helped as this had helped with keeping the costs so low. He said that approximately \$20,000 has been spent to date on the installation of the new seawall. He said that over 400 ft. of new seawall had been installed and 16 yds of concrete had been put in the new boat ramp. He said that this amounted to less than \$50 per foot. Approximately 1/3 of the volcano had been removed and used for backfill. He said that all the old concrete had been removed and used as backfill also and the new ramp is 68 ft. long and 25 ft. wide. The culverts on either side of the bridge were cleaned out. All of this work was performed in 6 days. There are still a few things that need to be finished e.g. the parking lot and a small portion of the wall and get rid of the remainder of the volcano. President Sansone also expressed gratitude to G cove who at their own expense removed 224 loads of silt and taken to the junk yard at the entrance of the lake. This at approximately \$3,000 per lot owner.

Treasurers Report

Marilyn Meyer, Treasurer, reported the following:

Cash Inflow:	
Regular Assessment 2005-06	915.00
Gate Revenue	275.00
Advertising	100.00
Interest	26.82
Total Cash Inflow	1,316.82

Cash Outflow	
Loan	4,489.55
Payroll	710.80
Gate (siren/aluminum arms)	1,359.03
Legal quarterly payment	1,488.50
Equipment Parts & Labor	331.93
Equipment Fuel	72.53
Newsletter Production (2 issues)	293.53
Central Stone	535.34
Concrete Ramp workers wages	490.63
Utilities	186.27
Total Cash Outflow	9,958.11

Checking account balance	58,744.98
Money Market Balance	1,129.87
CDs (4 x \$12,000 each)	48,000.00
Total Cash on Hand	107,874.85

Loan balance 2-28-06	128,373.29
Interest per day	\$19.61

Outstanding:	
Special Assessments 2004-05	50.00
Regular Assessments 2004-05	300.00
Special Assessments 2005-06	903.53
Regular Assessments 2005-06	2,779.62

The board had already approved the following invoices:

Central Stone	1,862.22
Excavator & Operator	5,230.00
AAA concrete blocks/poured concrete	11,738.51
Jefferson County election authority	166.33
(this will be reimbursed by the sewer district)	
Quick Shop	31.37
McLeron 1 operator/one day	960.00
Home Service Oil	338.05
Newsletter	232.11

Larry Kimmel made a motion, seconded by Matt Holloran to accept the treasurer's report and pay the bills. Motion carried.

On being questioned concerning the amount of the election charge, Treasurer Meyer replied that it had been thought this would be in the region of \$5,000. Fortunately this figure was only \$166.33. There will be an additional charge however when the result of the election is published in the Jefferson County Watchman.

Finance Committee

Janet Hirsch distributed the latest year-to-date financial statement.

Security Director

Ray Lauer was not present at the meeting and his report was read by Pat Harting. Kathy Hopfer said that Phil Dodge is no longer living with his daughter but has been moved to a nursing home. A copy of the report is attached.

Gate Report. Rich Hirsch read the first report of the new gate committee. The following are the committee members and their respective phone numbers:

Jason Covington	636-285-0527
Rich Hirsch	636-285-0813
Mike Leiweke	636-274-9002
Fred Steinmetz	636-274-2853

Building Director

Larry Kimmel reported on the following:

Steve Fuller K-25 Deck resurface

This was approved at the last meeting but since then Steve has decided to change his plans from wood decking and stay with the original concrete. The footprint of the dock remains unchanged.

Bill Reininger D35 & 36 Retaining wall replacement

Replacing old railroad ties with a new retaining wall. He will put in approximately 40 ft. of rip-rap along his existing seawall. There is no conflict with any other property.

Motion made by Matt Holloran, seconded by Marilyn Meyer to approve. Motion carried.

Maintenance Director

Matt gave the names of two very reputable asphalt contractors who would be willing to undertake repairs and paving the first 20 ft of any unfinished driveways. Matt went on to explain that in order to preserve the new roads, homeowners who do not have paved driveways will be contacted and requested to pave the first 20 ft. so that rocks and debris does not end up on the roads after a rainstorm. This past storm was particularly bad. Secondly he said that culvert pipes and ditches also need to be cleaned because water is not going thru the pipes and instead is going over the roads and bringing debris with it. He requested homeowners who have clogged ditches clean them out. He said that Ken Marschuetz has been requested to repair the damage done to the Forest road by one of his contractors. He then went on to say that there is a leak in the dam. Due to the temperature of the water, 44 degrees, it was determined that it was not spring water because spring water is always 57 degrees. A leak expert will be coming to inspect the leak and Matt has asked Henry Brim and Rich Hirsch to go with him so that we can determine what steps need to be taken to repair the leak.

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Kenny Lanning was thanked for his single handed effort after the storm to clean the roads of debris.

Web Site

Janet reported that 361 copies of the newsletter were sent out on February 22 and that the deadline for the next edition is April 20. The newsletter is now posted on the web site. Photographs of the silt removal operation from G and H coves are also posted there.

Volunteers

Rich Hirsch said that the volunteers would be meeting this coming Saturday at 9 a.m. Their main task would be to remove the blockage from the pipe running under the bridge.

