

## **Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, January 9, 2015**

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

- Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, POA Conference Room
- Finance Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, Jan. 16, POA Conference Room
- Dock Captains, 3 p.m. Monday, Jan. 19, POA Conference Room
- POA Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, Yacht Club

## **Pardon Our Progress**

There is significant repair and remodeling work is ongoing at Toqua and Tanasi Clubhouse restaurants. Everything is on schedule to reopen Toqua by Jan. 12 and Tanasi no later than Jan. 16. Toqua will reopen with all the members of the former staff now under the direction of AWE Hospitality. Most of the Tanasi staff are returning as well. Thank you for your patience as we improve the restaurant experience in Tellico Village.

## **TVPOA Launching Trial Park Project**

### **By Joe Bogardus**

The Cheeyo Place Park building project is underway in the Chatuga neighborhood. The Tellico Village Property Owners Association (TVPOA), in conjunction with Mashburn Homes, is creating a community of smaller homes on TVPOA owned lots adjacent to a park setting. The initial phase of this trial project is expected to be completed in the spring, 2015. Three homes will be built.

Feedback from many potential residents who have visited Tellico Village as a result of the Village's marketing program coupled with available national marketing research indicated there is a high demand for smaller, low maintenance homes among older adults. Currently, there is limited inventory of this style home in the community.

Cheeyo Place Park will be created on one-third acre of common property owned by the TVPOA. In addition to the park, the area will have sidewalks, lamp posts and curbs. Cottage-style homes in the 1,500 to 1,700 square feet range will be built that will provide one-level living close to shopping.

"The inventory of TVPOA lots is an ongoing concern to the Board and our residents," stated Alan Hart, President of the TVPOA Board of Directors. "This test project will allow us to determine the appeal of this approach at minimal financial risk focusing on the resale of available lots."

Beth Kuberka, TVPOA marketing manager noted, "Cheeyo Place Park will not only appeal to prospective residents, but also to Villagers who are looking to down-size."

In creating the project the TVPOA incorporated universal design features that were endorsed by the Stay in TV committee. "Our committee has reviewed the plans for the test project and think it has great potential," said John Baucom from The STAYinTV Committee.

The concept of building speculative homes on TVPOA lots was discussed in the late summer with members of the featured builders program. Three builders showed definitive interest in the program. They agreed to work with the TVPOA to develop areas where the POA owns a large number of lots. The project went to bid and Mashburn Homes was selected.

Mashburn will assume all the cost responsibilities for constructing two speculative homes. The models will be used to sell additional homes on TVPOA owned lots on Cheeyo Place. The builder will add the sidewalks, lamp posts and curb areas. Mashburn Homes did purchase a lot from the TVPOA to build one of the models. He purchased the second lot from a property owner.

The TVPOA will build Cheeyo Place Park and partially clear all the TVPOA owned lots on the street. The TVPOA will also have Mashburn build a spec home on a TVPOA owned lot to provide a more complete neighborhood presentation for the area and expand the choices available to buyers.

"Lots with homes on them drive more revenue that benefits all the Village's property owners," commented Winston Blazer, TVPOA general manager. "This trial will help us ascertain if this type of project will help us sell lots. In addition to this program, the Board and the staff will continue to look at all avenues to reduce the inventory of TVPOA owned lots."

*Joe Bogardus is a retired marketing communications professional and Tellico Village resident that has acted as an unpaid volunteer consultant to the TVPOA in the re-launch of the Tellico Village brand and the accompanying marketing/communications program.*

## **Volunteers, Charitable Events, Fundraisers**

### **Book Donations Sought**

The Public Library at Tellico Village Book Sale is Looking for Your Tax Deductible Saleable Donations. Getting organized for the Holidays? Cleaning closets, de-cluttering shelves and boxing up books? How about taking those books to The Public Library at Tellico Village? Just drop them off and ask the Librarian for a tax deduction receipt. All books will be used for our annual book sale in mid-April. We very much appreciate any saleable donations.

