

TRAVIS LANDING LOG NEWSLETTER

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Travis Landing Property Owners Association
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Letter from the President

Dear Neighbors,

TLPOA had a good annual meeting in May with good attendance and participation. The new board elected at the annual meeting in May is once again a healthy blend of new members and those carrying over. Many thanks to immediate past members Cara Farnsworth, Kelly Johnson, Richard Hess for their dedication and effort. And we already appreciate the same from new members Janice Blanton, Ross Wade, Diane Zbasnik and Sandy Etheredge.

The quality of this neighborhood depends on far more than a board of ten. Rather, it depends on tens of neighbors doing some parts of the variety of services that benefit the neighborhood. There are plenty of opportunities to help your neighbor whether through parks, socials, 'tech' talents, etc.

Thanks to all of you who have paid the annual dues, so far. Understand that our dues are vastly less compared to similar associations.

The legal matter about the lake properties is still in progress. There was a June 8th Travis County court hearing where our motions for Summary Judgment were granted. We are now in a settlement phase of this matter.

Another legal proceeding is also still in progress, regarding upkeep of the common area more known as the "Little Park". The parties are engaged but there is no substantial update to pass along at this writing.

Even with a low lake level July 4th holiday saw a lot usage of Park usage. www.tlpoa.org website is running well and is easy to interact with such as for making park reservations. I encourage you to make good use of the website.

Please notify the board if you would like to receive this letter electronically rather than by paper. (saves some expense).

Yours truly,
Patrick Johnston
President, TLPOA

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Annual May Meeting Minutes Overview

Our annual May meeting was held May 3, 2009 at the Travis West Service Center. Highlights of this meeting are as follows. Property owners present agreed to a ten percent increase in our annual maintenance fee to \$94.15 per lot. Laura Alaniz, defense attorney, and Dennis Ela of the litigation Committee presented information on developments to date in the Cothran suit as well as possible future actions. They and the other members of the litigation committee, Elizabeth Boggess and the Allens, Bev and Jim joined us for lunch following the

meeting and were available for questions. Board members reported on happenings throughout the year. Patrick Johnston gave the president's annual report. New members elected to the board are: Ross Wade, treasurer; Diane Zbasnik, voting member; Janice Blanton, voting member and Sandy Etheredge, non-voting member. Nancy Dobson who served one year as voting member was elected as secretary. Retiring board members, Cara Farnsworth, Richard Hess and Kelly Johnson were thanked for serving.

**TLOPA BOARD MEMBERS AND
COMMITTEE CHAIRS 2008-2009**

Board of Directors:

President: Patrick Johnston 263-2468
 Vice President: Judy Harrison 266-1715
 Treasurer: Ross Wade 266-0557
 Secretary: Nancy Dobson 266-8615

Voting Members:

Linda Hodges 266-3203
 Tom Krampitz 817.528.5475
 Margie New 266-3947
 Jamie Neal 266-8041
 Diane Zbasnik 266-0284

Non-voting Member

Sandy Ethridge 266-2774

Committee Chairs:

Technology Committee:

Margie New 266-3947

Architecture Committee:

Mark Hollcraft 266-0557

Recreation Committee:

Jamie Neal 266-8041

Park Committee:

Judy Harrison 266-8615

Deed Restriction Committee:

Cara Farnsworth 266-0040



VOLUNTEER LEADER NEEDED

The fence around the entrance to the park needs to be painted. We need someone with a bit of know-how to coordinate a fence painting party this fall when the temperatures drop to a reasonable level. You will not have to do this alone, we just need someone to coordinate it. Please contact Judy Harrison for more information or to volunteer.



Technology Committee-Volunteers Needed

If you or anyone you know in the Travis Landing community has any word processing, programming skills, or expertise in web development and/or design, JavaScript, CSS, MySQL, Unix Administration, etc. or any related areas and would be interested in joining the Technology Committee, please contact Margie New at 415-6855.

DAMAGE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

One thing that we in Travis Landing know, we have the most fabulous neighborhood in Texas. Harm to neighborhood property is something we should not have to face. Unfortunately, we have had trouble with vandalism in the park. Damage was done to the playground equipment and the sign was stolen. The announcement sign used at the entrance, was tampered with on several occasions. The cost for repairs and replacements always come from the TLPOA dues we all pay. When we have to fix damage, this takes away from the other projects we can do to keep the neighborhood looking nice. Please, if you see someone that looks like they are "up to something no good," contact a board member immediately. Together we can keep Travis Landing safe and beautiful.



Salford Disposal is now offering expanded recycling.

They will take.....

