

Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, Dec. 6, 2016

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

- **Public Services Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, POA Conference Room**
- **POA 101, 2 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, Yacht Club, RSVP 865-458-5408 ext. 4115**
- **Chat with the PR Manager, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, Welcome Center**
- **Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 15, POA Conference Room**

In Case You Missed It:

"Swing Fore Sevier County" at Tellico Village

Dec. 10 at Toqua Golf Club

The devastation caused by fire in Sevier County, Tennessee, is beyond heartbreaking. To help in the recovery effort, the PGA Professional Staff at Tellico Village will be hosting "**Swing Fore Sevier County**" on 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10, at Toqua Golf Club.

During the "Swing for Sevier County" event, the PGA Professional staff will be conducting 30-minute golf lessons for a minimum donation of \$50. Additional donation amounts are encouraged; 100% of the money raised during this event will be donated the American Red Cross to help with recovery efforts.

"We are pleased to be able to use the great game of golf to generate some financial support for our friends in Sevier County following this horrible disaster," said Jim West, PGA Director Golf Operations at Tellico Village.

Golf lesson appointments will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis and can be made by calling Tellico Village's Toqua Golf Club at (865) 458-6546.

Highlights from the Board Workshop

In case you missed it, today was the final Board Workshop for 2016. Here are some of the highlights:

- Marsha Herzog of the POA ad hoc Internal Trails Committee provided an initial report to the Board. The committee was formed in the spring of this year and has worked to inventory our current trails and make recommendations for the way ahead for the community. The next update from them will be in the form of an article that details all the items they briefed to the Board today. Watch our communications channels for that article. This committee has basically completed their charter. Stay tuned for new developments on this front.
- Lisa McCray, Lifestyle Coordinator, and Marketing Manager Beth Kuberka updated the Board on what has been accomplished in 2016 on events and other initiatives originating from the new position. Several events have already occurred and were well attended. Look out for more fun events in the community and new initiatives to continue to increase utilization of amenities.
- Board Member Bruce Johnson updated the Board on the activities of the Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department during last week's fire activity near Tellico Village. There have been a couple of small brush fires in Tellico Village over the last month, but our TVVFD volunteers were able to put those down. The TVVFD and other departments responded to a fairly significant brush fire off of Highway 72 last week. As a result and reminder from that fire, Villagers are encouraged to sign up for reverse 911 on their cell phone to help with

emergency notifications. See this Tell-E-Gram on page 5 for details on how to do that.

Golf's Greatest Hits of 2016

By Winston Blazer, General Manager

Editor's Note: This is a second in a series to highlight some of the great accomplishments of our various departments within the POA.

Last week I wrote about a lot of good things that the team at Public Works accomplished this year. This week, I wanted to pass along good news of the fantastic year our golf professionals and turfgrass teams had this year.

Let's first look at the extremely unusual weather presented to us in 2016. We experienced weather challenges all year that made for periods of limited play and times when our turfgrass team stepped up to keep our greens healthy. The result: No turf lost during this difficult period (a lot of our local competitors were not so fortunate). However, the extreme conditions took its toll on rounds played.

All in all, our staff did a great job of battling the elements and controlling costs during this period resulting in excellent playing conditions this fall and our golf department budget being in good shape as we close in on year-end.

Director of Golf Jim West and his staff have continued in 2016 to market golf to newcomers and Villagers who may not play as much as they once did. The result: our New Villagers outings on Thursday afternoons are breaking records for participation every time they tee it up. The average number of New Villagers players in 2016 exceeded the all-time previous single day record. Men's and Ladies Leagues continued through summer heat with increases in participation in their numbers.

Our turfgrass team tried something new in 2016, and it was a grand slam. They eschewed the tried and true aerification methods of punching and sanding the greens and went with the new state-of-the-art DryJect method for the fall aerification. This new idea delivered on two important points: First, all three courses were complete in three days instead of over three weeks; Second, all the greens returned to excellent playing condition in an amazingly short amount of time. If you have played golf in the last month, you know how fantastic our surfaces are due in no small part to this new method.