Concern was expressed at the amount of rocks and debris that came from the ditches during the rainstorm making some parts of the roads dangerous. The question was asked, could you clean out ditches and culverts from in front of neighbors lots. Matt said that this should really be the responsibility of every homeowner but if it is affecting your property then you can do it as there is a 10 ft easement on each side of the road.

It was also reported that a dock had been washed up from F cove. The owner had been contact and this will be taken care of.

Kenny Lanning asked if we can suggest a place where leaves can be disposed of. President Sansone suggested that an article be put in the next newsletter regarding the problem of the leaves, especially the practice of racking them into the culverts.

Hilda Schryver asked if the culvert broken by Dave Coucher can be added to the list of repairs. Matt has driven the roads to ascertain where the problems are and to see how much money is available for road repair.

Sewer Committee

Janet reported that they had met on March 13 with a representative of the Midwest Assistance Program to finalize plans for the income survey. She said that if we can demonstrate economic need that we can qualify for federal grant money to help with the sewer project. The survey will be sent to all houses around the lake that the sewer will service. Areas that are too far away such as Lake Bono Del will not be sent the survey. Janet said that it is very important that everyone complete and return the survey as soon as possible. She stressed that it will be completely confidential, self-reporting and non-verifiable. An 80% response is needed for the survey and every household at the lake will be included. As it is the median income, not the average, which will determine whether we obtain federal grants, everyone should respond. A figure of \$39,400 is the determining amount.

Mary Leiweke will be in charge of the volunteers who will be calling asking everyone to vote April 4.

President Sansone again explained that the April 4 election is simply to establish ourselves as our own water and sewer district. We cannot proceed with any sewer project until this step is taken.

A discussion from the floor ensued. President Sansone was asked why the "water shed" map had been made smaller with respect to the number of homes being serviced. He replied that on the advice of the engineer it had been made smaller because although more homes would have reduced the cost, servicing these homes which were a long way from the lake was not economically feasible, it would cost more to service them than we would have gained from their fees. It will be mandatory to hook up to the new system. At this point the only anticipated cost to the homeowner will be the connection of the pump to the electricity. There will be a monthly fee for the service but it is too soon to determine what this will be. There was concern that the cost of "filling" in the septic tanks would be on an individual basis. Marilyn said that as we had not yet decided on the type of system we would have this was not an issue. If we decided on the step system, then the tanks would be needed and the sewer system would pay to replace the tanks that were not good enough for the new system. The grinder system would require the tanks be disengaged and filled in but we will not know this until the State

approves our engineering plans and we have to submit several plans to them. President Sansone again stressed the importance of voting on April 4 to become our own district. He said that once we have that established we can then go ahead with the engineering plans for the sewer project. If we get federal grants to help with the cost, the federal government will determine what the cost to us the homeowner will be. We will then voted on the bond issue for the remainder of the costs in November and by then we will have all the information on which system the government says we will have and how much it will cost. In response to the question if how much money had we spent to date on the sewer project, Marilyn replied \$166 filing fee for the April election. This money will be returned to the lake by the sewer district once it is formed. There will also be a small fee to pay for advertising the formation of the district in the Jefferson County Watchman. She explained that legal actions have to be advertised. The engineer and the attorney will NOT be paid unless we become a sewer district. We have spent zero with them to date. They are confident that we will get enough votes to become our own district and that is when they will get paid. If it does not pass, they will not be paid.

It was again stated that there will be no cost to the homeowner to be hooked up to the new sewer system. However, new construction will have to pay a fee to be hooked up. If the system gets enlarged in the future any new subscribers would have to pay a fee to be hooked up at that time.

Concern was expressed that with the new sewer system it will be possible to build a house on a single lot at the lake. This is not correct, the board has looked into this and until water is also brought in you need 40,000 sq ft. for sewer only and 20,000 sq.ft. with potable water. Water is not being considered at this time.

In closing President Sansone said that he hoped everyone would vote yes to become our own sewer district. He said that the sewer committee had been working on this for the past three years and have moved it off square one and the lake would be foolish not to proceed. He said that this was important to our financial future and for the improvement of the lake.

New business

It was asked if pre-board meetings are held and who can come. Yes, the board still has pre-board meetings but these are not advertised and are held when enough members of the board can attend due to their various commitments. The purpose of these meetings is to ensure that the board has all the facts before presenting items at the regular board meetings. No minutes are taken at this meeting.

In connection with the Belew water shed, this coming Saturday, we will be walking our creek at 1 p.m. to find out about the sand and silt that is coming into our lake.

The question of the grass water willow being introduced into the lake by the anglers association was discussed as was the placing of old Christmas trees. The board will meet with the anglers on April 12th to examine the whole issue. The board is responsible for the lake as a whole and has to ensure that fishing, boating and swimming is safe and can be enjoyed by all the lake residents.

The problem of fishing off the dam was discussed and also of people who do not have lot owners with them. The anglers association can approach these people or you can call the anglers if you see people fishing illegally.