### **United Way Campaign Needs Your Help**

The Tellico Village 2014 United Way campaign continues to struggle to meet its goal of \$88,000. Figures as of Dec. 31 show a total of \$80,652.04 has been contributed. This is 91.7 percent of our goal. This comes from 543 contributors, leaving a shortage of \$7,347.96. There are still 91 contributors who gave last year that have not given yet in this year's campaign. The total number of Villagers giving continues to decline from year to year, even though the Village population is increasing. The percentage of Villagers giving has now decreased to less than 17 percent. United Way is one of the most efficient charities in existence. In spite of increased government requirements for reporting and auditing, our total expenses in Loudon County amount to less than 15 percent of total income, and we send less than one percent to national. When there are agencies within the Village who benefit from the campaign, such as STAYinTV, the Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department, and the Computer Club's TAP program, it is amazing that more Villagers do not support this effort. If you have honestly forgotten to send in your gift yet, it's not too late. Please send your contribution to Bob Mugge, 118 Oostanali Way, Loudon, TN 37774, or leave it at the Village library, or send it to Loudon County United Way, P.O. Box 145, Lenoir City, TN 37771.

## **Village's No Solicitors Policy with Added Clarification**

Solicitors seem to follow stormy weather as rainbows do rain. In Tellico Village, there is a policy against door-to-door solicitations (signs are posted throughout the Village), and it is considered trespassing; Village roads are private property. Only Village property owners and their guests have permission to use the roads. If you see anyone soliciting, contact Public Works as soon as possible by calling 865-458-4522 or call the police.

The policy does not apply to political candidates. The policy does apply to commercial solicitation.

As a reminder, the ACC Blue Book prohibits the display of political signs in Tellico Village.

## Have You Voted Yet?

Don't forget to vote Tellico Village as the Happiest Community in the southeast. Help the Village retain the Bliss Award from RealEstateScorecard.com.

- **To quickly vote, click this link:** [www.RealEstateScorecard.com/node/add/property-owner-review](http://www.RealEstateScorecard.com/node/add/property-owner-review).
- Submission deadline is Sunday, Jan. 18, 2015.

So let's get out there and vote! Voting takes less than a minute. Just "Tell 'em it's better at Tellico Village."

Want to see what RealEstateScorecard.com is saying about Tellico Village? Click on this link: <http://realestatescorecard.com/news/real-estate-news/tennessee/tellico-village-salutes-volunteers-honor-awards>

## Dam Bridge Update

Use great caution when traveling through the area around the intersection of 444 and 321 at the Dam Bridge construction site Jan. 12-16. There will be flaggers on site periodically stopping traffic so workers can complete some work on installing shoulder stone and guardrails. Please use caution, and slow down. Do it for the workers' safety and your peace of mind.

## Matchpoint Vehicles in Village

Representatives from Matchpoint, Inc., will be in the Village for the next few weeks performing maintenance and leak detection on the water distribution system. Leaks have developed in the Village's infrastructure, resulting in over 100,000 gallons per day of fresh water being lost. The team from Matchpoint uses advanced leak detection instruments to locate and classify these leaks, so that they can be prioritized and fixed to correct the largest leaks first.

Be aware of the Matchpoint trucks when driving through the Village in the next few weeks. They may be driving slowly through the neighborhoods, parking on or near the streets as they perform their surveys.

By using Matchpoint's services, the POA saw a 10% reduction in water loss during 2014.

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

### Directory Errors

Loudon County Publishers (the publishers of the Directory, *The Connection*, and *News-Herald*) have been alerted to some misprinted Winter Directories. Some Directories are missing pages 19-50 and have a doubling of pages 51-82. If you have a misprinted Directory, you can bring it to the POA office and exchange it.

### Hike Dark Hollow Loop Jan. 12

The Muddy Boots Hiking Club will depart from Chota Center parking lot (across from gas station) at 8 a.m. Monday, Jan. 12, to hike:

- We will hike a portion of the Dark Hollow Loop at Big Ridge State Park
- Distance: 4.5 miles
- Rating: generally easy with a few uphill portions. With recent rain, a part may be slippery.

- Elevation gain: 300 feet
- Driving time 1 hour
- Leader Tim Kalina [timkalina@aol.com](mailto:timkalina@aol.com)

Big Ridge Park was one of Tennessee's first parks developed by the CCC. Dark Hollow Loop crosses a small dam that separates Norris and Big Ridge Park Lakes. We will hike through pine and cedar trees skirting Norris lake with a short stop at an historical cemetery. Bring snack/water for along the trail and lunch for after the hike. Boots and poles are suggested.

Directions, parking, carpools will be provided the morning of the hike. Please bring \$5 for driver.

### **HomeOwners Association Social Jan. 13**

The HOA Socials are open to all Villagers. If you are not a member of the HOA, you may join at the HOA Social or at The Public Library at Tellico Village. The cost is only \$10 per family/person. All HOA events are open to singles and are priced per person, so please don't let that deter you from joining in the fun! Remember to bring your calendars and checkbook to the HOA Social so you don't miss out on any of the fun! In case you did not know, you can belong to both New Villagers and HOA—you can never have too many friends—remember, your best friends are waiting for you—you just haven't met them yet! Just as a reminder: we give away a coupon towards dinner at the Yacht Club each HOA Social!

