



Tishomingo News

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Osprey over Lake Tish Oct 15.
Photo by Rich Hirsch.

Lake View

by Janet Hirsch, Editor

Many, many thanks to Emelia and Elmer Richards for hosting the annual LTIA Golf Tournament. We had about 65 participants for golf and the dinner afterwards. It was fun and rewarding -- lots of great door prizes. Everyone had a good time and we appreciate all the effort it took to organize and hold this event. Emelia and Elmer, thanks to you and to everyone that helped.

It's time now to renew your LTIA membership, use the attached form. We've made a lot of improvements to the Community House and had a lot of fun events this past year. Next year is going to be even better.

Membership entitles you to free classified ads in this newsletter, attendance at the free monthly dinners, participation in LTIA events like the boat parade, golf tournament, and holiday parties; and the fun and fellowship of sharing a good time with friends and neighbors. Everyone is invited.

Lakeside Gardeners Events for all to enjoy . . .

Wreath Making Demo/workshop

7 pm Thursday Nov 10
Community House

Portraits with Santa

1 pm Saturday Dec 3
Sales Office

details on page 4

Dinner Meetings

6:30 pm Sat **Nov 12** -- Turkey! Bring a side dish

6:30 pm Sat **Dec 10** -- Chili Cookoff!
Bring your best chili or a side dish

Coming in December . . .

Children's Christmas Party

1 - 3 pm Sun **Dec 18**

Visit with Santa
Bring a wrapped gift and a snack



For everyone . . .

Christmas Caroling

3 pm Sat **Dec 17**

Join the carollers on a holiday ride full of song. We'll split into two groups and will entertain the north or south side of the lake. Wagons will carry the carollers on their routes, no walking required!

This year carollers are asking for donations of cash, canned goods, or new toys for the Hillsboro Food Pantry. Please be generous.

Afterwards, join the carollers and relax with food and beverages in the Community House -- and some more music!

And the annual holiday competition . . .

Holiday Decoration

Festival of Lights **Sat Dec 17**

details on page 6

Happy New Year

Party 8:30 pm Sat **Dec 31, 2005**
Sing, dance, have a karaoke good time!

FREE

Bring: beverages and snacks



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Next Newsletter Deadline

December 25, 2005

laketishomingo.com

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, F-29, jhirsch@catenary.com, (636) 285-0813.

2005 Calendar

- Nov 8 Tue 7 pm LTPOA Board meeting
- Nov 10 Thur 7 pm Wreath making demonstration/workshop
- Nov 12 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting. Turkey
- Nov 19 Sat 9 am Volunteer Corps
- Dec 3 Sat 1 pm Portraits with Santa
- Dec 10 Sat 6:30 pm LTIA Dinner meeting. Chili cookoff
- Dec 13 Tue 7 pm LTPOA Board meeting
- Dec 17 Sat 9 am Volunteer Corps
- Dec 17 Sat 3 pm Christmas Caroling.
- Dec 18 Sun 1 - 3 pm Children's Christmas Party
- Dec 31 Sat 8:30 pm Happy New Year Party

Coming Soon . . .

Lake Tishomingo 2006 Calendar

Just in time for the holidays, the LTIA will be creating a full-color Lake Tishomingo wall calendar with photos and drawings of the lake, the people, and the events. Help us out and show off your photos -- recent or historical -- digital or film. Contact Gail Lents, Mary Leiweke, or Janet Hirsch if you can help. The calendar will probably be priced at \$10 and available mid-December .

Classified Ads

Classified ads are free for LTIA members
FOR SALE

- Propane Fireplace Logs** with lined firebrick insert. White oak surround. \$175 OBO. Lou Harting (636) 285-1971.
 - Free Weight Set** Ted Williams (Sears), Weights: 6 x 10-lb, 4 x 5-lb, 4 x 2.5-lb. 2 small bars, 1 large bar. Excellent condition . \$25 OBO. Janet Hirsch (636) 285-0813.
 - Bolens Lawn Tractor** with new motor, snow blade. Runs good. \$150. Leopoldine Hukenbeck. (636) 285-2328.
 - Scuba.** Two wetsuits (M, L), tank, weights, flag. \$200 OBO. Mary Murray (636) 274-4087.
 - Pet Travel Cage.** For a small to medium size pet. Black, metal, only used once. \$5. Kay Gebhart. (636) 274-2226.
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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**
- Borrow or Rent: Boat trailer** to store 16-ft speedboat for the coming winter months. Tim Schryver (636) 285-7474.
 - Found: Ski Tube** /tow rope. Call to retrieve (636) 274-2939.



Prevent Fires, Save Lives

by Ray Lauer

The winter season is ever so close, and it reminds us of the importance of fire prevention necessities in our homes, because fires continue to be a serious threat to property and persons.

Some timely tips were recently offered by Chief Gary Peters of the Goldman Fire Protection District, and they are reported here as a service to Lake Tishomingo property owners. During his many years of service he has responded to innumerable house fires that were started because of a buildup of creosote in fireplace chimneys. He suggests that chimneys be cleaned yearly, especially if a fireplace is used frequently. It is always a worthwhile idea to engage the services of a professional chimneysweep, but if a homeowner elects to clean the chimney, Chief Peters suggests that it be cleaned before the heating season begins. Citing the fact there usually is one week during December when the temperatures warm sufficiently, the chief recommends the fireplace be cleaned one additional time. This ensures a clean flue and greatly reduces the risk of a fire.

Chief Peters also wishes to remind homeowners about the dangers of lint in clothes dryers. He has found, on numerous occasions, where people believe they only need to remove lint from the filter in a dryer. In reality, lint also accumulates in the vent pipe and, through frequent use, that lint can also pose a fire hazard because of the intense heat generated when clothes are drying. The chief suggested homeowners should occasionally disconnect the vent pipe at the rear of a dryer and make certain there is not an accumulation of lint between the dryer and the outside vent.

The chief also suggests property owners secure a burn permit at the Goldman Fire Headquarters, and follow the regulations contained on the permit. There is a clear danger when burning leaves of the fire spreading to structures if not properly monitored.

While those are excellent points for us to consider, there are other points worthy of consideration when addressing issues of fire prevention. The City of Fort Meyers, Florida has produced a publication with 10 tips for fire safety.

1. – Install Smoke Detectors – Working Smoke Detectors can alert you to a fire in your home in time for you to escape even if you are sleeping. Just as important, test detectors monthly, and replace batteries once a year. Many fire departments recommend batteries be changed each year in October on the date when Daylight Saving Time ends.

2. – Plan Your Escape From Fire – If a fire breaks out in your home, you need to get out fast. Prepare for a fire emergency by sitting down with your family and agreeing on an escape plan. Be sure everyone knows at least two unobstructed exits ... doors

and windows ... from every room. This is especially important when the most at risk reside in a home, i.e., children, those who are mobility impaired, and older adults.

