

## Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, May 24, 2013

### **POA Meetings and Events:**

- **Architectural Control Committee Workshop, 9 a.m. Thursday, May 30, POA Office**
- **Rec 101, 12:30 p.m. Thursday, May 30, Wellness Center**
- **POA Board Workshop, 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 4, POA Office**
- **Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, June 6**

## **Spring Photo Shoot Completed**

Scores of Villagers participated in the spring photo shoot to support the ongoing marketing/communications program which debuted this past January.

"Last September we captured Tellico Village in all its fall color," said John Cherry who led the shoot and is the manager of public relations for the POA. "This latest shoot was more modest, just one day, but focused on our community in the spring time."

Early this past Thursday morning, May 16, Paul Szary, Tombras art director, and Brent Cline, commercial photographer, were on Tellico Lake with Tim and Donna French and Bob and Janet Bray. The Frenches and Brays made their boats available to help represent the boating lifestyle common to the community.

Mid-morning the Vintage Car Club, led by Steve West, and the Corvette Club, led by Gary Jutze, had their members bring their vehicles to the Yacht Club for a morning of photography. Shots inside the Yacht Club and at the library followed. Recognition goes to Jackie Newton and Warren Rennick at the Yacht Club and the chief librarian at the Public Library at Tellico Village, Becky Haile, for their help in making these shots go off perfectly. Special thanks to Carolyn McDermott, president of the Friends of the Library, for assisting in the library arrangements.

The photography team had to switch gears quickly when they arrived at the firehouse. The Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department received not one but two calls and had to rush off before their photo could be taken. The shot was rescheduled and completed later in the afternoon. Thank you to Fire Chief Don Skalecki and Deputy Chief Mort Patterson for moving the trucks around and having eight firefighters available to be photographed.

Tom Borloglou, president of the Tellico Village Woodworkers, did a great job and quickly gathered, ahead of schedule, a cadre of woodworkers at Tom Valenzo's house when the TVVFD shot was changed. Much of the club's fine woodcraft was photographed.

The bulk of the afternoon was spent photographing in the Tommotley and Toqua neighborhoods. Thanks goes to the Fultons, Conleys, Heidens and Siscos for allowing their yards and homes to be used for locations and backdrops for various scenes. The lovely gardens of the Souders and Hollis proved to be beautiful settings for a couple of afternoon photo sessions.

Jim Swift was a more than capable driver shuttling talent from the Yacht Club to the various shooting locations. Bev and Rich Sikorski graciously allowed their loveable dog, Sadie, to appear in one of the afternoon setups. Doug Patterson, Tanasi Clubhouse, helpfully organized a special dining section for a luncheon photo.

None of this would have been possible if Jeff Gagley had not opened the Yacht Club at 8 a.m. for the photo team to start organizing the day's session. Aably assisting the team at the Yacht

Club throughout the day was Beth Kuberka, marketing manager. She was instrumental in getting the Villager talent in the expected wardrobe and off to their assigned locations.

Finally, a big thank you goes to the Villagers who willingly sacrificed a good portion of their Thursday to act as talent and subject matter for all the photos. Villagers included: Art Akagi, John Albers, Patty Authement, Barry Brandt, Bob and Janet Bray, Jeannie Cahanin, Bobbi Carlin, Geri Denney, Tim and Donna French, Tim and Therese Kukla, Dave and Mary Kay Noble, Gary and Lova Rhodes, and Betty Ann Sterner.

## **Reminder: Waste Connections Holiday Schedule**

In June 2010, Douglas McGill, Divisional Municipal Marketing Manager for Waste Connections of Tennessee, announced a change for collection of residential solid waste and curbside residential recycling pick-up days.

Observed holidays are New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Saturdays will be used as a make-up day during holiday weeks. The reasons cited are landfills and other operational needs are not available on holidays. For instance, Memorial Day, May 27, falls on a Monday; if your usual refuse removal day is Thursday, then Friday will be your pick-up day that week. If Friday is your usual day, pick-up will be done Saturday.

For more information, call Waste Connections, 865-522-8161.

## **STAYinTV Developing New Service Programs**

By Scott Mathot, STAY - Home Maintenance Coordinator

STAYinTV Committee has been busy bringing you our second annual Health EXPO held on April 12 and attended by more than 300 people. They also developed a handy Resource Guide for a variety of services of interest to not only our newest residents but even to our "Pioneers" who first came to Tellico Village. Over time it will be expanded, including more references in Monroe County. Now we are about to announce several new service programs that are geared to help some of our more senior residents as well as those with temporary issues that limit their capabilities.

