

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, February 25, 2015

POA Meetings and Events (weather permitting):

- Long Range Planning, 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, POA Conference Room
- Recreation 101, 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, Wellness Center
- Public Services Advisory Committee, 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26, POA Conference Room
- Golf 101, 9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 27, Tanasi Clubhouse

More Snow in Forecast

Although it may be true that Jeff Gagley was last seen in hot pursuit of a Pennsylvania-based groundhog named Phil, we do need to keep an eye on tonight's forecast and its potential impact on operations.

Tonight's forecast calls for 2-4 inches of snow. In preparation for that, Public Works is presently brining the Village's Priority One roads.

We will have to make real time decisions on closures of the Wellness Center and Chota Recreation Center. As always, we would like to have them open, but the weather may say otherwise.

There is nothing scheduled for the Yacht Club tomorrow morning, so the building will remain closed until Dinner tomorrow night. The plan is to open at 4 p.m. as usual.

Tanasi will remain closed for breakfast tomorrow morning. Depending on the severity of the weather, AWE Hospitality will attempt to open for lunch at 11 a.m., otherwise it will be open for dinner at 4 p.m. Stay tuned for details.

AWE Hospitality will do their best to get Toqua open at 8 a.m. and remain open through lunch as per normal hours.

Watch NextDoor.com and Channel 3 for updates as we get them.

Stay safe. Stay warm. Stay tuned.

General Manager's Report for February

By Winston Blazer, General Manager

LUB Update

On Monday, Feb. 23, I attended the Loudon Utilities Board meeting with three of our POA Board members and our Public Works Director, Jeff Gagley. We went there to discuss the power outages that transpired from Feb. 16-19.

After the LUB General Manager discussed the hard work of their employees and the appreciation of some of the residents, our Board President, Alan Hart addressed the Board. He praised the LUB line workers for their hard work during difficult conditions. His main goals were to suggest improved communications and find out the status of the new substation.

In terms of the communication, he suggested that they modify their website to present updates continuously during outage situations. He suggested that if they were to mimic the Fort Loudoun Electric Cooperative website, they would go a long way to reducing the number of phone calls that are made, most of which never got through or if they left a message, never got a response. This change would help organizations like the TVPOA who receive calls but are not aware of LUB progress. Their GM mentioned that they are developing a newer, more effective website and will take the suggestions to the team.

The LUB GM then discussed the future substation planned to service the northern area of Tellico Village. He mentioned the possibility of using a mobile transformer unit to relieve the power issue the Village is currently having during extreme weather events. It was a long

discussion. However, to make a long story short, it is still in their plans for 2018, but they will look at what can be done to move that improved service forward on the calendar.

I will be following up with LUB and keeping abreast of developments. We will try to also keep Villagers informed of progress in this area.

Ice-Pocalypse 2015 (written Feb. 20)

Well, another ice and snow storm has hit Tellico Village. This one was the worst I've seen in years. However, thanks to our Public Works team, the roads were cleared and safe for travel throughout most of the icing and snowfall.

By the numbers: Ice and snow started on Monday, Feb. 16, midday and continued off and on through Wednesday, Feb. 18, late afternoon. The roads were 99 percent cleared by mid-morning on Tuesday, Feb. 17; Tellico Village saw more than 150 downed trees on the narrow Village roads (not to mention the trees downed on the golf course and Highway 444); the temperature hovered in the upper 20s to begin with, but then the brutally cold temps hit on Thursday; 295 hours of manpower (regular overtime and contract) were expended; the team spread more than 45 tons of salt and 3,500 gallons of brine; every chainsaw the POA has saw significant action to clear downed trees from the roadways. More than 128 man hours were expended on tree cutting to clear roads, and that does not include cleanup which will be ongoing for the foreseeable future.

Jeff Gagley leads a crew of employees who take great care of the Village infrastructure, and they really care about the safety of our Villagers. Thank you to the entire Public Works team.

I have received dozens of emails, calls and comments praising the team for a job well done. Our Public Works team is one reason it's better at Tellico Village.