3. – Keep An Eye on Smokers – Careless smoking is the leading cause of fire deaths in North America. Smoking in bed or when drowsy can be deadly. Enough said.

4. – Cook Carefully – Never leave cooking unattended. Keep cooking areas clear of combustibles, and enforce a “Kid-Free Zone” three feet around your kitchen stove. Turn pot handles inward where you can’t bump them and kids can’t grab them.

5. – Give Space Heaters Space – Keep portable heaters and space heaters at least three feet from anything that can burn. Never allow heaters to be on when you leave home or go to bed.

6. – Remember: Matches and Lighters Are Tools, Not Toys – In a child’s hand, matches and lighters can be deadly. Store these items up high, where small children can’t see or reach them.

7. – Cool A Burn – Run cool water over a burn for 10 to 15 minutes. Never put butter or any grease on a burn. If the burned skin blisters or is charred, see a doctor immediately. Never use ice.

8. – Use Electricity Safely – If an electrical appliance smokes or has an unusual smell, unplug it immediately. Replace any electrical cord that is cracked or frayed. Don’t overload extension cords or run them under a rug.

9. – Crawl Low Under Smoke – During a fire, smoke and poisonous gases rise with heat. The air is cleaner near the floor. If you encounter smoke while escaping from a fire, find an alternate escape route.

10. – Stop, Drop and Roll – If your clothes catch fire, don’t run. Stop where you are, drop to the ground, cover your face with your hands, and roll over and over to smother the flames.

There is an upcoming holiday, Thanksgiving Day, and we’re reminded of some frightening statistics. Fire

incidence increases on this annual holiday, and it applies mostly to cooking fires in the family home. Each year, nearly 4,300 fires in the United States occur on Thanksgiving Day causing 15 fatalities, about 50 injuries and nearly \$27 million in property damage.

With this sobering reminder, let’s all make a commitment to having a safe community, not only during the winter months, but also all year round.

Anyone interested in an additional information resource for eliminating residential fire deaths, or other timely hints regarding fire prevention, visit FireSafety.gov or fireplans.com on the internet.



Firefighters battle the flames and smoke at the Farwig house Sept 4. The house was destroyed, fortunately there were no injuries. Photo by Jerry Uhlenbrock.



Lakeside Gardeners

The Lakeside Gardeners work to beautify the common areas and also try to show appreciation to residents for their efforts. Each month in the growing season the gardeners award the "Garden of the Month" to deserving lot owners. September was awarded to Ray and Bev Lauer, C20-C22, on Mohawk Trail on the south side of the lake. The next award will be in Spring 2006. The Lakeside Gardeners have spruced up the entrance with a newly planted blue spruce and new screen door for the guard shack.

Wreath Making

There will be a wreath-making demonstration and workshop Thursday 7 pm November 10 in the Community House. Bring wreaths that you have made for show-n-tell. Bring samples or pictures of wreaths you want to learn how to make. Bring any plant materials or ornaments you want to learn how to apply to a wreath. Be prepared to learn and have fun showing and sharing. For more info call Marilyn Meyer 274-1812.

Portraits with Santa

Saturday December 3 at 1 pm the Sales Office will be turned into Santa's House. Everyone is invited to have a portrait picture taken with Santa. Photo prints will be available immediately for \$5, or three for \$10. For more info call Fran Hovis 274-7019.

The Lakeside Gardeners invite everyone to join them. It's free, it's fun. Call Dixie Bryant 285-6043.



Bev and Ray Lauer, C20, September Garden of the Month.

2005 Garden of the Month Winners

May	Marlene Whiteman
June	Charlie and Carolyn Hirth
July	Jerry and Laverne Rogers
Aug	Mike and Liz Higgins
Sept	Ray and Bev Lauer



That's a Big Fish!



Ryan Frank holds the 49-inch 80-plus-lb grass carp he caught October 15. Ryan caught the fish in front of M19 with a spoon on a 6-lb test line.



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Party! Party! Party!

Halloween Party Photos by Bev Jost and Charlie Lents



Biggest and best dressed crowd at the Kid's Halloween Party.



Emily Covington



Gail Lents with a spook.



Ken and Bev Jost



Winners of the costume contest: Jerry and Sandy Uhlenbrock .



Marilyn Meyer, Gene Eime, and JoAnn Ross



Left: Pat and Lou Harting



Right: Barb Rohm

LTIA Meeting Summaries

by Janet Hirsch and Barb McGlynn

Sept 10, 2005

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

Celebrations: Happy Birthday to Gail Lents. Happy Anniversary to Betty and Ed Melchior, celebrating 58 years of marriage.

Memorial: Moment of silence to remember Betty Moody, lake resident who recently passed away.

Minutes were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

Treasurer's report as of August 31, 2005:

checking account \$3849.75

Millenium account \$4918.74

Welcome Wagon: Delivered baskets to five new homeowners.

Newsletter: Deadline for ads, article, and photos for inclusion in the next newsletter is Oct 23. New items at the website are the report of the Farwig house fire and the Brick Net proposal for broadband internet service.

Ways and Means: Golf Tournament is Sept 24, everyone is invited to golf or join us for BBQ dinner afterwards.

Social: The Scavenger Hunt was a big success and will be included on the calander for next year. Halloween parties are scheduled for Friday Oct 28, 6 to 8 pm for the children and 8 to 10 pm for the teens. The adult party will be Saturday Oct 29, 7 pm, with music by DoubleTake, \$25/couple or \$15/single.

Lakeside Gardeners: Garden of the Month was awarded to Bev and Ray Lauer. The next meeting will be at the garden of Fran Hovis, everyone is invited.

Maintenance: Dale Farwig repaired the fascia on the front of the building. The kitchen has been remodeled and the electrical systems are being updated. Thank you to everyone who helped with all the work.

Tishomingo Anglers: The evening tournament held in July was very successful and the TAA will sponsor a Fall Tournament the second weekend in October.

New business, mowing of the dam: We received a bill (\$1200) for the mowing of the grass on the back of the dam. It was pointed out that maintenance of the dam is the responsibility of the LTPOA. Kathy Hopfer made the motion to not pay the bill. Motion passed (14:5). It was then pointed out that at several meetings in May and June

the LTIA members had stated that the dam had to be mowed before the July 4th firworks display. Janet Hirsch made the motion to pay one-half of the bill. Motion passed (11:8). The first motion took precedence over the second.

New business, comments from the floor:

* We need to replace the flag at the flagpole

* We should use nametags at the dinner meetings

* We need a handrail for the steps to the road at the east end of

the Community House lawn

* We need a sign that says "No skating" on the new walk from the patio to the pavilion

* We need tables for the pavilion

Attendance prizes were won by Mike Leiweke and Sharon Kardell.

