

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, March 4, 2014

POA Meetings and Events:

- Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, March 6, POA Conference Room
- Recreation Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, March 6, Wellness Center
- Communications & Marketing Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, March 7, POA Conference Room
- Golf Advisory Committee, 3 p.m. Thursday, March 13, POA Conference Room

Golf Advisory Committee Goals and Objectives for 2014

By Brenda McJunkin, Chair, Golf Advisory Committee

The Golf Advisory Committee (GAC) is committed to improving the playability and affordability of Tellico Village golf courses with the goals of increased play and enhanced membership value.

Many of the following initiatives evolve from year to year. Some may require extensive evaluation and long-range planning prior to implementation.

- **Tee It Forward** – This program has created a wonderful opportunity for Tellico Village golfers to extend their years of enjoyment of the game. Golfers are encouraged to play from a yardage that best suits their abilities and from which they experience the most pleasure. The new forward tees at Tanasi were completed in 2013 and slated for completion at Toqua spring of 2014. The Tennessee State Golf Association rated all tees for men and all tees from white forward for women last fall. The new ratings will be on the scorecards in March. Many players question if their Handicap Index will be portable from a forward tee. Eric Lahman, United States Golf Association (USGA) Manager, Course Rating and Handicapping, recently posted an article on the USGA web site about TEE IT FORWARD and the USGA Handicap System. He explained that when a score is posted from a more forward set of tees, that set of tees will have ratings that are in accordance with the shorter total yardage (e.g., 6,500-yard set of tees may have a USGA Course Rating of 71.0/Slope Rating of 120, whereas a 5,500-yard set of tees for may be rated 66.0/101). The player's total score is usually going to be lowered by playing a shorter set of tees, but the ratings are going to be lower, respectively, to compensate for the difference. Thus, the Handicap Index and Handicap Differential™ produced from each round played should be about the same and keep a Handicap Index portable from tee-to-tee, course-to-course.
- **Pace Of Play** – Awareness is the key for faster play. Small changes in a normal golf routine will be promoted throughout the season. Hit and sit, score at the next tee, play ready golf, watch everyone's ball so it can be found quickly, and be committed to keeping pace with the group in front of you.
- **Bunker Evaluation** – The golfing community is acutely aware of the need to renovate and improve the bunker conditions on all three courses. Toqua is the priority at this time because the lining has surfaced and dislodged from the base of the bunkers creating dangerous conditions for players.
- **Ultra-Dwarf Bermuda Greens** – Continued evaluation of the conversion of Tanasi greens to Ultra-Dwarf Bermuda.
- **Internship Program** – An opportunity that will provide the golf maintenance and pro shop staff with student interns for six to nine months a year. The optimum result would be an excellent pool of candidates for vacant staff positions. The challenge is housing facilities.

- **No-Show** – This is monitored and evaluated continually. Revenue loss when golfers fail to show for tee times without canceling is a concern for all members.
- **Budget Performance** – The committee reviews revenues and expenditures.
- **Tournament Participation Performance** – Increase participation through promotion and formats.
- **Toqua Pavilion & Parking Lot Expansion** – Construction should begin the end of February and be ready for use by mid-April (weather permitting).
- **Communication** – Provide information, promote events, and exchange viewpoints that foster positive results.

The GAC meets the second Thursday of each month at 3 p.m. in the POA Conference Room. Attendees are welcome.

Jim West, Director of Golf Operations, announced plans to have the Tellico Village golf courses work towards becoming Audubon Certified through the Audubon Cooperative Sanctuary Program (ACSP) for golf courses. The ACSP is a program that helps golf facilities protect the environment by enhancing precious natural areas and wildlife habitats that golf courses provide. In order to achieve Audubon Certification, a golf facility is required to demonstrate that it is maintaining the highest degree of environmental quality in several areas including Environmental Planning, Wildlife & Habitat Management, Outreach & Education, Chemical Use Reduction & Safety, Water Conservation, and Water Quality Management.

