

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, July 25, 2014

POA Meetings and Events:

- POA Board Workshop, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 5, POA Conference Room
- Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, POA Conference Room
- Recreation Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 7, Wellness Center
- Communications & Marketing Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, Wellness Center

LUB Update on Work in Village

By Jeff Gagley, Director of Public Works

I recently asked Bill Watkins of Loudon Utilities Board for an update on the work they are doing in and around Tellico Village that will affect the power supplied to the Village and the reliability of that power. Below are some of Bill's highlights of what they are doing to help improve the LUB service to Tellico Village.

Bill Watkins: We've been installing Regulator Banks on Irene Lane. That work is 99% complete. All that remains is to perform their initial programming which requires an engineer to go up in a bucket with the crew to each control. Then they'll turn them on.

We're working with LUB on installing a remote voltage monitor at Public Works. This monitor will record the voltage every second, and then every 15 minutes it sends the information to a website. LUB can then log into the site and view a graph of the voltage.

In other areas, Bill Watkins tells us: Two weeks ago, we installed a rebuilt breaker in the first bay (which feeds Tellico Village West; Chota, Davis Ferry Road, Tommotley West, Coyatee, Coyatee Shores), and it was commissioned and put in service July 23. We received new regulator stands for other bays and installed one July 23 to swap the circuit feeding Food Lion from one bay to another. This will clear up the bay (a bay is the "slot" that a breaker is in and has the breaker, isolation switches, and regulators) presently feeding Food Lion, so that I can have the end of the bay re-worked with a new pad to take the BIG regulators which we have ready to go in there. Expect pad work to begin in about three weeks.

I feel very good about our relationship with LUB leadership and the support they are providing Tellico Village. With these upgrades and more coming in the future, I have no doubt LUB's service to Tellico Village will be excellent.

PR Efforts Land Another Good Story

On July 5, Bob Smetana with NextAvenue.org visited Tellico Village to look into our volunteer culture that thrives here in our community. The story turned out very nicely. Many thanks to our tour guides Joe Bogardus and Bill Hartman, Chief Don Skalecki and the volunteer firefighters, and Rich Seymour and the folks at the library. Happy reading: <http://www.nextavenue.org/article/2014-07/these-boomers-run-their-whole-town>

Golf Advisory Committee asks for your input on capital projects

Mike Bourke, Tellico Village Golf Advisory Committee

The GAC has been discussing the priorities of various planned and potential projects in the POA budgetary process. Given the diverse nature of the various projects, the varying costs, and

the inevitability of some, it is difficult to force rank them. However, we do have the ability to request that the POA board accelerate or decelerate them. We have some flexibility to balance capital dollars and timing to benefit the golfing community and Tellico Village as a whole. Here are the projects for your kind consideration! Instructions on how to provide input and feedback are at the end of this article.

1. Tanasi parking expansion (aka, muddy tires!)

This would involve additional paving, using a portion of the land now devoted to the practice green. Presently, on three or four peak days, we are parking on the curbs and grass, which creates safety and cosmetic concerns.

2. Tanasi ultra-dwarf bermuda greens (aka, no fans!)

We all remember the heavy damage done to the bent grass greens during the hot summer days. Many courses in Tennessee have converted to new strains of bermuda that love heat, require much less chemicals and labor, and only have to be aerated once a year. This adds up to cost savings, and the avoidance of the risk of catastrophic loss of an entire set of greens. The course would have to be closed for up to eight weeks in the summer, increasing pressure on the other two courses.

3. Accelerate the three-year project to upgrade the bunkers at Toqua (aka, beach blanket bingo)

This would involve shifting funding and timing from other capital projects to fix the bunker situation sooner rather than later. Presently the budget is spread over three years. The POA finance committee might approve getting it done much sooner, if we think that the liners and rocks need to go and playability needs to improve.

4. Kahite bunker modification (aka, why did I hit it here!)

There are many bunkers that either are out of play or so deep and sloped that they can be unplayable by many of us. Additionally, they have to be groomed after every rain leading to golfer frustration and heavy labor cost. We might hire additional labor to accomplish this unfunded operation.

5. New Toqua clubhouse (aka, why do realtors avoid showing this place?)

The big kahuna! This million-dollar-plus project is not in the five-year plan, and the building is showing its age. The seating area and kitchen are too small, and the appearance has been described as "lacking."