October 11, 2005

Board Members Present – Gail Lents, Dixie Bryant, Barb McGlynn, Janet Farwig, Janet Hirsch, Mary Leiweke

Minutes from September meeting were read. Motion made by Janet Hirsch to accept minutes as read, Janet Farwig seconded. Approved

Treasurer Report was read. Motion made by Gail Lents to accept, seconded by Janet Farwig. Approved

Welcome Wagon Report- Has two baskets to deliver.

Tishomingo Newsletter Report – Deadline for the next newsletter is October 23. New additions to the newsletter are TAA report and Information for the October Fish Tournament. The Hartings extend their sincere thank you to all the condolences, support and donations after the death of their Grandson in Iraq. Broadband can be made available to Lake residents. This is an excellent opportunity to upgrade. For detailed information visit the website, laketishomingo.com.

Ways & Means Report – There will be two Halloween Kid's parties on October 28th. The party for the younger group (up thru the 5th grade) will be from 6pm – 8 pm. They will have games and crafts. The party for the older group (6th thru 12th grade) will be from 8pm – 10 pm. The adult Halloween Dance is October 29th starts at 7 pm, music is by Double Take.

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Holiday Decoration

2005 Holiday House and Yard Decorating Contest

Celebrate the holidays by joining in a friendly competition of Christmas decoration. Light and decorate your house and yard in your best holiday fashion. A prize of \$25 will be given to the best decorated home. Register now and start planning. Lots of luck to all who join in. Christmas is only a short time away.

Send the registration form to:

Dixie Bryant
LTIA Treasurer
6333 N Lakeshore Dr
Hillsboro MO 63050

Dec 16, 2005 -- deadline for registration

Dec 17, 2005 -- 6 pm, judging begins



Festival of Lights Registration

Send completed form by Dec 16 to

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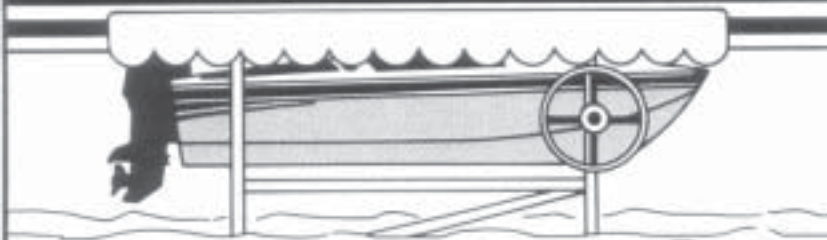
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Lake Happenings

Births

Contratulations to Chris Townsend and Lynn Marschuetz on the birth of new daughter Isabelle Grace.

Congratulations to Valerie and Doug Silhavy on the birth of their new baby.

Contratulation to Ron and Charlene Sansone on the birth of new grandbaby Megan Marie Colburn.

Deaths

We are saddened to report the recent passing of lake resident Betty Moody. Betty was the wife of GA Moody and mother of Charm Hopfer. Our most sincere sympathy to Charm, GA, and their family.

Fire

The morning of Sept 4 fire completely destroyed the home of Janet and Dale Farwig. No one was at home at the time, there were no injuries, but the house is gone.

Janet and Dale have been the most generous of all volunteers at the lake for many years — Dale served on the LTPOA Board for 6 years and Janet is currently on the LTIA Board. Dale continues to help the community by making repairs to the Community House, cutting trees, mowing the grass, and collecting the cans to pay for stocking of the lake.

Janet and Dale plan to rebuild and Dale spends his spare time cleaning up the debris. Everyone has chipped in to help them and wish them the best of luck.



October LTIA Dinner Meeting, continued from page 6

Cost is \$25 per couple or \$15 for a single, beer and set ups included, everyone brings a snack to share.

TAA Report – Fall Tournament has been cancelled due to poor interest and low water. There will be a Spring and Summer tournament next year. TAA will once again take any Christmas trees that are left at the Community House parking until Jan 10, 2006

Lakeside Gardeners Report - They have been working on sprucing up the entrance area by planting a blue spruce and some crocus in front of the sales office. There was a workshop for the school kids and their parents to make and install steppingstones at the bus stop shelter. A new screen door was installed on the guard shack. Thanks to Gail and Charlie Lents for donating the door and to Mike Leiweke for the installation.

New Business - There was some discussion about Christmas Caroling this year. The board will make a decision and have it in the next Newsletter. [See front page -- jmh.] We have a new member, Edith Young with her daughter Claudia Waters and granddaughter Kendra from California attending.

Old Business – Charlie Lents made a motion to reconsider paying the other half of the \$1200 bill for the cutting of the dam. The initial half has been paid by the LTPOA. Gail Lents seconded the motion. Show of hands approved to pay the bill.

Gail Lents extended a big “Thank You” to the Richars for organizing the Golf Tournament and announced this was their last year. Gail mentioned that her son was interested in organizing next year’s event and asked for any others who would like to volunteer to help.

Birthdays and Anniversaries - Happy Birthday to Dale Farwig, 40 years old today and starting the long climb over the hill. Happy Anniversary to Gail and Charlie Lents – 11 years and Ron and Charlene Sansone – 35 years. Our condolences go to Rick and Dixie Bryant after the death of Rick’s aunt.

Attendance Prize Winners - Dixie Bryant, Barb Fitzgerald and Charlene Sansone



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LTPOA

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LTPOA Meeting Minutes - Sept 13, 2005

The meeting opened at 7:10 p.m. with the following board members present: Matt Holloran, Ray Lauer, Ron Sansone, Pat Harting, Marilyn Meyer and Larry Kimmel. 23 lot owners were present.

The minutes of the August meeting were approved with the following corrections:

Treasurer's Report the cash outflow figures for taxes should read \$886.18 making the total outflow \$17,329.85.

President Sansone asked for a motion to accept the corrected minutes, motion made by Ray Lauer, seconded by Matt Holloran, motion approved.

Treasurers Report

Cash Inflow	
Regular Assessments 2004	2,023.23
Regular Assessments 2005	60,629.19
Special Assessments 2004	200.00
Special Assessments 2005	1,333.78
Gate pass revenue	25.00
Penalty & legal	1,155.86
Interest	68.20
Total	65,435.26
Cash Outflow	
Loan	4,489.55
Gate & Security	
Will Electronics	249.56
Signature Control	583.00
Gate overcharge	250.00
Security Guard (30 hours)	1,024.20
Taxes, patrol boat motor sales tax	270.11
Legal, second quarter	1,027.72
Utilities	115.13
Total	8,009.27
Checking Account Balance	153,942.59
Money Market Account	3,389.30
Total Cash on Hand	157,331.89
Special Assessments (2004-05) outstanding	456.58
Regular Assessments (2004-05) outstanding	1,519.73
Loan Principal (August 21, 2005)	155,765.70
Interest per day	\$23.80

Committees

Boat Patrol	Roger Hovis	(636) 274-7019	robhov@direcpc.com
Finance	Janet Hirsch	(636) 285-0813	jhirsch@catenary.com
Security Gate	Roger Hovis	(636) 274-7019	robhov@direcpc.com
Volunteer Corps	Ken Jost	(636) 274-0453	kbkjos@aol.com
Website/Newsltr	Janet Hirsch	(636) 285-0813	jhirsch@catenary.com

Organizations

LTIA	Gail Lents	(636) 274-4245	cnglents@earthlink.net
Lakeside Gardeners	Dixie Bryant	(636) 285-6043	dlbrya@stlmsd.com
Tishomingo Anglers	Rick Hannick	(636) 274-1385	trickyricky@jcn.net

Motion was made by Ray Lauer, seconded by Matt Holloran to accept the finance report, motion carried.