Jeff stayed in frequent contact with Loudon Utilities Board getting updates on their progress in trying to restoring power to those areas of the Village affected by outages. He also worked all hours of day and night providing LUB with updates on those isolated areas of the Village where the power was still out or had gone down again.

John Cherry in our Public Relations Department managed to post updates throughout Wednesday and Thursday once we had power and email capability restored to the POA offices. Thanks to Sharon Addison for facilitating the POA's access to NextDoor.com so we could provide the updates to an even larger audience. Many Villagers have let us know how much they appreciated those updates from the POA. We have learned volumes about how to better communicate during emergencies such as this and are already incorporating those lessons into our operations.

One of the heartwarming things we saw during this trying time was Villagers opening their homes to other Villagers who were without power for an extended period. Several Villagers posted on NextDoor.com that their home was warm and open for visitors. Those Villagers who welcomed folks into their homes have shown the true spirit of Tellico Village.

POA and Rec 101

The next edition of POA 101 is Thursday, March 19 at 2 p.m. at the Yacht Club. POA 101 is a session for newcomers or Villagers who would like a refresher on Village governance and finances. Attendees will receive a comprehensive packet of information about Tellico Village and the complementary Tellico Village license plate.

Anyone wanting to attend is strongly encouraged to RSVP with Patty Robichaud in the Public Relations Department at (865) 458-5408, ext. 4115. Your RSVP will ensure that we have enough handouts for all attendees.

The Recreation Department also offers a Rec 101 session to tell property owners all the features available at the wellness facilities. The next Rec 101s are Thursday, Feb. 26, and Thursday, March 26

at 12:30 p.m. at the Wellness Center. No need to RSVP. Just come on out to the Wellness Center and join us.

Golf 101

There will be a Golf 101 session on Friday, Feb. 27, and Friday, March 27, at 9 a.m. at Tanasi Clubhouse. Please call Tanasi at (865) 458-4707 to reserve your spot. Come learn all about the Chelsea Tee Time system, league play, free golf clinics and professional lessons.

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

- **Thirsty on Thursdays?** Half-price bottles of wine are available for our wine list.
- **Easter Brunch** reservations are now being accepted. We sold out last year, so don't wait if you want to bring the family and join us for this wonderful event.

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.

Volunteers, Charitable Events, Fundraisers

Coupons Sought for Good Samaritan

The Public Library at Tellico Village collects coupons for the consumers at Good Samaritan. Many of you bought school coupon books and are not going to use some of the coupons. If you would tear them out and drop them in the coupon basket at the library, we know they would really be appreciated.

Flapjack Fundraiser for Alzheimer's Tennessee Feb. 27

Morning Pointe Assisted Living (198 Morning Pointe Drive, Lenoir City) will have Flapjack Friday at Morning Pointe 5 p.m. Friday, Feb. 27. For only a \$5 donation, you get pancakes, bacon, sausage, and a drink. All funds raised will go to Alzheimer's Tennessee. Call 865-988-7374 for more information.

TV Lions Prepare for Annual Chili/Soup Dinner

This year the dinner takes place on Tuesday, March 3 commencing at 4 p.m. and continuing until 7 p.m. It takes place in the Christian Life Center of the Tellico Village Community Church.

The menu for the meal includes a choice of chili or soup, antipasto salad, garlic bread, ice cream and assorted beverages. The cost is \$10/person in advance or \$12/person at the door. In addition to providing a great meal, this is also a wonderful opportunity to socialize with friends and neighbors over the course of the meal.

Tickets are currently available from any club member, Sloan's Village Hardware, United Community Bank and the Village Salon. For more information please feel free to contact either Lion Marcia Higby at 458-9356 or Lion Larry Stickler, the event manger, at 458-6582.

For more information about the club, go to <http://tellicovillage.tnlions.org/>.

Book/DVD/CD Donations Sought

It's that time again – time to clean out your book shelves and cupboards and bring your gently used books, DVDs, CDs and puzzles and place them in the Book Sale drop boxes at Tanasi Clubhouse, Chota Rec Center and at the Library.

The 21st Annual Book Sale will be held Friday, April 17; and Saturday, April 18; at the Community Church at Tellico Village. Remember, The Public Library at Tellico Village is the only privately funded public Library in TN. You can help support the Library by donating your items, all proceeds directly support the Library.

