

## Tell-E-Gram Text Only Version, Dec. 9, 2016

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

- **Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 15, POA Conference Room**
- **Finance Advisory Committee, 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 16, POA Conference Room**
- **Dock Captains, 3 p.m. Monday, Dec. 19, POA Conference Room**
- **Golf Advisory Committee, 3 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 20, POA Conference Room**

### **Tellico Village Golf Director Wins Multiple Awards**

Tellico Village's Director of Golf Jim West garnered two prestigious awards presented at the Knoxville Chapter of the Tennessee Section PGA of America Christmas and Annual Awards Dinner Monday night, Dec. 5, at Cafe 4 in Market Square in downtown Knoxville. This is the second year in a row for West for these particular awards.

"I was humbled and honored to receive two awards again this year," said West. "I owe my recognition to the strong support from my wife, Nikki, and my talented and supportive staff at Tellico Village."

West was presented with the Bill Strausbaugh Award for mentoring PGA Professionals and the Horton Smith Award for contributions to educational programs in the golf industry. This is two in a row in both award categories for West having won these same awards for 2015.

"It comes as no surprise to us here in Tellico Village that Jim (West) was recognized again last night," said Tellico Village General Manager Winston Blazer. "He and his staff of golf professionals and greens superintendents provide our community with great courses and a fun golf culture. I'm also proud of our other PGA staff members who were nominated."

Other Tellico Village PGA professionals nominated for awards this year are Adam Jacob nominated for the Growth of the Game Award and Junior Golf Leader; Jeff Harrington was nominated for Teacher of the Year; and Casey Flenniken was nominated for the Junior Golf Leader and Assistant of the Year.

### **Leaf Pickup**

Newer Villagers may not realize there are two leaf pickup crews that service Tellico Village for leaf pickup. We will try as best we can to let Villagers know when the crews are hitting what areas of the Village.

One crew is in Tanasi and will be in the Tecumseh Way area today and again on Monday. Due to the workload, there is a dedicated team for the Toqua Neighborhood. That team will be in the Chunaloti area starting on Monday. Thank you for your patience.

### **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**

**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, Jan. 12**

**Due to the disaster relief and recovery effort in Gatlinburg, TN, the Governor has ordered the Highway for Heroes program to Sevier County (originally scheduled for Dec. 15 in Tellico Village) to assist with drivers' licenses and other documents.**

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, Jan. 12, 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.

## **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.
- **Music Monday** Dec. 19, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Christmas in July with Bary Jolly, Tanasi Bar & Grill.
- 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](http://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/images/tellico/pdfs/ta-menu.pdf)
- Yacht Club menu: [www.tellicovillageyachtclub.com](http://www.tellicovillageyachtclub.com)

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

**Toqua Café: 865-458-1330**

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

## **Recent Events and Bragging Rights**

### **Quilters donate to relief efforts**

Monday, Dec. 5th, the Quilting Room at The Chota Rec Center was bustling with 43 quilters putting together quilts for the Gatlinburg fire victims. When the day ended 60 quilts were ready to be delivered to a quilters group that is gathering quilts, afghans and hand crafted blankets for distribution.

On Friday when the Village Quilters guild meets, more quilts will be collected from the membership and some of those quilts will go to Athens for victims of the tornado.

This year Village Quilters have donated more than 400 quilts to charitable groups in the Loudon and Monroe counties.

## **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 45<sup>th</sup> 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](http://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...**

### **Vote for Smoky Mountain Service Dogs**

Smoky Mountain Service Dogs is one of nine finalists in BB&T's "Shine a Light" contest! The nine finalists were selected by BB&T, and the grand prize winner will be selected by the public—and the grand prize is \$10,000!

Now we need your help—please go to [shinealight.bbt.com](http://shinealight.bbt.com) to vote for SMSD. You can vote from Dec. 8-Dec. 16. You can see all nine finalist stories at the website—but we know you'll vote for SMSD. Visitors to the site can vote only once.

Please share this with your families, friends and clubs and ask everyone to vote. Our wounded veterans and all members of the SMSD organization thank you!

### **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.

### **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](http://www.telliconewillagers.com/muddy-boots).

### **STAYinTV chat session Dec. 15**

Need information about STAYinTV, an aging in place program, share your experiences, or just chat with us? We will be at the Welcome Center:

WHAT: STAYinTV answers your questions

WHERE: Tellico Village Welcome Center

WHEN: Thursday, Dec. 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Stop by and say hello.

### **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](mailto:lelder49@gmail.com) or 865-657-9722, or Jon at [for4man@charter.net](mailto:for4man@charter.net) or 412-337-5500.

### **January Ladies Luncheon & Fashion Show—RSVP by Dec. 22**

Tellico Village Ladies Luncheon & Fashion Show will be held on Wednesday, Jan. 4, at the Yacht Club. Fashions will be presented by the Good Neighbors Shoppe along with music provided by Peggy Bastien. Doors open at 10 a.m. for your shopping convenience with lunch being served promptly at 11:30 a.m.. Our charity bakers will be baking to benefit the Tennessee Blue Bird Society with desserts available for purchase at the luncheon. Our vendors this month will include Melinda Semer (The Granola Lady), Betty Cheshire (DoTerra Essential Oils), Jim Farmer (Humorous Author), Denise Burchfield (Naughty Gecko Handicrafts) and Good Neighbors Shoppe. The cold weather menu is a 12-hour Braised Short Rib on top of Whipped Potatoes with Seasonal Vegetables. Rolls, coffee, tea, and water included. Reservations can be made along with cash or check for \$15 payable to TV Yacht Club at the Yacht Club by the early deadline of Dec. 22.

