



# TELL-E-GRAM

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## TELLICO VILLAGE INFRASTRUCTURE

By Winston Blazer, General Manager

In recent months, there has been much discussion surrounding the infrastructure of Tellico Village. In an effort to quell potential rumors, I wanted to talk about the current state of our infrastructure.

It's clear that our roads are the most used asset in the Village – being driven on by both Villagers and non-Villagers on a daily basis. Because of the heavy use of our roads, the Public Works Department began incorporating the use of pavement rejuvenation products into its preventative maintenance program in 1996. The purpose of this incorporation was to help extend the life of our pavement. These products include crack sealant, reclamite, and Pavement Dressing Conditioner.

In 2016, Jacobs Engineering conducted a road study and delivered a technical memorandum to the TVPOA. They came to the conclusion that our roads are in very good condition and “the efforts of the Public Works Department of maintaining the streets of Tellico Village have been successful while stretching its limited budget. The observed number of

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## POA MEETINGS AND EVENTS (RED DENOTES IRREGULARITY OF TIME, DAY, AND/OR LOCATION):

- December 6, 9 a.m., Public Services, POA Conference Room
- December 7, 9 a.m., ACC, POA Conference Room
- December 14, 9 a.m., Recreation Advisory Committee, Wellness Center
- December 15, 9 a.m., Finance Advisory Committee, POA Conference Room

pavement failures was relatively few... this speaks to a good design, construction, and maintenance of the streets". The memorandum also noted areas of the Village that needed some improvement, as well as recommendations as to how we can prolong the life of our roads. If you would like to view the full memorandum, please visit the TVPOA website, it is under the Public Works section.

In March 2017, PSAC Chairman Ken Holland requested that the Board appoint a Road Subcommittee to conduct a more extensive study of our roads and provide detailed recommendations. The committee was approved and consisted of Ken Holland and Charles Queener working directly with Public Works Director, Jeff Gagley.

After the committee was formed, they immediately began conducting extensive research on several topics related to pavement methods, pavement management systems, and pavement preservation. A variety of websites, magazines, articles, and webinars were reviewed by the committee. The team met with numerous asphalt and pavement preservation professionals both onsite and offsite. Those who visited Tellico Village were able to drive our roads and make various recommendations concerning future paving and preservation options.

You may recall that at the May Board Workshop, the team presented their findings. The presentation was recorded and provided a full report of their findings, as well as ten recommendations. The presentation itself is a little over an hour long. If you would like to view the full presentation, please visit Tellico Village Broadcasting's website at the following link: <https://vimeo.com/217169549>

Earlier in the fall, road rejuvenations began. HA5, a high density material bond, was applied in two coats on the Kahite and Wellness Center parking lots, as well as Dohi Road leading into the Center. HA5 is often used to combat asphalt deterioration from UV rays and harsh winters. Reclamite was also applied on the roads in Chatuga, Toqua Coves, and on Chota Road from the fire station to the northern connection to Highway 444. Reclamite is a rejuvenation product on the TDOT Qualified List and has been used for over 40 years. It re-balances the chemistry of the oxidized pavement, delays the aging process, and reverses premature aging.

On November 1st, the Public Services Advisory Committee toured some of the important areas that keep Tellico Village running. TVPOA Staff Engineer, Bud Murray, lead the tour. The first stop was the South Entrance Booster Station, which originally provided all of the water to the Village. There are now four other water stations that provide water to the Village. When needed, maintenance is still conducted on this specific station to assure that it is functional and operational.



The second stop was at the Sewage Station for the Food Lion complex. This specific station is similar to what is in our neighborhoods but it is a little larger in size. There are two pumps in this station. If there are any issues, the mission box will immediately alert Public Works. This is how we actively monitor the life of the system. Alarms will sound if there's water in the pumps or if any other problems arise. This system allows us to fix the pumps when needed and actually saves the POA money because it eliminates the need for replacements. There are two pumps shown in these photos. Each pump is able to size the other load so if one fails; it will pick up the slack.



