

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, March 27, 2015

POA Meetings and Events:

- Recreation Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, April 2, Wellness Center
- Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, April 2, POA Conference Room
- Communications & Marketing Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, April 3, POA Conference Room
- POA Board Workshop, 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 7, POA Conference Center

New Equipment Is In

The new Cybex equipment is in the Wellness Center and in use by the patrons. The removal of the old equipment and the installation of the new equipment went off without a hitch.

This new equipment is much more user friendly, but it will take a bit of getting used to. If you are a smartphone or iPad user, it is recommended you download the free Cybex Eagle NX app to your device. You can then use the app to scan the QR code (that's that squiggly looking square on the instruction panel on the equipment) on the piece of equipment you want to use. The instruction panels even have a holder for your phone or iPad so you can watch the instructional video that is on the app.

Good luck, and enjoy the new Cybex equipment at your Wellness Center.

Tee it Forward at Tellico Village

By Sarah Havens, Golf Advisory Committee

The TEE IT FORWARD program was initiated in July of 2011 by the PGA and the USGA to help golfers have more fun on the course and enhance their overall experience by playing from a set of tees best suited to their abilities. This program was developed as a means of addressing the aging golf population and a declining number of new, young golfers. Additionally, over the past several years, the "Tee it Forward" program has been embraced by the Tellico Village Golf Advisory Committee, our Professional Staff members, and the Boards and membership of the Ladies' Golf Associations - both 9- and 18-Hole Leagues and the Men's Golf Association.

Until a couple of years ago, Kahite was the only Village course which had officially rated forward tees. In fall 2013, newly constructed forward tees on both Toqua and Tanasi were rated by the Tennessee Golf Association. This gave the Village leagues the "green light" to begin playing from and competing between different teeing grounds. This was done using the USGA Handicap system which provides formulas for the adjustments necessary to make the competition fair.

Because this was all new to Tellico golfers and because they possessed a generous dose of skepticism, a careful study of scores made during 2014 was conducted. All scores made by the Ladies' 18-Hole League on 20 play days/1,107 rounds were collected and analyzed. The following facts were determined:

- Competition between players on the regular and forward tees was fair, after the USGA adjustments were made to the final scores.
- The course ratings of the new teeing grounds made by the Tennessee Golf Association (with the exception of Toqua) were correctly done. (Adjustments are now being made to bring Toqua into compliance.)
- Players choosing to play regularly from the forward tees did not experience any unusual change in their handicap indexes.
- There were no startling new anomalies shown by the data.

Another very interesting fact arose from the study of forward tee play: **the players who scored a greater percentage better than course rating were the "regular" tee players.** So even though the forward tees gave a distance advantage to those players, the regular tee players scored better in relation to the course rating.

At the end of this experimental year, over 60% of both the 18-Hole Ladies' League and the Men's Golf Association and approximately 80% of the 9-Hole Ladies' League were playing from the forward tees. The players from all groups who chose to "tee it forward" said they were having more fun and feeling more competitive than they had in years. They spoke of hitting greens in regulation, making more pars and birdies, playing faster and feeling less tired than when playing the regular tees. This has truly been a positive golf experience for all golfers at Tellico.

This is a terrific time for anyone who is considering taking up the sport of golf to jump in! Our golf courses are more player-friendly than ever! Our professional staff is eager to give instruction, both privately and in groups.

Toqua and Tanasi Restaurant Specials and Events

Tanasi Bar and Grill and Toqua Café now proudly serving beer, wine, and liquor.

- Join us Friday's at Tanasi Bar and Grill for our **Monster Meatloaf** and **Fisherman's Platter** in March.
- Also now accepting reservations for our **Easter Buffet**—featuring a ham carving station, eggs cooked to order, French toast, and many other favorites; a true holiday feast.
- **Free appetizers** at the Tanasi Bar on Sundays and Mondays in March – just buy a drink!

Toqua Café: 865-458-1330

Tanasi Bar and Grill: 865-458-9392

TDOT Highway 444 Update

We have learned from TDOT that they could begin work removing downed trees along Highway 444 as early as today. If you see crews out working, please slow down and give them room. Thank you.

