

Cover Story

Therapy is a 1935 Chris Craft Model 23 Deluxe Runabout

Adversity being thrown at them from every angle, was nothing to Bob & Juanita at the Grand Lake Boat Show in September. The Toppers stayed at a Bed & Breakfast several miles away from the show site. Bob & Juanita drove "Therapy" over by getting an early start the day of the show. Sprinkler systems doing their job during the night, drenched the boat in the process of lawn watering. Not a pretty site to wake up to before leaving for a boat show!! Waters were rough during the ride that included a slight down pour of rain off and on. Choosing to turn back was not an option, and lucky for us they came to the show. Therapy was chosen best Chris Craft. A complete story on the Topper's and the restoration of Therapy can be read in the issue of Classic Boating Magazine, July - August 1996 Issue Number 72.

Inside Stuff

Changes in Latitude. . .

Congratulations are in order for Mary Whitfill, the newly elected President of the Heartland Classics Chapter.

Heartland Classics, after completing our first year as the newest chapter in the ACBS, is experiencing some changes in leadership. We have just elected the second President of the chapter. Mary Whitfill, replacing Larry Hinton after Larry established the club and then served in that capacity for 6 years. Mary has been involved in our club for several years. She and her husband Scott are veteran members of ACBS. She has been a Director for the last year and is currently in charge of the Ship's Store and has added many nice items of nautical clothing to our inventory. With much experience as secretary and newsletter editor of the former Lake of the Ozarks Wooden Boat Club, Mary is well qualified to lead our organization into the next millennium. Her enthusiasm and positive attitude will make Heartland stand out as not only one of the newest, but the most progressive club in ACBS. Please give this new "life blood" your full support in meeting the needs of the club and keeping our compass headed North.

HEARTLAND CLASSIC CHAPTER TO HOST NATIONAL MEETING

Our chapter has been given the opportunity to serve as host to the Antique and Classic Boat Society directors and officers business meeting this spring. The meeting, held quarterly, is hosted by a different chapter each quarter, on the host chapters home turf. Our club decided to use this opportunity to show the ACBS national leaders some Heartland hospitality by offering to host the weekend meeting at Big Cedar Lodge and Convention Center, located near Branson, Mo. on beautiful Table Rock Lake. This will also offer our club members who have not visited Big Cedar, the chance to spend a weekend with old friends and new and meet some of the ACBS national volunteer directors and officers. The weekend will include dining at lakeside in one of two restaurants located on the Big Cedar Resort. If you choose to book reservations at the Lodge in either the hotel or a cottage on the lake, you are guaranteed an enjoyable experience. Side trips in to Branson offer a variety of music and comedy shows by well known entertainers. Shopping, craft shops and Silver Dollar City are all within an easy drive.

Did I mention boating ? Don't forget to bring your woody ! We are expecting to have a good turnout of boats in the water to offer boat rides and mini-tours of the lake to our out-of-state guests. This is not a formal boat show, but more of a fun weekend to enjoy Table Rock Lake, so if you have cabin fever and need to get your boat in the water, please join us April 14 and 15th at Big Cedar. Contact Larry or Jan at 405-794-0079 for more information about the weekend.

Diamond in the "Not So Rough"



Clay & Patty Thompson's 1930 Robinson Seagull 39' Commuter She appears to be nearing completion of a rather extensive restoration. Congratulations Clay & Patty for what appears to be a job well done.