It's never too late to become a Friend of the Library and take advantage of Preview Night on April 16 – members only!!

What Was that “Boom” During the Ice Storm?

According to WATE/Channel 6 news, <http://wate.com/2015/02/19/frost-quakes-responsible-for-strange-noises-around-tennessee/>:

A lot of middle Tennessee residents have called police, news stations and even 911 after hearing what they describe are “loud booms” or “explosions” in the middle of the night.

Some have thought these “booms” are gun shots or transformers blowing, but there's actually a more scientific explanation behind it.

While dealing with the ice and freezing temperatures, what Middle Tennessee residents are actually encountering is a mysterious weather phenomenon called cryoseism.

Cryoseismic booms, or frost quakes, are caused when frozen water expands quickly in the ground, according to the National Weather Service.

When water runs into the ground and freezes, it expands when the temperature drops dramatically, putting stress on the surrounding soil or rock.

The “explosion” is the result of the pressure being released with a booming sound and slight tremor.

News 2 has received reports from Ashland City, Hermitage, Hohenwald, Nolensville and other places across the Middle Tennessee area.

The National Weather Service said this activity is completely harmless.

Cryoseism typically occurs in the Northeastern United States and Canada.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

***Cuckoo's Nest* flies over the new Tellico Community Playhouse in February**

Come share the exploits of Randle Patrick McMurphy, a charming rogue who contrives to serve a short sentence in an airy mental institution rather than in a prison. It only takes a couple of hours on Nurse Ratched's ward for McMurphy to realize this was a mistake.

In Dale Wasserman's adaptation of Ken Kesey's novel, McMurphy quickly takes over the ward and accomplishes what the medical profession has been unable to do for the past decade, including making a presumed deaf and dumb Native American Indian talk. He leads others out of

introversion, stages a revolt and arranges for a rollicking midnight party that ends up having dramatic consequences.

One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest will be directed by Pam Russell and performances are scheduled for February 26, 27, and two shows Feb. 28 (1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.) at the Tellico Community Playhouse (304 Lakeside Plaza, Loudon, TN). Shows start at 7:30 p.m. (except for the 1:30 p.m. matinee on Feb. 28) and doors open one hour before the show. Tickets are \$20 and will be available at Village Salon, Salon Anew, Yacht Club, and Kahite Pub and Grille. See more at: <http://tellicocommunityplayhouse.org>.

Art Guild Hosts Three-Day Workshop March 3-5

The Art Guild of Tellico Village will have a three-day workshop March 3-5:

- Topic: Painting Faces in Watercolor
- Artist: Bobbi Crews Medium: Watercolor
- Time: 9:00 am to 4 pm
- Cost: Member \$300 Non Member \$350
- Place: Tellico Village Chota Recreation Center, Room A, Tellico Village, Loudon, TN.

The Art Guild of Tellico Village is honored to have such a great professional artist located right in Knoxville, TN, and who is presenting a three-day workshop on Painting Faces.

Crews' portraits, other fine art and murals are included in private and corporate collections nationally, in Bermuda and Africa. Her favorite mediums are oils and watercolors, and her paintings are displayed in federal and city buildings, the University of Tennessee, Vanderbilt Hospital, and in other public and private collections.

She also works as a courtroom sketch artist, hosts life drawing sessions for other professional artists, and gives presentations for interested groups. Her artworks addressing domestic violence contribute to the awareness of the same and are exhibited as a learning tool in the Knoxville Family Justice Center.

Her most recent body of work is focused on intimate portraits of classic cars much like human portraiture.

She is an intuitive painter, inclusive of the human element in all of her fine art.

Go to www.bobbiecrews.com for additional information and presentation of her works of art.

Lecture March 3

The Public Library at Tellico Village presents Don Edmands lecture, "Hitler and the Nazi: You Can't Make This Stuff Up," a combination of short stories about the Nazis and their quest for world domination. This was postponed due to the ice storm and has been rescheduled for March 3, 9:30-10:30 am. Many stories you've never heard before will be told by the highly decorated USAF (retired) Colonel. If you had already signed up, your seat will remain on the list. You need do nothing unless you have to cancel. Please call 865-458-5199 to cancel so others can fill the empty seat.