The third stop on this tour was the ½ million gallon water tank by the Wellness Center. Installed in the early 1990's, it will supply water for the entire Village should there be a shortage. Every 5 years, it is professionally inspected and the next inspection will take place in 2019.



The final stop on the tour was the Main Sewer Lift station. PSAC members were shown the bypass pump. This pump is in place so that if the remaining pump fails, we will have back up. There is also a generator connection in that area in case there is a widespread power outage in the Village.



Over the past few years Public Works has added pressure monitoring equipment to the water system so they can monitor the water system and maintain good water pressure in the Village. The Public Works department regularly measures water pressure at peak times and the present water system meets Tennessee state requirements. However, because of the rapid growth of the Village, there has been a greater demand for water, which may lead to less pressure at certain times but we will use the data collected above to improve our infrastructure as we grow.

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Contrary to what you may have heard recently, Tellico Village is not falling apart. We will continue to work to maintain and improve our roads and water/sewage. If you are interested in learning more about the current infrastructure of Tellico Village, I encourage you to attend the Public Services Advisory Committee meetings. They are informative and occur on the first Wednesday of every month at 9 a.m. in the POA Conference Room. If you would like to learn more about the PSAC Road study or read the Technical Memorandum, please visit the POA website at [www.tellicovillagepoa.org](http://www.tellicovillagepoa.org) and click the "Public Services" section.

## **CORRECTION**

There was a misprint on the Yacht Club calendar that was recently sent out to property owners. The December Board Meeting is Wednesday, December 20th at 1:30 p.m. on the top floor of the Yacht Club. It is **not** December 13th as noted in the calendar that was sent out.

## **A NOTE FROM PUBLIC WORKS**

In regards to brush pickup, Public Works will now be picking up brush year-round. There will be no certain schedule, rather, they will start at one end of the Village and work their way through each neighborhood. Should you have any questions, please contact Public Works directly at 865-458-4522.

## **POA 101**

Did you just move to the Village and want to learn more about our committees, clubs, and history of Tellico Village? Come to POA 101! The next session is Wednesday, December 6th at 2 p.m. on the top floor of the Yacht Club. Attendees receive a binder full of information, contact names, resources and governing documents, along with a goody bag. The presentation lasts about an hour. RSVP to Jessica Miles at [JMiles@TVPOA.org](mailto:JMiles@TVPOA.org) or 865-458-5408, ext. 4115. We hope to see you there!

## **A NOTE FROM THE POA**

The annual assessment coupons and autodraft letters are being sent out today, December 5th. Please do not forget to send your December payment if you haven't already!

## **YACHT CLUB CLOSED**

The Yacht Club will be closed for two private events on Saturday, December 9th. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

## **BOARD WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS**

Fiberstream - Kahite tried to fix this issue through TDS and partnered with them on equipment. This has worked for some but not for most. We have had some proposals. We have had a discussion with FIEC as to how they can help us. Another company called Fiber stream reached out to us. In January, we will be briefed on options available and hear results from a survey distributed to residents that discusses their use and service provider.

TVVFD – TVVFD would like a Board member to sit on their Board as it is a part of their charter. The POA receives monthly financial statements that include expense and revenues. The POA also receives a more detailed report once a year. As a part of our contract, we pay a set fee and we provide the building.

Vonore FD – Kahite Hopewell is the current supporter of fire support. We have 12 EMR's there. We engaged in discussion with Vonore FD but these conversations have not been fruitful. Right now, both are dispatched and both show up to the calls. We will stay in contact with both to make sure there is full coverage.

Airbnb – Airbnb is becoming more popular and our governing documents do not prohibit short term leasing. We do have rules in the Blue Book that should be followed. It is recommended that the Airbnb get a permit like other home businesses. The POA is looking at adding a new policy that pertains to Airbnb's. The policy will come before the ACC and once it is finalized, it will be published.

