

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, July 26, 2016

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

- **Long Range Planning, 10 a.m. Thursday, July 28, POA Conference Room**
- **Public Services Advisory Committee, 1 p.m. Thursday, July 28, POA Conference Room**
- **POA Board Workshop, 10 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2, POA Conference Room**
- **POA 101, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 3, Yacht Club, RSVP 865-548-5408 ext. 4115**

The breakwater at the Yacht Club is now operational.

General Manager's Report

By Winston Blazer

What's a PIC?

Sometimes the rumor mill in Tellico Village is entertaining. Sometimes it unnecessarily stirs people up and causes strife in our community.

This past week, a Villager posted online what they believed was accurate information about the progress of one of the Project Implementation Committees (PIC). The specific project addressed was the Kahite Activity Center complex.

The post used words like, "the plan is in the final stages and will soon be approved by our POA," and "expect the project to start sometime soon, my guess early 2017." Those words are inaccurate, premature and misleading.

Here's the straight scoop on the Kahite complex PIC. That PIC has met four times since April with three of those meetings being with the architects, Benefield and Richters. At the July 20 POA Board meeting, Jeff Gagley presented an update to the Board on this project and the Toqua Clubhouse and Tanasi Parking projects. Those PICs have also met four times so far.

The PICs will continue to meet until their work is done and they have met the Board's charge to them. In the case of the Kahite PIC, their scope is: "Taking the data gathered by the last PIC, do an engineering study for the amenity portion of the project, with phases not including the restaurant portion, to get better numbers for the cost of the project and options." They are close to completing that scope and will bring another update to the August Board Workshop on Aug. 2 for further discussion.

After they have met their scope, a project will be discussed at various committee and board meetings and may or may not enter the detailed and comprehensive budget and 5-year plan process. This year's budget process gets cranked up in August (More about that later.). What I'm trying to say is, this project is nowhere close to being in its final stages and is not close to being approved yet. There is much work and discussion to be done before it is considered for inclusion in the budget or 5-year plan.

Before the POA Board approves a project of this nature, the details will be posted on the POA website for feedback and comments. We will place reminders in the Tell-E-Gram so Villagers have ample opportunity to view the details and provide feedback and input.

PICs are part of managing projects and are very important in ensuring the projects that move toward construction have sufficient input from a variety of sources; both internal and external. PIC membership may include architects, Public Works Director, departmental managers and advisory committee representatives for the Department for which the effort is being done, ACC member, Public Services Committee member, Village residents not affiliated with any specific committee,

and others as needed. The responsibilities of the PIC include specifying project requirements, schedules, budgets, cost controls and change order assessments.

The Kahite clubhouse, Toqua clubhouse, and Tanasi parking projects will all be discussed at the Board Workshop on Aug. 2 at 10 a.m. in the POA conference room. I encourage all Villagers interested in hearing first hand some of the details of these projects to attend the Workshop. See you there.

Committee seats need volunteers

The POA will begin accepting applications for volunteers to fill seats on several of the advisory committees beginning in August. If you are interested in serving the community by sitting on one of the committees, application packets are available at the POA administrative building. I encourage anyone thinking about serving on a committee to attend a committee meeting or two over the next couple of months to see how the process works here in Tellico Village. Schedules of committee meetings may be found in the Connection, on Tellico Village Broadcasting or in the Tell-E-Gram. Minutes from past committee meetings may be found on the POA website on the Committee page.

Applications will be accepted until Oct. 3. Later in October, managers will schedule meetings with applicants to put the best folks on the committee that matches their expertise and fills a need for the POA. The Board of Directors will approve and appoint new committee members at the December Board meeting.

Budget meetings on the horizon

It's that time of year again...time for budget meetings as the POA staff begins the process of looking at the 2017 budget and five-year plan. August is the month the individual departments start looking at budgetary items with their committees. We always encourage interested Villagers to attend committee meetings.

The entire budget meeting calendar will be posted in the Tell-E-Gram and on the website in August. Finance Director Parker Owen details the budget process in his article in this edition of The Connection and in the July 22 Tell-E-Gram. Expect to see that meeting calendar in the August edition of the Connection as well.

POA 101

The next edition of POA 101 is Wednesday, Aug. 3 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.

What's new on Tellico Village Broadcasting?