Throughout the past year the Tanasi GC and Toqua GC have been vandalized. Person(s) unknown are cutting the ropes that are in place to protect various areas of the golf course. It is not a simple situation of tying the pieces cut back together as sections are cut out. We would like the community to be aware of this crime, and if you see anyone committing this act, please notify the pro shop.

The Blue Heron at the Yacht Club Offerings and Upcoming Special Events

- **Seafood Saturdays**
Saturday is seafood. Come check out our ever-changing features. Call 865-458-4363 to make your reservations.
- **“Meat” & Greet**
Tuesday, March 25, 6 p.m. is sold out with 400 reservations—thanks for your support!
- **“Tiki Tuesday”**
Why? Why Not? Join us Tuesday, April 1, at 7 p.m., to enjoy Southern Star Band. Look out at the end of March for the upcoming Tiki Tuesday music schedule delivered to your newspaper box.
- Our new menu will be available on Wednesday, March 26.

Be on the lookout for the Monthly Calendars in your mail box!

Questions? Contact Info for the management team:

Christian Barber: Email: cbarber.awehospitality@gmail.com

Jackie Newton: Email: jnewton.awehospitality@gmail.com

Tellico Village can now be found on Facebook. Follow this link or search and “like” our page to see the Yacht Club calendar and more: www.facebook.com/pages/Tellico-Village/107440545979485

On a Special Note...

Did you know you can find the Yacht Club calendar online? Go to www.TellicoVillagePOA.org, log in or click on the POA logo, select CLUBHOUSES, click on YACHT CLUB.

For reservations and information, call 865-458-4363.

How are we doing?

We appreciate your business and are committed to providing you and your family and friends with quality services. Please take a moment to complete a short survey online: YachtClubSurvey.com.

2014 Reciprocal Courtesy Cards for Yachting Clubs of America Now Available

Property owners can purchase Reciprocal Courtesy Cards for the Yachting Clubs of America in the POA office for \$20. The card will allow you to frequent the more than 700 yachting clubs which, like TVYCC, are members of the association. There are YCA affiliated yacht clubs throughout the USA and its territories. For more information about YCOA, go to www.ycaol.com; the website that tells about the Association and all the yacht clubs that are members. Stop by the POA office to learn where member clubs are. For other questions about the program, call Mitzi Lane, 865-458-5408, extension 4116.

Tiki Tuesday Why?...Why not?

In case you hadn't heard, your Tellico Village Yacht Club is under new management. AWE Hospitality, under the leadership of Andy Fox, is the new contractor for food service operations at the Yacht Club and Blue Heron Restaurant.

With new management comes new ideas. The POA and the Yacht Club staff receive frequent feedback about Yacht Club hours, services, menu, etc. We hear the feedback directly from customers, and Villagers provided scores of feedback via the POA survey last fall.

The Tiki Bar feature is one of those offerings about which we hear a wide array of feedback. Most comments focus on the lack of consistency of when we have Tiki Bar and the variety, or lack thereof, of the music. In general, customers are wanting more consistency with the schedule for Tiki Bar, but they would like to see more variety in the music offered.

With that feedback in mind, the new staff has decided to host Tiki Tuesdays. "By holding the event on Tuesday, we gain a huge amount of predictability," said Andy Fox. "We have it scheduled every Tuesday for eight months."

Now there is no longer a problem where the staff books a large event on a Friday, and the Village loses that Tiki Bar Friday.

"By being able to book large parties, receptions, reunions, etc. on Fridays, we can help cut into the POA subsidy to the Yacht Club," added Fox.

June is a great example. There is only one Friday available for Tiki Bar due to large events booking the Yacht Club.

To address the clamor for more variety in music, the staff has booked live music and DJ provided music on alternating Tuesdays.

The first Tiki Tuesday is scheduled for Tuesday, April 1 at 7 p.m. and features the Southern Star Band, a Village favorite.