Finally, I want to mention a few personnel notes. In January, we hired a new Assistant Golf Professional. Casey Flenniken is a real gem. Not only is an excellent pro, as a golfer he's the best PGA Assistant Professional in the state of Tennessee. He is a fantastic addition to our staff of Adam Jacob and Jeff Herrington under Jim West's leadership.

Our new superintendent at the Links of Kahite is Jordan Clark. Jordan proved his mettle working under the wing of Chris Sykes at Toqua Golf Club. Chris continues to do a tremendous job and is recognized in the industry as one of the very best superintendents in our region. A special congratulations goes out to Tanasi Superintendent, Wells McClure, for becoming a dad for the first time this year: Congrats, Wells.

Our golfing culture and practices at Tellico Village are second to none. I would stack us up against the very best golf courses and complexes in the southeastern U.S. Golf is just one of the reasons it's better at Tellico Village.

Holiday trash schedule

There will be **no change** to the Santek schedule:

- Christmas, Dec. 25, falls on a Sunday.
- New Year's Day falls on a Sunday.

For questions or more information, call Santek at 844-500-1161.

Attention Property Owners:

The 2017 TVPOA Assessment Coupons have been mailed out. Please watch your mail delivery for the 2017 Coupons.

As a reminder, don't forget to pay your December 2016 assessment as well. Sometimes, Villagers forget to pay the December payment when they receive the coupons for the new assessment year.

Also, during the 2017 fiscal year, the monthly assessment is \$123.48. When paying please make sure you do the **exact** amount instead of rounding. When paying more than one month, please use the chart on the opposite side of the coupon tickets for the breakdown. It helps if the exact amount is paid. It helps with bookkeeping.

Thank you, and have a happy holiday season.

Christmas events in the area

Thursday, December 8 – Evening with Santa: 6-7:30 p.m., War Memorial Building, Lenoir City. Lenoir City Parks & Recreation would like to invite children and families to attend an evening with Santa. This event includes one on one time with Santa, light refreshments, a gift, a big screen movie, crafts, games, and a keepsake photo of your child with Santa and Mrs. Claus. This event is free.

Friday, December 9 – Decorating the Christmas Tree in Downtown Loudon: 9-11 a.m., downtown Loudon. Children from Loudon Elementary, Steekee Elementary and Philadelphia Elementary will be downtown decorating the Christmas tree with handmade decorations.

Saturday, December 10 – Lunch with Santa: Noon, Loudon Parks & Recreation building. Call 865-458-7525 to register for this event.

Saturday, December 10 – Loudon Christmas Parade: Line up at 5 p.m. on Carter Street (next to Loudon High School); Parade begins at 6 p.m. Register your float by calling Loudon Parks & Recreation at 865-458-7525 for the chance to win a prize!

Monday, December 12 – Annual Tree Lighting and Teddy Bear Collection at Ft. Loudoun Medical Center: 1 p.m. Tree Lighting in the FLMC Main Lobby. FLMC is collecting teddy bears this holiday season – these will be given to our patients throughout the year to help ease anxieties during hospital visits. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided. Hope to see you there!

Tennessee ID Services in Village 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15

The State of Tennessee offers a unique opportunity for Veterans called the "Highways for Heroes Program." Through this program, Tennesseans are able to take advantage of various identification services right in the comfort of their own community. On Thursday, Dec. 15, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., the Tennessee mobile unit will be set up in the parking lot at the corner of Chota Road and Highway 444, immediately in front of the Lakeside Real Estate offices. The mobile unit travels the state to issue Veteran designated driver licenses and Commercial Driver Licenses (CDL) to eligible Veterans and Service Members.

Special thanks to Lakeside Real Estate Group for providing parking, restrooms, coffee, and the

Loudon County Clerk's office (located there Thursdays) providing license plates. Even though the program is designed to bring these services to Veterans, **ALL** Villagers are invited to participate.

Safety: A Message from American Legion Tellico Lake Post 256

Situational awareness is of the utmost importance. As we get older we sometimes forget to look around and observe our surroundings and who is near or looking at an easy mark. Unfortunately, that usually is an older person. If you are walking to or from your vehicle, in a mall or other shopping area, especially at night, look around. If you feel you are being targeted: walk faster, try to get into a group, get someone's attention. Pressing the alarm button on your vehicle's key will always bring attention and usually cause the bad guy to flee. When held properly the point of a key can be used as a weapon for self defense.

