

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, Dec. 6, 2013

POA Meetings and Events:

- **Public Services Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 10, POA Office (irregular)**
- **Communications & Marketing Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, POA Office**
- **Golf Advisory Committee, 3 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12, POA Office**
- **Finance Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 13, POA Office**

Tell'em You're Happy!

Tellico Villagers Can Now Vote for 2014 Bliss Award

By Joe Bogardus, Resident Volunteer for the Marketing/Communications Program

Tellico Village is a finalist for the 2014 Bliss Award given by Real Estate Scorecard.com (RES), and community residents can influence the outcome. RES has issued a challenge to the contenders and asked residents to vote for their communities online at RealEstateScorecard.com. Resident votes, in conjunction with the community analysis done by RES representatives, will determine the final award winners.

Tellico Village won the 2013 Bliss Award as the Best Community in Tennessee. The award is given, in part, to communities whose residents express the greatest satisfaction with the location, lifestyle, amenities and management of their communities.

Real Estate Scorecard is an industry leader in online real estate reviews, providing in depth information about the most popular master planned communities in Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee. Bliss Award winners benefit from an extensive national public relations campaign reaching print, electronic and online media outlets.

The 2013 award provided a valuable addition to the newly launched Tellico Village marketing/communications program and resulted in numerous leads and visits from prospective residents. Villagers can play a major role in helping the 2014 campaign with their Bliss Award vote.

Below is information on how and where you can vote for Tellico Village as the best place to live. As part of the process, you will be asked to enter your email address to verify property ownership status. You need not to worry about privacy issues. According to Margie Casey at RealEstateScorecard.com, "These email addresses are not being added to our marketing database and will not be shared with any third party."

She adds, "There are the only two reasons RES might possibly need to contact a Bliss Award voter:

1. If we can't verify the property owner's name with public records to validate their vote. We may write the individual asking if there is another name on file in public records.
2. If we receive duplicate votes from one legal address. We will only count one 2014 Bliss Award vote per legal address. We may inform a property owner if we see duplicate address submissions."

Voting Rules

- Submissions will only be accepted from property owners of record. RealEstateScorecard.com has a cross check system in place to preserve the integrity of the votes.

Property owners are to submit their vote online at RealEstateScorecard.com on any page of the

website. **To quickly vote, click** <http://realestatescorecard.com/node/add/property-owner-review> **and go to the website.**

- Only one 2014 Bliss Award vote per property address will count.
- Property owners can choose to vote anonymously.
- Submission deadline is Friday, Dec. 20, 2013. Voting will be closed Saturday, Dec. 21.

Bliss Award winners will receive national recognition and the tangible award.

So let's get out there and vote! It's a great way to make a positive contribution to the marketing/communications program for Tellico Village. Just "Tell'em it's better at Tellico Village."

Charitable Events and Fundraisers

Volunteers Needed

The Amedisys Hospice has a need for men and women to volunteer with hospice to support hospice patients in Tellico Village and the surrounding area.

According to Martha Dodge, "We are starting our We Honor Veterans Hospice Volunteer Program after the first of the year, we also have approval from the facilities in the area to bring in pets for visits (they have to have current shot record and be gentle and friendly) - we have needs across the board for those with hearts and hands to share a little time with those walking this difficult road. What gifts and talents could be shared with someone finishing their journey or caring for a loved one?"

If anyone is interested in more information or to sign up for volunteer classes after the first of the year, she can be reached with the contact information below.

Martha Dodge, BS
Volunteer Coordinator
Amedisys Hospice – Sweetwater
665 Highway 68 Suite B
Sweetwater, TN 37874
423-351-0233 (office)
423-435-2226 (cell)
martha.dodge@amedisys.com

Tellico Village United Way Campaign Ongoing

Did you know that United Way of Loudon County contributions bought the locator bracelets that the Sheriffs can use to find missing Alzheimer patients in Loudon County, including those at The Neighborhood?

Did you know that United Way of Loudon County provided the seed money needed to publish the initial STAYinTV directory?

So far in this fall's campaign through Nov. 24, \$75,702 has been collected through 507 contributions, which is 89.1% of our goal of \$85,000. We still need 100 contributions to match the number of givers we had last year. We are getting some new contributors, but there are still 816 prior Village contributors who have not yet contributed this year!

Please send your contributions to our Village treasurer:

Bob Mugge
118 Oostanali Way
Loudon, TN 37774

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Mah Jongg - Open Play

- Dec. 5 and Dec. 19, first and third Thursday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center, Room D
 - Dec. 10 and Dec. 24, second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center, Room B
 - Dec. 23, fourth Monday of each month, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Chota Rec Center, Room D
- Please wear your name tag!

If you have any questions, please call Carolyn Neely, 865-458-1323, carolynneely@charter.net.

