

# TREASURE LAKE TIMES

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Treasure Lake Resort Quarterly Newsletter

## TREASURE LAKE TEAMS UP TO FIGHT AGAINST CANCER



A team of Treasure Lake employees is being formed to help fight in the race against cancer. They will be participating in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, June 9-10. An invitation is being sent out to all members of Treasure Lake to help in this cause. There are many ways that you can help or participate.

1) Purchase a sun or moon in the honor/memory of a loved one. They are available at the Welcome Center for \$1.00 each.

They will be displayed on the bulletin board in the Welcome Center.

2) Send in a donation (made payable to American Cancer Society) to the attention of Stacy Weinstein, Relay Team Captain.

3) If you are a survivor of cancer and would like to walk the survivor lap on June 9, contact Stacy for more information.

4) Plan to attend the Relay for Life Benefit Concert, May 26 at 6 pm. You will need to get tickets (for a donation) to assure that we do not go over the seating limit in the Clubhouse. If you have a talent that you would like to share, we would love to have you participate in this concert. Contact Stacy or Cheri for more information.

5) Send us a picture of your loved ones who have battled with cancer. Please be sure to include the following information with each picture: their full name, length of time being a survivor or date of death. Be sure to include your name and address so we can return the picture. We will be putting these pictures on a poster and putting together a slide presentation for the benefit concert.

For more information, feel free to contact any time - Stacy Weinstein, Relay Team Captain at 800-455-2961 ext. 2 or [stacy@tlresort.com](mailto:stacy@tlresort.com). See page 2 for a donation form.

Please help the Treasure LAKERS

(Looking for Answers, Keeping Enthusiasm, Relying on Support)

We're always willing to fight the fight!

# FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

Spring is definitely in the air! With our mild winter we've been able to get a lot accomplished. Our new maintenance shop has been built, maintenance has been completed on the bath-houses, work has been done on the sites, and landscaping is being done all around the park.

I am looking forward to getting back into the swing of things, enjoying our beautiful park, meeting up with old friends, and making new ones.

Gene Hartman

## TOWING POLICY CHANGES

Effective January 1, 2006, the fee for RV Towing will be \$15 for one-way. RVs will be towed only when they are in good working condition such as battery, tires, jacks, etc. Treasure Lake Maintenance personnel are not accountable for repairing equipment in order for it to be towed. Members will be notified by phone when the RV cannot be towed due to needed repairs. Repairs are the responsibility of the owner.

Forty-eight hours advance notice is required for scheduling a date for towing RVs. Owners not registered at Treasure Lake on the same day the RV is scheduled for towing are subject to an additional one-way towing fee for returning the RV to storage due to it not being occupied.

RVs towed to a site will be set in proximity to the utilities connections. Once the RV has been set on a site an additional one-way tow fee of \$15 will be charged for relocating an RV on the site.

Please request a copy of the complete towing policy at the time you arrange for an RV to be towed.

*It's nice to be important,  
but, It's more important to be nice*

## CRAFT FAIR AND GARAGE SALE

Is scheduled for June 1, 2 and 3 and the second one is scheduled for September 21, 22 and 23. If interested in having a booth at either one call Activities 800-455-2961 ext 4



## LET US BEAUTIFY OUR PARK

A "Beautify Your Park" project has been on going for four years. Many owners have purchased benches, rocking chairs and flowering trees in areas around the park.

Those that are given as memorials, each have a plaque or sign with the name or information a donor designates.

The flowering trees list includes Bradford Pear, Southern Magnolia, Pink/Red/White Dogwood, Redbud, October Glory, Red Sunset Maple, and Crimson King Maple.

To participate, please call, 1-800-455-2961 and ask for Paulette, General Manager, or Adam, Assistant Manager.

I want to help support Team Treasure Lakers in the fight against cancer!