- Plastics #1-7
- Aluminum, Steel and Tin containers
- Glass bottles and containers
- Newspapers
- Corrugated Cardboard and boxboard (like cereal boxes)
- Mixed paper

They are picking up recycling every other Wednesday. All property owners who use Salford should have received a new blue container specifically for recycling use. You do not need to separate anything. Salford has also provided these large blue recycling cans at the park for all Travis Landing residents. These blue bins are for recycling only not regular park trash. ***This service is free to TLPOA.***




Park News


Boat Storage Rules

In an effort to keep the park looking nice, the board is reviewing new rules for storing boats at the park. These rules can help keep the boat storage organized. Property owners who have a boat stored down at the park will be asked to fill out a registration form so the files can be updated. The registration form can be found online at <http://tlpoa.org/boatRegistration.php>. Once the rules are finalized they will be sent to all property owners with boats stored at the park and posted on the website. Contact Diane Zbasnik for more information.

Recycling and Park Trash Bins

Salford has placed new recycle bins in the park. We have had some confusion with the new trash collection bins in the park and with household trash being placed in the bins. Salford does not charge TLPOA for park trash and recycling. We may lose this free service if excess household trash is placed in the park bins. Please use your own trash collection bins for regular household trash.

Tree Watering Schedule

We are pleased that the volunteer system for watering the new trees in the park continues to be successful. With the drought dragging into the fall, it is important that the new trees continue to be watered and nurtured.

Stacey Breach has agreed to head up the volunteer watering committee again this year but she needs volunteers willing to do the watering of the new trees in big park. Because of the drought conditions the board is recommending that we continue to water all the new trees to help them survive this season. Watering needs to be conducted once a week and takes about 2 hours to finish.

New Trees Watering Schedule	
2009	
July	Bill Stout
August	Mark Ridlehuber
September	Diane Zbasnik
October	WE NEED A VOLUNTEER!
November	Vickie Stones
December	Jim and Beverly Allen

Backups: Barbara Bland, Judy Harrison, Cara & Reed Farnsworth, Stacey Breach & Bill Stout and Elizabeth Boggess.

A watering system has been designed to make watering the trees easy. A water meter, 12V pump

and a long hose have been added to tanks on a trailer so all you have to do is pick it up, fill it up and water. It takes about 2 hours, once a week (unless it rains). You will be shown how to use the watering system. You can sign up now by contacting board member Nancy Dobson at 266-8615.

Firewood Available

There is firewood available to property owners in the park near the front gate. However, be aware that there is a burn ban in Travis County. You can go the following website for information on how and where burning can occur.
http://www.co.travis.tx.us/fire_marshall/pdf_files/burn_bans/OutdoorBurningOrder.pdf

Lake Level Issue

Just a reminder that our lake level is the lowest it has been in many years. And with the low level and hot weather, comes the stinky dirty water. Be cautious of cove areas where the water doesn't move much. We have heard that a few dogs have become ill after swimming and drinking water from Lake Travis. Please use caution with animals, children and yourself!

LCRA suggestions:

- Avoid swimming or jumping into freshwater during periods of high temperatures and low water volume.
 - Hold the nose shut or use nose clips when jumping or diving into bodies
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- A real big thanks goes to all who volunteered to water the new trees! In this drought, it is especially needed.
- Nancy Dobson for overseeing the tree trimming in the park
- Jaime Neal and the Social committee for the fabulous lunch at the annual meeting.

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS



We said goodbye to **Travis Harris, Al Westensee, and Charles Weller** who died this summer. All were long time property owners of Travis Landing. They are sorely missed but we are happy to know they are now numbered among the angels watching over us.



A big **WELCOME** to **Jake and Cameron Stacy** (15605 Rock Creek), **John Peek** (5510 Longhorn Landing) and **John and Krissy Chase** (15204 Rainbow Two) If you see these new faces, be sure to say HELLO!

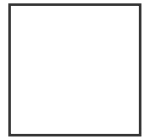


Congratulations to **Patrick and Perla Johnston** and "Uncle" Napo who are first-time grandparents. Their daughter delivered baby Hazel born on June 19, 2009

QUICK FACTS

- Please refer to the **Calendar of Events** at www.tlpoa.org for any social activities, Board meetings, neighborhood events, park reservations, etc.
- **Park Reservations:** Go to www.tlpoa.org/parkNews.php and click on the Park Reservations link.
- **Boat Storage Registration form can be found at** <http://tlpoa.org/boatRegistration.php>. For more information contact Diane Zbasnik at 266-0284 or email at zldy1965@gmail.com
- Should you need to **report a problem in the park** please call the Travis County Sheriff's Department at (512) 854-9728 and a board member (numbers listed on page 2). Please stay at the park to assist the sheriff or emergency vehicles.
- Before starting any **home improvement or remodeling**, please submit plans for approval to the architectural committee. Contact Mark Hollcraft at 266-0557 for details.
- **Deed Restrictions and Bylaws** can be found at www.tlpoa.org/documents.php
- **Information and news** for the newsletter may be sent to editor@tlpoa.org or contact Diane Zbasnik.

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