Volunteers, Charitable Events, Fundraisers

21st Annual Book Sale April 16-18

It's that time again – time for the Friends of the Tellico Village Library's (FOTVL) 21st Annual Book Sale to benefit The Public Library at Tellico Village. If you are a Friend, please join us on Preview Night, Thursday, April 16, 6:30-8:30 p.m. The preview is for Friends Members only. Friends have first crack at the books while enjoying some tasty treats. If you are not a Friend, you may still join by filling out a membership form and bringing it along with your yearly membership (check or cash) to the Library or to the Preview Night. FOTVL memberships will also be taken at the Book Sale.

The 21st Annual Book Sale is at the Tellico Village Community Church on Friday, April 17, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.; and Saturday, April 18, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. There are plenty of parking spaces and there is also handicap parking. We have something for everyone: from children's books, books for men, a section on dogs or cats, plus a wide selection of local and national History. With our varied selection there is no reason to go home empty handed. Plan on coming early to the Book Sale and scoop up all the books by your favorite authors. We are also accepting credit cards for your purchases (minimum \$10).

We have some new items this year. Our new Mystery Bag for \$9.99 on Preview Night, our new Bag-A-Bargain with Lunch Coupon on Saturday for \$15, and our second annual Lunch in the Courtyard on Saturday. Additional lunch tickets may be purchased for \$5 per adult and \$1 per child. Our thanks to the Purdue Club for once again sponsoring the lunch.

So many volunteer their time to this worthy cause, and all the proceeds except for minimal supplies are donated to the FOTVL to help with operational costs. As you are aware, The Public Library at Tellico Village is the only privately funded public Library in Tennessee. Your donations help us with operational costs as well as enabling us to continue our stellar adult and children in-house and outreach programs.

TV Lions Now Collecting Used Hearing Aids

The Tellico Village Lions Club has added a new item to their used collection program – hearing aids.

They already collect used eyeglasses and cell phones. The eyeglasses are sent to a recycling center in Roanoke, VA, where they are classified, repaired as necessary and then shipped overseas for use by foreign Lions Clubs. Occasionally, exceptions are made and the glasses distributed domestically, as in the case of the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. The cell phones are also recycled and the proceeds of their sale used to buy calling cards for US servicepersons stationed overseas.

The hearing aids will be collected in the same repositories as the eyeglasses and phone – collection boxes in the clubhouses and the library. The donated aids should either be in their original container or in a plastic baggy. Please insure that the batteries have been removed.

The collected aids will be given to the Hearing and Speech Foundation located in Maryville, TN. This organization has an extensive program of recycling aids for distribution to indigent citizens of East Tennessee. New hearing aids are extremely expensive and many low-income residents cannot afford them. Their subsequent inability to hear has an extremely serious effect on their quality of life as well as their ability to get and hold jobs. These recycled aids can have a huge impact on these individuals.

For more information on the Lions program please contact Dick Kolasheski at 865-458-3482 or via e-mail to Richard.kolasheski@aol.com. More information about the Hearing and Speech Foundation can be found at their website – www.HSFWeb.org.

TV Lions Getting Ready to “Tee it Up”

Tee time for the TV Lions annual Golf-for-Sight outing is fast approaching. This year’s event will take place on Saturday, May 9, at the Toqua golf course in Tellico Village. The shotgun start will be at 9 a.m.

The bulk of the money raised by the event is derived from business sponsors. Support levels start at \$100 and go up to \$1,000, which is a Corporate Sponsorship. Each sponsoring level provides certain benefits to the firm including advertisement and other forms of recognition. The process of getting business sponsors for the outing is just getting underway so any business firm interested in providing a sponsorship should contact Lion Larry Elder, the event chairperson, at 865-657-9722 or via e-mail to lelder49@gmail.com. The Tellico Village Lions Club is a 501(c)(3) organization so all sponsorship donations are fully tax deductible.

The funds donated by firms as well as derived from the outing itself, are used by the club to support a myriad of service activities, mostly related to sight and vision preservation programs in Loudon county and east Tennessee.

The format is best ball after all players hit from either the white tees, men, or the green tees, women. After the drive each player will hit from the best ball location up to and including putting. Senior tees may be used for age plus handicap index of 90 or more.

Foursomes can be formed as either all male, all female or mixed. Prizes will be awarded to the best scoring foursomes in all these categories. In addition to team prizes there will be individual contests for men and women for closest to the hole, longest drive and most accurate drive. And most importantly of all, there will be a car to be won for a hole-in-one on one of the four par three holes on the course.

