



Mainsheet

November 2006

Thunderbird Sailing Club

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Commodore elect: *Mary Anne Secrist*

Thank you for your confidence shown in me to be your Commodore for 2007, following is my Commodore-elect and final secretary report:

October meeting of TSC was held October 21st. Wonderful covered dish dinner.

Visitors Phil and Joyce Roth were welcomed as guests.

Announcements:

- ◇ Take Pride in Oklahoma 2006 Lake Sweep on October 28th
- ◇ Hiram Regatta on November 5th. Chili cook-off afterward.
- ◇ Annual Boathouse Clean-up on November 18, starting at 8:30 am. A burger lunch will be served. All consortium members encouraged to participate.
- ◇ Monthly TSC meeting will be November 18 at 6:00 pm
- ◇ TSC made a \$100 donation to the Boathouse in memory of Jean Powell. She and her husband Dick were long time sailors, members of TSC and Boathouse supporters.
- ◇ Slate of officers for 2007 as follow were accepted by acclamation:

Commodore	Mary Anne Secrist
Vice Comm	Ted Streuli
Rear Comm	Kerry Knowles
Secretary	Tim Agin
Treasurer	Dave Craigie
Fleet Capt.	Phil Moershel
M'Sheet Ed.	Les Cummings

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Note: The TSC and BoatHouse are sharing this PO Box.

Commodore elect: Continued

Mike Knopp, Executive Director, Oklahoma City Boat-house Foundation and Chesapeake Boathouse gave a great program about rowing in OKC. The Oklahoma River hosted an America first during the OCU Head of the Oklahoma Centennial Regatta Sept 30-Oct 1, 2006 with the debut of the first USRowing sanctioned night racing in North America. In August, the US Olympic Committee selected Oklahoma City to host the USA Rowing World Challenge 2007 - the "World Cup" of rowing. With all of the innovative and prestigious events as well as a state-of-the-art facility, Oklahoma City is starting to become a recognizable name as a world-class venue. Check out chesapeakeboat-house.org/index2.html for more on the Chesapeake BoatHouse.

And don't forget:

The Holiday Party will be Saturday, December 9 at 6PM.

Please bring side dishes and desserts. Meat and drinks will be provided. New officers will be installed and awards presented.

No meeting December 16.

We'll see you on the 18th of November!

Vice Commodore-*Barbara Schindler*

Mr. Paul Koenig heads up the Lakes and Special Studies Section at the Oklahoma Water Resources Board. Paul has directed over 21 Reservoir water quality projects on public waters that were experiencing excessive algae, suspended solids, and fishery problems over his 17 years with the water agency.

Paul received his BS degree in zoology at Michigan State University in 1996 and an MS from Oklahoma State University in 1998. Please bring your lake water quality questions out on Saturday, November 18.

Treasurer: *Dave Craigie*

The big news this month is Dues. The renewals are in the mail and other than three that were returned you should have yours. If not please contact me any way that you can. My contact information is listed on this Mainsheet.

Thank You for your support.

Balance as of 9/30/06	\$5,817.91
Checks written	2,134.78
Deposits	<u>0.00</u>
Balance as of 9/30/06	\$3,683.13

Below is my grandson Jonathan serving as lookout during our summer 2007 cruise on the North Channel.

Fair Winds, David

**C.S.S.A. Representative: *Karen Mellgren***

With Les leaving town for a week back in Maryland, there has not been enough time to gather up all the information regarding the Hiram Douglas Regatta. We will publish the results and photos in the December edition.

We thank John Potts and all those coming out on a somewhat questionable day. It turned out quite well and we thank everyone for their support of TSC and CSSA events this past year.

Secretary—elect: *Tim Agin*

My wife Rachel and I look forward to the 2007 sailing season at Lake Thunderbird. I am honored to have been selected as your Secretary for the coming year.

As a new member, I thought I would include a photo so you would know who your new secretary is!



We look forward to seeing everyone on Saturday evening November 18 and don't forget the workday at the BoatHouse at 9am that same day!