The following invoice was presented for payment: Insurance \$13,960.66

This bill is due the 30th of the month, Matt Holloran will try and negotiate a lower rate. Marilyn reported that this was an increase of \$181 from last year. Gail Lents asked how much the LTIA pays of this invoice. Marilyn said she would check into this a report back to Gail.

Motion made by Ray Lauer, seconded by Larry Kimmell to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Finance Committee

Janet Hirsch reported that the Finance Committee and the LTPOA Board met and decided on the annual budget for the coming year. The figures will be used for the year-to-date financial reports.

Security Report

Ray Lauer read the security report. [See page 11.]

Maintenance

Prior to Matt Holloran giving his report Ray Lauer requested the floor. His request was granted and he read a report as his personal reflection on certain events which have transpired in the past few months. [See page 14.] Upon finishing, Ray was met by applause of appreciation from those present.

Matt began his report by thanking Ray for his support and said that as the positions on the board were strictly voluntary, there was no way that you could satisfy everybody all the time. He then proceeded with his maintenance report. He said that he had 4 bids for sealing the center seam in the new road prior to winter. This is necessary to protect the road from water damage. The low bid was \$11,500 with the high bid at \$16,000. Ray Lauer made a motion, seconded by Larry Kimmel to accept the bid of \$11,500.

Matt then said that the surface of the new road needed to be seal coated in order to preserve it. He stated that squeegeeing is the best way to seal the road. He had obtained the following from the same contractor; the contractor was prepared to hold a bid of \$57,800 until next year if it was approved this year. The other bids ranged from \$60,000 to \$66,000. It was noted that we would not be held liable for this bid if circumstances changed, such as installation of sewers. This bid was strictly for the roads inside the gate.

Matt's third item was for two loads of rock to smooth out the dropoff as you come into the parking lot. The cost of this would be based on the amount brought.

Ray Lauer made a motion, seconded by Ron Sansone, motion passed.

Matt then reported the requirement for those driveways (both lakeside and second tier) which were presently not paved would require a 6" rock base and 3" of asphalt, a minimum of 20ft from the roadway. These should be in by June 2007.

Building Director

Larry Kimmel reported on the following permit requests:

Duffy - G11 Seawall granted with the following stipulations: To butt flush with the

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September Minutes continued from previous page

Griffero seawall and to go into the deadpan (approximately 4 to 6') on the other side. The new seawall will not be out as far as his existing wall because this is out too far. The stumps and other debris that have been thrown in the lake from his landscaping also have to be removed.

Eime - M23, 23 & 24 Replacement of an existing seawall.

Kimmel - M21 & 22 Repair of existing dock and seawall.

Lauer - C20, 21 & 22 New dock installation.

Leiweke - B7 Replacement of existing dock and seawall installation.

Townsend - B31, 32, 33, 34 New home

Will - D20 & 21 Replacement of existing dock and installation of boat lift.

There had been a request for permission from a homeowner to change the location of path between two of their lots. There was no objection from the neighbor bordering the lots. This was thought not to be possible from the original bylaws and only one path was known to have been moved in the past 25 years. Mr. Covington from Jefferson County would be consulted prior to contacting the attorney.

LTIA

Gail Lents reported on the following upcoming events:

Golf tournament - 24th September - 4 man scramble

Commencement time - 2 p.m. \$45 per person including dinner Gail will check on the price of just dinner.

Children's Halloween Party - October 28 Children - 6 - 8 p.m.

Teens - 8 - 10 p.m.

Adult Halloween Party - October 29 \$25 per couple, \$15 single.

Beer and mixers provided - bring snacks to share. Music by Double Take. First and second place costume prizes

Web Site

Janet Hirsch reported that the most recent addition to the web site was the Farwig fire, information about Irene Ross's house in Biloxi and bringing broadband internet service to the lake. The deadline for the next newsletter is October 23rd.

Old Business:

Grass cutting of the dam: An invoice for \$1,200 for grass cutting of the dam was presented to the Board by the LTIA for payment.

Neither board considered they were responsible for payment of the bill.

Matt Holloran explained the responsibility of the LTPOA board with respect to the requirements of Jefferson County for maintenance of the dam. The dam passed the County's inspection and will not require further inspection for three years.

Three bids had not been received by the Board for the work to be performed and the Board was unaware that the dam had in fact been cut until after the fact.

The LTIA stated their position saying that the LTPOA was responsible for maintenance of the dam and the Fire Marshall requested that the grass on the dam be cut before he could issue a permit for the 4th July firework display. This was later rescinded as a fire truck would be made available. Authorization was given by someone for the dam to be cut although who actually gave this is not clear.

After much discussion on the need for three bids and who was responsible for payment a motion was made by Pat Harting, seconded by Marilyn Meyer that the LTPOA pay 50% of the invoice, motion carried.

New Business:

The question of a possible assessment increase was brought up so that grass cutting-type maintenance could be hired. Although it was pointed out that the volunteers do a good job there is much more that could be done to improve the appearance of the lake. President Sansone pointed out that taking into account inflation, the original 55 cent assessment charge would now be \$4.55 and we pay \$4.00. This will need to be discussed prior to the next election and will need to be decided 90 days prior to the election for inclusion on the ballot.

The gate overcharge had been discussed with Roger and the matter taken care of.

Jerry Uhlenbrock read his report from the Health Department. A form will be put in the newsletter so that houses with obvious faulty septic systems can be reported to Jefferson County for them to investigate. There will be no charge for this. The County will also continue monitoring the lake.

Chyree De Roode questioned the progress of the aquatic planting around the lake requested by the anglers. She was concerned that this would cause the same problem the lake had in the past, when it was almost impossible to go into the lake because of the heavy vegetation which was a problem for swimmers and boaters. Larry Kimmel did not have anything to report and it was suggested that Miss Flores from the MO Dept of Conservation be contacted.

The need to examine the fire hydrants around the lake was discussed. This will be taken up with Kevin Seelbach from the Board as he is a fire fighter.

Pam Otero C24 & 25 requested information on registration of her dock for insurance purposes. Larry Kimmel will assist her.

The question of attorney fees was raised. Marilyn replied that they were dependent upon a number of factors.

