

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, November 11, 2014

POA Meetings and Events:

- Golf Advisory Committee, 3 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, POA Conference Room
- Finance Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 14, POA Conference Room
- Dock Captains, 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 17, POA Conference Room
- POA Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, Yacht Club

Changes Coming to Toqua and Tanasi Restaurants

Tanasi and Toqua Tellico Village restaurants will again offer wine and mixed-drink sales as well as improved catering, scheduling, and other benefits for property owners when a new management group goes into effect Jan. 1, 2015.

Andy Fox and his company, AWE Hospitality LLC, in the third year managing the Yacht Club restaurant, will assume responsibility for operations of the Tanasi and Toqua restaurants.

Tellico Village officials said the existing vendor, Patterson Restaurant Services, has financial difficulties, among them bankruptcy, and the company is unable to obtain a liquor license.

The change, officials said, will enhance restaurant operations, will eliminate risk that restaurant operations could be affected by the vendor's financial situation, and establishes wine and mixed-drink sales.

"Andy is well-known to the Tellico Village community, runs an excellent operation at the Yacht Club, is involved in multiple community efforts that make Tellico Village better, and he'll bring this across-the-board consistency to the Toqua and Tanasi restaurants," said Alan Hart, Tellico Village POA Board president.

The TVPOA Board of Directors chose to expand Fox's contract to include Tanasi and Toqua restaurants because of his success managing the Yacht Club restaurant; the fact that he has a current liquor license from the State of Tennessee; and the scheduling and operational improvements that will come from unified management.

Mitzi Lane, the POA's special projects and continuous improvement manager, said along with reinstating alcohol sales at Tellico Village restaurants, Fox will ensure that it's easier for POA members to schedule events and have those events catered efficiently.

"In the past we've had situations in which a property owner wanted to schedule an event for a certain date but the desired facility was booked," Lane said. "Having a single point of contact for our property owners to call upon for their catering needs is a wonderful enhancement to the Village.

"This change eliminates any issues with booking events and puts consistency among all Tellico Village restaurants."

The Tanasi and Toqua restaurants have been unable to serve alcoholic beverages because the present operator did not obtain a liquor license from the State of Tennessee.

For a time brown-bagging was allowed at the restaurants, but brown-bagging creates potential legal and liability issues for the POA and by extension, all Tellico Village property owners. As a result of having no license and the discontinuation of brown-bagging in July 2014, patrons at two of Tellico Village's restaurants cannot enjoy wine or mixed-drinks with a meal.

That will end as of Jan. 1, 2015, when Fox takes over operations of the three restaurants.

Lane said that every effort will be made to retain present Tanasi and Toqua restaurant employees.

"This is a situation that property owners have wanted resolved," Hart said. "Andy's proven track record and outstanding performance gives us great confidence in the future success of the clubhouse restaurants."

For more information on this topic, click here to go to FAQs: <http://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/images/tellico/pdfs/faq-ta-to.pdf>

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

- Christmas is around the corner—buy \$100 in **Blue Heron Gift Certificates** and receive an additional \$15 gift card as a bonus.
- Thanksgiving is already sold out—don't miss your chance to join us for **New Year's Eve**. Tickets are now on sale. Call for details.
- Join us for our final **Sunday Brunch** of the season 11 a.m.-1 p.m. this Sunday. We will reopen after the holidays.

Questions? Contact Info for the management team:

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

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

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

2015 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.

Veterans Day Feature

Coal Miner's Son in the Battle of the Bulge

Entering the Army at 17, Don Burgett spent time in the cold Ardennes Mountains on the Western front

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Growing up active in the outdoors of rural west Pennsylvania helped Don Burgett when he fought during World War II, but he recalled, "I don't think anything can prepare you for what was going to happen."

What would happen is Burgett would be fighting at the Battle of the Bulge, or the Ardennes Offensive of December 1944 through January 1945.

Burgett, 83, a Tellico Village resident for 17 years now, grew up in the coal mining areas of Pennsylvania, his family following the coal mines town to town. His father was a coal miner, his grandfather was a coal miner, and his uncles were coal miners.