### **Meet Leela, the Pet of the Week**

Meet the one-eyed cat who will melt your heart.

Meet Leela, this one-eyed cat is a purring machine. Leela, is an 11-month old indoor only cat who, thanks to Second Chance Pals, had surgery for an eye injury. Her second chance will mean some lucky human will soon have the friendliest cat she/he ever met. Leela will be an ideal lap warmer this winter because she prefers cuddling over eating. This amazing feline had a litter of kittens and nursed an orphaned litter of five kittens. Now she deserves someone to care for her! Don't miss this opportunity to add the friendliest cat you will ever meet to your household. Leela and many of the other cats and dogs at the Monroe County Animal Shelter are ready for immediate adoption—all testing, vaccinations, chip and alter are already done. Bring a pet carrier—they are waiting for you! Get a gift certificate for someone looking for a companion.

Call the Monroe County Animal Shelter is located at 170 Kefauver Lane in Madisonville (behind Wal-Mart) and is open Tuesday-Friday from 10-5 and Saturdays from 10-2. The shelter is closed to the public on Sunday and Monday. Call 423-442-1015 and check out all available pets on our web site at [www.friendsofanimalsmc.org](http://www.friendsofanimalsmc.org) TN Monroe County Animal Shelter is the official Facebook page for the Monroe County Animal Shelter. Adoption Gift Certificates available all year.

### **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.

## **Fore the Love of the Game—Golf News and Events**

Kahite - 423-884-6108

Toqua - 865-458-6546

Tanasi - 865-458-4707

### **"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.

#### **MGA dues for 2017**

The Men's Golf Association ("MGA") wants to remind all members that 2017 dues are due starting Jan. 1, 2017. Checks for \$37, made payable to TV MGA can be mailed to or dropped at any of the three Village Golf Pro Shops. Payments received after Nov. 1, 2016, will be applied to 2017 dues.

MGA dues cover the cost of maintaining, for each member, a USGA Handicap Index issued through the Tennessee Golf Association. Dues are also used to provide prizes for tournaments and refreshments for events sponsored by the MGA.

You will automatically become an MGA member by paying the \$37 dues. Check the MGA website for a calendar of golfing events. There are a mix of individual, two man and four man events with a shotgun start in prime golf time. It's a great way to meet other golfers. Come on out and join your neighbors in our Thursday golf game.

## **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](http://theelfproject.org) or contact founder Sandra McEntire at [theelfproject@gmail.com](mailto:theelfproject@gmail.com).

## United Way Update

Progress continues to be made in reaching the Village campaign goal of \$90,000. Currently, donations total \$77,488 which is 86.1% of the goal. A total of 391 individuals/families (only 8.7% of residents) have contributed with an average donation of \$198.18. Significantly, of these donors, 78 are leadership givers donating at least \$250; this equates to 64% of the total donated to date. Twenty-one new donors have joined in. Unfortunately, many who have donated in the past have not yet made a contribution to the current campaign. Were they to do so we would exceed the goal. So, if you have donated in the past but have not done so this year, please join us again with a contribution.

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 your 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.

In cooperation with TV Broadcasting a video (link: [Unite Way-2016-Vimeo](#) or on Charter Channel 193 or Spectrum 193 at 1 p.m.) has been produced that features four of the partner agencies that are supported by UWLC. Based on viewership data many of you have taken the time to view it and have hopefully learned more about how the dollars donated are working to improve life for residents of Loudon County.

Interestingly, three of the four featured agencies are involved, in some fashion, with remediating the impact of poverty on children. There are quite a few more partners that work in this area as well. This indicates that Loudon County has a significantly large portion of its population living at or below the poverty level as designated by the government.

Poverty has an insidious effect on children and their chances for future success in life. Children who are hungry or do not get proper rest have their performance in school adversely affected. This, in turn has serious repercussions on their ability to learn the skills they need to succeed in our increasingly technically complicated economy. Your donations give TAP the resources to provide computer systems to poor families, Panther Pack to provide weekend snack packs for children in the school system whose meals are subsidized and the Boys and Girls Club to give free tuition to attend their programs for children whose parents cannot afford the cost.

As has been emphasized, your donations are used strictly for the benefit of residents of Loudon County. Please donate, if you have not already done so, and have a significant impact on the life of your fellow residents of our county, particularly its children and elderly residents.

## Reminder from the Fire Chief

Getting a first responder on scene to render pre-hospital care is important, and saving time often improves the outcome. Every time there is a large fund raising event at the Yacht Club, the volume of vehicles is extensive as compared to normal operations. People are routinely illegally parking on the access driveway since the parking lot is overwhelmed. Trying to get a fire engine or ambulance in quickly may become an impossible task. **Please park responsibly; you may just save a life.**

## 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.