Home Maintenance and Transportation Services will be offered to those in the Village with special needs so they can continue to live in the Village even though they may have some physical limitations. Our program is based on an all-volunteer approach to provide these services. The only cost to the client is for any necessary parts or any driving outside the Village, where there will be a nominal fee paid to the volunteer for driving costs. In lieu of fees, we do welcome donations to STAYinTV.

The Home Maintenance Program is planned to be implemented in the June timeframe when additional publicity and brochures will come out. Transportation should follow somewhat later in the year. A Home Maintenance Steering Committee has been working since the fall of 2012 to develop this new service. We have representatives from a variety of churches and service clubs: Fred Gibson, Howard Kastner, Mike Kittl, Don Littrell, Ken Mack, and Harry Westcott. Scott Mathot from the STAYinTV Committee is leading this group and he is assisted by Chris Garner, who is also part of the STAYinTV Committee.

The way the program will work is really quite simple: the client needs only to call an answering service number provided by the POA. The specific number for Home Maintenance is 865-458-7084; however, Kahite residents would call 1-866-983-5542 (POA's direct line) and use extension 4197. You can try this out and then listen to the Home Maintenance's welcoming

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message. We ask the client to provide their name, address and telephone number and a brief description of their need. We will have our monthly captain check for messages daily, and he will call the client back within 24 hours to better understand the needs. The captain, in turn, will contact one of our volunteer handymen who lives nearby and can do the work. We are starting with 20 volunteers in addition to the Steering Committee. We will have about five volunteers from Kahite. The volunteer will call the client back to set up a visit to review and, hopefully, fix the maintenance issue. If the request is too involved (larger project) or if the request is going to be frequent or routine in nature, we may recommend another solution. We would like to provide the service by the volunteer in a maximum of one or two hours. Our goal is to help solve the client's problem!

Look for more information on these programs over the coming weeks and months.

## **Tellico Village Exemplifies Financial and Social Strength**

*Editor's note: Margie Casey of RealEstateScorecard.com visited Tellico Village in April. The following article was posted to that site this week.*

Posted May 21, 2013, by Margie Casey

We've monitored Tellico Village for a number of years because it is one of the most well known master planned communities in Eastern Tennessee. Built on Tellico Lake during two real estate booms, this Tennessee lake community has had its share of primary residence property owners and investors. Years ago, we were a little concerned about the POA management changes and financial issues we had read on the internet.

Last month, we had the chance to learn the truth, up close. Tellico Village is a role model in the real estate industry. Their balanced budget and \$3 million in reserves is likely the envy of competing master planned communities. After meeting many of the board members and committee after committee, Real Estate Scorecard salutes the brilliance and commitment of its Villagers. The Tellico Village POA shared with us their financial statements from December 2008 to the present. Although we're not certified accountants or licensed lawyers, we know what a full page of 'black ink' represents, year after year. We find the Tellico Village POA to be frugal and smart.

However to us, the best places to live go beyond a balance sheet. This is why we began collecting property owner reviews in 2011, to find out how property owners really feel about their neighborhood. To date, we've collected 58 property owner reviews about Tellico Village which reads like a wall of happiness. What we experienced during our visit was extraordinary. In fact, out of all the master planned communities we've inspected, Tellico Village has the largest number of volunteers orchestrating countless numbers of social clubs. The volunteerism and friendliness here is on steroids. Residents have the choice of engaging themselves in a calendar of fun or being a happy hermit enjoying the beauty of Tellico Lake at their own speed. This Tennessee lake community is in a great location and is located about 40 minutes west of Knoxville. The Villagers have access to excellent medical care, collegiate sports and an easy access international airport in Knoxville. A tad bit south is the entrance to Great Smoky Mountains National Park, America's most visited national park. The Villagers are not burdened with mandatory memberships and club dues. Amenities such as golf and fitness at Tellico Village are paid for a la carte. Use them if you like or not. Because Tellico Village is not gated, some of our clients ask us why POA fees are necessary. We explain, Tellico Village is a well

managed village and offers far more than a tract of land with a bunch of homes on it.