Check out this recent video on our own Library. Learn how the library got started back in 1988, how it has grown, grants and awards that it has won, and the services that it offers to our Community. Our library is more than just books! Click here for the video: <https://vimeo.com/174583452>.

Go to www.TellicoVillageBroadcasting.org for more of our videos.

Movie Night for Tellico Village July 31

Drive-In your golf cart and/or bring a lawn chair!

Join us for food and games at 7 p.m. followed by a movie at dusk (9:30 p.m.) Sunday, July 31 (rain date Aug. 7), at the Kahite Clubhouse.

The menu is:

- Grilled hamburgers with chips for \$5
- Hotdogs with chips for \$4
- There will be draft beer in 16oz cups for a special price of \$2.50 (light beer) and \$3 (draft beer)
- Movie theatre candy for \$1.50 each

POPCORN will be FREE.

You have one more day to help us choose a movie by taking this survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/89MNDJS>

For more information, contact Marketing Manager Beth Kuberka at 865-458-7095 or bethk@tvpoa.org or Continuous Improvement Manager Mitzi Lane at 865-408-2619 or mlane@tvpoa.org.

Yacht Club and Tanasi Bar & Grill

Yacht Club:

- **Tiki Bar** 7-10 p.m. Friday, July 29, featuring Ram Cat Alley!
- **Prime Rib** Friday at the Blue Heron in the Yacht Club.
- Genesis Pure **Whole Health** event 6-7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2, Yacht Club top floor. Free offer for Veterans as thanks for your service.

Tanasi Bar & Grill:

- **Music Monday** Aug. 1, with **Cob & Rob** 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- **Fish Fryday** Fridays at the Tanasi Bar & Grill.

Farmers Market open 9 a.m.-noon Wednesday, July 27, in the Yacht Club's parking lot.

Tanasi Bar and Grill: 865-458-9392

Toqua Café: 865-458-1330

Yacht Club: 865-458-4363

Aging Options: Stages of Senior Living

STAYinTV and The Neighborhood will be putting on a forum with professional speakers in the areas of **Independent Living, Assisted Living, Memory Care, Home Health, Day Programs, and Hospice**. The purpose is to educate our seniors about the different stages of aging and the options you have for each stage.

Date: Monday, Aug. 15

Time: 2-4 p.m.

Where: The Yacht Club

Kiwanis will be providing a daycare center there at the Yacht Club so that our caregivers in the Village are able to attend this forum.

Don't miss this opportunity. It promises to be very informative.

Pedal Java is coming to Tellico Village

Pedal Java is a coffee shop on a bicycle, specializing in pour-over coffees, lattes, and specialty drinks. If you would like to check out the menu beforehand or read about Andrew's amazing story about how his vision became a reality, you can go to www.pedaljava.com.

When: 7 a.m.-noon Thursday, Aug. 4

Where: The Wellness Center

Brought to you by Tellico Village's Lifestyle Coordinator, Lisa McCray.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Hike Charlie's Bunion July 27

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Wednesday, July 27, from Chota Center, to hike:

- CHARLIE'S BUNION
- Distance: 8 miles
- Elevation Gain: 1,640 feet
- Rating: Difficult
- Driving time: Approx. 2 hours
- Leader: Ed Walinski, 865-657-3636 or edwalins1964@gmail.com

This challenging trail begins at Newfound Gap in Smoky Mountain National Park. The trail traverses some of the most spectacular views in the Smokies. The steady climb over the course of the first two miles will lead to distant observation of the North Carolina Smokies. Many hikers rate the next two miles as some of the most spectacular in the Smokies. This is an in and out hike. The view from the Bunion makes all the effort worthwhile.

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 Vettes meet July 27

The Village Vettes will meet for a 5 p.m. social followed by a 6 p.m. meeting Wednesday, July 27, in the Yacht Club. The club is very active in the area and plans several trips each year. Membership is \$15 a year. For more information, contact Ron Linford, 865-657-9895.

