

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, February 12, 016

POA Meetings and Events (red denotes irregularity of time, day, and/or location):

- Dock Captains, 3 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15, POA Conference Room
- Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, POA Conference Room
- Long Range Planning, 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, POA Conference Room
- Rec 101, 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, Wellness Center

From the Boardroom

Trails, Paths and Greenways

By Alan Hart, POA Board President

During the past several months there has been considerable discussion regarding “trails, paths and greenways” and how, both as a community and your Property Owners Association Board, we should proceed. As you may recall, in 2005 an extensive Tellico Village survey was done by the Long Range Planning Advisory Committee (LRPAC) to determine which additional amenities our property owners desired, ranked in order of most important. At that time, walking paths (trails and paths) had been the number one requested amenity, and that has not changed to this day. Furthermore, trails and paths would increase Membership Value for Tellico Village property owners and is one of the leading amenities in national surveys and LRPAC benchmark studies (completed in 2014, reviewed in 2015).

Your POA Board had the opportunity in 2015 to participate with Loudon County for a “Greenway” project evaluation for the Village which would tie in all of the neighborhoods in the Loudon County portion of the Village and parallel Highway 444. This Greenway study/program was begun with Loudon County officials at the cost of \$100,000 with 80% funding by outside agencies. The POA Board voted to provide \$20,000 or 20% of the cost of the initial \$100,000 for the funding of the Greenway Study. A town hall meeting was held to report progress on the study and to collect Property Owner input. The final “Greenway” proposal was modified based on property owner input (removal of tunnels and electric vehicle paths; costs further refined). The final Greenway Study report is available on the TVPOA website at www.tellicovillagepoa.org/tvpoa/long-range-plan.

Important results of this study were 1) government funding demands specific construction limitations (ADA compliant, etc.) with the concurrent dramatic increase in costs; 2) costs per mile based on the engineering design for 11 miles greater than \$1 million per mile; 3) there would be no financial co-funding support from Loudon County now or in the foreseeable future.

Based on all information, the question becomes what is the future plan for the Greenway? While the POA does not have funds available in the five-year plan to pursue this project as designed in that time period, there are many smaller trail projects that we believe could be completed, using the study as a basis and will help us achieve our overall long-term goals of keeping Tellico Village competitive regarding trail and path amenities. What can be done is reflected in the new, highly-popular paved walking path at the Wellness Center which the POA Board authorized last year and is available for use by all property owners.

There is considerable value/benefits gained for Tellico Village from the Greenway Engineering Study as a tool for future planning and construction of lower cost neighborhood path layouts; understanding the need to consider environmental, road crossings, topography, wetlands, etc.; and relationships with neighboring land owners (TVA, TRDA, TDOT) for future development.

The “Path” ahead in the short term to address the number one amenity addition to Tellico Village is the POA Board motion to establish a cross-functional ad hoc Trails Committee. This committee will be responsible to determine 1) Access present trails – location and condition; 2)

Identify potential new routes from present trail maps and the Greenway roadmap; 2) Prioritize trail locations based on Property Owner usage and economics; and 3) Propose timing for any trail renovations and additions in the five-year and long-term plans. This ad hoc committee will be directed by the POA Recreation Department.

It is important to note that these trail initiatives are not intended to replace other projects in the five-year plan nor push out refurbishment of the Toqua and Kahite clubhouses or the expansion of the Tanasi parking area. The POA Board will provide updates and progress of the ad hoc Trails Committee as information becomes available.

Yacht Club and Tanasi Bar and Grill

Join us for **Fish Fry Fridays** at Tanasi Bar & Grill: Hand Beer Battered Cod with two sides, \$10.95
Valentine's Day

- The Yacht Club and Tanasi Bar & Grill will both be accepting reservations for Valentine's Day. Call for details.
- Join us for Valentine's Day at the Yacht Club on Saturday, Feb. 13. We will open for **normal menu and reservation**. No upcharge, no extras, just a nice romantic evening with your spouse without the price tag.

Tanasi Bar and Grill: 865-458-9392

Toqua Café: 865-458-1330

Yacht Club: 865-458-4363

Highlights from the Board Meeting

Your Tellico Village POA Board held a re-scheduled meeting on Tuesday of this week. The agenda consisted of items carried over from the snow-canceled Jan. 20 Board meeting. What did you miss?

- The HOA Board President, Rick Carlin, laid out the goals for that organization for 2016. The most ambitious goal they outlined is to have 2016 members in 2016. Let's all help them get there.
- John Cherry and Beth Kuberka reviewed the 2015 Marketing Program successes and looked forward to more progress in 2016.
- Andy Fox of AWE Hospitality gave his quarterly update showing that the Yacht Club subsidy for 2015 was \$145,059 compared to \$194,269 for 2014.
- The Finance Department reviewed the unaudited numbers for 2015 showing the POA came in at \$99,922 for Net Income. The audited numbers should be out sometime in early spring.
- The Board approved changes to the ACC Blue Book governing yard sales. The update to the ACC Blue Book will be available in early spring.
- The POA Board adopted their goals for 2016. Those are available for viewing at www.tellicovillagepoa.org/tvpoa/board-of-directors.
- Finally, the Board approved an action to stand up a Paths and Trails Ad Hoc Committee under the purview of the Recreation Advisory Committee. The article on the front page of this Tell-E-Gram gives a detailed explanation.