Loudon County Reverse 911

There is a free emergency notification system service to all citizens of Loudon County operated by the Loudon County E-911 Center along with the Loudon County Emergency Management/ Homeland Security Agency who have teamed up to provide a notification system to provide emergency alerts to citizens in times of natural or man-made disasters. Any Loudon County citizen can sign up to receive alerts via: text message, voice mail, email, mobile phone, and traditional landline phones. Potential notifications can include weather alerts, missing children, law enforcement events, and hazardous material events. Sign up via the internet at: www.loudoncounty911.org or www.loudoncountymanagement.org/index.php, or by calling: 865-458-7298.

Yacht Club and Tanasi Bar & Grill

- NEW! Tanasi Bar & Grill is now delivering dinner 4:30-7:30 p.m. every day. Call for details: 865-458-9392.
- The **Toqua Café** is available for holiday parties for up to 60 guests.
- Holiday schedule:
 - The **Yacht Club** will be closed Friday, Dec. 16, for special scheduled events.
 - The **Yacht Club** will be closed Dec. 23-29 and will open for regular hours Friday, Dec. 30.
 - **Tanasi Bar & Grill** will be closed Christmas Eve and Christmas, Dec. 24-25.
 - **Tanasi Bar & Grill** will have a special **New Year's Day Brunch Buffet 9 a.m.-3 p.m.** There will be a live omelet and carving station. The spread will include breakfast favorites and traditional New Year's meals. The regular menu will be available at 4 p.m.
- Tanasi menu: www.tellicovillagepoa.org/images/tellico/pdfs/ta-menu.pdf
- Yacht Club menu: www.tellicovillageyachtclub.com

Tanasi Bar and Grill: 865-458-9392

Toqua Café: 865-458-1330

Yacht Club: 865-458-4363

Chat with the PR Manager December 8

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 Welcome Center Thursday, Dec. 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to answer YOUR questions. Who knows who else will stop by to chat or to answer your questions.

WHAT: PR Manager answers your questions

WHERE: Tellico Village Welcome Center

WHEN: Thursday, Dec. 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

See you Thursday!

Loudon County Clerk's TV Satellite Office Open Thursdays

The Loudon County Clerk's office is assisting customers with the following services: Vehicle registrations, vehicle renewals, duplicate titles, handicap applications. The office space is located at: 100 Chota Center, courtesy of Lakeside Real Estate Group. Hours are: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Thursdays to serve Loudon County residents. Services offered include vehicle registrations, vehicle renewals, duplicate titles, and handicap applications.

The 2016 US Election: Simply Amazing!

The Donald's Campaign Miracle and President-Elect Trump's Governing Challenge

Tellico Village University is completing its second year with a major presentation featuring Maryville College Political Science Professor Dr. Mark O'Gorman, 9-11 a.m. Monday, Dec. 12, Yacht Club Gallery.

No American election in recent memory has been as unexpected or intense as 2016. Campaign rhetoric not seen in nearly a century; unpredicted electoral outcomes; and astounding policy promises are topics students in this two-hour course will study in our review of the unexpected election of the 45th US President, Donald J. Trump.

Hour One discusses *Campaigning*, with particular focus on the "Trump Miracle" – how Donald Trump overcame enormous odds to win both the GOP nomination and the American Presidency. Participants will learn how to evaluate public opinion polls and to defend (or amend) the Electoral College in this hour.

In Hour Two, the class shifts to *Governing*. What campaign promises can President-Elect Trump fulfill, while mending fences all but destroyed during his fiery campaign? Participants will suggest their idea of next year's US Federal Budget, debating what Trump policies might work, or not.

Dr. Mark O'Gorman teaches courses at Maryville College in public policy and in political campaigns and elections. He has consulted with White House staff on policy issues and has been a frequent on-air political expert for local media, including National Public Radio in East Tennessee on Election Night 2016.

Registration is requested so we may plan seating. Register at the TVU website at www.tvuniversity.org. Contact Us page. A confirmation will be sent. A waiting list will be maintained. There is no tuition for this program.

Some Other Stuff You Need to Know...

