

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

- **POA Board Meeting, 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15, Yacht Club**

**Pool Temperature**

**Simon Bradbury, Recreational Director**

We had a meeting with roughly 35 concerned villagers at the Wellness Center during my posted time of 1:00 -3:00 pm every Monday to discuss any recreation concerns or ideas people may have. The issue today was regarding the pool temperatures. At some point the temperatures in the main pool went up to 88 and 100 in the warm water therapy pool. This is unhealthy and very damaging to the equipment and I needed to bring it back down to safe levels.

The Main Pool is a multi-use pool with a variety of temperatures for each user group. For example, for competitive swimming the temp should be 78 – 80, for senior citizen and special populations 84 -86, recreational swimming is 82.5, youth instruction is 84 – 89, and group fitness 83 – 86. We have all of these groups using our pool, and it is important to find a medium temperature for all and I set the temperature at 85. The group expressed their concerns and ideas in a productive manner and in an appropriate setting. As a group we agreed 86 degrees would be the best solution and workable for everyone. We discussed the need for standard thermometers in each pool that would be easy to read, and I am going to order some ASAP. We all agreed that the main pool would be set at 86 but that the unit would fluctuate the temperature a bit and would stay as close to 86 as possible.

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

The Tellico Village Hiking Club will depart 8 a.m. Friday, Feb. 10, from Chota Center, to hike:

- **SCHOOLHOUSE GAP LOOP** (Note change in schedule. Cove Mountain Trail is closed due to the fires. Hopefully this hike can be rescheduled later this year.)
- Distance: 8.9 miles
- Elevation Gain: 500 feet
- Rating: Moderate
- Driving Time: 1.25 hours
- Leader: Terry Nyenhuis, 865-206-9476 or [terrynyenhuis@gmail.com](mailto:terrynyenhuis@gmail.com)

We'll begin this hike 3.9 miles towards Cades Cove from the Townsend "Y" on Laurel Creek Road. We'll hike 1.1 miles up the Schoolhouse Gap trail, then turn left on Turkeypen Ridge trail for 3.6 miles to Laurel Creek Road. We'll cross the road and hike 2.8 miles on Finley Cane trail to Bote Mountain trail. We'll then hike this trail downhill 1.4 miles to Laurel Creek Road a short distance from where we began. Most of the hike will be an easy walk in the woods. There is an elevation gain of 200 feet in the first mile, then 300 feet in the first 3/4 mile of Turkeypen Ridge trail.

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).

### **VFW meets Feb. 15**

The next regular meeting of the 1st Lt. Alexander Bonnyman, Jr., VFW Post 12135 will take place 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15 (third Wednesday), on the top floor of the Yacht Club. For more information, contact Jim (JJ) Jorgensen at 865-458-9877 or Tellico VFWPost@aol.com.

### **Thyme for Herbs meets Feb. 16**

Thyme for Herbs' February general meeting is an *Herbal Lovers Tea* on Feb. 16, 9 a.m., at the Chota Recreation Center. The event will begin with a program about "Herbal Lore for Lovers and the History of St. Valentine." Tea will be served during the program along with herbal sweet and savory treats prepared by members. Guests are welcome! For more information call Mary Garner at 865-408-0337.

### **Art Guild meets Feb. 16**

The Art Guild of Tellico Village will meet 9:30 a.m. Thursday, Feb. 16, beginning with light refreshments at the Tellico Village Yacht Club. The meeting will feature Jerry's Artarama as the guest presentation following the business meeting. Come and find out about all of the workshops and special events planned for the next few months. Guests are welcome to attend.

### **STAYinTV chat session Feb. 16**

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, Feb. 16, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Stop by and say hello.

For more information, go to [www.STAYinTV.org](http://www.STAYinTV.org).

### **Tellico Players first production of 2017: Ken Ludwig's mystery-farce *The Game's Afoot***

Rehearsals are underway for the Tellico Community Players first production of 2017, Ken Ludwig's award-winning mystery-farce *The Game's Afoot*. Production dates are Feb. 16-18 and 23-26, with veteran actor and director Helen Nicholson directing.

Reserved seats at \$21 are now on sale on the Tellico Community Players website. Go to [www.TellicoCommunityPlayhouse.org](http://www.TellicoCommunityPlayhouse.org) and click on tickets. The box office at the Playhouse also is open beginning Monday, Feb. 6 (10 a.m.-2 p.m.).

An award-winning mystery-farce, *The Game's Afoot* takes place in December 1936, when William Gillette, admired by all for his leading role in the play *Sherlock Holmes*, has invited his fellow cast-members to his Connecticut castle for a weekend party. But when one of the guests is stabbed to death, the festivities in this isolated house quickly turn dangerous.