In 1943, he was 17 when his father told the youth he got Burgett a job in the mines.

"My dad called me after I'd graduated from high school and called me to come to the house and talk to my new boss," he recalled. "I didn't quite understand what he was talking about because I had been delivering papers and didn't have a job as such.

"And it turns out, there was a straw boss in the mine, and my dad had talked to him and told him I was

old enough to go into the mine and he had a job for me," Burgett said. "I told dad that I couldn't because I had enlisted in the Army."

Burgett admitted his enlistment was a lie. His father told him he couldn't because Burgett was not old enough, but Burgett countered by telling his father he forged his father's signature.

"And he said, 'You know you can go to jail for something like that,' and I said, 'Well, not if I'm in the army.' He said, 'Well, you have a point.' So that was the end of that discussion."

The next day Burgett enlisted, lying about his age, in the U.S. Army. He would turn 18 three months later.

Burgett entered the Army at a time when patriotism ran high. The attack on Pearl Harbor occurred only two years before.

"I was gung-ho," he recalled. "I just felt we ought to kick the Japs."

Ironically, though, he would be sent to Europe to fight against Germany. His ancestors came from Germany to America and fought in the American Revolution.

"They couldn't speak English," he related with a laugh.

Burgett trained in Indiantown Gap, Penn., and Fort Meade, Md., as an infantryman.

"As an infantry, you're really not trained for anything except firing a weapon," Burgett said. While he admitted the training was tough, it was also familiar to him.

"I was brought up with weapons," he explained. "I had camped and trapped and hunted as a youngster. I ran a trap line before I went to school in the morning."

"I felt very comfortable," he added. "I was a good shot, and it just came natural to me."

Burgett would take that training with him to the forested Ardennes Mountains region of Belgium on the Western front, where the Battle of the Bulge was being fought.

The battle was a major German offensive launched through the Ardennes Mountains region of Belgium and more specifically of Wallonia; France; and Luxembourg. The "bulge" was the initial incursion Germans put into Allies' line of advance. While the offense took the Allies by surprise, the Allies prevailed. Gen. George S. Patton's Third Army in the south, centered around Bastogne, attacked north and British Gen. Bernard Montgomery's forces in the north struck south, and the two forces met at Houffalize.

Burgett was 18 when he was shipped to Belgium that January, just before the battle was over. He went there as a replacement rifleman.

"I went in right after the bulge had started," he said. "The Bulge started in the middle of December, and I didn't get there, thank goodness, until January."

He said he remembered being cold and scared ... "something that I would not want any of our kids to be involved in, but it was something that you took care of your friends and your friend took care you."

He observed war is like TV, when one see whole war. He said remembered he couldn't see the enemy or battleground. He could only see his buddy standing next to him and feel the cold and snow.

For Burgett returning to civilian life was not difficult.

"I think back about the way we were treat as veterans and the way many of the ex-GIs have been treated," from other conflicts like Vietnam observed, he observed.

"They fought just at as we did, had just as much in the way of hardship etc., and yet we received, if you will, a hero's welcome.

Burgett served between, 1944 and 1950 in the U.S. Army with Fox Company, 110th Battalion, 28th Infantry Division; the 689 Anti-Aircraft Artillery; 708th Anti-Aircraft Artillery; 1st MSL Battalion,

176th Artillery; and Co. B, 167th Quartermaster Battalion. After serving in Europe, he would serve in Korea and become a lieutenant.

He would serve 14 more years in the Army Reserve and become recalled, serving with an anti-aircraft outfit. After the war, veteran, Burgett received an opportunity to go school with the GI bill.

"I went to pharmacy school and worked as pharmacist after I got out," he related. He then got job with the pharmaceutical company, Parke-Davis. I had a very good 30-year career," he said.

While overseas Burgett met a man who was in the 109th Infantry while he was in the 110th.

"That's the 28th Infantry Division," he said. "I ran into him in Pittsburgh. He was the chief resident of surgery at West Penn Hospital, and I was a hospital man for Parke-Davis.

We wound up reminiscing about old times and became very good friends, and he introduced me to a gal who was chief X-ray technician. Her name was Joan Theresa Jochum."

