

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, March 8, 016

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

- **Chat with the Public Relations Manager, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, March 10, Welcome Center**
- **Golf Advisory Committee, 3 p.m. Thursday, March 10, POA Conference Room**
- **Finance Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, March 11, POA Conference Room**
- **Dock Captains, 3 p.m. Monday, March 14, POA Conference Room**

Public Works prepares Village for spring

By Jeff Gagley, Director of Public Works

If you have gone by the southern entrance lately, you may be curious what the crew is doing. We are adding a water feature to add interest. [photos]

Meanwhile, we are also preparing the family beach for use as the weather warms.

Internal Trails Committee members sought

Are you interested in serving on the Internal Trails Committee? The Internal Trails Committee will be tasked with:

- Renovation of Existing Internal Trails
 - Map current trails
 - Create comprehensive publication identifying trails
 - Create long-term marketing resource for existing trails
 - Identify Improvement needs
 - Create Trail Beautification Committee to spearhead the long term care for existing neighborhood trails
 - Work with Public Works, Lions Club, and/or Boy Scouts to implement low cost improvements to existing trails
- Possibility for New Internal Trails
 - Identify most desired location for additional trails and/or connecting trails
 - Possibly create a trails survey
 - Review Greenway blueprints and identify most cost effective trail additions based on their work

Applications can be picked up at the Wellness Center or emailed beginning March 1 and must be returned to the Wellness Center by March 31. If you are interested, please contact Holly Bryant at hbryant@tvpoa.org or 865-458-7070.

Construction project open for public comment

View proposed street lights on 444/72 intersection here:

<http://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/images/tellico/pdfs/lights.pdf>

Comments regarding the project may be forwarded via email to phillips@loudoncountyleda.org or by postal delivery- Loudon County Economic Development Agency, 274 Blair Bend Drive, Loudon, TN 37774. Comments shall be received no later than March 10, 2016.

Permit Us to Help You Shoreline Construction Permitting

Here's a reminder for waterfront property owners or potential buyers of waterfront property in the Tennessee River watershed.

Property owners need to have the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) review and approve planned shoreline construction projects on the Tennessee River and its tributaries before they start. This applies to commercial and residential owners, and includes docks, boat slips, marinas, shoreline stabilization, as well as other projects. New property owners also need to contact TVA to obtain a permit for the existing shoreline facilities in their name.

It's all part of TVA's natural resource, land and navigation management responsibilities laid out in the federal agency's charter legislation and designed to protect the Tennessee River system for the benefit of everyone in the Valley. □ □

If you'd like to learn more about construction permitting and what's required, please call (844) 264-8340 or visit tva.com/26aTellico.

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 or call 865-356-9179.

Saint Paddy's Day

- The Yacht Club and Tanasi Bar & Grill will both be serving **Corned 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

Citizens Observer Patrol Always Helpful

The Loudon County COP Program is a cooperative effort between volunteers concerned about the welfare and well being of citizens, their community and the Loudon County Sheriff's Department, all working together to improve the quality of life in the Tellico Village community. Citizens Observer Patrol is an extension of Loudon County Sheriff's Department, consisting of approximately 60 Villagers who volunteer their time to patrol the Tellico Village community, as well as other areas within Loudon County at the discretion of Sheriff Tim Guider, keeping a keen eye out for suspicious or criminal activity. Their purpose is to reduce the opportunity of citizens in the community falling victim to crime.

Just one aspect of the COP Program is "House Checks." If you are going out of town, you can stop by the Tanasi Clubhouse or the Library and fill out a "House Check Form," and by doing so, you are alerting the COPs and ONLY the COPs that you are headed out of town. The COPs volunteers will check your home while you are away from the Village.

The Director of the COPs Program receives a "Flash Report" from Loudon County Sheriff's Department of any incidents that occur within Tellico Village. Such information will be sent out the COPs volunteers at the discretion of the Director, designating additional patrols or actions as deemed necessary.

Feel free to contact the COPs Program, Director Ralph Kidd, 865-408-1799, if you have any questions, concerns or would like to serve as a volunteer in our COP Program. We are always

looking for good people to serve in this program.

A New Way to Chat

Hi, my name is John Cherry, and I am your Public Relations Manager for the Tellico Village Property Owners Association. Part of my job is to know a little bit about everything that goes on in Tellico Village and the POA. I get calls and emails every day from Villagers with questions about all kinds of things. To make it easier to just swing by and ask a question, I will be set up at the new Welcome Center Thursday, March 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to answer YOUR questions. Who knows who will stop by to chat or to answer your questions. This month, Board President Alan Hart will be here.

WHAT: PR Manager answers your questions

WHERE: Tellico Village Welcome Center

WHEN: Thursday, March 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

See you Thursday!