## **2018 CLUB/GROUP RESERVATIONS FOR THE YACHT CLUB**

If you are a club/group president and intend on reserving a meeting space in the Yacht Club for meetings in 2018, you must contact Linnea Elliott at the Yacht Club to reserve your space. She can be contacted at [lelliott.awehospitality@gmail.com](mailto:lelliott.awehospitality@gmail.com) or 865-458-4363. The deadline to reserve your space is Thursday, December 21st.

# NEW TELLICO COMMUNITY FOUNDATION MAKES FIRST GRANTS

Really surprised!

That best describes Mike Kitchens reaction to the news that the new Tellico Community Foundation (TCF) had selected Smoky Mountain Service Dogs (SMSD) as one of the Foundation's first grant recipients. Kitchens is the volunteer chair and founder of SMSD.

The new foundation also recently issued grants to the Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department and the Tennessee Bluebird Society. In total, \$1,420 of funding was issued to the three organizations.

According to Kitchens, "Our group will use this award for a wide-range of canine care supplies to assist our trainers in preparing these exceptional dogs to support our disabled war veterans. We were really surprised and honored to be one of the first groups selected by this new foundation."

The TCF was organized this past summer by a small group of Tellico Villagers. The goals of the foundation are to enrich the lives of the greater community by evaluating and addressing community issues, connecting generosity to programs and projects, and nurturing a culture of charitable giving. This new Village organization is affiliated with the East Tennessee Foundation, a collection of hundreds of individual charitable funds, affiliate funds and supporting foundations covering a 25 county region in East Tennessee.

The Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department will use the donated funds to help underwrite Emergency Medical Responders education and training. The grant given to the Tennessee Bluebird Society will be used for nature area signage and to further the group's efforts to obtain Audubon Society designation for the Village's golf courses.

"The TCF was pleased to make these awards to these valued organizations," commented Joe Beyel, chair of the new foundation. "As the TCF continues to grow, we hope to expand our gifting to other worthwhile programs and groups in the Village and surrounding area."

Beyel asked Villagers, as they consider year-end charitable giving, to consider a donation to the TCF. Gifting options, including online giving, as well as more information about the Tellico Community Foundation can be accessed at [www.etf.org/Tellico](http://www.etf.org/Tellico) and on Tellico Life.



Members of the Tellico Community Foundation (TCF) award one of its first three grants to Smoky Mountain Service Dogs. From left: Warren and Shawna Hunt (TCF members), Mike Kitchens (chair and founder of the Smoky Mountain Service Dogs), Maureen Beyel (TCF member), Trudy Hughes (East Tennessee Foundation representative), Joe Beyel (TCF Chair) and Trudy and John Bordelon (TCF members).

# UPCOMING EVENTS AND MEETINGS

## NEW VILLAGERS CLUB SOCIAL

The New Villagers Club holds a social 5-6:30 p.m. the first Thursday of every month at the Yacht Club. The next social will be 5 PM, Thursday, December 7th, at the Yacht Club. Come meet your 2018 New Villagers Board. New members should arrive at 4:30 PM. Visit the New Villagers Club website for more information: [www.telliconewvillagers.com](http://www.telliconewvillagers.com)

## DECEMBER VILLAGE QUILT GUILD MEETING

The December Village Quilt Guild meeting is December 8, 2017. The social time begins at 9:15 and the meeting starts promptly at 9:30 a.m. Please join us for our year-end wrap-up and meet the incoming Board of Directors for 2018! The meeting location is at the Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 260 Wade Rd W., Loudon, TN 37774 -- Take Tellico Parkway/444 to the Food Lion end, turn left onto hwy 72, and it is the first white church on your left. If you have already signed up and paid for the Christmas luncheon, it immediately follows the meeting and will be at the Baptist Church on Chota Road. Please be sure and sign in for the luncheon when you enter the church vestibule.