She happened to be the woman he would be married to for 48 years.

"If it hadn't been for the association with Andy I don't think I would have ever met Joan," he said.

Joan was well-known in the Tellico Village community for her involvement in boating and the Pontoon Picnics. She passed away several years ago. The couple have three children — Bill Burgett, 52, who is serving in the U.S. Navy; Lee Ann Burgett, a teacher at Fort Loudoun Middle School; and Rick Burgett, 45, an engineer in Chicagoland. The Burgettes also have two grandchildren.

Even now, Burgett continues to serve his community. He is active with the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 1733 in Knoxville, sergeant-at-arms with American Legion Post 256 for Tellico Village and Rarity Bay. He is also a life member with VFW and the American Legion. He also serves as sergeant-at-arms with Loudon County Honor Guard, which consists of different posts of the American Legion and VFW.

Besides his veteran service affiliations, Burgett is an active member of Saint Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, and he founded the Tellico Boaters Assistance Response Team (T-BART), which assists stranded boaters on Tellico Lake.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Tellico Top Notes Performance and Rehearsal Schedule

The Tellico Top Notes hold practice/rehearsal 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Tuesdays (Nov. 11 and 25) each month in the Yacht Club. Call Dale Polewach, 248-790-8962, for more information. We are always looking for more musicians!

Upcoming concerts are:

- Sherrill Hills Independent Living Facility 3:15 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18
- The Neighborhood 3 p.m. Friday, Dec. 12

Cruising Club Meets Nov. 12

The Tellico Cruising Club will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 12, at the Tellico Village Yacht Club. The social hour begins at 5 p.m. with the meeting starting promptly at 6 p.m. All Tellico Lake boaters are welcome. Any questions, please contact Commander Kenn Genge at 458-5710.

Ladies Book Club Meets Nov. 13

The Tellico Village Ladies Book Club will meet 11:30 a.m. for lunch followed by a 12:15 p.m. discussion Thursday, Nov. 13, in the Tanasi Clubhouse. The book to be discussed is "The Book Thief," by Markus Zusak. The discussion will be led by Audrey Zades. For more information, call Bette Purvis, 865-458-8070.

HOA General Meeting Nov. 13

The HOA will hold a general meeting 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, in the Yacht Club. This is the annual

Volunteer Recognition event and board election.

Friends of WATeR Annual Meeting Nov. 13

Friends of WATeR (The Watershed Association of the Tellico Reservoir) and the public are invited to WATeR's Annual Meeting at the Community Church at Tellico Village, Christian Life Center on Nov. 13. Social time, the viewing of exhibits and meeting the speaker starts at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting begins at 7 p.m. Stephanie Durman Matheny, attorney with the Tennessee Clean Water Network, will report on Madisonville's Waste Water Treatment Plant compliance with established waste water standards and other issues that affect the quality of water in Tellico Lake and provide context regarding water policy statewide.

WATeR is an all volunteer, nonprofit corporation dedicated to protecting and improving the environment in the Tellico Watershed. For more information visit the Association's website: www.tellicowater.org.

Village Quilters Guild Meets Nov. 14

The general meeting of the Village Quilters Guild will be held on the second Friday of the month, Nov. 14, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church (Hwy. 72, Loudon), 9:15 a.m. social time, 9:45 am meeting. We are pleased to welcome Jacquie Gering, a leader in the Modern Quilting movement, to our November Guild meeting as she presents her lecture and trunk show. Co-author of *Quilting Modern: Techniques and Projects for Improvisational Quilts*, she is a contributing designer and author for *Stitch, Modern Patchwork, Quilter's World and Quilter's Quarterly*. Jackie teaches and talks quilting across the country and on Craftsy and shares her designs and quilting knowledge on her blog at tallgrassprairiestudio.blogspot.com

Hike the East Lakeshore Trail Nov. 18

Join us on Nov. 18 when we hike 2.5 miles of the Jackson Bend Branch of East Lakeshore Trail. Come along and enjoy the fall foliage on a trail that showcases a variety of landscapes and scenic views. We will gather at the Poplar Springs Boat Ramp parking lot at 9 a.m. where we will carpool to the trail head. Hikers coming from Kahite can meet us around 9 a.m at the Peterson Road Trailhead, which is off the East Tellico Parkway. The East Lakeshore Trails are just across the lake and are one of the most beautiful and accessible hiking trails in East Tennessee and have been designated as 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 2.5-mile hike, then come join us on the third Tuesday of every month. All of the monthly hikes should finish no later than 11:30 a.m. Your hike leaders will be Larry Elder, Jim Jeswald, and Jon Foreman. 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.