6. Kahite cart paths (aka, the deer won't even walk on them!) There is money in the budget for this in 2016. The question is, should something else be delayed to accelerate this project to early 2015?

So many needs, so few dollars! Please take a crack at ranking and commenting on the various projects. Also, what else needs to be addressed to enhance the quality and efficiency of our three courses? Send your input to gacinput@gmail.com (clever address, right?), and make your voice heard. By the way, this email address is monitored year round if you have future questions, suggestions or burning complaints!

Courtesy Dock Guidelines

As a reminder:

- Daily use of courtesy docks are on a first come, first serve basis.
- Courtesy slips will not be reserved (daily or overnight) for any special events or occasions, such as Tiki Bar nights or other Yacht Club functions, holidays, etc. Their use will be on a first come, first serve basis.
- Only property owners can reserve a courtesy slip for overnight use (with the exception of the above); the fee is \$5 per night for a maximum of 3 nights; proof of current boat insurance must be provided before reserving the slip.

For questions or concerns, call 865-458-4522.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Tiki Bar Schedule

Tiki Bar at the Yacht Club will be held 7-10 p.m. on these Fridays:

- **Tonight: July 25, Southern Star Band**
- Aug. 1, Steve Rutledge Band
- Aug. 8, DJ Lou
- Aug. 22, Kudzu Band
- Aug. 29, Jus Teezin, on the dock
- Sept. 12, DJ Lou
- Sept. 19, Southern Star Band, on the dock
- Sept. 26, DJ Lou
- Oct. 17, Kudzu Band
- Oct. 24, Steve Rutledge Band, on the dock

For more information, call 865-458-4363.

Toqua Pavilion Ribbon Cutting July 31

Come join us for the ribbon cutting of the new Toqua Pavilion 4 p.m. Thursday, July 31. Car-pooling is highly encouraged for this special event as parking will be at a premium.

Meet the Author Aug. 1

Bobbi Phelps Wolverson, the next author in The Public Library at Tellico Village's *First Fridays for Local Authors* Series, will be at the Library 10 a.m.-noon Friday, Aug. 1. Ms. Wolverson will meet and talk one on one about her book and writing in general.

Ms. Wolverson graduated from the University of California at Berkeley and joined the airline industry. She was a Flight Attendant for World and Saturn Airways. In 1975 she created the Angler's Calendar Company with worldwide distribution. Her business won Exporter of the Year for the State of Idaho. Bobbi writes travel and history series for The Connection, she is the Vice President of Authors Guild of Tennessee and is a Arnold Gingrich award recipient from the International Federation of Fly Fishers for *Flyfishing Always*.

What would you do if your plane's emergency exit erupted? Or if missiles exploded as your jet landed in a war zone? The late 1960s and early 1970s years, during the dawn of the jet age, were a time when danger and glamour existed side by side. Flight attendants served elaborate meals, captains permitted cockpit visits, smoking was allowed, and passengers dressed for the occasion. But it was also a perilous period: terrifying episodes in Vietnam and Egypt, frightening landings, and uncontrollable soldiers. Because international air time was so long, babies were born in flight, numerous health emergencies occurred, and indiscreet sexual escapades took place. *Behind the Smile* delivers compelling chapters as told by an international flight attendant of behind-the-scenes aviation life with maps, photos, and a glossary.

Come meet Ms. Wolverton and see her captivating book Aug. 1.

No August Meeting for Computer Users Club

The Tellico Village Computer Users Club will not have a general meeting in August. The TVCUC Board will meet as usual 3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, in the Chota Recreation Center. This is an open meeting. The Sept. 2 general meeting will provide interesting data about the construction of the Fontana Dam. See you there. For more information, go to www.TVCUC.org.

Hike Clingmans Dome to Silers Bald Aug. 8

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Friday, Aug. 8, from Chota Center, to hike:

- AT CLINGMANS DOME TO SILERS BALD
- Distance: 10.2 miles
- Elevation Gain: 1200 feet
- Rating: Difficult
- Driving Time: 2.25 hours
- Leader: John Winn, 895-675-6272 or john.winn@gmail.com

We will hike the Appalachian Trail from Clingmans Dome to Silers Bald, returning along the same route. The trail follows the main spine of the Smokies and offers great views of both the Tennessee Valley and of Fontana Lake and the ridges in North Carolina. The lowest point on the hike is at an altitude of 5,400 feet., making for a cool summer hike. Pack a light jacket as the temperature will be at least 20 degrees cooler than in the Village. The climb back to Clingmans Dome at the end of the hike is quite steep and rocky, so the hike is rated as difficult. At the end of the hike, we will climb the observation tower at Clingmans Dome and take a well deserved rest as we survey the 360-degree view from the highest point in Tennessee.