## MUDDY BOOTS HIKE

Join us on December 11th as we hike the Halls Bend Trail (aka Boy Scout Trail). Meet at Chota Center (across from Marathon gas station & in parking lot of Lakeside Realty) at 8:45 a.m. for a 9 a.m. departure. This trail is only about a mile north of the north entrance to Tellico Village on Route 444. The first section of the hike will be an easy 2 mile hike along the shore of the lake, perfect for persons new to hiking. After the easy section the trail continues with some elevation and views of Tellico Lake, Wind River, and the Smokies. Walking the whole trail the hike will be a moderate loop hike of 5 miles. There is an option to leave the hike to make it a 3 mile loop. Hike Leader is Garry Lucas and he can be reached at 662-588-0543.

Bring water, trail snack, and, if desired, hiking sticks. Also, experienced hikers bring an extra pair of shoes and place their hiking boots, if dirty, in a trash bag to try to keep the driver's car floor clean. A section of the trail we will be hiking can be muddy. In the event of a situation requiring medical intervention during a hike, we suggest that each participant wear their Name Tag and bring a Photo ID (generally driver's license) and Medical Information cards (Health Insurance Card or Medicare + supplemental Health Insurance Cards)

## TELLICO VILLAGE LADIES BOOK CLUB

Join the Tellico Village Ladies Book Club on Thursday, December 14th at the Tanasi Clubhouse. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and the discussion will begin at 12:15 p.m. We will be having a non-fiction book discussion, "The Gifts of Man" by Stephanie McElligott, Tellico Author. Discussion Leader will be Alice Krause. Make sure you bring a book to donate to a child!

## 2017 PROJECT BLUELIGHT

Where: Farragut United Methodist Church  
12733 Kingston Pike, Farragut

When: Saturday, December 9th at 6 p.m.

We would like a photo and a description of at least one officer to be honored or in memory of by November 22nd. Sponsored by the Middle and East TN COPS Chapter. Call Sabrina Gunderson at 931-210-0292 for more information.

## WINTER COAT DRIVE

The winter coat drive is going on now through January 2nd! Both locations are teamed up with the following charities: Toys for Tots, Miles of Dimes Food Bank, Homeless Shelters in Loudon County, Iva's Place in Lenoir City. Drop off locations are Toqua Cafe (200 Toqua Club Way) and the Yacht Club (100 Sequoyah Rd). Don't miss this opportunity to give back this holiday season!

## LIBRARY CORNER

**Thursday, December 7 (not December 1st as previously published)** - Android Device, Beginner's Workshop. This workshop will occur from 9 a.m. to Noon. \$30 payable at signup at The Public Library at Tellico Village, 300 Irene Lane, Loudon., 865-458-5199. Space is limited to 5 people. Jennifer Dancu from SocialMedia4Seniors will be teaching the class. Bring your Android Device.

**Tuesday, December 19, 2017 - 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.** - The Tellico Village Dulcimers Club will give a presentation in The Public Library of Tellico Village. They will discuss the history of the dulcimer, how it is played, their club and then entertain us with some beautiful music. There is no charge for this event. However, please call the library at 865-458-5199 to preregister and confirm space is available.



Join us in the Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church  
Christian Ministry Center for dessert and a Gospel  
Musical Christmas concert entitled

# “A DOWN HOME COUNTRY CHRISTMAS”

Presented by  
**Pam Weston & Dave Wright**  
December 15th  
6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church  
260 Wade Road  
Loudon, TN

Please R.S.V.P. by December 8th to  
865-458-9407



Admission is Free



## UNITED WAY - STUCK IN THE SEVENTIES

Like some of the old songs go, we are stuck in the seventies. We are about \$22,000 from the goal of \$100,000. Donations have greatly slowed in the last half of November, understandably because of the Thanksgiving holiday. However, it is time to crank things up.

It appears that the most significant factor inhibiting reaching our goal is the fact that several hundred past donors have not yet made a donation to the 2017 campaign. If the previous donors made donations in the same amounts as they have done in the past, we would not only reach our goal, we would likely surpass it.