A request was made for a handrail to be placed next to the new steps and a sign stating "No Skateboarding" be erected by the Community House.

The problem of dumping in the lake was discussed. This will be addressed with the Anglers Association to ascertain what exactly is considered fish cover and for removal of surplus items.

There being no further business, President Sansone requested a motion to adjourn, motion made by Ray Lauer seconded by Matt Holloran. Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Pat Harting, Secretary



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September 2005 Security Report

Summer will soon give way to Fall like temperatures and, in my estimation, we enjoyed a relatively good season at Lake Tishomingo. There were several instances when property owners seemed to enjoy not abiding by our boating regulations, and when observed, they were asked to obey the rules that have been in place for years, to guarantee the safety of all lake users. For the most part, these violations consisted of operating pontoon boats at an increased speed, or in the wrong direction, and on several occasions operating ski or fishing boats after dark at very fast speeds. I just need to emphasize that the rules are not anything that have been drawn up by this Board, but have been in existence for many years. When new property owners are identified, I make certain they are now provided with a set of these long established regulations.

Once again, we need to show our appreciation to Roger Hovis for managing not only the patrol boat, but the operation of the gate as well. Also, we are thankful for those who volunteered on weekends to man the patrol boat.

There are but a few things on which to report about the security operation.

As everyone is aware, there was a devastating fire earlier this month at the home of Dale and Janet Farwig. I had the opportunity to converse with Goldman Fire Chief Gary Peters, while at the fire scene, and he mentioned there was a need for firefighters to break the gate to gain entry. While Goldman firefighters have been given our assigned code to raise the gate, there were several other units from various fire districts that responded to the house fire. They were not provided with the code.

Chief Peters said that several years ago, he mentioned to Board members that some gate operations are equipped with a device so that the sound of an approaching siren causes a gate to automatically raise. I'm not certain if the gate we have from Signature Control can be outfitted with an automatic system as described, but I've asked Roger to make contact with our representative to make that determination. If such a device is available, and if the cost is reasonable, I'll report to the Board at the next meeting. Roger also told me he was informed we have a new representative from Signature, but he had not spoken with that individual as of last week.

There is another issue of concern that I wish to mention. As anyone knows who stood at the fire scene, there was a continual need for firefighters to drive to the beach area to load water in to their water tanks. Whether this would have had a difference in overcoming the heavy fire, I am uncertain. I do recall that some 12 or 13 years ago, dry fire hydrants were purchased and placed in some locations around the lake. The hydrants are inoperable now because of the low water level. Perhaps we should learn more about these dry hydrants and determine if additional ones can be installed. I know nothing about these hydrants, but if anyone recalls any matter about their purchase and installation, perhaps they would volunteer to research whether there is a need for more of those items.

Next, I want to report there was a boat trailer abandoned near the community house for more than three weeks. When the Sheriff's office was contacted last week, I was told we could make whatever disposition we cared. A property owner has taken the trailer to his home, and agreed that if the rightful owner makes a claim on the trailer that it will be turned over to him. Well, the owner, a new property owner, telephoned me this morning and will soon be reunited with the trailer. He believed it was all right to leave the trailer where it had been left.

Finally, it is always good to review safety tips that are made available to us. Each week the News Democrat Journal contains an article written by a Missouri Highway Patrol Trooper and another penned by a representative of one of our nearby fire districts. Both articles can be found on page 2-A. They make worthwhile reading. The Journal newspaper can be obtained, free of charge, from the display box next to the guard shack. The Journal newspaper can be accessed via Internet, however, I've not been able to locate the safety articles through this medium.

LTPOA Meeting Minutes - Oct 11, 2005

The meeting opened at 7:03 pm with the following board members present: Matt Holloran, Ray Lauer, Marilyn Meyer, Kevin Seelbach, and Larry Kimmel. 11 lot owners were present.

The minutes of the September meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Cash Inflow	
Regular Assessments 2004	150.00
Regular Assessments 2005	21341.24
Special Assessments 2004	0.00
Special Assessments 2005	1151.09
Gate pass revenue	25.00
Penalty & legal	518.38
Interest	74.88
Total	23260.59

Cash Outflow	
Loan	4,489.55
Gate & Security	0.00
Insurance	13960.55
Grass Mowing	600.00
Principal moved to loan	2000.00
Security Guard (30 hours)	1,024.20
Utilities	118.03
Total	22192.33

Checking Account Balance	155,908.31
Money Market Account	2,541.84
Total Cash on Hand	158,450.15

Special Assessments (2004-05) outstanding	456.58
Regular Assessments (2004-05) outstanding	1,519.73
Loan Principal (Sept 30, 2005)	150,013.87

The treasurer is sending letters to the attorney to prosecute delinquent assessments: twelve have been sent regarding owners have not paid any assessments and eight that have made partial payment will be sent Nov 1. Total delinquent amount is \$12,820.89.

Bills presented for payment approval:

Newsletter	\$196.35
Postage & Admin	\$124.47
Crack seal of the roads	\$11,500.00

The treasurer's report and payments were approved.

Security Report

Ray Lauer read the security report. [See page 12.]

Matt Holloran moved that an adaptor for emergency sirens to open the gate be purchased for \$595. Seconded by Kevin Seelbach. Motion approved.

Building Report

Ahlemeyer, K29-31, requests permission for a 6' x 16' dock located 40 feet from the neighbor's lot line. Approved.

Maintenance

The center seam of the roads has been sealed. Next year all the roads will be sealed. We are working on a budget for next year's road maintenance expenses.

The equipment is being readied for snow this winter. Henry Brym and Kevin Seelbach got the tractor and truck running and ready to use.

LTIA

Barb McGlynn reported that there will be Halloween parties Oct 28 and 29. Everyone is invited.

The LTIA agreed to pay \$600 for the cutting of the grass on the back of the dam.

Larry Kimmel stressed the importance of consulting with the LTPOA Board prior to submitting a bill for services.

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Website

New material at the website includes information from the Tishomingo Anglers about underwater hazards.

Under "notices" we have a thank-you from the Hartings for the support and contributions after the death of their grandson and the Brick Networks proposal for broadband internet service.

Everyone is encouraged to read these notices.

Deadline for the next newsletter is Oct 23.

Real Estate

Kevin Seelbach reported the four lots are being sold: E14, C43, H36, and H37.

Lakeside Gardeners

The Lakeside Gardeners are "Sprucing-up" the plantings around the Sale Office. Last week we planted a Blue Spruce in front of the building and Saturday 100 crocus bulbs were planted by Katie Hovis, Kinsey Freiderich, and Samie Freiderich.

Saturday Mike Leiweke replaced the broken screen door of the guard shack with a new one donated by Gail and Charlie Lents.

Old Business

Fran Hovis asked why Lakeview had not been sealed. Matt Holloran said that road did not have a center seam and did not require sealing.