\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is a donation for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I want to purchase \_\_\_\_\_ suns or moons in  
(circle) Honor / Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to walk the Survivor Lap, June 9 at 7pm. Please  
send me the necessary information.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## RENTAL RESERVATIONS POLICY

Effective November 1, 2005, Members making reservations for themselves to occupy a rental unit may do so no more than ninety (90) days in advance of the first night the rental unit is to be occupied.

Effective November 1, 2005, Members may make reservations for guests no more than fourteen (14) days in advance of the first night the rental unit is to be occupied. Members must be registered and staying on the Park for the time the guest is on the Park.

Reservations made prior to November 1, 2005, will be honored for the time that they were made.

Effective February 1, 2006 a \$5.00 per night rental replacement fee has been added to all reservations.

The cost of the first night rental rate will be charged for those who cancel a reservation without giving a 1-week (7-day) notice of the cancellation.

## NEW IN 2006

Tired of having to replace that lost check? Treasure Lake is now offering "Check by Phone". For a \$1.50 fee you can call Rusty at 1-800-455-2961, ext 5 between the hours of 7:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M., Monday thru Friday. She will take all the information she needs to make life easier. If she isn't in just leave a message and she'll get back to you as soon as possible. It will save on credit card interest and the chance of your check getting lost in the mail. Give it a try!!!!

## INDEPENDENCE DAY ACTIVITIES

The annual fireworks show is set for July 1st.

Other activities:

- 2nd Annual Parade of States - bring your state flag
- Guinness Book World record for largest RV potluck - let's make it this year!
- Flag Raising with color guard

Best Apple pie contest and afterwards Pie eating contest Check website for more Fourth of July activities and pick up schedule for further details.

Remember, tickets for many Branson area shows & attractions may be purchased at the Ticket Office. For most shows, members & guests receive tickets at a reduced price.

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May 26th. "Relay for Life" Benefit Concert

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Stacy Weinstein and other Treasure Lake Employees will be walking in the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life" from 7:00 P.M. Friday night until 7:00 A.M. Saturday morning. They will be walking in honor of all the Treasure Lake family who are or have battled cancer. Please help them in the fight "so we don't have to experience losing any more that are dear to us" Checks need to be made payable to the "American Cancer Society."

## STORAGE POLICIES CHANGES

During the November 11, 2005, Board of Directors meeting, the Board made changes to Long-term Storage policy. Effective November 11, 2005, the annual lease rate for RV storage spaces are as follows:

- 65-foot long spaces - \$300
- 45-foot long spaces - \$275
- 25-foot long spaces - \$250
- 20-foot long spaces - \$230

The new rates apply only to those new leases that are signed after the effective date of November 11, 2005. A new Long-term RV Storage lease has been adopted and will be used for future leases. New leases will be for 365 days from the time of signing and a new lease will be required each year. Leases must be signed within the thirty (30) days prior to the date of termination. Treasure Lake has the option of adjusting the rate of the lease at the time of renewal.

Members who currently hold a Long-term RV Storage lease signed prior to November 11, 2005, may continue to renew their lease at the current rate by paying the annual fees in advance of the due date for the following year. Leases not paid for by the due date will terminate.

Non-members are not allowed to lease a RV Storage space due to the demand for spaces by the members. Leases may not be sub-leased to another person. A member may not pass leases to another person. Whenever a lease is terminated, the person at the top of the waiting list for the size space available is given first opportunity to lease the space.

The Board is accountable for periodically conducting a visual assessment of the external condition of the RV that is on the space and may require the leaseholder to make improvements or forfeit their lease.

The person leasing a space should review the lease in detail prior to signing in-order that the full requirements of the lease agreement are understood.

Leases for both Long-term and Short-term RV Spaces are based on availability and Treasure Lake does not guarantee nor imply that spaces will be available when requested.



