

## Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, February 19, 016

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

- Long Range Planning, 10 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, POA Conference Room
- Rec 101, 12:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, Wellness Center
- Public Services Advisory Committee, 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 25, POA Conference Room
- Golf 101, 9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 26, Tanasi Clubhouse

ACC Report as of January 31, 2016				
2016 Permits Issued	Jan	YTD 01/31/16	Prev. YTD 01/31/15	Grand Total
<b>Budget for Single Family</b>	0	0	0	
<b>Single Family - Actual</b>	4	4	1	3,571
<b>Townhomes</b>	0	0	0	327
<b>Commercial</b>	0	0	0	39
<b>TV Senior Living</b>	0	0	0	21
<b>Shoreline Strip</b>	3	3	1	1,665
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	4	4	2	3,933
<b>Home Occupation</b>	0	0	0	36
<b>Final Reviews Completed</b>	6	6	0	
<b>Houses under construction:</b>	57			
<b>Single Family</b>	56			
<b>Townhomes</b>	1			
<b>TV Senior Living</b>	0			
<b>Kahite houses under construction</b>	13			
<b>Kahite permits issued</b>	360			

## TDOT Crash Report and Analysis for Highway 444

By Dennis Stanczuk

This is the second article in the HOA/POA Highway 444 Safety Project Introduction series.

In the fourth quarter of 2015 (4Q15) the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT), Region 1 compiled a report on the crash data for Highway 444 for the three year period from January 2012 through December 2014. The crash data for 2015 is still being compiled. This crash analysis will be used to determine the need and location of safety improvements for the highway.

For those of us who have lived in Tellico Village for more than a few years, we have observed a substantial increase in traffic volume on Highway 444 at all times of the day. At the end of the period there were a little over 8800 vehicles traveling on the highway per day at the north end and just over 6000 vehicles per day in the south. During this three year period there were 108

crashes which resulted in one fatality, three incapacitating injuries and 20 other injury crashes. The crashes have occurred along the entire 11 mile length of Highway 444 but seem to cluster in the area of major curves in the highway. Fifty-four percent of the crashes involved deer strikes. Deer strike locations are fairly evenly distributed along the highway (see the map).

By far, most of the accidents occurred during daylight hours (66%) and when there were no adverse weather conditions (85%). Although this could be related to traffic volumes, it might also suggest that drivers are more careful, drive at lower speeds and are less aggressive at night and when it is raining or snowing. If the latter is true, the message for all of us is, if we drive all of the time with the same caution that we do during nighttime and adverse weather conditions there may be fewer accidents.

If you are one of those involved in any of these crashes it is small consolation to know that the accidents per motor vehicle mile (acc/MVM) along Highway 444 is below the state average (1.211 acc/MVM compared to the state average of 1.709 acc/MVM). This suggests that in spite of the fact that usage has increased substantially over the years, Highway 444 is a pretty safe road. Nevertheless, the HOA and POA Committee will remain diligent in working with TDOT to make Highway 444 even safer as traffic volumes continue to increase.

The map shows the location of each incident and the table describes the type of crash and the road and weather conditions. Based on their crash analysis TDOT identified six intersections and one road segment where safety improvements could be made. In the coming months the Liaison Committee will be working with TDOT to determine what those improvements might be.

Finally, you may have noticed the speed radar trailer parked along Highway 444. That trailer is owned by the POA and is intended to remind drivers of the speed limit and to slow down if they exceed it. In addition, the trailer records the number of vehicles that pass and their speed. That data will be used in the future to prioritize the highway safety improvements that the Liaison Committee will propose to TDOT. During the seven day period that the trailer has been deployed the data showed that 49,793 vehicles were driving under the speed limit (probably because drivers jammed on the brakes when they saw the trailer (J) so that's good. However, there were 52,121 vehicles that exceeded the limit, that's bad. Worse, 1,908 vehicles exceeded 60 MPH and 67 exceeded 70 MPH. You will continue to see that trailer in different parts of the highway as we collect data and remind drivers to slow down. The Sheriff's Department has also agreed to increase patrols to control speeding. So set your cruise control to 50 and be safe.

Future articles in this Project Introduction series will include a summary of the state highway maintenance and repair guidelines and the project prioritization and budgeting process written by TDOT. Another article will provide additional detail on the types of safety improvements that will occur in 2016 and a summary of the long range improvements that will be considered and the eventual resurfacing of the full length of Highway 444 in 2018.

[Map and Chart are in the graphic version of the Tell-E-Gram]

## **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. **Wine & Canvas** night 6-9 p.m. **Thirsty Thursday**, March 24, in the Yacht Club. Sign up, show up, and paint! Art supplies provided with step-by-step instruction. Register online at [www.wineandcanvas.com](http://www.wineandcanvas.com) or call 865-356-9179.

### **Saint Paddy's Day**

- The Yacht Club and Tanasi Bar & Grill will both be serving **Comed Beef and Cabbage** Thursday, March 17. It is also **Thirsty Thursday** at the Yacht Club. Call for details.
- First **Tiki Bar** of the season featuring DJ Lou 7-10 p.m. Friday, March 18. Wear your green for luck!

### **Easter Sunday**

- Have **Easter Brunch** at the Yacht Club 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, March 27, \$24.95 for adults and \$12.50 for children (ages 6-12). Call now for reservations!
- Tanasi buffet available 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, March 27.

**Tanasi Bar and Grill: 865-458-9392**

**Toqua Café: 865-458-1330**

**Yacht Club: 865-458-4363**

### **2016 Reciprocal Courtesy Cards for Yachting Clubs of America Are Here**

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 800 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](http://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 4100.