The majority of Villager's are retirees from all walks of life. Teachers, bankers, government employees and successful business professionals who found a friendly place to live in the low cost state of Tennessee. These folks share an attitude of gratitude and love where they live. Tellico Village exemplifies Tennessean charm and we find their social strength to be priceless. Rightfully so, Tellico Village won our **2013 Bliss Award for Best Tennessee Community of the Year**. If you're searching for the best place to retire in Tennessee, ask about being our guest at Tellico Village. Write [info@realestatescorecard.com](mailto:info@realestatescorecard.com) or call us toll free at 866.384.1799.

- See more at: <http://realestatescorecard.com/news/real-estate-news/tennessee/tellico-village-exemplifies-financial-and-social-strength#sthash.69gdamv0.dpuf>

**POA 101 June 27:** POA 101 is a program presented by TVPOA staff to give property owners an overview of Village governance and history. Maps, governing documents, Tellico Village license plate and more are given to participants. The next session is: **2 p.m. Thursday, June 27, Kahite Activity Center**. Reservations are required. Call Patty Robichaud, 865-458-5408 ext. 4115, or email [probichaud@tvpoa.org](mailto:probichaud@tvpoa.org).

## **Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...**

### **Hats and High Tea Garden Party Postponed**

The HOA has announced the Hats and High Tea Garden Party, featuring the Top Notes and Rosie Ratcliff, which was scheduled for this coming Saturday May 25, at 3 p.m., at 166 Saloli Way, is being postponed until September due to inclement weather.

### **New Beginning Tai Chi Class Begins June 6**

The Taoist Tai Chi Society will offer a beginning Tai Chi class 10:30 a.m.-noon beginning Thursday, June 6, in the Wellness Center. (You do not need to be a member of the Wellness Center to attend these classes.) This four-month session will teach you the 108-movement exercise set. For more information, contact Gail Eades, 865-599-6785.

Taoist Tai Chi is a slow movement "internal" form of the ancient Chinese martial art. It is widely known for its health benefits, for increased flexibility and strength, for improved balance, and for taming the "busy mind." It can be practiced by people of all ages and physical conditions.

The Taoist Tai Chi Society is a tax-exempt, charitable and all-volunteer organization. Their qualified instructors donate their time in order to share the health-giving benefits of Tai Chi.

### **Loudon County Clerk's Office Will Open TV Satellite Office June 6**

The Loudon County Clerk is pleased to announce the opening of our new satellite office in the Tellico Village area. Effective Thursday, June 6, the Loudon County Clerk's office will be assisting customers with the following services: Vehicle registrations, vehicle renewals, duplicate titles, handicap applications.

The office space is located at: 100 Chota Center, courtesy of Lakeside Real Estate Group. Hours will be: 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Thursdays to serve Loudon County residents.

### **Indian Boundary Lake Hike June 10**

The Muddy Boots Hiking Club will leave 8 a.m. Monday, June 10 (June 17 rain date), from Chota Center, to hike:

- Indian Boundary Lake
- Distance: 3 miles

- Rating: Easy
- Elevation Gain: Minimal
- Leader: Bruce Barbre

This is an easy 3-mile walk in the woods around a pretty mountain lake with minimal elevation gain. Hiking boots or good walking shoes recommended. Bring ample water and a trail lunch. We'll circle the lake, beginning and ending at the picnic pavilion and have lunch there. Rest rooms are available at the picnic pavilion. Car-pooling is recommended and will be set up the morning of the hike. Passengers are asked to contribute \$5 to the driver to help cover gas and the day use fee.

### **Fishing Club Meets June 12**

The Tellico Village Fishing Club will meet 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 12, in the Yacht Club. Returning speaker Chadwick Ferrell, professional fish guide, will discuss fishing Watts Bar Lake for bass and the use of a cast net. Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Chuck Stoeffler, 865-458-1410.

### **Retiring Unserviceable American Flags**

American Legion Post 256 will be "properly retiring unserviceable" American flags on Friday, June 14. The Flag Retirement Ceremony will be conducted at the Tellico Village Fire Department on Chota Road starting at 10 a.m. The collection period for placing flags in a collection container through June 12. The collection containers are located at the following places:

- Chota Recreation Center
- Kahite Clubhouse Lobby
- Tanasi Clubhouse Lobby
- Tellico Village POA Administrative Offices
- Tellico Village Public Library
- Tellico Village Fire Department Building
- Vickery House at 261 Osprey Circle in Rarity Bay

Local Cub and Boy Scout troops will participate with the Fire Department and American Legion Post 256 to retire the flags. Also local residents of the area will participate in the ceremony with their vocal talents. The public is always invited to this annual event in Tellico Village. If more information is needed please contact Rich Gruber at 865-271-8610.