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Fishing Club meets March 9

The Tellico Village Fishing Club monthly meeting will be 7-8:30 p.m. at the Tellico Village Yacht Club. This month's guest speaker will be local fisherman and reporter Butch Durham who will discuss "Spring Fishing on Tellico." Members are encouraged to bring their lake charts. Visitors are welcome. For additional information, contact Club President Brian Baldwin at 423-884-2641.

Cruising Club meets March 9

The Tellico Cruising Club will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday, March 9, at 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 should be directed to Commander Bob Mazzola at 865-657-9306.

Ladies Book Club meets March 10

The Tellico Village Ladies Book Club will meet Thursday, March 10, in the Tanasi Clubhouse for an 11:30 a.m. lunch followed by a 12:15 p.m. discussion led by Susan Dial on "Wild," by Cheryl Strayed. For more information, contact Bette Purvis, 865-458-8070.

Tellico Riders meet March 10

On Thursday, March 10, the Tellico Riders will conduct their monthly meeting at the Tellico Village Yacht Club. The club social starts in the Yacht Club Bar at 5 p.m., then the group will move to the top floor of the Yacht Club and start the meeting promptly at 6 p.m. If you own a motorcycle or would like to meet those that do, come join us. It is also optional to join many of the Tellico Riders at 7 p.m. for dinner in the Yacht Club dining room after the meeting. For additional information, please contact Paula Moore, Director Tellico Riders, at moorerp@charter.net.

Hike Bob Stratton Bald March 11

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Friday, March 11, from Chota Center, to hike:

- BOB STRATTON BALD/HANGOVER (optional)
- Distance: 6 or 12 miles
- Rating: Moderate or Difficult
- Driving Time: 1.5 hours
- Elevation Gain: Approx. 900 feet
- Leaders: John Winn at 865-824-6200 or john.winn@gmail.com, and Gail Eades at 865-599-6785

or g3evolution@gmail.com

Bob Stratton Bald is a grassy meadow located off the Cherochala Skyway at an elevation of 5360 feet and offers views of the Unicoi Mountains as well as the Joyce Kilmer Wilderness Area. Hangover is a rocky promontory three plus rugged miles beyond Bob Stratton Bald. It offers one of the best mountain views in all of East TN.

The trailhead is located at Beech Gap just before the North Carolina border. The first 1.8 miles is on a fairly flat and wide trail with minimum elevation changes. For the remaining 1.5 miles the trail changes to a narrow trail which is somewhat rutted (cup shaped) and follows a ridge line through patches of rhododendrons and blackberry bushes. The elevation change for this portion of the trail is 749 feet over 1.1 miles with the most difficult portion being a 0.2 stretch. Please keep in mind that weather conditions at these elevations can be more extreme than at lower elevations.

We will have lunch at the Bald. After lunch we are planning for most hikers to turn around at Bob Stratton Bald, a classic and unspoiled southern mountain bald well worth the climb to get there. Gail Eades will lead that group back to the cars.

For those who may want to continue on, we will have an optional extended hike to Hangover Lead, 12.3 miles round trip. Hangover Lead is a difficult hike, but the view is one of the best in East TN. You can see the Little Tennessee River Valley from Santeetlah Lake near Robbinsville to the 411 bridge in Vonore. The portion of Hwy. 129 known as The Dragon runs through the valley far below and the Smokies stretch out in the distance in the center of the view.

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.

Village Quilters meet March 11

Village Quilters will meet at 9:15 a.m. on Friday March 11, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 260 Wade Rd. West, 37774. Our program features Flavin Glover author of "A New Look at Log Cabin Quilts" Fee for guests \$5.

Hike the East Lakeshore Trail March 15

Join us on Tuesday, March 15, when we hike 3 miles of the Baker Hollow Branch of the East Lakeshore Trails. This section of the trail has some beautiful overlooks of Tellico Lake. 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](tel:865-657-9722); Jim: jmjes711@gmail.com or [724-612-2166](tel:724-612-2166); or Jon: for4man@charter.net or [412-337-5500](tel:412-337-5500)

Upcoming Library lectures

- March 15, 9:30 -10:30 a.m. - Enjoy Eating Gluten Free! Certified Chef Barb Gothard will explain the concept of Gluten, and offer ways (and some snacks too!) to enjoy a lifestyle of Gluten free eating. Pre-register at 865-458-5199.
- March 17, 10-11 a.m. - "The ABCs of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder" will be presented by Dr. Kathleen Sales who practiced psychiatry for 40 years in rural areas surrounding Knoxville. She specialized in treating PTSD starting with Vietnam veterans and worked with abused and traumatized people throughout her career. She authors a blog, PTSDUpdate.com which aims to educate veterans about PTSD.