Then it is up to Gillette himself, as he assumes the persona of his beloved Holmes, to track down the killer before the next victim appears. The danger and hilarity are non-stop in this prize-winning whodunit. Ken Ludwig won the Mystery Writers of America Edgar Award for Best Play of 2012 for the *The Game's Afoot*.

The cast of eight includes: Joel Bonnan as William Gillette, Mary Gene Brancik as Gillette's mother Martha, Len Willis as Felix Geisel, Jo Beliles as Madge Geisel, Aaron VanLandingham as Simon Bright, Sauni Rinehart as Aggie Wheeler, Debbie Mayberry as Inspector Goring and Cindy Archer as gossip columnist Daria Chase.

The producer is Jean Mallet; assistant director is Betty Ann Sterner.

Find out more about this Sherlock Homes murder/ mystery/ comedy written by internationally acclaimed playwright Ken Ludwig on Tellico Village Broadcasting Charter channel 193 at 4 p.m. or click this link and watch the preview anytime <https://vimeo.com/202239605> , on the internet go to the Tellico Community website for complete details. <http://www.tellicocommunityplayhouse.org/>.

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

**Kahite - 423-884-6108**

**Toqua - 865-458-6546  
-4707**

**Tanasi - 865-458**

### **2017 Winter Classic Feb. 25**

Tellico Village's first golf event of the year is Saturday, Feb. 25, at Tanasi Golf Course! Starting time will be a 10 a.m. shotgun. 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 Net Team Stableford. The entry fee is \$15 per person excluding green fees and cart. Beer and soft drinks will be served following play!

Please join me in making this event a success! You may email me at [cflenniken@tvpoa.org](mailto:cflenniken@tvpoa.org) to sign up!  
Sincerely, Casey Flenniken

### **Spring Golf Clinics**

Is your game where you want it to be? There is no better time to start improving your game than right now! Temperatures will be warming up soon and we want to give you the opportunity to lower your scores and have MORE FUN doing it!

#### **Ladies Golf Clinics Wednesday Afternoons at TOQUA**

2 SESSIONS EACH DAY: Noon-1 p.m. or 1-2 p.m.

##### Schedule:

- March 1 - Full Swing
- March 8 - Chipping/Pitching
- March 15 - Short Irons
- March 22 - Long Irons/Hybrids
- March 29 - Fairway Woods
- April 5 - Drivers
- April 12 - Putting
- April 26 - Full Swing

#### **Men's Golf Clinics Tuesday Afternoons at TOQUA**

1 SESSION EACH DAY: 2-3 p.m.

##### Schedule:

- March 7 - Full Swing
- March 14 - Chipping/Pitching
- March 21 - Short Irons
- March 28 - Long Irons/Hybrids
- April 4 - Fairway Woods
- April 11 - Drivers
- April 18 - Putting
- April 25 - Full Swing

##### Important Information

- Maximum Student-Teacher Ratio will be 5:1 to guarantee all students receive ample amount of 1-on

-1 instruction.

- Students must sign up for EACH session individually
- The cost of each session is \$20 per student

Sign up for one, two, three or all classes. Call Toqua Golf Shop at 865-458-6546 to sign up! Space is limited to the first 10 students for each session so CALL NOW! Classes will fill up fast!

See you on the course!

Adam Jacob, PGA. Head Golf Professional  
Toqua Golf Course

## **Fundraising Events**

### **Good Samaritan food drive Feb. 6-16**

The Tellico Village Women's Club (GFWC) is sponsoring a food drive for the Good Samaritan Center as our community project for this year. We will be collecting food in tubs placed at Chota Recreation Center, Wellness Center, Tanasi Clubhouse, and Tellico Village Welcome Center from Feb. 6 through Feb. 16. Good Sam has asked for bath soap, beef stew, box potatoes, canned pasta, canned chili, cooking oil, 2-lb. bag of corn meal, 1-lb bag of dried beans, feminine pads or tampons, 2-lb. bag of flour, instant pudding, oatmeal, peanut butter, and saltines. Please help support this effort to assist Good Samaritan to provide tons of food to needy people in Loudon County.

### **TV Lions' Chili/Soup Dinner Feb. 28**

The TV Lions are well into the planning phase of what provides everyone a great opportunity to get out of the house on these cold winter nights and eat a great meal and socialize with friends and neighbors – its annual Chili/Soup Dinner.

This is the club's first fund raising event of the year. The event will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 28, commencing at 4 p.m. and continuing until 7 p.m. As usual, it will be held in the Christian Life Center of the TV Community Church. Ticket prices are \$11/person in advance or \$13/person at the door. They can be purchased from any Lion or at Sloan's, United Community Bank, or Village Salon. If you don't know any Lions, call Marcia Higby at 865-458-9356 or Larry Stickler at 865-458-6582. This is a popular event and tickets are limited so get yours early.