Ladies Lite Luncheon March 4

The next HOA Ladies Lite Luncheon will be 10 a.m. Wednesday, March; please come early to shop. We will have a fashion show by Boyd Thomas Clothing; vendors : Mary Caudle, Scentsy; Gail Bowman, Arbonne International; and Juanita Bauer, Tupperware; entertainment: Debbie Mayberry Readers Theater School Tour, and our pianist is Linda Schuessler. The menu will be seared tuna salad niçoise with chopped romaine, French green beans, fingerling potatoes, grape tomatoes, hardboiled egg, olives, roasted artichoke hearts and rolls, coffee, tea, water. Our guest baker will be Marlene Ingalls. We will have monthly table rotations, tables of 8 to 10, get in the spirit and name your table. We are looking for guest bakers, pick a charity and get your friends to help bake. \$15 pp payments made to the "Tellico Village Yacht Club," checks only. Reservations made at the Tellico Village Yacht Club, HOA Socials and New Villager Socials. Due to the severe weather conditions we have

been experiencing, we are extending the signups for this month only until noon on Feb. 27. Co-chairs: Sam McQueeney, 865-657-9020 or samnskip@charter.net; and Karen Sue Keith, 865-458-4277 or kskeith1@aim.com.

Computer Users Club Meets March 3

The Tellico Village Computer Users Club will meet 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 3, on the top floor of the Yacht Club. After announcements and Committee reports, a short program will be "Microsoft's Windows 10 Operating System." Jim Peterson will give us a preview, including many of the best features incorporated from Win-7 and Win-8 as well as some new features and incorporated efficiencies.

There will be several door prizes for members attending. Be sure to get your ticket after you register. See you there.

The Board of Directors meets the second Tuesday of each month in Room D at the Rec Center. Visitors are welcome.

Visit our website at www.TVCUC.org.

Thyme for Herbs Meets March 5

Thyme for Herbs, an herb study group, will meet Thursday, March 5, at 9:30 a.m., in the Chota Rec Center. Kathy Burke Mihalczo, owner of Erin's Meadow Herb Farm, will speak on Teas for Your Health. For more information, call Mary Garner, 865-408-0337

Garden Club Meets March 5

The Tellico Village Garden Club will meet on Thursday, March 5, in the Yacht Club. Come at 12:30 p.m. for social time. Any gardening question can be submitted for our "Ask the Gardener" at 12:45 p.m. The program begins at 1 p.m.

This month, **Square Foot Gardening** will be presented by Dr. Leo Lubke and his wife, Linda. Dr. Lubke received his doctorate from State University of NY. He has completed Master Gardener Certification in NY and TN. He is also a member of the Garden Writers Association and writes a garden column for a regional newspaper. Leo and his wife, Linda, reside in Kodak, TN, where their gardens include vegetables, fruits, flowers and a "Bird and Butterfly Garden" with a waterwheel and pond area. Linda holds BS and MS degrees in education from the State University of NY. She retired as a K-8 assistant principal. She enjoys photography as one of her hobbies.

Visitors are welcome. For more information, contact Dori Holt at 865-657-5050 or see our website at www.tellicoclubs.com/garden.

Tellico Vintage Vehicles Meets March 5

The Tellico Village Vintage Vehicles club will meet 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 4, in the Yacht Club. The car club meets on the first Wednesday every month. For more information, go to www.TVVintageVehicles.org or contact Tom Greene, tgreene91@gmail.com.

Woodworkers Meet March 5

The next meeting of the Tellico Village Woodworkers Club will be on Thursday, March 5, at 7 p.m. The program will be presented by an accomplished bird carver with tips and suggestions. This will be followed by a travelogue by the club president with pictures and discussion of his recent trip to Africa. The public is invited.

Mah Jongg - Open Play

- March 5 and 19, first and third Thursday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center,
- March 10 and 24, second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center
- March 16, 23, and 30, the third, fourth, and fifth Monday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center

Please wear your name tag! No food; bring your own drink.

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