Electrical Upgrade Underway

## ACTIVITIES CORNER

We're planning to have a great 2006 in activities! Make sure you check the website: [www.tlresort.com](http://www.tlresort.com) often for all the upcoming events as well as picking up a schedule at the Welcome Center. We have our bands booked for the Saturday Night dances with your favorites like Knight Edition, Heartland Band, Tim Hadler, Midnite Riders, Country Linemen, and a few new bands like Rusty Rose and Wallace Water. Easter is coming along with events for all ages. A "Pock" game and the Easter Bonnet contest will be fun as well as the other games and crafts.

We have some great new programs planned. The kids will have a story time and clean joke telling once a week. Great Scrap Book class starting in May. Computer Classes, Frisbee Golf Tournament, Bridge Classes, Family Outdoor Movie Nights. Once a month special events and so much more.

There are going to be lots of volunteer opportunities this summer so come by and check out the bulletin board in the Club House and see what might interest you.

I am very excited about the plans for this summer, like the once a week on Tuesdays "The Amateur Talent Shows." Looking forward to seeing all the interesting acts and performances that our many members have!

Just want to encourage you to get involved with the activities, it is a great time of fellowship! Looking forward to a great season!

Cheri  
[activities@tlresort.com](mailto:activities@tlresort.com)

## ATTENTION:

Branson is hosting a "Welcome Home" celebration June 11-18, 2006. This is a tribute to our Vietnam Veterans.

There will be a parade on Shepherd of the Hills Expressway on Friday, June 16. We have been informed by the City of Branson that the entrance to Treasure Lake will be blocked from 9:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. If you are planning to come to Treasure Lake on Friday, please be advised that it will be impossible to get to the Park during this time.

Treasure Lake will have a float in the parade for our Vietnam Veterans to participate and be honored. Please mark your calendar for this great event.

## PRE CHECK-IN IS STILL AVAILABLE

Members or Associate Members may call 48 hours to 14 days before their arrival, pay for their time in the park with a credit card and just pick up a packet in the Welcome Center when they arrive. The packet will include their receipts, site cards, maps and schedules of the activities that are planned. This will limit the amount of time you will need to spend in the lobby of the Welcome Center.

Ask not what Treasure Lake can do for you,  
Ask what you can do for Treasure Lake  
**VOLUNTEER**

### \*\*FEATURED RECIPE\*\*

By: "Rusty" Brown

#### Chicken/Turkey Royale

1 (12oz) pkg Pepperidge Farm stuffing mix	1 c green pepper, chopped
1 c green onions, chopped	1 c celery, chopped
4 c chicken or turkey, chopped	1 c mayonnaise
3/4 c water or broth	3/4 c margarine
	Scant tsp salt & Pepper

Combine stuffing mix with margarine and water. Mix well. Spray baking dish and place 1/2 of stuffing mixture in baking dish. Mix remaining ingredients together and spread over stuffing in baking dish. Put remaining stuffing mixture over the top. Beat 2 eggs with 2 cups of milk and pour over the top of casserole; set in refrigerator overnight. One hour before you bake, mix 1 can cream of chicken soup with 1/4 cup of milk and pour over top of casserole. Place in oven and bake at 350\* for 40 minutes. Remove from oven and top with shredded cheddar cheese. Place back in oven and bake for 10 more minutes.

Note: This is a great way to use leftovers from Thanksgiving or Christmas.

If you enjoyed that recipe, then have we got the perfect thing for you. Our Tasteful Treasures cookbooks have over 700 recipes contributed by TL members and staff. Pick one up now for ONLY \$10.00. They may be purchased at the Welcome Center or through the website at [www.tlresort.com](http://www.tlresort.com). To order by mail, send a check or money order in the amount of \$10.00, plus \$2.00 for shipping and handling to Treasure Lake, #1 Treasure Lake Drive, Branson, MO 65616.

Make sure your order includes your name, address, city, state and zip code.

## NEW RV SITES AND STORAGE PROJECTS

Work on the new storage site has not been started due to an unexpected requirement by the City of Branson regarding the permit. The engineering work has been completed and the contractor selected. When application was made for the permit we were told the new storage area would have to be hard surfaced and curbed and guttered. The City of Branson said the storage area fell under the category of a parking lot. During our frequent discussions with the City Zoning personnel this was never mentioned to us. This added at least \$125,000 to the cost of the project.