There being no further business, Marilyn made a motion, seconded by Matt Holloran to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Pat Harting
Secretary



LTPOA Meeting Minutes - April 11, 2006

The meeting opened at 7:05 p.m. with the following board members present:

Ray Lauer, Matt Holloran, Ron Sansone, Pat Harting, Marilyn Meyer, Larry Kimmel and Kevin Seelbach and 37 lot owners.

With the minutes of the March meeting having been posted on the website President Sansone asked for a motion to accept. Motion made by Ray Lauer seconded by Matt Holloran with the following one correction to the treasurers report: Regular assessment outstanding should be \$3,779.62

Treasurers Report

Marilyn Meyer reported the following:

Cash inflow:

Regular Assessment 2005-2006	237.53
Special Assessment 2005-2006	658.72
Gate Passes	15.00
FUTA Tax Refund	40.15
Interest	21.28
Total Cash Inflow	972.68

Cash Outflow:

Loan Payment	4,489.55
Payroll	655.15
Newsletter Expense	232.11
Election Authority Fund – Sewer	166.33
US Post Office – Sewer	100.22
Home Service Diesel Fuel	338.05
Quick Shop Gas	31.37
Boat Launch –	
Central Stone – rock and rip rap	1,862.93
McLaren Grading	6,190.00
AAA Zoellner – concrete blocks	11,738.51
Wages – Cement labor	247.50
Utilities	206.94
Total Cash Outflow	26,258.66

Checking Account Balance	32,798.65
Money Market Account	1,790.22
CD's 4 @ \$12,000 each	48,000.00
Total Cash on Hand	82,588.87

Loan Balance as of 3-31-06	124,432.89
Interest \$19.01 per day	
Outstanding	
Special Assessments – 2004-05	50.00
Special Assessments – 2005-06	903.53
Regular Assessments – 2004-05	300.00
Regular Assessments – 2005-06	3,542.09

Marilyn reported that the \$166.33 to the Election Authority for being placed on the April ballot will be reimbursed when the sewer project gets underway.

She also reported that the assessment monies still owed are all at the Attorney for collection. She explained that the \$658.72 reported as income was the special assessment for a piece of property that had been sold.

President Sansone asked for approval of the Treasurers Report, motion made by Larry Kimmel, seconded by Matt Holloran, motion passed.

President Sansone also asked for approval of the payment of the postage for the sewer project. Motion made by Kevin Seelbach seconded by Ray Lauer, motion passed.

Finance Committee

Janet Hirsch handed out copies of the year to date financial report. There were no questions.

Security Directors Report

Ray Lauer's security report is attached.

In connection with the gate operation and the lady who reported that the gate had come down on her car, the video of the occurrence showed that she did not stop or slow down as she approached the gate. Residents are asked to please slow down as they approach the gate. Also, the gate does lower automatically at 6 p.m. so extra caution is required if you are entering around that time.

Rich Hirsch reported four gate malfunction incidents. See the gate report.

Also in connection with the gate operation Rich reported that gate will now be open from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday instead of 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is mainly to accommodate the mail carriers' schedule.

Jerry Uhlenbrock reported that he could not see the screen when entering during the day. The color of the screen is a temperature problem and Rich said he would check to see if anything could be done about it, or possibly replace the screen for one that was not affected by temperature changes

Building Director

Larry Kimmel reported three building permit requests:

1. Lents – A3,4,5 – Deck, Larry reported that he had all the required drawings.
2. Hejnel – O21 – Parking Area
3. Frauenfolder - K32/33 - 2 ½ car garage

Mr. Frauenfolder is obtaining the county permit this coming Thursday. Larry therefore requested permission to issue our permit contingent upon receipt of the permit from the county. Marilyn Meyer made the motion to grant the three building permits, seconded Matt Holloran, motion passed.

Larry reported on the situation with the stone house on South Lakeshore. All the paperwork has been issued and a motion will now go to the County Commissioners for the house to be demolished. The property owner is taxed for the demolition, the lake is not involved.

Maintenance Director

Matt asked for Board approval for the Garden Club to place slates in the maintenance yard gate and paint a letter "T" on them. This project is being paid for by the garden club. President Sansone asked for a motion. Larry Kimmel made the motion, seconded by Ray Lauer, motion passed.

Matt said that he would be marking the road where repairs were necessary and then he would obtain necessary bids. After the repairs, the roads would be sealed this summer. He asked that if he missed any large repairs, please give him a call. He thanked all those who had been burning their ditches. Volunteers are needed for the boat patrol this summer. He also asked for volunteers to help pay for the gas for the boat patrol, especially in light of the high cost of gas at the moment. Also in connection with maintenance, President Sansone said that the Board was looking into the cost of an excavator to remove the remainder of the "volcano" and purchase pipe for drainage, so that the dirt could be placed on his property. The initial bid for dirt removal was approximately \$14,000 to 15,000. He asked for a motion, motion made by Larry Kimmel seconded by Marilyn Meyer, motion passed.

Web Site

Janet Hirsch reported that she was planning to put information in the next newsletter regarding the June 17 election. She said that she needed to know what items would be up for vote. Items so far are lowering the lake in the fall. President Sansone said that numerous lakes

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did this on a routine basis to assist in silt removal. A 12 to 14" pipe would need to be placed over the dam for this purpose. A lower lake would also be advantageous for home owners to do necessary repairs to docks etc. Mary Leiweke volunteered to run the election. We will ask for volunteers to help with the election in the next newsletter.