Clubs NOT meeting in December

The Tellico Village Yacht Club has informed us the following clubs will NOT be meeting in December: Art Guild, California Club, Roadrunners, Top Notes, TV Riders, and Village Vettes.

Computer Users Club meets Dec. 6

The Tellico Village Computer Users Club will hold a general meeting, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 6, in the Christian Life Center of the Community Church at Tellico Village. (Note the new location.) After announcements and committee reports, the following program will be presented: SMARTPHONES 101. Gary R., Elaine N., and others will tell us what makes it a Smart Phone, a brief history, why might we want one, common terms, simple explanation how they work, some options that are available, should we consider Android vs. Apple, and some common and rather valuable uses.

There will be door prizes for several of those 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 of Rec Center at 3 p.m. Visitors are welcome at both meetings. Visit our Website at www.TVCUC.org.

Ladies Book Club meets Dec. 8

The Tellico Village Ladies Book Club will meet Thursday, Dec. 8, in the Tanasi Clubhouse for an 11:30 a.m. lunch followed by a 12:15 p.m. discussion of the fiction "Gift from the Sea," by Anne Murrow Lindbergh. The discussion will be led by Alice Krause and Mary Garner. Bring a book for a child! For more information, contact Bette Purvis at 865-458-8070.

Surviving the Holidays Dec. 8

Wondering how you will survive the weeks surrounding Christmas? Are you dreading this holiday, knowing that everything has changed and that happy memories from past years cannot be recreated?

This is a Grief Share program. Join us for a pizza social 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, at Christ Our Savior Church, 260 Wade Road West. RSVP to 865-657-3300 or 865-458-9407. Our Surviving the Holidays seminar is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death. You will learn:

- How to deal with the many emotions you'll face during the holidays
- What to do about traditions and other coming changes
- Helpful tips for surviving social events
- How to discover hope for your future

Rummikub changes location of Dec. 8 meeting

Rummikub group meets for lunch at noon followed by play 1-4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, will be held at Classico Italian Restaurant (note new location). This Rummikub group meets 1-4 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. For more information, call Carol Sweeney, 856-657-3110.

Rummikub Christmas Party Dec. 8

Join us for a Rummikub Christmas part 6:30-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, Chota Recreation Center. Bring an appetizer to share while enjoying fellowship and playing Rummikub. RSVP to Suzy Holcomb at 865-657-9052.

Quilters meet Dec. 9

The Village Quilters will meet 9:15 a.m. Friday, Dec. 9, at Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church. The meeting will be followed by luncheon in the Yacht Club. For more information, go to www.villagequilters.com.

Hike Indian Boundary Reservoir Dec. 12

The Muddy Boots Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Monday, Dec. 12, from Chota Center (across from the gas station), to hike:

- Indian Boundary Reservoir

- Distance: 4 miles
- Rating: Easy
- Leader: Garry Lucas

Hiking boots and hiking sticks are recommended. Driving directions will be provided the morning of the hike. Bring water, a snack, 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.telliconewillagers.com/muddy-boots.

Hike East Lakeshore Trail Dec. 20

Join us on Dec. 20 when we will hike the Wildcat Point Spur of the East Lakeshore Trail. This 2.5-mile hike provides beautiful views 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. Hikers coming from Kahite, can meet us around 9:20 a.m. at the Peterson Road Trailhead, which is at the intersection of Peterson Road and East Coast Tellico Parkway. 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 2.5- to 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 and Jon Foreman. For additional information, feel free to contact: Larry at lelder49@gmail.com or 865-657-9722, or Jon at for4man@charter.net or 412-337-5500.

Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast Thursdays

Every Thursday morning, 8-9 a.m., there is a group of men who meet at the Tanasi Clubhouse for breakfast, for fellowship and to hear a short devotional thought. The group is non-denominational and is called Christian Men's Fellowship Breakfast. All men are welcome. Any questions, call Larry Denney (865-408-9725) or Bob Ericson (865-458-9877).

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.