This campaign is all about neighbors helping neighbors. Whether it is Tellico residents using the Senior Services Home Assistance Program to meet basic daily living needs, the TVVFD purchasing new equipment, the Legal Aid Society helping indigent folks being taking advantage of by unscrupulous merchants or landlords, STAR working with at-risk children to keep them in school and out of trouble, your donations help these and the other 28 partner agencies provide assistance.

Those who have donated in prior years but have not yet done so this year, will be receiving an information packet in the next several days. If you have any immediate questions, contact Judy Gibbons at [judithmgibbons@gmail.com](mailto:judithmgibbons@gmail.com). If you are ready to donate, you can mail your check to her at 216 Talah Lane, Loudon, TN 37774.

United Way meets the criteria of a Qualified Charitable Donation (QCD) under the tax code. This means that you can make a donation from your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) and have the deduction not taxed. If this sounds like an attractive solution contact your financial advisor and they can assist in the process. If you have already made your 2017 RMD but want to contribute and get the tax break you can wait until January and then use a portion of your 2018 RMD to make your donation. We will be more than happy to await your donation.

If you have not yet done so, please consider donating NOW. We are in a giving season so what better way to share your generosity than donating to the United Way campaign and helping fellow residents of Loudon County have a better life.



## January

### Ladies Luncheon & Fashion Show

**Wednesday, January 3, 2018**

**Tellico Village Yacht Club**

**Doors Open at 10:00 Lunch Served at 11:30**

**Fashions provided by  
Good Neighbor Shop**

#### January Vendors

Authors Guild Books - Jim Farmer  
Doterra Essential Oils - Betty Cheshire  
Gifts of Man - Stephanie McElligatt  
Rainwater Farms - Collette Souder  
Bill's Knick Knacks - Bill & Pat Daltex  
Good Neighbor Shop - Table Decor

Music Provided by Linda Schuessler

#### Charity Baker

Chris Evans-Longmire - benefitting Child Advocacy Center  
Desserts available for \$3.00 at luncheon

#### Cold Weather Winter Menu:

12 Hour Braised Short Ribs on Top of Whipped Potatoes with Seasonal Vegetables  
Rolls, coffee, tea & water - **NO SUBSTITUTIONS PLEASE**  
Full Bar available from 10:00 - 1:00

Luncheon Reservations - \$15.00 pp cash or check payable to TV Yacht Club  
by December 20, 2017 deadline (Note Early Deadline)

Reservations & payment at Yacht Club, New Villager & HOA Socials

## PET OF THE WEEK: MEET APOLLO!

Who would have ever dreamed I would have ended up in a place like this?

Hi, my name is Apollo and I am five years old. I am a boxer/pit mix. I had a nice forever home and a human. One day, my human died. I was so sad. It is difficult for a dog to lose a human.

Before I was even over the shock, I was carted away to Monroe County Animal Shelter. The humans here try hard but there are so many of us. They give me food, water, and volunteers try to get to me to walk me. Most of the time, I sit in my kennel. Even though I am surrounded by other dogs, I feel so alone. When a human comes by, I wish so hard he or she will take me home.

While I am no longer a puppy, I have a lot of fun and good walks left in me. I am loyal and loving.

All cats and dogs that are adopted from Monroe County Animal Shelter are spayed or neutered, have age appropriate vaccinations, testing for heart worm, and are microchipped (with registration).

If you are interested in adopting Apollo, contact the Monroe County Animal Shelter which is located at 170 Kefauver Lane in Madisonville (behind Wal-Mart). Our hours are Tuesday-Friday from 11 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. 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 are available all year. However, they are especially appropriate for Christmas gifts. Give the certificate on Christmas day as a gift to a friend or family member. He or she can select the dog or cat that they want after the chaos of Christmas is over.

**Shelter Needs:** Cat Litter, paper towels, laundry detergent, copy paper, bleach, Q-tips, cotton balls, and original blue dawn-all cleaning & office supplies are always needed!