The following items were also discussed:

The building of catch basins at the entrance to the lake from the stream. The basins could then be cleaned out periodically and prevent from silt entering the lake.

Jerry Uhlenbrock asked if the lake docks could be attached closer to the new ramp so that it was easier to launch a boat. Kevin will work on getting this done.

The new ramp has already been used by several residents.

The parking lot will be made slightly bigger on the right hand side of the new ramp.

Pipe has been obtained to repair the dry hydrant.

Dam Inspection

Marilyn Meyer read a dam inspection report made by Dave Taylor. Mr. Taylor is employed by Strata Services. Mr. Taylor came to inspect the leak, which is below the level of the stone. Following is a brief synopsis of his report.

- Place a weir below the leak. The weir would measure water flow. Immediate attention would be needed if silt was discovered in the outflow.
- Check the temperature of the water from the leak in the summer. This would show how deep the leak was, but not the location.
- Alternatively a dye could be used.
- Check the concrete structure on the back of the dam which collects and channels the leak to the toe of the dam. Try to ascertain when it was constructed.
- Check to see if we have information on when the dam was constructed and also any earlier repair work.

Mr. Taylor thought that the leak was coming from a small dolomite cave close to where it had been repaired earlier.

The leak is cause for concern for two reason, water retention and dam safety. He estimated a leak of approximately 200-300 gallons per minute. He suggested we contact Bob Clay in the Dam Safety Office in Rolla. He said the dye test to see how deep the leak was would cost \$2,000. The consensus of opinion was that this was not necessary, but perhaps this should be put in as an item on the upcoming election. Mr. Taylor gave an estimate of between \$60,000 to \$100,000 to repair the leak in the dam. This obviously will require much further investigation before any decision could be made and there was also the possibility of another assessment as we have not yet paid off the current assessment. Larry Kimmel was of the opinion that this should be put on the capital improvement fund. Following discussions, President Sansone said a special machine could detect where the metal pipes which had been put in earlier to try and fix the leak were located. Basically Mr. Taylor would pour concrete down these pipes until the leak stopped. Pat Harting said that another company should be contacted for their opinion. This apparently was very difficult, as there were not many dam companies. Dave Fitzgerald said he remembered that Washington University had something to do with an earlier repair and possibly they would have the old records. The reinforcing concrete across the top of the dam was added in 1987 and it is not known if the concrete has covered the pipes. From old records that are available, it would appear that the leak has been there since the dam was constructed. Ron and Matt asked that if anyone has information about the old repairs could they please contact them.

Sewer Committee

President Sansone said that following the April ballot, we are now our own sewer/water district. He said that now we will proceed to determine the cost. Janet Hirsch reported that the next meeting of the

committee will be Tuesday April 18. The first step is the income survey which lake homeowners would be receiving shortly. Please fill in this as soon as possible and return it in the stamped envelope enclosed with the survey. This survey is completely confidential, non verifiable and is totally administered by the Midwest Assistance Program. If the result of the survey show that our median income is below \$39,400 then we will be eligible for federal grants. **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT EVERYONE RESPOND TO THIS SURVEY.** We need an 80% response. Marilyn said that if people did not answer they would actually be hurting themselves because if we do not get a federal grant, the monthly costs will be more. The sewer project will be voted on in November. There were numerous questions raised by several homeowners, most of which can be answered at the sewer meetings. If you have any concerns concerning the sewer project, **PLEASE ATTEND THE SEWER MEETINGS, AS THIS IS THE SOURCE OF ALL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SEWER PROJECT.**

Watershed Committee

Jerry Uhlenbrock reported that on March 18, three members of the committee walked the creek approximately 1/3 of the way up looking for problems. It was very apparent that run down is coming into the lake from the creek. He said that he will be having a meeting next week and anyone interested is welcome. He said that monies were available from the Department of Natural Resources to help solve this problem.

He then went on to say that he had received three reports of septic systems leaking into the lake. One is now in the process of getting permits for necessary repairs. He again said that you want to report any problems with leaking systems please contact him. He said that there are 3 engineers and approximately 70 plumbers on the recommended list from the county and homeowners should only be using contractors from this list. The names and phone numbers of the engineers will be put in the newsletter.

Jerry concluded by reminding us that April 22 is clean up day, beginning at 9 a.m.

Volunteers

Rich Hirsch reported that on March 18 the volunteers burned trees and removed debris from numerous pipes and ditches around the lake. On April 15 they will again be removing debris and burning. Please remember that April 15 is the last day of burning season.

There being no other business President Sansone requested a motion to adjourn. Motion made by Ray Lauer, seconded by Larry Kimmel. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Pat Harting
Secretary



Volunteer Day, March 18. Ken Jost and Lou Harting clean debris from the culvert pipe at the southside bridge.

March 2006 Security Report

Sorry I can't be with you this month, however, we are away from the lake for vacation.

Last month we reported that Roger had offered to relinquish responsibilities for the gate, and we asked for someone to step forward in his stead. As reported in the recent LTPOA Newsletter, we are pleased to announce four of our lake residents have volunteered to be supervisors of the gate.