You can support this and other Lions program by buying your ticket and joining your friends and neighbors for a great meal. The photo shows some of last year's attendees enjoying the menu which includes chili, soup, antipasto salad, garlic bread, assorted beverages and ice cream. Come one, come all.

### **MACA golf tourney March 18**

Please mark your calendar for the Monroe Area Council for the Arts (MACA) 8th ANNUAL SPRING OPEN Golf Tournament on Saturday, March 18, at The Links at Kahite.

The format for the tournament is a 4-person scramble. Because this is a scramble format, all men will play from white tees and all women will play from green tees. You can sign up as a team or individually (we will put teams together for individual signups). The entry fee is just \$85 per person, and includes:

- Green and cart fees and practice balls
- Complimentary beverage cart
- Fresh continental breakfast
- Signature Pasta Buffet lunch with homemade desserts
- Prizes for top finishing teams!

In addition to all of the above, you will also have an opportunity to win a NEW CAR, courtesy of Jacky

Jones Ford!

If you aren't familiar with the Monroe Area Council for the Arts, I encourage you to visit their website at [www.monroearts.com](http://www.monroearts.com). MACA is a truly wonderful organization that, in addition to offering a variety of different professional programs as a part of an annual performing season, MACA works with area schools, churches and civic organizations to provide arts education programs, artist residencies and more.

Please join me for a fun day of golf supporting this great organization.

## **Register now for these upcoming TVU courses**

Go to [www.tvuniversity.org](http://www.tvuniversity.org) for details and registration information

### **TAX LAW: Claiming Adult Dependents, Feb. 21**

Are you supporting an adult child or parent? Your son lost his job and just moved back home with you. Your daughter is getting a divorce and she and the kids will be living with you until she can get back on her feet. Are you making all the payments for your mother who is living in an assisted living facility? Or, Mom may still be living in her own home, but you and your siblings are paying all her expenses. The big tax question is: Can you claim an exemption for any of them on your own personal tax return?

Villager Marcia Bailey, a former Internal Revenue Service agent and educational outreach coordinator for the IRS, will discuss the tax law requirements for claiming an exemption. Come learn how you may be able to lower your tax liability and claim an exemption for your adult son, daughter, or parent.

The tuition for this course is \$5 payable to STAYinTV. Please cancel at least 1-3 days in advance if you are not able to attend.

### **LIVING WELL WITH DIABETES. An evidence-based program developed by Stanford University. March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, and April 6, 1-3 p.m., in the Kahite Annex**

Certified Diabetes Educator Jane Kelly, RN, leads other health professionals from the University of Tennessee Medical Center for this six-week workshop in diabetes management.

This class was such a great hit when we did it in the fall; we are doing it again!

Tellico Village University is collaborating with the University of Tennessee Education Program to bring a vital workshop to our residents. If you have diabetes, live with someone who has diabetes, or had your doctor inform you that you are pre-diabetic, you really need to attend these free sessions. Subjects covered include: 1) techniques to deal with the symptoms of diabetes, fatigue, pain, hyper/hypoglycemia, stress, and emotional problems such as depression, anger, fear, and frustration; 2) appropriate exercise for maintaining and improving strength and endurance; 3) healthy eating 4) appropriate use of medication; and 5) working more effectively with healthcare providers. Participants will make weekly action plans, share experiences, and help each other solve problems they encounter in creating and carrying out their self-management program. Physicians, diabetes educators, dietitians, and other health professionals both at Stanford and in the community have reviewed all materials in the workshop.

Each participant in the workshop receives a copy of the companion book, *Living a Healthy Life with Chronic Conditions, 4th Edition*, and an audio relaxation tape, provided free through a generous grant awarded to the Knox County Extension Agency. Worth you attendance alone!

This workshop is based on the work done by the Stanford Patient Education Research which saw that participants who completed the six-week workshop series showed significant improvements in management of depression, symptoms of hypoglycemia, communication with physicians, healthy eating; and reading and using food labels. They also had significant improvements in patient activation and self efficacy.

This course is free to all Tellico Village residents and our neighbors in the surrounding area. Registration is required through our website. A confirmation will be sent.

### **WORLD GEOGRAPHY: Humans and Their Environment, March 20**

Let's start at the beginning. This first course in world geography will help us appreciate the traditions that collectively make up geography and allow us to explore a number of ways in which the discipline has

relevance in the contemporary world. This course sets the stage for further study of geography through Tellico Village University.

If you are a naturally curious person who wonders about the myriad relationships that exist between human beings and their environment, this course is for you. Some of the possible issues discussed in this class include geographic learning as an antidote to isolationism/provincialism in an increasing globalizing world; how a better understanding of Middle Eastern geography might have altered United States foreign policy; and which is dominant – human beings or their environment

And the best part, to teach this course, we discovered a highly qualified and seasoned college professor just up the street. Villager Sam Sheldon, Ph.D., earned his doctorate in geography from Louisiana State University. His study of world geography has taken him to the classroom of many colleges and universities, including teaching on a voyage for Semester at Sea. He is anxious to share his experiences and insights with our Tellico Village neighbors.