Hike Jackson Bend Branch Dec. 9

The Muddy Boots Hiking Club will depart 8:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 9 (Dec. 16 rain date), from Chota Center to hike:

- Jackson Bend Branch of the East Lakeshore Trail
- Rating: moderate
- Distance: 5 miles
- Elevation Gain: 100 feet
- Leader: Tom Schemberger, e-mail: tschemberger@charter.net or 865-408-0955

The trail showcases a variety of landscapes and scenic views of Tellico Lake and Rarity Bay. Hiking boots and hiking stick(s) are recommended. Bring ample water.

Car-pooling is recommended and will be set up the morning of the hike. Passengers are asked to contribute \$2 to the driver to help cover gas.

Tellico Top Notes Rehearsal Schedule

The Tellico Top Notes hold practice/rehearsal 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays (Dec. 10 and Dec. 24) each month in the Yacht Club. Nick Azelborn, 865-408-0256. We are always looking for more musicians!

Tellico Community Players Present Dinner Theatre Dec. 9-11

The Tellico Village Yacht Club proudly presents the Tellico Community Players' production of "The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge." The sponsor of the show is Lakeside Plaza, Inc. It is a comedy written by Mark Brooks and takes the well known Christmas story "The Christmas Carol" one year into the future where Ebenezer Scrooge sues Jacob Marley and the three Spirits of Christmas (Past, Present, and Future) for deceiving him, thereby tricking him into becoming a nicer person. The play takes place in a courtroom and will bring back fond memories of many of the well known characters. They include Jacob Marley, Bob Cratchit, Sara Wainwright, Harriet Dilber, Fred and all of the Christmas Spirits. We believe that everyone will have a wonderful time and will be, as spoken by Tiny Tim, blessed.

The dates of the performances are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, Dec. 9-11. There will be a matinee and evening show each day. It will be a holiday dinner theatre production and the meals served will be the same for both of the performances. The doors will open at 11:30 a.m. for the matinee and 6 p.m. in the evening. Meals will be served at noon and 6:30 p.m. respectively. The play will begin at 1 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.. The cast and greeters will be in early Dick-

ens' costumes and decorations will be in holiday motif.

So don't forget to get your tickets early. Otherwise, you may have a "bah humbug" type of holiday season. Tickets are available at the Tellico Village Yacht Club.

Tellico Cruising Club meets Dec. 11

The Tellico Cruising Club meets the second Wednesday of each month in the lower level of the Yacht Club. We start with a social hour at 5 p.m. This month the club meeting will start at 5:30 p.m. Our annual Christmas party starts at 6 p.m. for registered guests only. Only one meeting left to retain your membership. For more information, call Commander Errol Keith at 865-458-4277.

Ladies Book Club Meets Dec. 12

The Tellico Village Ladies Book Club will meet 11:30 a.m. for lunch followed by a 12:15 book discussion at Tanasi Café. December's book is "The Christmas Cookie Club," by Ann Pearlman. The discussion will be led by Alice Krause. For more information on the club, contact Bette Purvis, 865-405-1937.

20% Off Tuesdays Are Here!

With ladies' league over for the season, all three golf courses have great tee times available and a 20% discount as incentive to enjoy your beautiful courses and cool weather. These discounts are good now through Dec. 31, 2013, and are not valid with any other offer.

20% Off Tuesdays	18 Holes	9 Holes
Daily Member Fees		
With Cart	\$26.00	\$13.00
With Private Cart	\$23.60	\$11.80
Walking	\$15.20	\$ 7.60
Prepaid Member Fees		
With Cart	\$23.50	\$11.75
With Private Cart	\$20.50	\$10.25
Walking	\$13.80	\$ 6.90
Annual Member Fees		
Daily Cart Fee	\$10.80	\$ 5.40
Prepaid Cart Fee	\$ 9.70	\$ 4.85
Daily Private Cart	\$ 8.40	\$ 4.20
Prepaid Private Cart	\$ 6.70	\$ 3.35

Free PGA Professional Golf Demonstration and Clinic Dec. 7

Join the golf pro staff 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 7, at Toqua. This clinic's topic is the wedge use from full shots to short green side chip shots.. Please come out, join us, and bring a friend!

Recent Events and Bragging Rights

STAYinTV Home Maintenance Program in Full Action

The Home Maintenance Program from STAYinTN has been helping Tellico Village residents get some simple home repair work completed in a very economical way. Home Maintenance volunteers—about 30 now—perform a variety of minor maintenance jobs that can be accomplished in one or two hours, such as a fixing a leaky faucet, stopping a smoke detector beeping, fixing an electrical problem, or replacing a door lock, as examples. While bigger jobs are out of their scope, they developed a list of service providers they can discuss with the home owner to do the work. They do not accept payment for their labor; however, they do accept and appreciate a donation to continue supporting the work of STAYinTV. The homeowner pays the cost of purchased materials; and if the handyman has to drive outside the Village to obtain the parts, there is a \$5.00 driving fee to the volunteer.