We offer our appreciation to Jason Covington, Rich Hirsch, Mike Leiweke and Fred Steinmetz for volunteering their time to be responsible for operation of the gate.

Jason and Rich, in that order, will be responsible for issuing gate cards or a replacement, if necessary. Mike and Fred will take care of any necessary repairs. I can be called on for that, too, when necessary.

While Jason has offered to be available at each monthly meeting of the Board of Directors to issue cards, they can be obtained at any time of the month. We, of course, understand that people move in to our community at various times each month, or cards can become inoperable because of malfunctions, mutilations, and the like, or sometimes they are lost, so cards will be issued as needed.

The following telephone numbers are provided for anyone needing to contact those above named.

- Jason Covington** (636) 285-0527
- Rich Hirsch (636) 285-0813
- Mike Leiweke (636) 274-9002
- Fred Steinmetz (636) 274-2853

Anyone having concerns about security is invited to call me at (636) 285-3328, or contact me via E-mail at rbl1242@aol.com.

This report covers the period of the time from our last meeting to our departure from the lake on February 27, 2006. I'm pleased to advise we've had no reported problems in that period, despite the gate being non-operational during that time.

Finally, I was remiss in not announcing at last month's meeting that long time resident and property owner, and former Board member, Phil Dodge has found it necessary to vacate his home due to health reasons. He and his wife now are residing with a daughter in our neighborhood, on Marty Martin Road. Phil has done much to improve conditions at Lake Tishomingo, and in fact, until recently was the man responsible for getting our books audited annually.

If anyone would like to talk with Phil or his wife, feel free to call either at (636) 285-4564. I'm sure they would be glad to hear from their friends.

Submitted by Ray Lauer
Security



March 2006 Gate Report

One issue that came up was about using a cell phone to activate the gate instead of a local land-line phone. As most cell phones require that 11 digits be dialed, we tested whether the gate would work with an 11-digit number. It would not, so at this point, owners must have a local land line to be able to receive calls and let guests thru the gate.

Even if there were a way to get around this problem, the Gate Cmte thinks that a local number should still be required for gate use since:

1) We only want to admit guests to the lake via the phone when an owner (or whoever answers his phone) is on-site. If we allow cell phone entries, the owner could be hundreds of miles away from the lake and therefore not capable of monitoring his guests.

2) Most cell phone calls require dialing an 11 digit number and since this is very likely a toll call, it raises the cost of operating the gate.

The new Gate Committee installed the gate bars and put the gate in operation on Saturday, Mar 4, 2006 at 10am. Since the Gate cmte had no experience with the gate, we decided to install a "shaved" 2x4 as the gate bar and not the more expensive aluminum bar (~\$10 for the 2x4 and \$200 for the aluminum bar).

Problems

After 10 days of normal gate operation, there have really been only two problems with the gate, both occurring on Sun Mar 5:

1) On Sun. Mar 5, at 11:30am, the ingate bar was broken by an emergency vehicle answering a fire call. The newly installed Siren-activated switch apparently did not work, probably because the sensitivity is not set low enough. RH will readjust sensitivity and test the device. After the bar breakage the bar was reinstalled and the gate resumed normal operation.

2) On Sun. Mar 5, at 1:45pm, the ingate stopped responding to gate cards. After 15 mins of attempting to raise the gate, the gate bar was removed by handy bystanders with wrenches. Fred Steinmetz received a call about the problem and he called RH. When they arrived the screen was displaying "System in Use" and everything was locked up. Turning the power to the ingate off and then on again restored normal gate operation.

Rich Hirsch for the Gate Cmte.



April 2006 Security Report

There's not a whole lot to report this month, but I think it important to advise of calls from two residents in the past several weeks. It seems some people are using a scam in an effort to get into the lake area after the gates have been lowered at 6 p.m.

First, a neighbor told me of receiving a call one night from someone at the gate, and when the homeowner answered his phone, the individual at the gate asked that it be raised for him. The person using the calling device at the gate said he was an Ameren UE repairman and needed to get access to our property. Fortunately, the homeowner told the caller he had not requested repairs from the electric company, and the man at the gate should call the resident who needed repairs. The person at the gate said he didn't have the name of the person supposedly needing repairs, and just asked the homeowner with whom he was speaking to raise the gate. The homeowner didn't, and he never heard from the individual again.

More recently, another property owner told me of two separate calls she received. Late one night several weeks ago, her phone rang at home and when she answered she discovered it was someone at the gate wanting entry to the lake. The man at the gate said he was a deputy sheriff and needed to get into the lake area. The woman said she had not called the sheriff's office, and refused to cause the gate to be raised. Several days later the woman received another late night call and again the man said he was at the gate, was a deputy sheriff, and needed access to the lake. She again did not honor his request.

Everyone should realize that if firefighters, sheriff's deputies or ambulance attendants respond to the gate, they have the method for easy access. If someone calls your home from the gate and identifies himself or herself as a service worker, or a person from a utility, you needn't grant them access unless you called them personally to your residence.