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

### **Why Join the Tellico Village HomeOwners Association**

Membership Matters!!! In 2015, because of your interest and enthusiasm, we exceeded the highest ever membership in the HOA – 1,756 household memberships!!! Although that is impressive we can do better. This year we have set the goal as “2016 memberships in 2016” which, for the first time ever, would mean that our membership would be over 50% of the home owner population. This should be a “no brainer” since the HOA works every day for the benefit of EVERY home owner. If you have been reluctant to join because you think we don’t do anything that is of value to you just read the newsletters, attend the meetings and forums and check out the website or just ask your friends who are members and you will quickly come to the conclusion – THE HOA IS WORKING FOR YOU. If you are concerned that membership will require you to get involved or you will be expected to devote your time to the organization then you have the wrong expectation. Your support through membership is what counts and only those members who freely choose to volunteer their time and effort are involved on a continuous basis.

Although the HOA has a dynamic social program our primary goal is to advocate for EVERY homeowner through community service, political awareness and fellowship, focusing on increasing property values, safety and quality of life in Tellico Village. These goals are evidenced through our on-going communications, informative general membership meetings, special forums focused on pertinent issues, as well as, the Neighborhood Watch Program just to mention a few areas of HOA involvement. I encourage you to consider the return on investment of the \$10 per household per year membership that enables us to continue effectively representing your interests to the POA Board, all POA committees, T-DOT, TVA, local government and other agencies that affect each of us.

Help us make history but more importantly help us continue to be your “Homeowner’s Advocate.” Join or renew today on-line at [www.loatv.org](http://www.loatv.org) or at the Tellico Village Library. Thank you for your support.

### **Tellico Community Players Present 37 Postcards Feb. 19-28**

*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. 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.

Tickets for reserved seats can be purchased by going to [www.tellicocommunityplayhouse.org](http://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 [lentrishwillis@tds.net](mailto:lentrishwillis@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.

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/>.

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.TVHikers.com).

### **March Ladies Luncheon & Fashion Show deadline Feb. 24**

Tellico Village Ladies Luncheon & Fashion Show will be held on Wednesday, March 2, at the Yacht Club. Reservation deadline is Wednesday, Feb. 24. Fashions will be presented by "J Jill" along with music provided by Peggy Bastien. Our vendors this month include The Town Framery, Veronica G and Cranberry Hollow. Doors open at 10 a.m. for your shopping and visiting convenience with lunch being served promptly at 11:30 a.m. Shari Fassett will be baking desserts for your purchase at the luncheon benefiting the Child Advocacy Center. The menu is grilled chicken on a bed of romaine lettuce with black olives, cheese, tomatoes, sautéed peppers and onions topped with tortilla strips, house-made salsa with chipotle dressing on the side, coffee, tea and water included. Reservations can be made along with cash or check for \$15 at the Yacht Club. For additional information contact Chairperson, Karen Sue Keith (248) 808-2248 (cell/text), [kskeith1@aim.com](mailto:kskeith1@aim.com)

### **Tellico Community Players Hosting an Open Theatre Event**

On March 1, 2-3:30 p.m., the Tellico Community Players (TCP) will be sponsoring an Open Theatre Event (Open House) in the Patricia Smith Theatre at the Tellico Community Playhouse (304 Lakeside Plaza, Loudon, TN). There is no charge to attend this event and all are welcome.

Key Area leaders from the Players will have a short presentation on volunteering opportunities in the following areas: Acting, Costumes, Make-Up/Hair, Set Construction, Box Office & Back-Stage Support (props, scene changes, etc.), Publicity, Membership, Play Review Committee, Lights & Sound and Directing/Producing.

Following the presentation, attendees will be able to take an all-access tour of the theatre (including backstage) and will receive a ticket for a prize drawing of 2 tickets to the April TCP production of *Deathtrap*. We hope to see you there!

## **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.

### **Upcoming Golf Clinics**

Tellico Village's PGA professional staff have been hard at work to bring you a great spring line up of golf clinics. We have designed these programs for all playing levels. Each golf clinic will be fun, informative, and will make each student a better golfer. It will also be a great way to meet new people to practice and play with on the course. Below are the types of clinics with dates and times:

**Couples Golf Bootcamp** (maximum student-couple ratio will be 4:1 to guarantee all students receive an ample amount of 1-on-1 instruction)

- 3:30-5 p.m. Friday, March 11, at Toqua
- 3:30-5 p.m. Friday, March 25, at Kahite
- 3:30-5 p.m. Friday, April 8, at Toqua
- 3:30-5 p.m. Friday, April 22, at Kahite

Couples must sign up for each session; \$40 per couple per session.

**Ladies Beginner "Spring Swing"** (maximum student-couple ratio will be 5:1 to guarantee all students receive an ample amount of 1-on-1 instruction)

- April 6, 13, and 20, Wednesday afternoons at Toqua
  - Session 1: 1-2 p.m. (maximum of 10 ladies)

- Session 2: 2-3 p.m. (maximum of 10 ladies)
- April 2, 9, 16, and 23, Saturday mornings at Kahite
  - Session 1: 10-11 a.m. (maximum of 10 ladies)
  - Session 2: 11 a.m.-noon (maximum of 10 ladies)

Students must sign up for each \$20-session individually. Skill sets to be taught are chipping/pitching, bunker play, 100 yards and in, short irons and full swing, mid-irons, hybrids and fairway woods, drivers, and putting.