Home Maintenance Program brochures are located at the Welcome Desk at Tanasi, the POA Offices, the Tellico Village Library, the Yacht Club and Kahite's "Wall of Fame." To learn more, call the Home Maintenance number at (865) 458-7084, or in Kahite, 1-866-983-5542 extension 4197 and listen to their message for how to request help.

Softball Champions Again

For the fifth consecutive season the champions in the Tellico Men's Senior Softball League for the Fall season were the Mustangs with a record of 9-1. Team members are: front row from left: Barry Brandt, Dennis Van Wormer, Chuck Gilligan, Tom Jones and Tom Boehm. Back row from left, Jerry Ferguson, Richard Chappell, Manager Ed Atkins, Mark Higginson, Larry Weiss, Ron Tomasko, Phil Leach and Johnny Darden. Missing from the photo are Howard Zachman and Tom Payne. The team is sponsored by Lenoir City Ford.

Find Us on Facebook

Tellico Village can now be found on Facebook. Follow this link or search and "like" our page: www.facebook.com/pages/Tellico-Village/107440545979485. Tellico Village is now the leader in planned community Facebook pages.

Are you interested in Rec? Send a Friend Request to TVPOA Recreation to keep up to date on Rec happenings.

Other Tellico Village groups on Facebook:

New Villagers: <https://www.facebook.com/NewVillagerstv>

Tanasi Café: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Tanasi-Cafe/390112447742369>

Tellico Community Players: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Tellico-Community-Players/230251060331062>

Tellico Village LGA 18: <https://www.facebook.com/tvlg18.org>

The Public Library at Tellico Village: <https://www.facebook.com/ThePublicLibraryAtTellicoVillage>

Toqua Grill: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Toqua-Grille/461007803959586>

"Talk Is Cheap" Dec. 14

As part of the Doug Christman Series, The Friends of the Tellico Village Library Board of Direc-

tors is presenting “*Talk is Cheap*” *Holiday Laughs* with Bill Landry, Sam Venable, Elizabeth Rose, and Jim Claborn.

The “Talk is Cheap” Tour features some of East Tennessee’s most beloved and renowned storytellers and guarantees to be a night full of laughter and fun. Each storyteller will take the stage and share a personal tale or two. At the end of the show audience members will have the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about these Appalachian treasures.

Jim Claborn is an accomplished storyteller and a favorite at the Museum of Appalachia, Morristown Crocket Museum and other venues across East Tennessee. Often times when speaking in public, he is “Davy Crockett” in his buckskins or dressed in his mountain man garb with a trusty musket in hand. Jim is a beloved teacher at All Saints School in Morristown. He is also a writer for the Morristown Citizen-Tribune.

Bill Landry has been the voice, host, narrator and co-producer of *The Heartland Series* since it was conceived on WBIR TV Channel 10 in 1984 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Since it began, over 1,400 short features have aired, including over 150 half-hour specials. The Heartland Series celebrates Appalachian people, land and culture of the entire region. Bill has collected numerous stories from his travels for the tales of the Heartland series and will tell many of these hilarious stories on Dec. 14.

Elizabeth Rose has thrilled children and adults alike with her storytelling in classrooms, festivals and conferences across the country. She shares stories woven with wit, humor and expressive enthusiasm. She is truly captivating in voice and presentation.

Sam Venable is a humor columnist for the *Knoxville News Sentinel* and a native of Knoxville. He graduated from the University of Tennessee with a degree in journalism and minor in forestry and wildlife management. Before becoming a humor columnist, Sam served as the *News Sentinel’s* outdoors editor for 16 years. Winner of more than three dozen national and regional writing awards, Sam is widely published outside the newspaper field. His latest book, *Someday I May Find Honest Work: A Newspaper Humorist’s Life*, is a collection of tales where Sam chronicles life and all the strange and absurd things that go with it.

This entertaining event will be held on 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 14, at the First Baptist Church-Tellico Village, 205 Chota Rd, Loudon, TN. Tickets will be available for purchase at the Public Library at Tellico Village or from a FOTVL Board member.

We are offering two ticket options.

- Option One: Performance Only-Friends Members \$20 / Non-Members \$25 or
- Option Two: Performance & Meet and Greet the Cast at the Yacht Club Blue Heron Restaurant at 5:30- 6:30pm- Friends Members \$25/Non-Members \$30; Cash Bar.

All ticket holders will receive a \$5 dining discount at the Blue Heron for dinner on the evening of Dec. 14. Advance dinner reservations suggested; please call 865-458-4363.