It seems obvious that some people will use any ruse in an effort to get into our property after hours, when the gate is in a lowered position.

And, finally ...

The word S-T-O-P means Stop. We've had regulation stop signs installed at the entrance and exit of our subdivision for more than a year. In case anyone has missed them, they each have a red background with white lettering. They were purchased and installed for the safety of all residents and our visitors. It is important for everyone entering and leaving the lake to STOP, and then proceed on in a safe and cautious manner.

This is particularly true at 6 o'clock every evening. That is the hour, precisely, when the entrance and exit gates lower automatically. If drivers STOP before entering or leaving, they will be safe from the gate dropping onto their vehicles. Drivers need to be aware that the gate will lower at the hour of 6 p.m. If one STOPS before entering, then you will be able to determine if the gate is lowering and that you need to wait momentarily until the gate has lowered fully, and then, if you are a property owner, your gate pass card can be utilized to allow access to the subdivision.

Please obey the signs as you enter or leave the lake, for your safety and that of others who may be near the gates. STOP, and then move on cautiously. Also, remember there is a video recording at the gate. That will provide evidence whether you have stopped, or disobeyed the STOP signs.

Submitted by Ray Lauer

April 2006 Gate Report

Gate Operation

The Saturday gate open time has changed from 10am - 2pm to 9am - 12n. This was done because the mail carrier showed up at 9:55am last Sat and needed assistance to get in. Also, in talking to our regular weekday carrier, she indicated that 9am - 12n is a better fit with when the carrier should arrive at LT.

Based on the placement of the mailboxes near the gate and the fact that the carrier sits on the right hand side of the vehicle to deposit mail, at this time it seems we still need to open the gate for mail delivery.

Problems

There were four incidents since the LTPOA meeting on March 7, one gate break, one near break, and two malfunctions.

1) 3/30/2006 (Thurs.), 23:40: The gate bar was broken by a car trying to sneak in behind another car that had entered the gate legally. The car that broke the gate appeared to be a small dark green coupe. Unfortunately, the car was moving too fast and the plate was too dark for the video equipment to record the license plate number of the car.

When I got down to the gate at about 9am, the gate bar had already been replaced by Mike Leiweke who saw the broken gate when he left LT on Friday morning. Please don't tailgate to try to beat the gate.

2) 4/5/2006 (Wed.), 18:00: A resident called Jason and said his wife's vehicle had been hit repeatedly by the gate descending and striking her vehicle. Although the car's owner claimed that his wife stopped at the gate and then proceeded through the gate, the video record showed that the vehicle did NOT stop in front of the gate. Based on the video it is questionable if the vehicle even slowed down for the stop sign posted at the ingate.

It is very important to stop in front of the gate at the stop sign, ESPECIALLY when the gate is activated (6pm on Mon. - Fri., 9am on Sat.).

3) 3/19/2006 (Sun.), 3:30pm: The gate became unresponsive in the down position. Ray Lauer and Rich Hirsch received calls and went down to the gate. Resetting the unit restored normal operation.

4) 4/6/2006 (Thurs.), 6:00: The ingate failed to rise automatically at 6am. After some effort and help from Roger Hovis, the problem was found to be a loose main controller board in the ingate enclosure. The board was probably dislodged when the gate bar was hit during the 4/5/2006 incident.

Rich Hirsch for the Gate Cmte



Security Gate Information

by Rich Hirsch

Using a gate card

Move the gate card in front of the card reader when the red LED is displayed. An easy way to remember this is: Red means STOP, wave the card, GO on green. (If you place the gate card in front of the card reader when the green LED is displayed, the gate will not open and may actually delay the opening of the gate.)

It is very important to stop in front of the gate at the stop sign, ESPECIALLY when the gate is activated (6pm on Mon - Fri, 12n on Sat). If you do not stop you risk damage to your vehicle when the gate becomes operational.

To call a homeowner from the entry gate card reader for admittance

- 1) If you know the 3-digit code, press # then enter the 3-digit code, for example, enter #567. A call will be placed.
- 2) If you don't know the code, press # to display the first page of the list. If the person you want to call is not on this page, press # for the next page until you locate the person you want to call. Then enter the 3-digit code next to their name. A call will be placed.
- 3) When the person answers instruct them to press '9' on their phone's keypad to open the gate. For '9' to open the gate realize you MUST call the person from the gate. Calling a person on your cell phone and telling them to press '9' will NOT work.

Getting short term gate access

- 1) If you are having a party and wish to arrange for guests to easily enter the gate, you may purchase a time-limited "secret" code for your guests to use at the gate. This service costs \$25. Contact Jason Covington at 285-0527, jason_cov@msn.com.
- 2) To open the gate with the "secret" code, enter the 4-digit code. Gate should open. If three wrong 4-digit codes in a row are entered, the gate will stop responding for three minutes.

Gate hours of operation

Monday thru Friday the gate is OPEN from 6am to 6pm. This is so workers, package delivery people, and school buses have easy access.
Saturday the gate is OPEN from 9am to 12n for mail delivery.
Sunday the gate is CLOSED all day.

Vehicles with trailers.