New Business

John Hindrich asked about the status of sewers. Marilyn Meyer said that the sewer district is being formed, every house will have to connect but there will be no up front charge to homeowners unless there is a small connection charge.



Letter to the community

We would like to take the time to thank our Lake Tishomingo friends for your donations to the St Louis Zoo and The Salvation Army in memory of Betty Moody.

To those of you who came to Mom's visitation and funeral, to those who sent wonderful cards, flowers, and remembered her and each of us in your prayers, we are eternally grateful for your thoughtfulness.

Special thanks to Rosie Ferrell who created the beautiful casket spray.

Thanks to so many of you who have been fantastic neighbors, friends, and simply guardian angels looking out for both Mom and Dad over the years. It has meant so much to be remembered by so many!

Sincerely,

Charm, Mike and Julie Hopfer, GA Moody,
David, Jerry, and Bill Moody



October 2005 Security Report

It seems everyone at Lake Tishomingo has been on good behavior since our last meeting, because I've received no phone calls about misconduct, and no other reports concerning property damages, break ins or anything.

Normally, with an opening like that, I'd have nothing else for my report, and we could all go home early. But, that isn't the case. There are some matters for discussion.

Actually, this is a continuance of the September report, when he spoke about the response of fire fighters and sheriff's deputies to the fire scene.

Since then, I received an e-mail from a resident who is an insurance agent, and she, too, had some concerns which she expressed about a variety of issues, so I'll share them with you. She, like many others, wondered why the fire tankers had to continually drive to the beach area to obtain water.

The simplest reason is the hydrant on the south side, in the 6200 block, is inoperable. I've heard two reasons. According to the individual who wrote me, Fire Chief Gary Peters told her that the pipe from the hydrant to the lake was not installed with the proper angle and/or depth. The other reason I heard is that when the pipe was being installed, it was run over with a tractor and the pipe became damaged. Regardless of the reason, the hydrant would not have supplied water on the morning of the fire because of the depth of the water. We will review this situation and, hopefully, the problem can be rectified.

Next, the writer indicated she spoke with a firefighter when obtaining a fire permit, and she asked what would be required to have the firehouse on Hillsboro-House Springs Road staffed at all times. The response was more money was needed and that would require a tax increase. Voters have been asked in the past to approve a tax levy, and the measure has always failed. There is a cost associated for the fire district to put a proposal on the ballot, and money is also needed for equipment replacement. The chief has opted for buying equipment.

Having that firehouse, which is now utilized for additional fire engines, staffed each day would surely favorably affect insurance rates here at the lake. The fire equipment for first response, at the main station, is four miles from our entrance, while the firehouse nearest the lake is but a stone's throw from the four-way stop.

Regarding the idea of a tax increase, the firefighter said one-third of the district's residences are located at Lake Tishomingo. The person who wrote me wondered if there were sufficient lake residents to "swing" a favorable vote for a tax increase. My opinion is that we probably couldn't. Only residents who are voters registered in Jefferson County can cast ballots, and that is about half the property owners.

There was one additional suggestion provided to me in the e-mail message, and that relates to the possibility of fundraising to purchase and/or repair the dry hydrants. The writer suggested that collections be taken at the gate in a similar fashion used by the anglers group and for funding the fireworks in July. That's a matter for consideration, but first, obviously we need to secure cost estimates. I'll consult with fellow board member Kevin Seelbach and report additionally on that next month.

Finally, when I spoke with Chief Peters at the fire scene last month, as I reported previously, the chief mentioned that emergency equipment can get access to some gated communities by use of the siren on the equipment. Presently, there is an assigned code, and it has been provided to the fire department, ambulance operators and sheriff's deputies. There are several obvious problems. First, each fire engine arriving has to stop and the gate must be raised. As was the case last month, there were firefighters from three or four other fire departments in addition to Goldman. Those other departments had not been provided our code. Also, when time is the essence for life saving measures, ambulance operators have to stop, find their code information and then enter the appropriate numbers. Finally, even though the sheriff's

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GOLDMAN FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Burn permits

Chief Gary Peters, Goldman Fire Protection District, announced that burn permits will be issued beginning on September 15, 2005, and will expire on April 14, 2006. Chief Peters lists the following rules and regulations that property owners in the Goldman Fire Protection District, which includes Lake Tishomingo, must adhere to when burning leaves and other materials.

- 1.) A permit must be signed and dated by the owner or his/her agent.
- 2.) Permit must indicate address where burning is taking place.
- 3.) Address must be posted at property entrance in accord with Fire District and State Law.
- 4.) Permit must be on property where burning is taking place.
- 5.) Burning must be a minimum of fifth (50) feet from any structure.
- 6.) Fire must be monitored at all times.
- 7.) Petroleum products are prohibited from starting fire.
- 8.) Burning of substances, which emit toxic and/or large amounts of smoke such as roofing materials. Tires, vinyl, plastics, railroad ties, etc., are prohibited.
- 9.) Burning of household garbage is prohibited. No burn barrels are allowed for this purpose.
10. An effective method of extinguishments, such as an extinguisher, garden hose, or other water source, shall be on site at all times.
11. Fire must be completely out by 4:00 p.m.
12. No burning when wind is greater than 15 miles per hour.

Fire permits can be obtained at the Goldman Fire House, 9001 Old Lemay Ferry Road, any day between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Chief Peters reminds us that anyone who does not abide by the above requirements can have the permit revoked without notice. Also, possible fines from the Department of Natural Resources can be levied against anyone caught violating the above rules.

If there are questions regarding the issuance of burn permits, please call the Goldman Fire District office at (636)789-9841.



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deputies who patrol this area have been provided with the code, there is the possibility of deputies having to drive here from some other part of the county. They would not have the code readily available. Even volunteer firefighters who have their vehicles equipped with sirens could gain immediate access to our subdivision.

Given that lengthy explanation, I asked Roger Hovis to determine if Signature Control, the company who installed our gate, has a component that would allow the gate to raise at the sound of an approaching siren. He finally was provided with a response last week and told there is, and the cost for installation is \$595.00. If there is a decision to purchase this item, it would be a "sole source" matter and bids are not required in that instance.

I now ask for discussion about that issue, and that will nearly end this month's report. *

We need to remind everyone the annual fire permits issued by the Goldman Fire Department are now available at the main fire station, 9001 Old Lemay Ferry. There are 12 rules and regulations to be followed when burning. The permits, which are FREE, expire on April 14, 2006. If there are questions about the issuance of fire permits, call the fire station at 789-9841.

And, just one more thing. There is a humorous anecdote to bring a conclusion to this month's report. If anyone has come to the realization there is a catfish missing from the lake, Chief Peters can provide the explanation. He showed me a photograph of a fireman with the catfish on a stringer at the beach area. He related that several days before the fire in September, firefighters were conducting a routine training exercise at the lake, as they often do, by drawing water into a tanker, and then testing

equipment. Suddenly the mechanism on the tanker stopped, and they feared there was a major problem with the fire truck. However, when they disengaged the hose from the dry hydrant, it was discovered a catfish weighing 6 or 7 pounds had been sucked into the hose from the lake, and wedged at the entry point into the tanker.