### **Lecture Series Continues Through Jan. 28**

Ken Ray will update his 2014 lectures on the Middle East and Central Asia. This four-part series (first part was Jan. 7) will highlight the changes in the region and the challenges to the United States. This presentation explains the complex interactions of geography, politics, religion, terrorism, and economics.

It will be offered on the four consecutive Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m., in January of 2015 (Jan. 14, 21, and 28) in the library conference room. Each presentation will cover a different topic and will be coordinated with the preceding offerings. Signups will be for each class, not the series as a whole. This class is free but preregistration is necessary. Stop by the library or call 865-458-5199. Seating is limited.

### **Cruising Club Meets Jan. 14**

The Tellico Cruising Club will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 14, in 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 may be directed to Commander Romano Sims at 865-408-9356.

### **Art Guild's Jan. 15 Program: Capturing the Light and Creating a Life**

Join the Art Guild of Tellico Village at their Jan. 15 meeting to hear Jonathan Howe, Fine Art Artist speak. Enjoy touring his work on his website: <http://www.jnhowe.com> and hearing more from him on Thursday, Jan. 15, on the top floor of the Village Yacht Club. The meeting begins at 9:30 am with a social time; 10 a.m. a short business meeting followed Jonathan Howe's presentation. For more information, go to the Art Guild website: [www.tellicoartguild.org](http://www.tellicoartguild.org). Members and guests welcome.

### ***Love Letters* comes to the new Tellico Community Playhouse Jan. 15-17**

*Love Letters* is a funny and emotional portrait about the powerful connection of first loves and second chances.

*Love Letters* was written by celebrated playwright, A.R. Gurney, and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. Come see two of the Tellico Community Player's more experienced actors, Lyn Cozadd and Steve Mayberry, portrayals of Melissa Gardner and Andrew Makepeace Ladd III. You will enjoy the hilarious interaction between two people who always seem to be disconnected despite their long-running relationship.

*Love Letters* will be directed by Doris Ryan and performances are scheduled for Jan. 15, 16, and 17 at the Tellico Community Playhouse (304 Lakeside Plaza, Loudon, TN). Shows start at 7:30 p.m. and doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and will be available at Village Salon, Salon Anew, Yacht Club, and Kahite Pub & Grille in Vonore. - See more at: <http://tellicocommunityplayhouse.org>.

### **Learn Bridge in a Day Jan. 17**

Learn Bridge in a Day?® is designed for you if you have never played the game of bridge. It's also for you if you played years ago and would like to be re-introduced to the basics. It's for anyone who is looking for an opportunity to meet new people while playing a very fascinating card game.

ACBL Unit 165/Knoxville Area Bridge Association is holding a *Learn Bridge in A Day?*® seminar on January 17, 2015, and we hope you will join us or tell a friend! The session will include a free lunch before the 1 p.m. start time. You will experience both bridge instruction and coached play. Pre-registration is not required, but is highly recommended because seating is limited. The session should be over by 5 p.m.

Bring a friend - or make new ones! *Learn Bridge in A Day?*® is the perfect introduction to the bridge community. Students will leave ready to take on a new beginner bridge class or even play in a novice game at the local club!

Are you up for the challenge? Spread the word and let's see who can *Learn Bridge in A Day?*®.

- Date: January 17, 2015
- Time: 1-5 p.m. (check in begins 11:45 a.m.)
- Location: Knoxville Bridge Center, 7400 Deane Hill Dr., Knoxville, TN
- Cost: \$20 (free lunch)

To register for *Learn Bridge in A Day?*® or for more information, contact: JoAnne Newby, [jbnewby@bellsouth.com](mailto:jbnewby@bellsouth.com) or (865) 539-4150.

### **HomeOwners Association Welcome Orientation Jan. 19**

The HOA will hold a Welcome Orientation 10 a.m. Monday, Jan. 19, in the Tanasi Clubhouse. The session is to welcome all new and old Villagers who would like to hear of all the benefits of living the good life at Tellico Village that the HOA has to offer. Call or email if you are interested in attending: Joanne Wiklund at 865-657-9513 or [joannewiklund@gmail.com](mailto:joannewiklund@gmail.com).