Entry fees are \$40/person for Tellico Village property owners and \$75/person for non-property owners. There will also be opportunities to enhance scoring by buying mulligans for use throughout the course. The entry fees include a continental breakfast, lunch, a goody bag and range balls.

Registrations are currently being accepted. There are entry forms at all the TV clubhouses. Once completed, they should be mailed to **Howard Higby, 107 Tuhdegwa Way, Loudon, TN 37774**.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Howard at 865-458-9356 or by e-mail to h-m-bowl@charter.net.

Chota Recreation Center Locker Rooms and Restrooms Construction

Work will be done on the locker rooms and public restrooms starting at Chota Rec Center April 6 and will hopefully be completed by April 19. We will close both locker rooms at the same time leaving the public restrooms open; when the locker rooms are completed, we will do the public restrooms—all to be completed during this timeframe

Fore the Love of the Game—Golf News and Events

Now on the Golf Page

- 2015 Tellico Village Golf Schedule
- MGA Spring Fling, Saturday, March 28, Toqua
- MGA 18 “You Choose” Event, Thursday, April 2, The Links at Kahite
- Golf Rule Book
- Golf Advisory Committee Minutes

Explore the Golf page on www.TellicoVillagePOA.org by going to: <http://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/golf>

Introduction to Golf 2015

- **March 31, 2015 - Toqua 9-10:30 a.m.**

The 2015 Introduction to Golf clinic is for anyone and everyone interested in golf—*especially* if you're new to the game or taking it back up. They will be focused on how to enjoy golf in a very relaxed environment. And it's FREE!

The session will focus on how to ENJOY the game of golf, without attention to specifics on the mechanical aspects of the swing (that can come later). It is our hope to have golfers of all levels attend to gain knowledge on all aspects of enjoying the game.

The PGA Professionals at Tellico Village feel this is a big growth opportunity for golf in the Village. Each session will start when you arrive in the parking lot - we will personally guide you from there out onto the golf course. We will show you how to get practice balls for the range, how to use the putting green, set up tee times, check-in at the pro shop...everything necessary for you to begin having fun playing golf!

We are blessed to have three *outstanding* golf courses with incredibly beautiful views of the mountains and Tellico Lake. We want to help you enjoy the serenity of our courses and the great sport of golf. Please consider taking advantage of these opportunities - they are FREE!!

This is a great opportunity to learn from the PGA Professional staff at Tellico Village. Please sign up in any of the golf shops!

Village Par 3 Challenge April 14

The Tellico Village Par 3 Challenge will be held Tuesday, April 14, with a 4 p.m. shotgun start, at Toqua. The entry fee is \$20 per person (includes prizes and food), excludes green fee and cart. There is a **special 9-Hole Par 3 rate** of \$12 per person; \$11 per person (private cart); \$10.60 per person (prepaid); or \$9.60 per person (prepaid private cart). Cookout and drinks will follow play at the Toqua Pavilion.

The event is for anyone who likes to have FUN on the golf course! Sign up individually or make your own team at all three pro shops. Pairings will be available in the pro shops noon Saturday, April 11. For more details, go to <http://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/images/tellico/pdfs/golf2013/par3.pdf>.

Kahite - 423-884-6108

Toqua - 865-458-6546

Tanasi - 865-458-4707

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Polish Heritage Club Dinner March 29

As Easter approaches, the members of the Polish Heritage Club are preparing to celebrate the occasion according to an age-old Polish tradition. With Easter comes the end of Lent and the period when Catholics traditionally made sacrifices to prepare for the death and resurrection of Christ. This meant that on Easter Sunday the strictures that limited food and other dietary items from the diets of Polish Catholics were no longer in effect. Accordingly, the Polish people celebrated by enjoying a huge Easter dinner. The meal included traditional Polish items: ham, kielbasa (polish sausage), bacon, boiled eggs as well as bread and Polish pastries. The Polish word for the celebration is "Swienconka."

The tradition in Poland is that the items to be consumed during the meal would be taken to the parish church where the priest would bless them. This blessing of the baskets will be done locally at St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Lenoir City on Saturday, April 4, at noon. The meal itself, however, will be celebrated by the PHC on the preceding Sunday, March 29. The event will be held at the Kahite Pub and Grill commencing with a social hour at 5 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m.