Membership Information

If any of your membership information has changed, please contact:

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FLEET CAPTAIN-ELECT: *Phil Moershel*

Be sure to give us a hand at the annual BoatHouse Fall Cleanup Day! From 9am until approximately 1Pm we will reorganize the Boatyard and clean up the BoatHouse. See you then!

Philip

ATTENTION: ALL BOATHOUSE PARTNERS

Annual Fall Cleanup Day!

When: Saturday, November 18

Time: 9am until 1PM

(The more helpers we have the faster we finish)

Who: TSC, Sea Scouts, NSPS, Oklahoma Sailing Club, Coast Guard Aux., Jr. Sailing Team, NROTC and other partners

(All partners with boats/equipment in the Boatyard are expected to help organize the yard and your boats/equipment)

Bring: Ladders, buckets, squeegees for class, small paint brushes, paper towels, and wear old work clothes!

What we'll do:

1. BoatHouse: Les Cummings, project leader
 - a. Wash windows
 - b. Clean restrooms
 - c. Touch up walls
 - e. Dust
 - f. Scrub floors
 - g. Organize rooms

2. Boatyard: Phil Moershel, project leader
 - a. Winterize boats/motors
 - b. Organize boatyard and ConX storage

Free lunch for all workers!!!

2006 Holiday Party

Location: BoatHouse

Date: Sat. December 9

Time: 6PM

Bring your favorite side-dish and/or dessert.

Check out the wish-list on the BH Christmas tree. Items that are needed for the BoatHouse!

If you haven't made your tax-deductible gift to the BH this year, please do so before year end!

BoatHouse Site Project

Last spring, thanks to Thunderbird State Park, the BOR, and the Corps of Engineers we were given permission to remove sand at the end of the boatramp to make it easier to launch boats. Unfortunately, the lake level is still down some 8 feet and the work has gone for naught. Since the original work was done we have had the lake level drop an additional 4 feet to the present level of 8 feet down. We have had several rain storms that have only caused some runoff problems with the original excavation and we contacted the State Park and received permission to clean up the site to the original specification.

Thanks to Dave Craigie, we located a dirt contractor and on Saturday October 28 we had the area cleaned out again with hopes of some rain that will bring the historic low levels back closer to normal.

In addition, the drainage ditch that carries water away from the boatyard had been over run with weeds, fallen trees, and silt. While the contractor was there we also had him clean out the ditch so water will drain off the boatyard as originally designed.

We express our appreciation to Dave Craigie, Roger Elliott, and Les Cummings for meeting with the contractor in order to get the work completed. While the dirt work was being completed, David and Roger was able to get the weed-eater running and Dave cleaned up around the BoatHouse and down around the shoreline. This work, along with the summer-long grass-cutting that has been done by Jerry Lojka has kept the BoatHouse grounds looking great. See Roger Elliott's article on page one regarding another BoatHouse project!



LAKE THUNDERBIRD BOATHOUSE
Roger Elliott
President, LTEF

BOATHOUSE DESIGN CONTEST

Over the past 4+ years we have had a constant problem trying to keep the small boxwood shrub from dying on the south side of the BoatHouse entry steps. Unfortunately, the shrub has finally and literally, bit the dust.

We are encouraging our BH partners to come up with a design feature for this area measuring about 5' X 3'.

The BoatHouse Management Committee will select the winning design and the winner will get one of the collectible "BoatHouse Coffee Mugs."

Following is a photo of the area needing a new design feature and be sure to read page 3.



The following is a ship's wheel that might suffice until we come up with a better idea. We'll need some help to make the wheel more weather proof and secure. If you can lend a hand please let us know.

This ship's wheel was donated by an employee of the Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation.



Photos taken during the BoatHouse site excavation project on Saturday October 28.



Next Meeting!

Sat. Nov. 18, 6:00 PM at the BoatHouse

Paul Koenig,

Bring your friends and a favorite dish to share!

NOTE: HOLIDAY PARTY SAT, DEC. 9

TSC Birthdays: October & November

Potts, John	11/15
Crittenden, Glynis	11/19
Carlson, Ann	11/20
Messer, Sandra	11/25

If we missed your birthday, please contact Dave Craigie at incipient@msn.com with your info.

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Aint' we got a lot of fun?

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