We talked with the zoning personnel trying to get them to allow us to proceed under a different code and they told us the new code took effect in 2003 and there were no other codes that could apply. Legal council was engaged to see if there was a way to prevent us from having to hard surface the area and none was identified.

The Board agreed to wait until we were back at Treasure Lake in March to resolve the matter. January and February meetings were conducted using conference calls. Serving as chairman of the New RV Sites Committee I have recommended to the Board that we continue with the New Storage and the New RV phase as previously outlined.

Work is going to progress more slowly as a result of the monumental amount of building and work in general that is going on in Branson at this time. Getting contractors to put us on their schedule is difficult and getting through the City's permitting system is slow because of the demands being made on their staff. We will continue to pursue methods to improve storage and better RV sites. The Board would like to hear from you regarding these matters

Russell Aday  
Chairman, New RV Sites Committee

## COUNTRY MART DISCOUNTS

The new Country Mart cards will be available in May. Members using these cards to make purchases will receive a discount on sale items and will also be helping the park. At the end of the year Country Mart returns a percentage of the sales to Treasure Lake to be used for the next year.

### REMEMBER!!!

Refer Friends and  
Collect \$100 if they purchase.  
1-800-455-2961 ext 62  
Referral form available online:  
[www.tlresort.com](http://www.tlresort.com)

## WORK CAMPERS NEEDED

Parks around the nation are hiring  
"Work Campers"

to fill the positions that normally would be served by a paid employee. This has provided a tremendous savings for these parks. There will be positions available at Treasure Lake in Security, Activities, Maintenance, Housekeeping and the front office. The purpose of the Work Camper program is to provide a work force that will allow the Park to continue to function at the present level. There is at least a 3 month commitment when taking a work camper position.

The Work Camper program will require thirty-two hours of work each week for a two household family and twenty hours for a one member household. This entitles MEMBERS to stay in any phase in the Park without paying site fees or extended use fees. Members must move at the end of twenty-one days to another phase unless camping in the employee section of Phase IV.

NONMEMBER Work Campers must stay in the employee section of Phase IV and will be allowed to stay in the Park without paying daily site rental fees and the extended use fees. This is compensation for the work completed each week.

Work Camper positions will have regular hours and working conditions. Anyone who becomes a Work Camper will fill a position and is an important part of the Treasure Lake work force.

A Work Camper application may be downloaded from our website at [www.tlresort.com](http://www.tlresort.com)

## IDEAS NEEDED!!!!!!

Treasure Lake would like to  
hear from our Members as to what you  
would want to SEE in  
your Newsletter!!



The new maintenance shop

Spring is just around the corner and the flowers will pop up soon. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the spring fling scheduled for April 20 thru April 23. We have a new Activities director, her name is Cheri Winger. You may remember her from the front desk at the Welcome Center. She has lots of new ideas and is working on getting them all in motion. When you arrive in the park stop in and say "hi" to the Activities Department and if you would like to volunteer let her know.

Maintenance has been working in the bathhouses, pools and digging for electrical upgrades. Housekeeping has been stripping and

sealing floors in the buildings and bathhouses also, deep cleaning in all the rentals.

We are still taking Workcamper Applications if interested go to our website [www.tlresort.com](http://www.tlresort.com) and print off the applications or call and we can send or fax the application.

The indoor pool is open the outdoor pool is scheduled to open May 26th. We will need lifeguards and/or a pool attendant along with a lifeguard that is First Aid and CPR certified. If anyone would like to help at the pool and is qualified or interested in getting qualified call 800-455-2961 and ask for Activities.

## FINANCE

This report is through the 12th period of this fiscal year and takes us thru Jan. 31, 2006. This is the FINAL report for this fiscal year.

At the close of this fiscal year the report is as follows.