The regularly scheduled POA Board meeting for February has been canceled. The next meeting of the POA Board is Tuesday, March 1 at 10 a.m. at the POA Conference Room.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

New Villagers Newsletter Now Online

See what the New Villagers are up to in their February Newsletter: www.tellicovillagepoa.org/images/tellico/pdfs/flyers/nv-news.pdf.

Hike the East Lakeshore Trail Feb. 16

Join us on Tuesday Feb. 16 when we hike 3 miles of the miles of the Canal Branch of the East Lakeshore Trails. We will gather at the Poplar Springs Boat Ramp parking lot at 9 a.m. where we will car pool to the trail head. 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 2-3 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.

Bob Lewis of Make-A-Wish Speaking to Kiwanis Feb. 16

Bob Lewis, President of the Make-A-Wish Foundation for East Tennessee, will be speaking to the Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village at noon Tuesday, Feb. 16, at the TV Yacht Club. The title of his speech is "Why We Grant Wishes." Bob is responsible for financial management and fund raising. Bob was the telecommunications manager for Erlanger Health Systems and worked for 9 years as the Operations Manager for the Ronald McDonald House of Greater Chattanooga. If you would like to attend, call John Strine, 865-458-1966.

Art Guild Meets Feb. 18

The Tellico Village Art Guild's monthly meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 18, at the Tellico Village Yacht Club on the top floor. Join us for light refreshments at 9:30 a.m. The business meeting will be followed by a presentation entitled "Preparing Your Artwork for Exhibit and Sale." Mary Bright, owner of Backdoor Gallery, will be presenting along with Lil Clinard and Dennis Sabo. All members and guests are invited to attend. For more information, go to www.tellicoartguild.org.

3D Printing Presentation at the Library

Some people believe 3D Printing is the beginning of the third industrial revolution. Village resident, Lou Miller, will guide us through a video presentation and basic overview of 3D Printing 10-11 a.m. Feb. 18. He will also help answer questions about where it's currently being used and what the future holds for this fascinating technology. Call to sign up, 865-458-5199

Play Rummikub Feb. 18

Join seasoned and newbie players Thursday evening, Feb. 18, from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Chota Rec Center in playing Rummikub. Have your own game? Feel free in bringing it along to start an additional table. Any questions or concerns, please contact Tom Conrad at 1-865-274-9549 or email keelfoot@yahoo.com. See you then!

Tellico Community Players Present *37 Postcards* Feb. 18-28

37 Postcards is a comedy written by Michael McKeever and is being directed by Len Willis. The productions will be held at the Tellico Community Playhouse in the Patricia Smith Theatre. GrinderZ Grille is the sponsor for this show and we thank them for their support of the Players. The dates for the show are Feb. 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27 and 28. All of the productions start at 7:30 p.m. with the exception of the Sunday, Feb. 28, matinee that begins at 1:30 p.m. Doors open 30 minutes prior to start of show.

"After years of travelling abroad, Avery Sutton is happy to return to the comfort of his home in Connecticut. Unfortunately, almost nothing is as he remembered it. The entire house is tilted at a distinct angle, the dog hasn't been fed for five years, and Avery's Grandmother, whom everyone thought was dead, is alive and kicking. Forced to accept the oddities of his family, or leave them behind, *37 Postcards* suggests that you can in fact, go home again...you just never know what you're going to find."

An excellent cast has been selected to portray the many different “wonky” characters that make up this production:

- Evelyn Sutton played by Ku Adams
- Avery Sutton played by Kain Shaw
- Aunt Ester played by Janice Carrison
- Gillian Moore played by Cindy Archer
- Stanford P. Sutton played by Doug Bannister
- Nana played by Doris Ryan
- Skipper played by Cuejo

Tickets for reserved seats can be purchased by going to www.tellicocommunityplayhouse.org or going to the Players Box Office from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Box Office opens Feb. 8).

If you have any questions, contact Len Willis at lenrishwillis@tds.net or at (423) 519-9807.

TV Lions Preparing for Annual Chili/Soup Dinner Feb. 23

With about two weeks remaining before this dinner, the TV Lions are already busily at work preparing to host it. This year the dinner takes place on Tuesday, Feb. 23, commencing at 4 p.m. and continuing until 7 p.m. 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.

Staging this event requires a good deal of efforts by not only club members but spouses of members as well as friends and neighbors. It requires about 71 individuals to prepare and serve the food, set up and take down the tables, bus the tables after diners are finished with their meals and cleaning up the hall after the event is over.