This course is his introductory course in geography. We hope Sam will continue to share his expertise with additional short courses later this year.

Tuition for this course is \$10 payable to STAYinTV. Please cancel at least 1-3 days in advance if you are not able to attend.

### **TVPOA Board Statement on Deer in Kahite**

Recently, the POA has been asked for a statement regarding any current deer management activities in Kahite. The POA statement shared in the Tell-E-Gram yesterday was in error as this particular POA statement was issued back in October of 2016, in response to a previous deer management plan proposal. This previous POA statement was related to a former proposal from the Kahite Deer Management Committee (KDMC) to request that TRDA obtain a depredation permit directly from TWRA to conduct deer management activities on TRDA land. However, TRDA did not seek such a permit from TWRA and KDMC elected to pursue a different plan. KDMC then went to TWRA to seek depredation permits exclusively on private properties in Kahite. This is the plan that TWRA

ultimately approved and permitted. The POA's current statement regarding this deer management plan is as

follows.

**“The governing documents for the Tellico Village Property Owners Association, Inc. (POA) do not expressly prohibit hunting within Tellico Village. Moreover, the POA is not currently aware of any state laws or local ordinances that prohibit hunting on private property within the confines of Loudon or**

**Monroe County, Tennessee. Historically, the POA has not granted permission to hunt within the confines of Tellico Village, whether on private property or common properties controlled by the POA.**

**However, if the presence of wildlife creates a substantial nuisance on private property within Tellico Village (i.e., dangerous to life and property), a private property owner may seek to address any wildlife problem by creating a wildlife management plan and applying for a depredation permit from the**

**Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency (TWRA).**

**The POA recognizes TWRA as the authority in wildlife management in the State of Tennessee. The POA would accept TWRA's determination regarding the issuance of a depredation permit to manage wildlife overpopulation. A property owner is responsible for demonstrating to TWRA that particular**

**wildlife has created a problem on his or her property that is significant enough to warrant issuance of a TWRA depredation permit. Should TWRA issue any depredation permit in Tellico Village, the affected property owner is requested to provide a copy of such permit to the POA. However, the POA is informed that TWRA does not provide copies of permits issued for private properties.”**

The POA apologizes for any confusion that was caused by the inadvertent use of the previous statement referencing a different deer management plan which was never approved or implemented.

## SOFTBALL PLAYERS WANTED

The Tellico Men’s Senior Softball League (TMSSL) is scheduled to begin spring play, at the Loudon Municipal Park on Tuesday, March 21st and will continue for 10 weeks. The slow pitch, seven-inning league consists of five teams and they are looking for new players to fill anticipated vacancies. The league is in its 15th year of play is open to men in Loudon and surrounding counties. You DO NOT have to be a resident of Tellico Village.

The league is open to men 55 (by Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017) and over. All new players will be assigned to a team and are

guaranteed to play. Cost of \$50 (includes field rental for spring and fall seasons, spring picnic, year end pizza party, etc.). All players must sign a Team Waiver Form from Loudon County. Most players have not played ball since their youth but enjoy the camaraderie and have a chance to keep active.

There are some unique rules for this senior softball league that are intended to provide a margin of safety for the players. These include all bats/balls/bases are provided by the league, no contact rule for base running, 10 players in the field, extra bases at first and home plate and no metal spikes.

Games are played on Tuesdays at 1:00 PM; however, team warm ups/batting practice begin about noon. In addition to the Tuesday games, there are optional batting practices on Thursdays at noon.

All new players are required to attend at least one practice session March 2, 7, 9, or 14<sup>th</sup>. Players need a glove and are recommended to have softball shoes with rubber cleats.

If you would like to learn more about the league, you are invited to attend a meeting for new players Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:30 AM at the Chota Recreation Center in Tellico Village.

For additional information contact League Commissioner, David Davis at 458-0952

<b>Charter Channel 193 Schedule</b>	
<a href="http://www.TellicoVillageBroadcasting.org">www.TellicoVillageBroadcasting.org</a>	
8 a.m.	TV Lifestyle Coordinator
9 a.m.	POA Medical Center Report
10 a.m.	Rec Rap
11 a.m.	County Update
Noon	POA Board Update
1 p.m.	Pets and Their People
2 p.m.	TV Naturally—Tennessee State Parks
3 p.m.	Health Chat—Concierge Medicine
4 p.m.	Tellico Community Players
5 p.m.	POA Medical Center Report
6 p.m.	TV Naturally—Tennessee State Parks