Total cash on hand from all sources.....	\$1,296,844.92
Actual revenue to date.....	\$2,645,308.34
Actual expenses to date.....	\$2,612,614.95
Actual gain for year.....	-\$32,693.39

### Reserve accounts

Emergency fund.....	\$251,106.00
OMPOP reserve.....	\$145,416.00
Generator fund.....	\$11,160.00
Total Reserve accounts.....	\$407,682.00

### Approved expenditures

Site improvements.....	\$48,106.49
Maintenance workshop.....	\$25,659.97
Computer system upgrade.....	\$19,366.66
New storage area.....	\$200,000.00
Sewer survey.....	\$3,000.00
Handicap sidewalk.....	\$296.00
Radiant heater.....	\$1,500.00
New rentals.....	\$100,000.00
Total approved expenditures.....	\$397,929.12

Total cash comparison--1/31/2006.....	\$1,296,844.92
Total cash comparison--1/31/2005.....	\$1,077,305.67
Difference.....	0\$219,539.25

## BUDGET THRU JANUARY 31, 2006

	2004	2005 Budget	2005 Actual to date
<b>Income</b>	\$2,432,007.78	2,481,600.00	\$2,645,308.34
<b>Expense</b>	2,352,941.64	2,088,753.90	2,612,614.95
<b>Difference</b>	79,006.14	392,846.10	32,693.39

### Lost and Found

Lost items are held for 30 days. After 30 days they are donated to the Humane Society Thrift Store. Contact 800-455-2961 ext 2 to report a loss.

### REMINDER

For Members who have permanent storage your membership number should be visible on your rig.

### Try Resort Parks International for Free!

Go online to: [www.resortparks.com/treasurelake](http://www.resortparks.com/treasurelake)

Or call RPI Member Services at (800) 635-8498

Go on line or call today and your ID cards and information will be on their way

Enroll before May 1st and RPI will also include five (5) free reservations to use during the free trial period, another \$10 value

The TLR has arranged for all TLR members to participate in this

### FREE TRIAL OFFER

& there is absolutely no obligation to renew or continue if you are not 100% satisfied with RPI

# SPRING FLING WILD WEST DAYS

Cowboy Campfire, Cinnamon Rolls, Coffee, Chuckwagons, Cowboy Poets, Street Skits, Displays, Will Yancy, Ronnie Furr, Southern Drawl Bluegrass, History on the Ozarks, Metro Motors, Reliable RV, Wheels RV, Steve Mitchell America's Singing Cowboy, and so much more are lined up for our Spring Fling Wild West Days.

We are really going to have a grand time! We will have Church with Rex Braschler on Sunday. And Ladies make sure you sign up

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## BUILDING AND GROUNDS

We have had a busy winter here on the park! Asphalt patching was done to the majority of the parks roads, fixing most of the worst spots. We have made improvements to the interior of each bathhouse, including paint and new tile. The tickets area of the Clubhouse has been modified to make a bit more room for its customers. We have new paint, wallboard, trim, and flooring in many of our rentals now. Our new Maintenance shop is finally built, and we are now working on its finishing touches. The list of small things we have done is too long to list! Of course, Housekeeping has been deep cleaning and polishing floors to a high shine in all our rentals and buildings.

A new lock system has been installed in our main buildings, allowing our employees to respond to the needs of our members and guests more quickly and efficiently. An improved key control system has been put into effect to keep all our park keys secure.

The indoor pool and its building have been given a major facelift. The deck, pool, and walls have all been painted, and new

your guy for the Dishwashing Tournament!

The kid's will have Round Up Lessons and a Horse Shoe Tournament to boot. Hang on to your cowboy hat when the Cow Patty Tossing Tournament starts. And who doesn't like a good Gene Autry Movie shown on the side of a Covered Wagon? Well buckaroos, saddle up for April 20th through the 23rd!

lights have been put in. The pools tile has been replaced. The dressing rooms have a new interior (they have lights now too!), and the bathrooms have been freshened up. All new signage has been installed, and we even have a fancy red phone box for any emergency phone calls. Needed changes and repairs have been made to the pools plumbing system.