Thyme for Herbs Luncheon Nov. 18

Thyme for Herbs will not meet on Thursday, Nov. 6. Instead, we will meet 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, for our Fall Harvest Luncheon at the Herb Garden. Call Kathy Kutschera, 865-408-3092, if you plan on attending.

Tellico Roadrunners RV Club Meets Nov. 18

The Tellico Roadrunners RV Club will meet 7 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, on the top floor of the Yacht Club. For information, contact Rick Mannarino, 865-657-9482.

Ford Retirees Club Meets Nov. 19

The Tellico Ford Retirees Club will hold its monthly meeting 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, in the Tanasi Café. For more information, contact Larry Campbell, 865-567-1167.

Hike Brushy Mountain Trail Nov. 19

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, to hike:

- BRUSHY MOUNTAIN TRAIL
- Distance: 11.6 miles
- Elevation Gain: 2,800 feet
- Rating: Difficult
- Driving Time: 2.25 hours
- Leader: Hamish de Wilde, 860-716-4016 or signal530@gmail.com

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.

Fishing Club Meets Nov. 19

This month's Tellico Village Fishing Club meeting will be at the Turkey Creek Gander Mountain Store, 11501 Parkside Drive. Time is 6-9 p.m. and refreshments will be served. Topics include new products, electronics, winter fishing and holiday specials. This will be the last meeting of the year. Visitors are welcome. For additional information, contact Club President Jim Goyert at 865-441-2770.

Art Guild's Nov. 20 Meeting Features Artist Kathie Odom

The Art Guild of Tellico Village's monthly meeting will be 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, on the upper floor of Tellico Village Yacht Club. Guild members and guests are encouraged to attend. Proceedings include a meet-and-greet and a brief business meeting prior to the featured presentation by artist Kathie Odom. Additional information about the guild and an application for membership are available on their website: www.tellicoartguild.org

Library Manager Retiring

The Public Library at Tellico Village's Library Manager Becky Haile is retiring after 17 years of service this November. Be sure to stop by the Library 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, and say goodbye to Becky and help us celebrate her well-earned retirement. Have a cookie or two, recall fond memories together, come and give her a Big Hug!

Women's Club Meets Nov. 24

GFWC Tellico Village Women's Club will meet 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 24, in the Tanasi Clubhouse back room. Please contact Sam McQueeney at samnskip@charter.net or 865-657-9020 if you are interested in finding out more about GFWC-Tellico Village Women's Club. As we like to say, "your new best friends are waiting for you – you just haven't met them yet!"

Club meetings are held the 3 p.m. fourth Monday of the month except for the months of May, June, and July. Typically the meetings convene with a social hour 3-3:30 p.m. with the business meeting immediately following. After the meeting many of the women adjourn for dinner and socialization. Some of the husbands like to meet up at Tanasi for dinner at 5:30 as well.

The golf staff would like to invite you to join us for a 9 hole, 4-person scramble event to be held on Saturday, November 22nd at The Links at Kahite. This event is open to men and women, entry fee is \$5.00 per player and starting time will be a 1:00 pm shotgun.

We would like to thank everyone for participating in the first annual scramble last week. Everyone had a great time and it was a beautiful day for golf. We had 36 participants and were very pleased with the turn out and hope it continues to grow in the future.

To enter simply call Kahite Pro Shop (423-884-6108) or send an email to me at ghudson@tvpoa.org. Pairings will be selected by the golf staff using an A,B,C& D format.

I hope to see you on the course!

Sincerely,

Glenn Hudson, PGA, Links at Kahite

Thanks to All the Veterans for their service on this Veterans Day!!