Do Not Become the Victim of a Scam

Village residents are reminded to be wary of solicitors in Tellico Village. Always check them out thoroughly before engaging them for work on your home or property. Of special concern is a recent rise in companies offering lawn or landscape work. The local Better Business Bureau can help. Go to www.bbb.org and enter your ZIP code. Remember, solicitors are not allowed in Tellico Village.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

POA Survey Results Now Online

The POA conducted a property owner survey last fall. The results are in, and the committees are working on deeper analysis of the comments provided by the more than 600 respondents. The Communications and Marketing Advisory Committee and the Long Range Planning Advisory Committee are both working to categorize the comments with the objective being to communicate highlights from the feedback received.

The data collected during the survey is available for viewing on the POA website at <http://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/images/tellico/pdfs/admin/2013-survey.pdf>. Watch the Tell-E-Gram for articles and more information gleaned from the property owner survey.

Planning for Lifestyle Changes Roadmap now available

The Planning for Lifestyle Changes Roadmap – formerly called Plan B – prepared by an action team of STAYinTV (Seniors Taking Action Year-round in Tellico Village) is now available for free download from their website at <http://stayintv.org/>. This document, organized in important categories of Financial, Legal, Health, Personal, Critical Information, Emergency Information, and Resources provides templates, lists and examples of how families and individuals of any age can create, collect, organize, file their important information and enable access to it to a trusted person who may be asked to act on their behalf.

This roadmap is easily amenable for individual use and offers many options for implementing the need for planning. The Word file can be downloaded from the STAYinTV website, and individual pages can be completed, with insertion of related documentation. An electronic file is easy to transmit to family or an executor to keep for future reference. Some may choose to create one or two binders of documents that are logically organized and easily accessed. Others may choose to use the included Master Document Locator, a directory that lists all types of important and recommended types of documents with a notation where that information may be found in the event of need.

STAYinTV is a 501(c)3 whose mission is to identify the changing needs of our population and spearhead actions that enable our residents to age in place with dignity in Tellico Village. They will be providing a more detailed review of the Roadmap project and the work of the other Action Teams at their March 27 Forum held at the Community Church of Tellico Village at 2 p.m. A limited number of printed copies of the Roadmap will be available at the Forum.

Computer Users Club Meets March 4

The Tellico Village Computer Users Club will meet 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 4, top floor of the Yacht Club. The program will include new information on using Nextdoor Tellico Village ef-

fectively, tips on using it, frequently asked questions, history and the future. Sharon Addison and members of the Leads Team will be the presenters.

Tellico Vintage Vehicles Meets March 5

The Tellico Village Vintage Vehicles club will meet 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 5, in the Yacht Club. The car club meets on the first Wednesday every month. For more information, go to www.TVVintageVehicles.com or contact Steve West, swest3@charter.net.

Thyme for Herbs Meets March 6

Thyme for Herbs will meet 9:30 a.m. Thursday, March 6, in the Chota Recreation Center. Christian Barber, the chef at the Yacht Club, will be speaking on what herbs will be used at the Yacht Club this year. For more information, call Mary Garner, 865-408-0337.

Garden Club Meets March 6

The Tellico Village Garden Club will meet on Thursday, March 6, at the Yacht Club. Come at 12:30 p.m. for a social time. "Ask the Gardener," begins at 12:45 p.m., when our knowledgeable gardeners will be available to address questions. The program this month: "Making a Home for Nature's Creatures," presented by Florence Ann Ketelsen, Backyard Habitat Chairman, TN Federation of Garden Clubs. Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Linda Schuessler, 865-657-9228, or go to www.tellicoclubs.com/garden.

Landlocked Kayak Kommittee to Report Progress March 6

The Landlocked Kayak Kommittee is scheduled to update interested Villagers about its progress on Thursday, March 6 starting at 1 p.m. in the main conference room at the POA offices.

A plan has been developed by the Kommittee working with the POA Public Works Department to create a kayak launch and storage facility at the Yacht Club Marina.

The proposed facility will cover four empty boat slips at the marina. The storage area will be comprised of four racks holding eight kayaks apiece. This secure space will be covered, locked and lighted. Just a few feet from the storage area will be a state-of-the-art kayak launcher providing safe, easy, quick access to the water.