The gate sometimes has trouble detecting a trailer behind a tow vehicle. This is especially true if the trailer is high and contains little metal, like a boat trailer. Therefore the best way to bring a trailer into the lake is when the gate is normally open. Or, you may contact a member of the gate committee and arrange for the gate to be opened for you.

How do I obtain a gate access card?

- 1) Only a Lake Tish property owner can apply for a gate card and the card must be issued in the property owner's name.
- 2) Fill in the form at

www.laketishomingo.com/forms/vehreg.pdf.

Forms may also be obtained from Jason Covington at 285-0527, jason_cov@msn.com.

- 3) Only one gate card will be issued per vehicle. Gate cards are \$5 each to be paid when the gate card is issued.
- 4) When the card owner sells his property the card will be deactivated. Therefore, if the seller gives his gate card to the new owner, the new owner MUST contact a member of the Gate Cmte to have the gate card information updated.

Requirements for a phone listing at the entry gate card reader

- 1) Only a Lake Tish property owner can have a phone number added to the access list. This is so we know who is responsible for admitting guests to the lake.
- 2) The number added to the access list must be a seven digit local number located within the lake. This is to ensure that the property owner or his representative is on premises to monitor the actions of the guest.
- 3) If an owner sells his property the phone number will be removed from the access list.



Spring has hardly sprung ...

And with that glorious time of each year come the amenities of having a residence at beautiful Lake Tishomingo, including green leaves returning on the trees, blooming plants, grass cutting, the appearance of purple martins and humming birds, as well as this wrap up and end of the fiscal year report concerning security matters. Well, perhaps amenity is a misnomer when considering this report.

Ostensibly, the emergence of spring like temperatures also signals the start of the boating season, so let's begin there.

Already we've witnessed several violations of our water rules by some boat operators. As we are near the beginning of the busiest time of the year on Lake Tishomingo, we are compelled to offer reminders to the property owners about the importance of boating safety. It seems some of those who have been observed in the past several weeks who were not in compliance with the lake's **Water Activities Rules and Regulations** may be newcomers to our area. If so, we who are your neighbors, offer a hearty welcome and sincerely hope you thoroughly enjoy the pleasantness associated with living in this community.

If you are new to Lake Tishomingo, you've hopefully been provided with a copy of the **Water Activities Rules and Regulations**. This document addresses issues regarding fishing, swimming, Boat and Motor Identification, Pontoon Boats, Motor Boating, operation of the Patrol Boat and a host of other data. All of the regulations, enacted years ago, are designed to provide a safe atmosphere for all who deem water activities to be a pleasant past time. If anyone hasn't secured a set of these rules, you are welcome to contact any member of the Board of Directors, or they can be found on the Lake Tishomingo Web site. Every property owner is expected to abide by the rules and regulations, as are guests, so that a safe environment can be assured for all who enjoy water activities at our exquisite lake.

We've been fortunate there have only been several reports of property destruction and/or theft during the past eleven months. Articles have been published in previous Newsletters suggesting how property owners can best protect their residences against intruders. Observant neighbors often are the best deterrent to crime problems. Also, information was presented in a Newsletter regarding fire safety.

There have been two houses severely damaged by fire in the past year, as well as several other instances when members of the Goldman Fire District have been summoned to the lake. The most recent occasion involved a brush fire in the upper tier at A Cove. A neighbor contacted the fire department after seeing smoke, and because of the quick response of the firemen, there was minimal property damage and the owner's house was saved from destruction.

All of us owe a debt of gratitude to Fire Chief Gary Peters and the dedicated members of the fire department and the volunteers who serve so unselfishly. Additionally, we offer our appreciation to Chief Peters for his appearance at a recent LTPOA meeting, where he discussed issues of fire safety and other topics of interest.

During the past year a sensor was purchased for installation at the gate, whereby sirens on emergency equipment will allow the gate to automatically raise. There were some glitches after the

item was first installed, however, the problem is now corrected. Having installed this sensor allows easy, quick access to firefighters, sheriff's deputies and ambulance personnel who are summoned by a lake resident.

We would be remiss in failing to remind property owners about the importance of attending the monthly meetings of the LTPOA board. Through such attendance, one can be kept informed of the issues regarding our subdivision and the problems we face and, just as importantly, can offer their comments, suggestions and viewpoints for the betterment of the lake.

Finally, since the boating season is just around the corner, volunteers are needed to man the Patrol Boat on weekends. Please consider joining this group of volunteers. The more who offer to help in this effort, the less time each will be needed to help ensure our lake area remains problem free.

This is but a concise memorandum regarding subjects we deem to be important issues. A separate report is made at each monthly meeting to update residents of security related issues. Personally, I wish to thank all those who have offered their support to my fellow board members and myself during the year.