I would suspect all the firefighters had a nice fish dinner that evening! Additionally, we need to address having what I believe is termed the "flapper valve" repaired. That contraption keeps leaves and other debris ... and catfish ... from getting into the hydrant.

Submitted by Ray Lauer

* A motion was made by Matt Holloran, seconded by Kevin Seelbach, to purchase the signaling device. The vote of the board was unanimous.



Highlights

Real Estate Signs

Please remember that when selling your property that only one real estate sign advertising the property is allowed according to Lake restrictions. Please remind your realtor of the restriction when selling. Help keep our flag pole area and other common ground free of real estate signs.

Three Bids - Is that Appropriate?

by Ray Lauer, presented at the Sept 13, 2005 LTPOA BoD meeting

Mr. President, I feel that it is apropos to make a statement at this time, as a defense to certain accusations against this Board, particularly against Mr. Holloran, and to set the record straight about purchasing issues, especially during exigent circumstances as we witnessed earlier this year, when, as it has been described, the Great Flood of 2005 occurred here at Lake Tishomingo. This is a personal reflection, and I can avow that it has not been discussed with any other person on this Board. Normally, I would speak from the heart, but in this instance, I want to make certain there is nothing on my mind that should be omitted.

Also, I want to emphasize these comments are my thoughts, and mine alone.

First, I want to state that my comments about purchasing requirements are based on my 43 years of service as a police officer in St. Louis. The final 15 years in my career were spent in executive positions. For two of those years, 1987 and 1988, I served as secretary to the Board of Police Commissioners. In St. Louis, members of the Police Board receive their appointments from the Governor. As such, the city police department is considered a state agency. The board is required to conduct open meetings, except for discussions about promotions, hiring and firing, and to consider real estate matters. Moreover, the board is required to seek bids before purchasing any items. Unless there are extenuating circumstances, such as bids not being submitted properly or a bidder not being able to meet the requirements of the request for proposal, the board is expected to accept the lowest bid.

Our organization, although not in anyway connected with state government, is a duly elected body. We are thus required to conduct open meetings, unless we need to have discussions about the three considerations mentioned above. Also, although not obligated, we should seek at least three bids for any items we wish to purchase, or services we need to provide for the good of Lake Tishomingo.

Now, let's go back to the "Great Flood" of several months ago. We were left with serious damages and matters that needed immediate attention. We have a board member, fortunately, who has expertise in providing repairs to roads and other areas that were destroyed. That's his line of business.

He felt uncomfortable performing these services, because he knew criticism would be leveled at him as well as us, his fellow board members. President Sansone, as you remember, your fellow board member contacted you to provide an assessment of the damages, his vision of needed repairs and costs associated with those repairs. We are indeed fortunate that he had spent the night of the storm at his weekend home.

Because of the exigent circumstances, you asked that he tackle this job, and he reluctantly did so. He didn't charge for his services; he did bring one of his key employees here; and he arranged to purchase only those materials that were necessary to get the blocked roads opened, the telegraph pole outside this very room righted, and sufficient rock poured to keep any further erosion from occurring.

Most everyone, I believed, was overjoyed that we were able to get back to normal rather quickly. I think everyone who was a

board member at that time was surprised, when at the next monthly meeting, we were soundly criticized for not seeking or obtaining three bids before purchasing materials. I believe this criticism has continued and now people are saying we are, or more specifically the board member in charge of maintenance, is not willing to do anything to help the lake. I personally view that as unjustified criticism.

I just need to go back in time, if you will, to my career in the police department. For nearly eight weeks during 1993 I was placed in charge of hundreds of police officers as we attempted to address neighborhood and other needs for the Great Flood on the Mississippi River. Neighborhoods throughout downtown, North St. Louis and particularly South St. Louis were threatened with these floodwaters. Almost daily there were breaches of the levees and the floodwalls discovered along River DesPeres, surrounding areas and as far north as Riverview and Hall Street. Decisions had to be made continually, nearly daily, about purchasing materials such as rock and sand bags, without bids, to overcome the breaches. We also needed to provide police officers with food and equipment, to secure buses to move residents out of the endangered neighborhoods, and a host of other issues, and we didn't have the time to seek bidders. We did what we thought was in the best interests of all concerned.

That's all the history I'm going to relate, but I can tell you not once was I asked to seek three bids for any of our needs to protect the neighborhoods in St. Louis. We moved swiftly to correct situations, and when the threat of the floodwaters was over, we went to the Police Board and federal government (FEMA) that underwrote much of the recovery costs and no one questioned our judgment about the need to quickly obtain supplies to bring some normalcy to people's lives.

The police department now once again seeks qualified bidders before purchasing any items. There no longer is an emergency situation facing that agency. There is no current emergency situation facing our board or residents of Lake Tishomingo now, either.

I just want everyone to know that we have heard your complaints about purchases after our own Great Flood, but I believe we were justified in taking the immediate action required of us. We are now abiding, once again, with our obligation and your wishes for seeking bids. When we do not receive bids from satisfactory contractors, we will delay performing services until there are acceptable quotes given us.

Hopefully, everyone understands the position of this board on that issue. If people are not satisfied, then I will be happy to submit my resignation immediately, tonight to be exact, if that will once again bring a measure of satisfaction and normalcy to the property owners at our lake.

Mr. President, I appreciate you allowing me the opportunity to address this issue, and I now wish to yield the floor to Mr. Holloran for his report.