- March 29, 9:30-10:30 a.m. - "North American Bluebirds" Have you seen any of the 140 Bluebird nest boxes in and around our neighborhoods? Specialist Chuck James, president of the Tennessee Bluebird Society and board member of the North American Bluebird Society will educate you on this beautiful bird and its habits. James will explain the data collected from our local nest boxes and the information gathered to send to Cornell University's lab of Ornithology.

HOA meeting March 15

The next general meeting of the HOA will be held 4-6 p.m. Tuesday, March 15, in the Yacht Club. The topic is "What's Happening? What's in the Pipeline?" Key issues to be addressed:

- Long Range Planning update
- US 321 bridge/ramps construction update
- Highway 444/Tellico Parkway safety project
- Village marketing and communications plan
- Residential market—outlook for 2016
- Recognition of Smoky Mountain Service Dogs and STAYinTV

For more information, go to hoatv.org.

Ford Club meets March 16

The Tellico Village Ford Club will meet 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 16, at the Tanasi Restaurant for lunch and a business meeting. This month's guest speaker is Len Willis who will discuss the Village Players. Any previous Ford Motor Company employee is welcome to attend and/or join the club.

For additional information, contact Club President Ron Clayton at 865-458-2342.

Art Guild meets March 17

The Tellico Village Art Guild monthly meeting will be held Thursday, March 17, at the Yacht Club on the top floor. Light refreshments will be served at 9:30 a.m. The business meeting will begin at 10 a.m. Following the business meeting, Jeremy Doss will be the guest speaker.

Jeremy Doss grew up in northern Alabama, where spending time in nature gave him a desire to paint the beauty of the outdoors, but that is not where his talent stops. He also has a passion for painting figures and still life. Doss paints in oils with a mixture of impressionism and realism and focuses on capturing how the beauty of nature makes him feel. Mostly self-taught, he prefers the alla prima style of painting. In a word, he is a diverse artist. Doss says he has come to know that the Lord is why he paints. "There is no way I can recreate what has been masterfully created nor do I want to try. Yet I have been privileged to paint how it makes me feel." He hopes that as viewers look at one of his paintings, they sense hope and peace. Doss has traveled many places to paint and has lived in New York City and Santa Fe, NM. He now resides in Townsend, TN, with his wife and two children. Many of his beautiful paintings, as well as information on his upcoming class, Painting a Studio Painting from Start to Finish, can be seen on his website, www.jeremydossart.com

This is the last month to order our beautiful nametags at the meeting to be picked up next month. The cost is \$10. Also you will want to come and hear about our new logo design. Guests are always welcome to attend.

Rummikub open play March 17

Feel lucky for that crock of gold? Then come join us playing Rummikub with seasoned and newbie players 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, March 17, at Chota Rec Center. 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! NOTE: Discussion & vote will be made to have a second meeting of play that will be held during the day.

Piano jazz March 22

Enjoy piano jazz, a Tellico Jazz & Music Lovers event, 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, March 22, in the Yacht Club, featuring The Swinging Swede!

Johny Carlsson hails from Sweden. I met him at the Lakeshore Inn, Mt. Dora when I visit my daughter.

He is featured every Friday evening as a trio. He is a fantastic piano player playing all the tunes we love. He travels from Sweden October through April to take advantage of the Florida weather. I am flying him in as I believe he will be a hit with our Tellico Jazz & Music Lovers.

Accompanying him on bass will be the new UT faculty member, Jon Hamar. He is a versatile artist whose ability to find a tasteful, unique voice in any musical situation has made him a staple in the Northwest music scene.

No concert would be complete without Professor Keith Brown, the incomparable drum master from UT.

Admission is \$10/person – Happy Hour cash bar service available. Please forward a check to Steve Geoffrey, 216 Kiowa Point, Loudon, TN 37774, by Saturday March 19. For questions, call 865-408-1370.

Optional dining at the YC before the TJML session? A reservation by 5:15-5:30 p.m. is recommended; call 865-458-4363.

Thank You for your support and Keep Swing'in!!!

Submitted by Steve Geoffrey

Hike Ramsey Cascades March 23

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, from Chota Center, to hike:

- RAMSEY CASCADES
- Distance: 8 miles
- Rating: Difficult
- Driving Time: 2 hours
- Elevation gain: 2100 feet
- Leader: Gary Glesser, 865-657-9677 or gglesser@me.com

A hike through a virgin forest to a 90-foot cascade, the highest waterfall accessible by trail in the National Park. The trail follows first the Middle Prong of the Little Pigeon River and then the Ramsey Prong. The elevation gain increases as the trail approaches the cascade.

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.

Coast Guard Auxiliary sponsoring class March 29 and 31

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

- March 29 and 31—"About Boating Safely" class 1-5 p.m. in the Tellico Village Yacht Club. The cost is \$45 per person or \$55 per couple.

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