Submitted by Ray Lauer
Security



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Cash In Flow: Assessments	Aug-05	Sep-05	Oct-05	Nov-05	Dec-05	Jan-06	Feb-06	Mar-06	YTD
Regular (2005-2006)	60,629	21,341	2,248	2,352	100	0	915	238	87,823
Special 2006 and 2007								659	659
Special (2005-2006)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Special (2005)	1,334	1,151	285	329	315	0	0	0	3,415
Regular (2004-2005)	2,023	150	457	0	0	0	0	0	2,630
Special (2004)	200	0	152	0	0	0	0	0	352
Revenue: Other									
Gate Revenue	25	25	0	285	250	10	275	15	885
Trailer Rental Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Penalty & Legal Fee Revenue	1,156	518	476	81	0	0	0	0	2,231
Tax Refund	0	0	762	503	0	0	0	40	1,265
Insurance Refund	68	75	70	63	61	42	27	21	427
Interest Revenue	0	0	1,500	0	1,500	0	0	0	3,000
Lot Sales	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Donation Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Advertising	0	0	0	0	45	0	100	0	145
LTIA Share of Insurance	0	0	0	0	0	2014	0	0	2,014
Total Incoming Cash Flow	65,435	23,261	5,950	3,614	2,271	2,066	1,317	973	104,886
Cash Out Flow: Loan Repayment									
	4,490	4,490	4,490	4,490	4,490	4,490	4,490	4,490	35,916
Cash Out Flow: Loan Principal		2,000		2,000		500			4,500
From special assessments									
Expenses: Lake Operations									
Required									
Road maintenance	0	0	11,500	0	0	0	0	0	11,500
Insurance	0	1,396	0	0	0	0	0	0	13,961
Security guard	1,024	1,024	1,024	1,024	711	1,066	711	655	7,239
Employment taxes	0	0	845	0	0	1,070	0	0	1,915
Snow removal (wages + salt)	1,028	0	0	0	0	398	0	0	398
Legal	0	0	0	3,426	0	0	1,489	0	5,942
Admin, newsletter, postage, tapes etc	0	0	321	0	0	299	294	232	1,146
Sewer Election Expense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	267	267
Property taxes	115	118	110	124	3,008	0	0	0	3,008
Utilities (propane, elec, telephone)	0	0	0	85	135	545	186	207	1,540
Motor fuel	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	369	527
Grass mowing	270	600	582	0	0	0	0	0	600
Taxes	1,083	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	852
Gate and Security Expense	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,359	0	2,442
Discretionary/Emergency	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,026	20,039	21,065
Boat ramp and seawall reconstruction	0	0	0	0	0	8033	332	0	8,365
Equipment repair/replacement	0	0	0	0	0	773	0	0	773
Emergency maintenance	0	0	0	0	300	0	0	0	300
Building repair	3,520	15,703	14,382	4,659	4,154	12,184	5,469	21,769	81,839
Subtotal: Lake Operations	8,009	22,192	18,872	11,149	8,644	17,174	9,958	26,259	122,255
Total Outgoing Cash Flow	57,426	1,068	-12,922	-7,535	-6,372	-15,108	-8,641	-25,286	103,550
Net Cash Flow	153,943	155,908	142,871	136,684	130,024	67,387	58,745	32,799	
Checking account balance	3,389	2,542	2,659	1,311	1,599	1,129	1,130	1,790	
MM account balance	0	0	0	0	0	48,000	48,000	48,000	
Certificates of Deposit	157,332	158,450	145,530	137,995	131,623	116,516	107,875	82,589	
Total Cash on hand	155,766	150,014	146,216	140,419	136,578	132,235	128,373	124,433	
Loan principal									

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YTD
3,008

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21,065

YTD
8,365

YTD
6,667

YTD
300

YTD
81,839

YTD
122,255

YTD
103,550

Sewer District

by Janet Hirsch

The election April 4 confirmed the formation of our new water district. The water district had its first board meeting April 18. Attorney Ray Dickhaner was present to assist with the meeting agenda and engineer Bill Brunjes was present to answer questions about the sewer system.

Election of officers

Chairman	Larry Kimmel
Vice chairman	Lou Harting
Treasurer	Marilyn Meyer
Technical secretary	Rich Hirsch
Board member	Henry Brym

Resolutions passed

1. to petition the Circuit Court to include sewer systems as part of the responsibility of the district.
2. to retain Ray Dickhaner as attorney and Bill Brunjes as engineer
3. to meet the second Monday of each month

These board meetings will be open and anyone can attend. If necessary the board may go into executive session to discuss personnel, litigation, or property acquisitions. At the June meeting there will be a discussion of the upcoming bond issue.

There followed a general question and answer session where the following items were discussed.

- Funding for the sewer project: we will apply to Missouri DNR and USDA for grants. We will apply to USDA for loan funds then issue bonds to repay the federal loan. The loan terms being issued now are 35 years at 4.75%.
- Under this funding there will be no upfront cost to the individual homeowner. No electrical upgrade costs, no collapsing tank costs, no installation of new tank cost. Nothing.
- Fees are expected to be in the \$40 per month range.
- The system will probably be a STEP system with sand filter modules behind the dam. Each home would have a 555-gal tank w/pump two to three feet below grade. Some homes have new septic systems and we may be able to use them.
- The bond issue should be on the ballot for the November election. Lake homeowners have to be registered to vote within the water/sewer district in Jefferson County to be eligible to vote in that election.

The next meeting will be Monday May 8 in the Sales Office.



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Membership includes a 1-year subscription to *Tishomingo News*, free classified ads, attendance at LTIA dinners, events, and holiday parties.

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