Soggy Bottoms paddle July 28

On July 28, the Soggy Bottom Kayak Club will paddle down the Tellico River from the Tallassee boat ramp about a mile below Chilhowee Dam to the TWRA boat ramp on Hwy 360, a distance of about 10.5 miles. We will meet at 8 a.m. at the TWRA boat ramp to arrange for the shuttle to the starting point. There will be a truck with a flatbed trailer, and perhaps a few drivers to help with the shuttle. Bring an extra car key if your car is to be shuttled. The first part of the trip runs along Hwy 129, then past the Citico Creek area. We will then paddle around the Chota Waterfowl Refuge, and then past the Chota and Tanasi Memorials. After a possible stop at the Memorials, our lunch stop is on the left side of the river at a TVA picnic spot. After lunch the river opens up, but we will continue to hug the left hand shore, to finally arrive at our takeout point at the TWRA boat ramp. As this is a fairly long paddle, be sure to bring plenty of water, snacks, lunch, and sunblock.

Trip leaders Terri Cox 865-805-9641 tcx@nxs.net

Dee Prickett 865-310-9217 prckttdee@charter.net

Please call or e mail that you are coming so that we can organize the shuttle properly.

Tennessee Heat Dynamic Dragon Boat Club offers instruction

Join us for a free paddle, all equipment provided. Meet a few minutes early for instruction at the Kahite Dock Monday and Saturday mornings 9-10 a.m. and Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m. Bring a water bottle and wear comfortable clothes and shoes that may get wet.

Bring a friend. We are building our club one friend at a time.

Check us out at www.facebook.com/TennesseeHeat. For more information, contact Alice and Mike Micchelli at amtravelers@gmail.com.

Computer Users Club takes a summer break

The Tellico Village Computer Users Club will NOT meet in July nor August. Enjoy the summer with your families and friends. The TVCUC board will continue to meet 3 p.m. the second Tuesday of each month in Room D of the Chota Recreation Center. For more information, go to www.TVCUC.org.

T-BART offers lake maps

Tellico Boaters Assistance Response Team (T-BART) offers maps of the lake. For more information or to purchase a map, contact Jerry Campbell, 865-458-0861.

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.

TVU August classes

Registration is now open for a series of highly informative free classes for those of us who have trees in our landscaping. Ben Hazel, owner of Prees Trees, is offering four short classes through Tellico Village University in August and September. Ben is a Certified Arborist, Certified Tree Care Safety Professional, and a Qualified Tree Risk Assessor who has prepared classes for us that he feels would be most beneficial for those of us who are landscaping DIYers. Each class is a separate registration. There is no tuition for these sessions, but registration through the TVU website at www.tvuniversity.org is required. Ben will combine classroom lecture and illustrations with some "field work" for some of these classes. Select the class(es) you want and register.

Coming up first is TREE BIO-MECHANICS 9-11 a.m. Aug. 19 in the Yacht Club Gallery. How do trees stand and why do they fall? In this session Ben will show us how to identify structural defects

in trees and their level of severity. If a tree has a hollow spot, does it need to come down? What are some lesser known danger signs? If my neighbor has a dangerous looking tree that threatens my property, what should I do? You will be assured of the safety of your tree or know that it is time to call a professional. Class participants will be encouraged to email pictures to the instructor before the class so that we can look at real issues.

Upcoming at the Library

- July 27, 1-2 p.m.: "Rehabilitation for Total Knee Replacement." Maged Abdu, Assistant Director of Rehabilitation Services at NHC, and Physical Therapist with Advanced Physiotherapy Associates will discuss rehab therapy for knee replacement surgery.
- July 27, 8 p.m.: "Movie Night in the Courtyard." Enjoy popcorn and soda in our tented courtyard while watching "The Great Appalachia: A History of Mountains & People." In New Green World, we see two cultures (Native American & European) struggle for control of the mountains. We also meet young George Washington and the new inhabitants, the pioneers, making a life on the Appalachian frontier. Movie is FREE!
- Aug. 5, 10 a.m.-noon: Meet and Greet local author Cindy Leihkauff, a former classroom teacher with a passion for directing children to sing, create, and think using storytelling and music. Her book, *The Parable Patch*, retells five biblical parables as once told by Jesus. Each story focuses on delightful characters and is accompanied by a song designed to link the scriptures to the allegories in her book.
- Aug. 9, 10 a.m.-noon: "Introduction to Genealogy Using Free Resources." Genealogy expert Sam Maner, with over 25 years' experience, including [ancestry.com](https://www.ancestry.com) and instructor at Pellissippi State University, will offer a workshop to help you get started tracing your Family Tree. He will introduce you to many of the free available and reliable resources necessary to dig into your ancestry.