Dozens of Villagers have expressed interest in such a facility, and the March 6 meeting will provide an opportunity for them to review the plan and ask questions. The Kommittee will be seeking commitments for the 32 available kayak spaces. Once commitments have been secured and the plan has been approved by the TVPOA Board, construction can begin. Build time is estimated to be 12 weeks.

Landlocked kayakers could be launching and paddling from this facility by the summer!

To learn more, come to the 1 p.m. Thursday, March 6, meeting at the POA offices.

Mah Jongg - Open Play

- March 6 and 20, first and third Thursday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center,
- March 11 and 25, second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center
- March 24, fourth Monday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center

Please wear your name tag!

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

Tellico Top Notes Rehearsal Schedule

The Tellico Top Notes hold practice/rehearsal 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays (March 11 and 25) each month in the Yacht Club. Nick Azelborn, 865-408-0256. We are always looking for more musicians!

Hike Enterprise South Nature Park March 10

The Muddy Boots Hiking Club will depart 8:30 a.m., Monday, March 10 (rain date March 17), from the Chota Center parking lot to hike:

- Enterprise South Nature Park, near Chattanooga.
- Hike leader: Gail Eades: g3evolution@gmail.com
- Distance: 5 miles.
- Rating: easy.
- Elevation gain: minimal.

The park opened for public use three years ago for hiking, walking, etc. The park was originally a weapons manufacturing facility; some of the bunkers are open as historical displays for viewing.

Pack a trail lunch and water. Restrooms at the park. Car pooling set up morning of the hike. Contribute \$5 to driver for gas.

Fishing Club Meets March 12

The Tellico Village Fishing Club monthly meeting will be 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 12, in the Tellico Village Yacht Club. This month's speaker will be club members Tom Holler and Willie Allman who will discuss fishing below the Fort Loudoun dam and bank fishing rivers/lakes. They will also display/sell some fishing lures/jigs. Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Club President Jim Goyert at 865-441-2770.

Tinnitus Seminar March 13

Join Dr. Jan Dungan of Appalachian Audiology 11:45 a.m. Thursday, March 13, in the Chota Rec Center when Dr. Dungan will be presenting "Tinnitus: An Uninvited Guest." She will be answering questions such as: Why do I hear ringing in my ears? What is the cause of tinnitus? And how do I make it go away? Following the seminar, Dr. Dungan will be conducting comprehensive hearing checks that will look at the outer, middle, and inner ear and will only take about 15 minutes. The seminar and the hearing checks are FREE, but registration is required by calling the Rec Center at 865-458-6779.

Hike Brady Mountain March 14

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart at 8 a.m. Friday, March 14, from the Chota Center to hike:

- BRADY MOUNTAIN
- Distance: 6.2 miles
- Rating: Moderate (the climb to the ridge will get your heart beating)
- Driving Time: 60 minutes
- Elevation Gain: 1,000 feet in 2 miles
- Leader: Jim Marotta 865-657-9987 DianeAndJim71@hotmail.com

Join us and explore a short section of the Cumberland Trail. This 6-mile out and back hike traces the spine of Brady Mountain. The route features unspoiled valley views of the Grassy Cove valley and an undulating ridgeline climb. We will stop for lunch at a fabulous overlook offering views over Grassy Cove, an enclosed valley designated as a National Natural Landmark. As the Knoxville News states “the view offers a snapshot of rural Tennessee that’s as pretty as you’re likely to find.”

Hiking boots and hiking sticks are recommended. Driving directions will be provided the morning of the hike. Bring water and a trail lunch. Carpooling is recommended, passengers are asked to contribute \$6 to the driver to help cover gas, etc. For more information, go to www.TVHikers.com.