Tickets are currently available from any club member, Sloan’s Village Hardware, United Bank and the Village Salon. For more information, please feel free to contact either Lion Marcia Higby at 865-458-9356 or Lion Larry Stickler, the event manger, at 865-458-6582.

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

Shown in the photo taken during last year’s event is part of the crowds that attended and enjoyed the great meal.

Coast Guard Auxiliary Sponsoring Classes

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary of Tellico Village is sponsoring the following two classes:

- Feb 23 - "Paddle Sports of America" an interest for kayakers and canoers, held 1-5 p.m. at the Tellico Yacht Club, cost \$20pp or \$30 per couple.
- March 8 - "Marlinspike" learn how to tie & repair boating lines & knots, held 1-4 p.m. at the Tellico Yacht Club, cost \$25 pp or \$35 per couple

Contact Mike Colacone at 352-804-8257 or Mc195@aol.com for class registration.

Upcoming Presentations at the Library

- Feb. 23 and 25, 10-11 a.m.: Genealogy expert and college instructor Sam Maner returns to the library for a two-day presentation on understanding DNA and its role in family history. Part 1 is Feb. 23, and Part 2 is Feb. 25, 10-11 a.m. Please pre-register by calling The Public Library at Tellico Village at 865-458-5199.
- Feb. 29, noon-1 p.m.: Dr. Karthik Krishnan, board certified physician in Allergy, Asthma and Immunology will make a presentation on Spring Allergies. Dr. Krishnan is president of the

Tennessee Allergy Society and received an award for outstanding achievement in research. A box lunch will be provided by Dr. Krishnan. Please call The Public Library at Tellico Village to sign up at 865-458-5199

Hike Frozen Head State Park Feb. 24

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 24, from Chota Center, to hike:

- **FROZEN HEAD STATE PARK**
- Distance: 7.5 miles
- Elevation Gain: 1,467 feet
- Rating: Moderate
- Driving time: 1.5 hours
- Leader: Tim Kalina, 847-917-0994 or timkalina@aol.com

We will be hiking Panther Branch to North Old Mac trail. Highlights include Debord Falls and Emory Gap Falls. Panther Branch is the steepest part of the hike. There is one crossing that can be difficult, especially if it's icy. The hike ends at a picnic shelter where there are tables for our lunch.

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.

Registration is now open for Tellico Village University

Consider our upcoming courses and register now as classes are filling. American History: Titans of the Gilded Age is now full. A waiting list will be kept if we have cancelations.

There are a few seats open for Social Media For Seniors: Facebook on March 8. This course is \$10. Get in on a convenient way to keep in touch with family and friends. Our instructor usually charges \$15 for this 2-hour course, but she is providing TVU registrants with a reduced tuition.

A two-part session on Travel Photography on March 8 and 15 is open. There is no charge for this course.

A discussion/lecture on *Macbeth* on March 11 and 18 is open. There is no charge for this course.

You must register for each course.

Go to the TVU website at www.tvuniversity.org and read the complete course descriptions using the CLASSES IN TV tab. Click on the link below to get to the site. Register for a course by submitting your name, e-mail, phone and the title of the course you are interested in. A confirmation will be sent. TELLICO VILLAGE UNIVERSITY is committed to bringing lifelong learning that is diverse, convenient and affordable to our neighbors. TVU is brought to you by STAYinTV and your friendly neighborhood volunteers.

March 1 Election Early Voting Locations/Dates/Hours

Please bring your Federal or State of Tennessee issued Photo ID.

Vonore— Vonore Community Center, 616 Church St.

- Tuesday, Feb. 16: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 17: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 18: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Tellico Village - Chota Rec. Center, 145 Awohili Dr., Loudon, Tennessee 37774

- Tuesday, Feb. 16: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 17: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 18: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Friday, Feb. 19: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Loudon County Election Commission, 100 River Road # 108, Loudon, TN 37774

Roane State Community College, 100 West Broadway, Lenoir City, TN 37771

- Wednesday, Feb. 10: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 11: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Friday, Feb. 12: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

- Saturday, Feb. 13: 9 a.m.-noon
- Monday, Feb.15: Closed in observance of President's Day
- Tuesday, Feb. 16: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 17: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb.: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Friday, Feb. 19: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 20: 9 a.m.-noon
- Monday, Feb. 22: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 23: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Fore the Love of the Game—Golf News and Events

Kahite - 423-884-6108

**Toqua - 865-458-6546
-4707**

Tanasi - 865-458

Winter Golf Classic Feb. 27

Tellico Village's first golf event of the year is Saturday, Feb. 27, at Tanasi Golf Course! Tee off will be a 10 a.m. Shotgun start. Sign up sheets will be in all pro shops, and you may sign up either as a team or individually. Teams can be men, women, or mixed. Men will play either the orange or white tees, and women will play green or yellow. The tournament format will be Team Stableford with an opportunity for bonus points. The entry fee is \$15 per person excluding green fees and cart. Beer and soft drinks will be served following play.

Please join me in making this event a success!

Sincerely, Peyton Ritchie