The cost for members is \$10/couple if they bring a dish to pass or \$20 without a dish. For more information and to make a reservation, please contact Nadine Mazienis at goofytn@tds.com or by phone at 423-884-2577.

Register for TV University Classes

There's still time to register for TO YOUR HEALTH: TOP TEN NUTRITION TIPS FOR SENIORS, offered through Tellico Village University. Linda Schuessler, RD, LD, will present practical understanding of the most important diet and nutrition practices that affect the 55+ set. Linda is a highly experienced and talented nutrition educator, having worked throughout her career in corporate and community education. You will see her soon on Channel 3's Health Chat. Your questions are welcomed, so come prepared and learn from a highly qualified nutrition professional. To register for this course, go to the TVU website at www.tvuniversity.org and read the Classes in TV page for a complete description of this course and Linda's background. Use the Contact Us page to register. While you are at the TVU website, why not take a look at the remaining courses that are to be offered this Spring semester: Fundamentals of Photography, Sleep Well, Self-Publishing, and Taking Care of Orchids.

Tellico Vintage Vehicles Meets April 1

The Tellico Village Vintage Vehicles club will meet 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 1, 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.

Garden Club Meets April 2

The Tellico Village Garden Club will meet on Thursday, April 2, at the Yacht Club. Come at 12:30 p.m. for social time. Any gardening question can be submitted for our "Ask the Gardener" at 12:45p.m. The program begins at 1 p.m.

Dr. Leo Lubke and his wife Linda will be presenting a program on Square Foot Gardening. 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 Writer's 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 & 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](tel:865-657-5050) or see our website at www.tellicoclubs.com/garden.

Mah Jongg - Open Play

- April 2 and 16, first and third Thursday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center,

- April 14 and 28, second and fourth Tuesday of each month, 1-4 p.m., Chota Rec Center
- April 14, 21, and 28, the second, 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.

Woodworkers Meet April 2

The Tellico Village Woodworkers Club will meet 7 p.m. Thursday, April 2, in the Yacht Club. There has been a change in the discussion topic for the April meeting. The educational program will be presented by club member, Mel Fisher. He will discuss making a half hull ship model. The public is invited.

TCP Auditions for *Love, Loss and What I Wore* Begin April 7

The Tellico Community Players will be holding auditions for the upcoming production of “Love, Loss and What I Wore”. The auditions will be held on April 7 (11 a.m.-1 p.m.), April 9 (2-4 p.m.) and April 11 (2-4 p.m.) at the Tellico Community Playhouse located at 304 Lakeside Plaza, Loudon (in Tellico Village).

The cast is composed of five women of various ages. This powerful and compelling comedy uses the female wardrobe as a time capsule of a women’s life. The play was written by Nora and Dellia Ephron and was designed to be performed as a readers’ theatre project. This play has scheduled performances on May 28, 29, and 30 (at 7:30 p.m.); and May 31 (at 1:30 p.m.). Scripts will be available at the Tellico Village Library by April 1. Contact Don Morton, producer, at dmorton3@charter.net for more information.

TV Computer Users Club Meets April 7

The Tellico Village Computer Users Club will hold a general meeting 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 7, in the TV Yacht Club, top floor. After announcements and committee reports, the program will be presented by Michael and Heather Phillips of Elite Technology Group. The severity of “hacking” and possible solutions should be of great interest to especially as members of TVCUC.

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 Chota Rec Center. Visitors are welcome.

Visit our Website at www.TVCUC.org.

Cruising Club Meets April 8

The Tellico Cruising Club will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 8, in the TV 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 should be directed to Commander Romano Sims at 865-408-9356.

Fishing Club Meets April 8

The Tellico Village Fishing Club monthly meeting will be 7-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 8, in the Tellico Village Yacht Club. This month’s speaker will be Billy Wheat, a fishing guide with Rip-Rap Adventures. He will be discussing where and how to catch bass on Watts Bar and Chickamauga lakes. Visitors are welcome.

Hike Laurel Falls April 10

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Friday, April 10, from Chota Center, to hike:

- **LAUREL FALLS – Laurel-Snow Bowater Pocket Wilderness**
- Distance: 6 miles
- Rating: Moderate with some rocky footing
- Driving Time: 1.5 hours
- Elevation Gain: 1,000 feet (most of the gain is in the last 1/2 mile)
- Leader: John Heard 859-409-9988 heardbird@yahoo.com