### **Third Tuesday Lecture Jan. 20**

On Tuesday, Jan. 20, as part of the continuing Doug Christman Third Tuesday Lecture Series, The Public Library at Tellico Village is proud to present the Secret City in photographs 9:30-10:30 a.m. Ed Westcott's photos have been seen around the world, and Ed has received numerous awards for his work. Ed's daughter and son-in-law, Don and Emily Hunnicutt, will present a narrative PowerPoint presentation reflecting some of the iconic photographs taken during this historic period.

Call 865-458-5199 to reserve a seat or stop by the Library to join us for this free and informative lecture. Seating is limited to 35 seats. Check out [www.tvlibrary.org](http://www.tvlibrary.org) to find out about all the fun, educational, informative happenings at your public library!

### **Additional Presentation of the Secret City in Photographs Jan. 20**

The Public Library at Tellico Village has had such good response to the Secret City presentation that The Public Library at Tellico Village is proud to present the Secret City in photographs a second time 11 a.m. Jan. 20. Call (865) 458-5199 or drop by the library to sign up for one of the 35 seats.

Ed Westcott's photos have been seen around the world and Ed has received numerous awards for his work. Ed's daughter and son-in-law, Don & Emily Hunnicutt, will present a narrative power point presentation reflecting some of the iconic photographs taken during this historic period. Please join us for a step back in time to The Once Unknown City, Oak Ridge.

In 1942 major decisions were being made to end WWII and stop the horrors of such a tragic war. That same year, Ed Westcott also had a major decision to make. Ed was employed with the Corp of Engineers in Nashville, Tennessee, as a photographer. The Nashville office was closing and offered to transfer Ed to one of two ongoing projects. The choice was between a project in Alaska or a project in the Knoxville, Tennessee, area. Even though there was no information given about the work to be performed, Ed didn't have to think very long to make the decision to move to Knoxville.

Once he arrived in Knoxville in December 1942, he received his secret assignment to document construction of the newly formed Manhattan Engineering District Project. From 1942 through 1945, Ed was the only person authorized to possess a camera His photography captured the creation of three manufacturing plants and processes; the birth of a city from once sparse farmland; as well as the daily lives of the 85,000 people that flocked to an unknown part of Tennessee to perform work for the war effort.

### **Hike the East Lakeshore Trail Jan. 20**

A great and free amenity for Tellico Village Residents is located a short 20-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 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 2-2.5-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., where we will car pool to the trailhead. We should finish no later than 11 a.m. Your hike leaders will be Larry Elder, Jim Jeswald, and Jon Foreman. **Our next hike will be on Tuesday Jan. 20 when we will hike 3 miles of the Baker Hollow Branch (part of East Lakeshore Trail).** For additional information feel free to contact: Larry: [lelder49@gmail.com](mailto:lelder49@gmail.com) or 865-657-9722; Jim: [jmjes711@gmail.com](mailto:jmjes711@gmail.com) or 724-612-2166; or Jon: [for4man@charter.net](mailto:for4man@charter.net) or 412-337-5500.

### **Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast Resumes Jan. 22**

Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast meets weekly on Thursday mornings beginning Jan. 22 from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. in the Tanasi Clubhouse. This is a non-denominational group of men from all walks of life who meet for breakfast, a time to fellowship around tables, share prayer requests and hear a devotional, personal testimony or enter into a discussion about spiritual issues. All are welcome. For more information, call Larry Denney at 865-408-9725 or Bob Ericson at 865-458-9877.

### **Women's Club Meets Jan. 26**

GFWC Tellico Village Women's Club will meet 3 p.m. Monday, Jan. 26, at Tanasi Clubhouse Back Room. Please contact Sam McQueeney at [samnskip@charter.net](mailto: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. GFWC Tellico Village Women's Club is affiliated with the General Federation of Women's Clubs, which has headquarters in Washington D.C. The club is primarily a service organization, and members contribute significantly to their communities through their various volunteer efforts.

In January we host our Annual Welcome Coffee for Ladies who would like to give the GFWC-Tellico Village a closer look! Please join us 9:30-11 a.m. Jan. 19, at Dee's house: 225 Konawa Lane, Loudon, TN 37774. RSVP to JoAn Toney please by Jan. 14

We would love to have you come check us out. We have a wonderful system of Big Sisters in place to help you navigate GFWC and our chapter in particular. You can volunteer as much or as little time as you like, we would just like you take a little time to get to know us and see if you feel there is a fit. Please check out our website at <http://www.tellicowomensclub.org/> and read what we are all about, be sure to check out our photo gallery, under the About Us tab, to see how much fun we have volunteering our time, as we all know, a picture is worth a thousand words!