We are in the beginning stages of removing rotted railroad ties from around the park. They will be replaced with attractive landscaping blocks. This will be a long process (there are a ton of them, whew!), but we are already seeing progress in the area behind the Clubhouse.

We think Treasure Lake's members are what make the park great, so always let us know if there are improvements or changes to the facilities you would like to see. We look forward to seeing you this year!

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## MEET OUR NEW ACTIVITY DIRECTOR!



Cheri Winger was born in Champaign, Illinois, which explains why she has such a bubbly personality. When she was 2-years-old, her family moved to the small town of Nixa, Missouri. Cheri loves to tell folks that she grew up on the Clever side of Nixa, because the town west of Nixa is Clever, Missouri. Nixa is

no longer a small little town. Since it is so close to Springfield, it is becoming one of the fastest growing communities in the state.

Cheri was one of nine classmates who went from preschool to graduation together. After high school, Cheri ventured to Charlotte, North Carolina to learn all about communications. She spent 3 years in television broadcasting, and managed a cast of 200 in an outdoor passion play on the side .

In 1987, she came back to Missouri and was hired as a consultant for the Shepherd of the Hills Christmas play. This led her into an ongoing love for the book, written by Harold Bell Wright. Cheri became a performer in the Shepherd of the Hills Outdoor Drama and wrote a book called "Lambs of the Valley", which contin-

ues the story where "the shepherd" left off. She sold over four thousand books in a four-year period with almost no advertisement. Through mostly word of mouth, people have searched for and bought her book. They are now available through the Shepherd of the Hills website.

Cheri's communication, public relations, and performance experience have helped her obtain skills needed to succeed in a tourist town like Branson. Cheri is grounded in family values with the help of her loving mother, June, husband Curtis and son, Eric. Cheri's hobbies are acting in the Tri-Lakes Community Theatre, hiking, and photography. She loves Ozarks history and the down home folks that are the heart of hospitality in the hills. Deep inside, Cheri feels she is a true "Hillbilly", not like the ones you see on Hee Haw, but the original native that took rocky, rough land no one else wanted and turned it into a life of self-reliant beauty with a vision of a better things to come. So who exactly is Cheri? Well, she is just a kind-hearted, down to earth girl with visions of a life more abundant.

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## ACTIVITIES (subject to change)

April 15- Midnite Riders

April 22- Tim Hadler

April 29- Knight Edition

May 6- Leroy New

May 13-Heartland Band

May 20- Tim Hadler

May 26th Relay for Life Benefit

Concert

May 27th 2:00 PM Chosen One Gospel

May 27- Night Edition

May 28th 10:30 AM

Chosen One Gospel

May 28-Midnight Rider

June-3 Heartland Band

June 10-Leroy New

June 17-Tim Hadler

June 24-Knight Edition

July 1-Midnite Riders & Fireworks

July 8- Country Lineman

July 15-Heartland Band

July 22- Rusty Rose

July 29- Wallace Water

Aug. 5- Country Lineman

Aug. 12-Heartland Band

Aug.19- Midnite Riders

Aug.26-Wallace Water Band

Sept. 2- Wallace Water Band

Sept.9- Midnite Riders

Sept. 16- Heartland Band

Sept. 23- Wallace Water Band

Sept. 30-Country Lineman

Oct. 7- Midnite Riders

Oct. 14-Country Lineman

Oct. 21-Heartland Band

April 22nd

Steak Dinner for Two at 5:00 PM

Check for details and cost

May 9th Health day

10 AM- Blood Pressure Check from

Skaggs with Rebecca

11 AM-Diabetic Talk with

Healing Arts Center

1 PM -Nature Eye Health

Alternative Medicine

Watch the website for additions

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[WWW.TLRESORT.COM](http://WWW.TLRESORT.COM)