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 Meeting Aug. 8

The general meeting of the Village Quilters Guild will be 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 a.m. meeting. This month we will be treated to a demo and sale from IT'S SEW MARY JANE QUILT SHOP. This shop, in Knoxville, is a locally owned and operated quilt shop which also offers custom embroidery. Owner, Mary Jane Martin, has been sewing for 40 years and takes great care in choosing a wide variety of quilting fabrics to appeal to a wide range of quilters. She is looking forward to doing a short demo and bringing us lots of things to browse and purchase.

Softball Players Needed

The Tellico Men's Senior Softball League is looking for players to join the league for the fall sea-

son. The slow-pitch league with 5 teams is in its 12th season and is open to Loudon and surrounding county men 55 and over (by Dec. 31). Games are played on Tuesdays at 1 p.m. at the Loudon Municipal Park, and new players must attend at least one 10 a.m. batting practice on Aug. 14, 19, 21 or 26. The league supplies all bats, balls and other equipment. Players supply a glove and proper shoes. Games begin on Sept. 2.

There will be a league information meeting on 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 12, in Chota Recreation Center. For additional information, contact League President David Davis at 865-458-0952.

Fishing Club Meets Aug. 13

The Tellico Village Fishing Club monthly meeting will be 7-8:30 p.m. at the Tellico Village Yacht Club. Members discuss recent success stories and tournaments. This month's speaker is guide Josh Pfeiffer of Frontier Anglers TN. He will discuss drift boat fishing and wading streams for bass and trout. There will be a raffle for a guided fishing trip. Visitors are welcome.

For additional information, contact Club President Jim Goyert at 865-441-2770.

Tickets Now on Sale for "Short Plays for the Long Living"

The Tellico Community Players are presenting a series of six one-act plays titled "Short Plays for the Long Living" Aug. 14-17. The plays are designed especially to fill the demand for fresh, lively, material that shows the life in the long living. In each of these two character plays, a man or woman runs head on into the roadblocks life seems to provide the senior citizen and manages to come out of the collision *intact* and *wiser*. The productions will be a dinner theatre held at the Tellico Village Yacht Club. Seats are limited for each performance. Tickets are available at the Yacht Club, Village Salon, Salon Anew, and the Kahite Pub and Grill.

Neurobics Lecture Aug. 19

The Public Library at Tellico Village is presenting a free lecture on Neurobics, August 19 at 9:30a.m. This lecture is part of the Third Tuesday Doug Christman lecture series and is being delivered by Andy Houck from Stay-at-Home. Neurobics includes ways to exercise your brain and keep it alive, active, and growing your whole life. The lecture will include some brain physiology and how the brain acquires information as well as some exercises and suggestions for improving function. Call the library at 458-5199 or drop by to sign up for one of the 35 seats.

TV University Informational Meeting Aug. 22

The second informational session on Tellico Village University—Our Center For Lifelong Learning—will be held 4-4:45 p.m. Friday, Aug. 22, in Chota Rec Center Room C. Cindy Solomon will explain how this very valuable program is being created and launched in three phases. Representatives of Village organizations which offer training or classes of any kind to Villagers are especially requested to attend to learn how these organizations can help create Phase I – Tellico Village University Partners without any interference on their organizations' programs. Others who would like to hear of program development and support needs are most welcomed to attend. Please respond to Cindy at csolomonphd@att.net by Aug. 21 if you plan to attend so she may plan materials.

Women's Club Donates to Library

The GFWC - Tellico Village Women's Club appreciates the services provided by The Public Library at Tellico Village to our community. The GFWC is presenting The Friends of The Tellico Village Library a check to help replace outdated VHS tapes with DVS of Educational, Historical, Children and Health genres. The funds donated to the Library are part of the proceeds from the Tellico Village Women's Club Annual Home Tour for 2013.