Library Corner

- **Dec. 12 and 16, 9:30-11:30 a.m.:** A two-session iPad Class is scheduled in the conference room, with instructor Karen Brown. The class covers Settings, Safari, iTunes, Email, Calendars, Downloading books from the Library, and much more. Please sign up at the Library; \$10 fee covers both classes.
- **Dec. 14, 11 a.m.-noon:** "Embrace the Holiday Spirit!" will be presented by Dr. Kendra Styron, of Complete Chiropractic & Wellness Center. This is part of Dr. Styron's series, Healthy Holiday HOT TOPICS, and will offer 7 Techniques to Avoid the Winter Blues.

Charitable activities in the area

Mitten Drive through Dec. 21

Spread the warmth: New or handmade hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, and socks for children and adults are needed for children and adults in Loudon and Monroe counties. Your donated items will be distributed by the Good Samaritan Center and the Good Shepherd. You can drop off items at the Wellness Center Christmas Tree, the Chota Rec Center Christmas Tree, or the Community Church at Tellico Village's Wishing Well.

Looking for a holiday volunteer opportunity?

The Elf Project for a Child's Christmas needs volunteers for this year's Christmas season. Operating in Loudon, Monroe and Knox counties, The Elf Project is a unique combination of donations and volunteers who accompany parents on a shopping trip for their kids.

It doesn't take much to become an Elf Volunteer: just a commitment of \$50 per child **and/or** about an hour of time to meet and shop with a parent. This shopping outing can be one of the best experiences you have this Christmas.

For more information, please visit our website: theelfproject.org or contact founder Sandra McEntire at theelfproject@gmail.com.

United Way Update

The campaign is entering its last month and the results thus far are:

Total Donated - \$69,121 76.8% of the \$90,000 Goal

Number of donors – 345

Leadership Donors (>\$250) - \$49,606 64.5 % of total donations

New Donors – 16

Previous donors not yet donating – 209

Thus it can be seen that although we are over $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way to the goal, there is still considerable potential in the village for additional donations.

Your donation is, of course, tax deductible if you itemize your deductions. Even if you do, the tax break you get may be limited based on your income and level of your donation deductions. There is a way for those who have IRA's to donate and get a full tax deduction. This can be done by making a **Qualified Charitable Deduction** from the IRA. Doing this avoids the tax you normally have to pay when you withdraw funds, either directly or as a **Required Minimum Distribution**. If this is an option, discuss it with your financial advisor.

Thanks to great cooperation from the management and staff at TV Broadcasting, we have recently completed filming a video in support of the current campaign. It features four of the partner agencies and shows how the grants from UWLC, supported by your donations, are financing their efforts. The agencies/programs highlighted in the video are:

- The Panther Pack program operated by the LC School System Family Resource Center, but funded by a UWLC grant through the Good Samaritan Center, which provides weekend snack packets to indigent children;
- The Technology Access Program operated by the Computer Users Club which provides computer systems to needy families;
- The Changing Strides Program operated by STAR which rehabilitates children in legal trouble because of disciplinary problems;
- The Boys and Girls Club of Lenoir City which provides after school activities to local school children.

The video can be seen either on Channel 3, Channel 193 on Spectrum TV or accessed via the internet at [Unite Way-2016-Vimeo](http://UniteWay-2016-Vimeo)

In addition to these organizations, UWLC supports 30 other partner agencies. Some of what your donations provide these agencies are:

\$200 – Salvation Army of Loudon County: Help with prescriptions for a needy family;

\$300 – Helen Ross McNabb Center: 2 complete days of Residential Substance Abuse Rehabilitation treatment;

\$100 – Kids First Child Advocacy Center of the 9th Judicial Circuit: workbooks to support education about bullying, physical abuse, internet safety, internet bullying and dating;

\$200 – East Tennessee Kidney Foundation: transportation for dialysis treatment for 4 indigent patients for one month.

These are but a few examples of the power of your donation. Each of the 34 partner agencies has similar information about the results the grants from UWLC provide.

So, if you have already donated we THANK YOU. If not, please mail your check to Bob Mugge at 118 Oostanali Way, Loudon TN, 37774.

Holiday Announcement from UPS

UPS will be making deliveries in the Toqua Neighborhood via a golf cart with trailer. This will provide an earlier delivery time for the residents of Toqua and eliminate the need for a larger UPS vehicle to be in that neighborhood late in the evening. Thank you, and keep an eye out for delivery drivers bearing gifts.