Financial Report Sept 30, 2005

<u>Cash In Flow: Assessments</u>	<u>Aug-05</u>	<u>Sep-05</u>	<u>YTD</u>			<u>Annual Budget</u>
Regular (2005-2006)	60,629	21341	81,970			162,708
Special (2005-2006)	0		0			54,236
Special (2005)	1,334	1151	2,485			
Regular (2004-2005)	2,023	150	2,173			
Special (2004)	200	0	200			
Revenue: Other						
Gate Revenue	25	25	50			
Gate Damages Revenue	0	0	0			
Trailer Rental Revenue	0	0	0			
Penalty & Legal Fee Revenue	1156	518	1,674			
Interest Revenue	68	75	143			
Donation Revenue	0	0	0			
Miscellaneous Revenue	0	0	0			
LTIA Share of Insurance	0	0	0			
Total Incoming Cash Flow	65435	23261	88,696			216,944
2						
month						
<u>Cash Out Flow: Loan Repayment</u>	<u>Aug-04</u>	<u>Sep-04</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
\$4,489/mo	4490	4490	8,979	8979	0	53,875
Cash Out Flow: Loan Principal						
From special assessments		2000	2,000	2,000	0	54,236
Expenses: Lake Operations						
Required						
Road maintenance	0	0	0	3,333	3,333	20,000
Insurance	0	13961	13,961	2,167	-11,794	13,000
Security guard (20 hours/week)	1024	1024	2,048	2,000	-48	12,000
Snow removal (wages + salt)	0	0	0	6,000	6,000	9,000
Legal	1028	0	1,028	1,333	306	8,000
Admin, newsletter, postage, tapes etc	0	0	0	500	500	3,000
Property taxes	0	0	0	467	467	2,800
Utilities (propane, elec, telephone)	115	118	233	300	67	1,800
Motor fuel	0	0	0	17	17	100
Grass mowing	0	600	600	0	-600	0
Taxes	270	0	270	0	-270	0
Gate and Security Expense	1083	0	1,083	0	-1,083	0
Discretionary/Emergency						
Equipment repair/replacement	0	0	0	1,667	1,667	10,000
Emergency maintenance	0	0	0	1,667	1,667	10,000
Building repair	0	0	0	833	833	5,000
Total Outgoing Cash Flow	8,009	22,192	30,201	31,262	1,061	202,811
Net Cash Flow	57,426	1,068				
Checking account balance	153942.59	155908.31				
MM account balance	3389.30	2541.84				
Total Cash on hand	157331.89	158450.15				
FY 2005-2006 Reg assessments collected	134,296	155,638				162,708
Loan principal	155,766	150,014				

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The Search for Tishomingo

by Janet Hirsch

At a recent LTIA dinner meeting my friend told me that “Tishomingo” means “Healing Waters.” When I asked “In what language?” The response was “Indian.” Well, “Indian” is too generic and that started my search for the origin of the word “Tishomingo” and I think I found it.

The real story is about the Chickasaw Indian Tribe. The Chickasaw Tribe was one of the great Indian nations of the early colonies. They lived in what is now northeast Mississippi and their lands extended west to the Mississippi River and north to the Ohio River. The Chickasaw were considered to be attractive, educated, and very good at commerce for they traded frequently with their neighbors.

The head chief of the Chickasaw Tribe was called “mi ko” in the native language. The warrior chief was the second in command of the entire tribe and he was called “tishu mi ko.” This literally means “assistant to the chief.” The last head chief of the Chickasaw was Ishtehotopa and his warrior chief was Tishomingo. Chief Tishomingo was the last great warrior chief of the Chickasaw Tribe.

Chief Tishomingo served with General “Mad” Anthony Wayne in the war against hostile Indian tribes and received a silver medallion from George Washington for his service. The Chief made several trips to Philadelphia and Washington DC. Later he settled down to a comfortable life riding horses, raising livestock, and hunting deer until the white settlers encroached on his land.

The first recorded observation of the Chickasaw was by DeSoto in 1540 and official relations between the Chickasaw and the United States began in 1786 with a treaty that established the Ohio River as the tribe’s northern boundary. More treaties followed that took away land and rights from the tribe until in 1837 a pivotal agreement was reached. The Chickasaw were to leave Mississippi and resettle in Oklahoma with the Choctaw.

The migration took place in the winter of 1837-38. The tribe of about 4000 traveled to Oklahoma. They suffered deprivations and epidemics. Chief Tishomingo died on the Trail of Tears in 1838 and was buried near Little Rock. He was 102. From all accounts he led a long and honorable life. Tishomingo was said to be the “heart” of the tribe and was so loved and respected that he is represented on the Great Seal

of the Chickasaw Nation. He was very well liked and in later years enjoyed telling stories of the past and giving rides on his red-spotted pony to the children of the neighboring white settlers.

Why our lake was named “Tishomingo” and what about the “Healing Waters?” I haven’t found the answers to these questions yet, but I’m still searching.

Distractions

During the search I came across Tishomingo County Mississippi, Tishomingo County Oklahoma, the recent novel (and soon-to-be movie) “Tishomingo Blues” by Elmore Leonard, Tishomingo Fish and Wildlife Preserve, Tishomingo State Park (with \$1050 per week cabins), and the theme for Garrison Keillor’s Prairie Home Companion, the classic Dixieland song “Tishomingo Blues,” written by Spencer Williams in 1917. (Yes, I bought the sheet music and will share.) --jmh



Illustration from an early Lake Tishomingo advertising piece. Provided by Kathy Hopper.



Cookin' Cove

Gardeners' Delights

by Janet Hirsch

The Lakeside Gardeners meet monthly at a member's home. The treats that are served are always a delight. We are lucky to have such good cooks who are willing to share their recipes. Many thanks to Barb Rohm and Katie Hovis.

Barb Rohm's Creamy Stuffed Pastry Bites

4 oz cream cheese, softened
 1/2 c finely chopped turkey, chicken, or seafood
 2 green onions, sliced
 1/2 t fresh parsley, chopped
 1 pkg (17-1/4 oz) frozen puff pastry sheets, thawed
 1 egg
 1 T milk

Preheat oven to 400 deg. Mix cream cheese, turkey, onions, and parsley until well blended. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Place pastry sheets on cutting board. Cut out 22 circles from each sheet, using a one-inch round cutter. Beat egg and milk with wire whisk until well blended.

Spoon 1 t of turkey mixture onto center of each pastry circle. Brush edge of circle with egg mixture. Fold pastry in half to completely enclose filling; press edges together to seal. Place on baking sheet; brush tops with remaining egg mixture.

Bake 12 - 15 minutes or until golden brown.

Katie Hovis' Chocolate Strawberry Streusel Bars

1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened
 1 cup granulated sugar
 1 large egg
 2 cups all-purpose flour
 2 cups (12-oz. pkg.) Semi-Sweet Chocolate chips, divided
 1 jar (10 oz.) strawberry jam
 1 cup all-purpose flour
 1/4 cup granulated sugar
 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter
 1 cup sifted powdered sugar
 1 tablespoon milk
 1 teaspoon vanilla extract

Preheat oven to 350° F. Grease 13 x 9-inch baking pan. Beat butter and 1 cup granulated sugar in large mixer bowl until fluffy. Beat in egg. Beat in 2 cups flour. Stir in 1 cup chocolate chips. Spread mixture in prepared pan. Spread jam evenly over mixture in pan, leaving 1/2-inch border.

Combine 1 cup flour and 1/4 cup granulated sugar in medium bowl. Cut in 1/4 cup butter with pastry blender or two knives until mixture is crumbly. Stir in remaining morsels. Sprinkle streusel evenly over preserves.

Bake for 40 to 45 minutes or until top is golden brown. Cool completely in pan on wire rack. Cut into bars.

Combine powdered sugar, milk and vanilla extract in small bowl. Drizzle over bars; let stand until set.

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Moms making stepping stones at the workshop sponsored by the Lakeside Gardeners, Janet Hensel and Chris Marschuetz. About 25 kids and parents participated.