### **Health Seminar June 14**

Dr. Mays, from the University of Tennessee, Dr. Matt St. John, a practicing naturalist and Julia Hurley will present "Healthy Foods That Hydrate," 11 a.m. Friday, June 14, in the Chota Rec Center. The seminar is Free, but registration is required by calling the Chota Rec Center at 865-458-6779. After the seminar, if you are interesting in talking more, you can meet Mr. Mays and Dr. St. John at Tanasi for lunch.

### **Reciprocal Courtesy Cards for Yachting Clubs of America Available**

Property owners can now purchase Reciprocal Courtesy Cards for the Yachting Clubs of America in the POA office for \$20. This card allows members to frequent yachting clubs anywhere that is a member of this association. There are yacht clubs located up and down the

East Coast. For more information about YCOA, go to [www.ycaol.com](http://www.ycaol.com); the website that tells about the Association and all the yacht clubs that are members. For other questions about the program, call Mitzi Lane, 865-458-5408, extension 4116.

## **Recent Events and Bragging Rights**

### **Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village Supports Loudon County Sherriff's Fight Against Drugs**

On May 7, Chuck Hitch, President of The Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village presented a check for \$500 to Detective Jason Smith for the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program in Loudon County Schools.

Smith leads the Loudon County program for Sheriff Tim Guider and works with more than 350 sixth graders in the county. The students participate in a series of nine sessions on how to resist peer pressure and live productive lives without drugs and violence.

The DARE program is funded using drug money from the Sherriff's office as well as contributions such as this one from Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village. It also receives some funding from Federal agencies. It is largely a crime prevention program working through education within schools.

DARE was founded in 1983 in Los Angeles and has proven so successful that it is now being implemented in more than half the school districts throughout the country. It was introduced in Loudon County in 1993.

The instructors of the DARE curriculum are local police officers who must undergo 80 hours of special training in areas such as child development, classroom management, teaching techniques and communication skills.

Smith said he believes the DARE program has made a major impact on young people in our county. DARE works to deliver the message to keep "kids off drugs."

Kiwanis mission is to "serve the children of the world," consequently, we are "a good fit" and proud to support the DARE program which we consider a worthwhile cause.

### **Tellico Village Women's Club Installs Officers**

The GFWC Tellico Village Women's Club held their 2013-2014 spring luncheon and officer installation ceremony at Rarity Bay Clubhouse on May 13. Tona Huff, GFWC District President, was on hand to swear-in the new officers: Lorna Kolasheski, Corresponding Secretary; Sam McQueeney, Second Vice President; Michele Pubillones, President; Tona Huff, District President; Dee Butler, First Vice President; Nancy Benn, Recording Secretary; JoAn Toney, Treasurer.

GFWC Tellico Village Women's Club is a part of the international and Tennessee General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC), the world's largest and oldest nonpartisan, nondenominational volunteer service organization. The Tellico Women's Club presents its annual fund raiser home tour each fall with all proceeds going to support various local and designated international charities. In 2012, the club raised nearly \$20,000. The 2013 Home Tour is scheduled for Nov. 3. This year's home tour will bring a new venue and holiday decorated homes, so save the date now.

Please visit the club's website at <http://www.tellicowomensclub.org> for information about this service organization whose mission is *Community Improvement Through Volunteer Service*.

## **Pickleball Tournament Results**

Dodging showers to compete in this year's pickleball Skill-Based Tournament, winners received an appropriate prize: a towel.

The towels, with the pickleball club's new logo, were suggested by Tournament Chair Sherrill Vasicek. "A lot of our players have a collection of medals from various competitions," she said. "We thought they'd appreciate something different this year."

The spring tournament—now in its third year—is limited to members of the Tellico Village Pickleball Club. Players compete against others with the same ranking. "We also have a fall tournament that is open to players from other communities," explained Vasicek. "That one is an age-based event."

Despite some weather delays, the Skill-Based Tournament was well attended. "We had 48 competitors," reported Vasicek, "and a lot of very positive responses to the towels." For more information about pickleball, visit the club's website: [www.tvpbc.org](http://www.tvpbc.org).