Village Quilters Guild Meets March 14

The general meeting of the Village Quilters Guild is held on the second Friday of the month at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, located on Hwy 72, 9:15 a.m. social time, 9:45 am meeting. At the March 14 meeting, Mini Workshops, taught by Village Quilters, will be featured. Those workshops include:

- **The Infamous Quarter Inch - How and Why** with Arliss Barber
- **Texture Magic** with Ginny Hatfield
- **Hand Quilting** with Barbara Jones
- **Continuous Binding** with Sandy Stechmesser
- **Making and Using a Flange** with Rose Remund

Come learn something new or improve an old technique. For more information, please visit www.villagequilters.com

Hike the East Lakeshore Trails March 18

A great and free amenity for Tellico Village Residents is located a short 10- to 15-minute drive from the Village. The East Lakeshore Trails are just across the lake and are one of the most beautiful and accessible hiking trails in East Tennessee. Recently they were designated as a National Recreation Trails by the Department of the Interior. If you would like to become more familiar with these trails and/or would just like to take a short 2 to 2.5-mile hike on these mostly level trails, then come join us on the third Tuesday of every month. We will gather at the Poplar Springs Boat Ramp parking lot at 9 a.m. to carpool to the trailhead. We should finish no later than 11 a.m. Your hike leaders will be Larry Elder, Jim Jeswald, and Jon Foreman.

The next hike will be on Tuesday, March 18, when we will hike 2 miles of the Glendale Trail (part of East Lakeshore Trail). For additional information feel free to contact: Larry: lelder49@gmail.com or 865-657-9722; Jim: jmjes711@gmail.com or 724-612-2166; or Jon: for4man@charter.net or 412-337-5500.

Hike Abrams Falls March 26

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart at 8 a.m. Wednesday, March 26, from the Chota Center to hike:

- **ABRAMS FALLS FROM ABRAMS CREEK RANGER STATION**
- Distance: Approx. 11 miles
- Rating: Difficult

- Driving Time: 45 minutes
- Elevation gain: Approx. 1400 feet
- Leader: Gary Glesser 865-657-9677 gglesser@me.com

This is an in-and-out hike to Abrams Falls from the Abrams Creek Ranger Station via the Cooper Road Trail, Little Bottoms Trail and Abrams Falls Trail. The trails consist of up and down terrain with a few steep portions and some rock hopping stream crossings. Most of the trail follows Abrams Creek offering great views of the rushing water and mountain ridges.

Hiking boots and hiking sticks are recommended. Driving directions will be provided the morning of the hike. Bring water and a trail lunch. Carpooling is recommended, passengers are asked to contribute \$6 to the driver to help cover gas, etc. For more information, go to

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STAYinTV Forum March 27

Come to the Community Church of Tellico Village for the next STAYinTV Forum to hear about the progress made on our strategic initiatives, including Transportation, Downsizing and the 5STAR Activity, Home Maintenance Program, Health and Services Expo and the Planning for Lifestyle Changes Roadmap –AKA Plan B. The forum begins at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 27.

“Sex Please We’re Sixty” Takes Stage April 2

The Tellico Community Players are proud to announce their next production: “Sex Please We’re Sixty.” It will be held at the Tellico West Conference Center beginning Wednesday, April 2 and running through Sunday, April 6. It is an American farce written by Susan and Michael Parker. All shows, except the Sunday matinee, will be at 7:30 p.m. with the doors opening at 6:15 p.m. The Sunday matinee will be at 1:30 p.m. Heavy appetizers and a cash bar will be available. The cast includes Ku Adams (Mrs. Stancliffe), Doug Bannister (Bud “The Stud” Davis), Steve Mayberry (Henry Marshall), Marlyce Jean Dezzutti (Victoria Ambrose), Janice Carrison (Hillary Hudson) and Lisa Dawn Maleske (Charmaine Beauregard). Tickets are available at the Village Salon, Salon Anew, and Kahite Pub and Grill. Buy your tickets quickly as it is expected to be an early sellout.

Health and Services Expo April 11

STAYinTV is sponsoring another Health and Services Expo 9 a.m.-noon Friday, April 11, in the Community Church of Tellico Village. All screenings, except for those that require a blood sample, are free. Registration for an appointment for blood work is recommended prior to visiting the free exhibits.