



### POA Meetings and Events:

- Brush Pick Up May 3-7: Kahite, Mialaquo, and Chatuga neighborhoods (Brush must be in right of way by May 2)
- POA Board Workshop, 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 4, POA Office
- Architectural Control Committee, 9 a.m. Thursday, May 5, POA Office

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# Week Ending April 30, 2010

## 490 Villagers Attend LRSP Neighborhood Briefings

A total of 490 Villagers attended the series of six Long Range Strategic Plan Neighborhood Input Briefings with many others now beginning to view the presentation online. As of noon Friday, April 30, there had been 70 response sheets submitted to the POA.

Roughly 7 percent of the population has now seen the plan.

Over the course of the meetings, the committee heard a variety of questions and comments.

The question most often heard was:

Q: Why are the Public Works and fire facilities not on the comment form?

A: The committee has determined that the health, safety and welfare of the residents are essential to the community's growth and orderly development. These facilities are essential and must be built in order to provide for that development.

Comments most often heard were:

- It is good news that we can control our Tellico Village financial destiny through utilization of our amenities, which will reduce subsidy amounts and increase available capital for new projects.
- The idea of the greenway paths for bicycle, electric carts and walking are by far the best idea to keep us safe, healthy and off the roads (444).

With the series of neighborhood briefings is complete, a video presentation is now available online, as well as the comment form. Visit [www.tvpoa.net/lrsp](http://www.tvpoa.net/lrsp) to print and complete the form. Bring it by the POA Office or mail to TV Long Range Planning, 112 Chota Center, Loudon, TN 37774. The form is also available in the office. All forms must be turned in by May 15.

The display boards shown on the video and used during the meetings are available for inspection on the fourth floor of the Yacht Club through Saturday, May 15.

## Recent Knoxville News Coverage Requires Clarification

By JOE MARLETTE

*President, TVPOA Board of Directors*

On April 10, a story was published in the *Knoxville News Sentinel* about Tellico Village and the outcome of a legal case concerning document access and our Property Owner's Association (POA).

To read the story one would think that Loudon County Chancery Court Judge Franklin Williams punished the POA, forcing it against its will to release documents to two property owners.

Tellico Village has nearly 7,000 property owners. We resemble a small city. Our POA ensures that Village services (road maintenance, recreation, public works and others) function efficiently.

The POA operated for more than 20 years with no document access problems. Not only is disclosure required under state law, it's the right thing to do.

Last year several property owners began making repeated document requests, simultaneously alleging the POA was being

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mismanaged or that outright theft was occurring. Proof was provided to them that their suspicions were unfounded.

Nevertheless, they asked for more documents, made more allegations, and each time it was demonstrated that their allegations were untrue they wanted more documents - with the same result.

Here's an example: in 2003 the POA bought two tractors. Each was assigned to a golf course. These property owners were convinced one of the tractors had been redirected to our general manager's private property.

It was proven to them that the two tractors were, and are today, where they are supposed to be. Nevertheless, these property owners still refused to believe these tractors are in the POA's possession.

The document request cycle continued and grew until it reached a point where normal work of the POA's administrative staff was impaired. We created a document access policy to bring order to the system. When two property owners again came with a massive document request that did not meet the document access policy - and that we believed did not conform even to state law - their request was initially declined. They sued.

We continued to make numerous overtures to them and their attorney to reach an accommodation, including an offer to settle. Our goal wasn't to deny documents but to have a workable system. They didn't respond.

On Feb. 8, a hearing was held in Judge Williams' courtroom. Afterward, we sent a letter to interested Tellico Village property owners saying the judge had given important and positive direction in the case, direction with which the POA immediately agreed. His direction included:

- The plaintiffs being able to review a range of requested documents in hard copy format (no electronic files) at a mutually agreeable time and place, under POA supervision.
- The POA can charge for any copies made of documents supplied to the plaintiffs.
- The judge will also receive copies of all documents given to the plaintiffs.

The judge told the attorneys for both sides to work things out and come back to him with an order that he could sign. That's exactly what happened.

Reading the April 10 story, you would have no idea that this is how events unfolded.

Another issue is that in a 12-paragraph story, just two paragraphs - three sentences - were devoted to the POA's position. The plaintiffs were spotlighted and given repeated opportunities to make comments about the POA; the POA was not advised of these comments and thus couldn't respond to them.

Tellico Village is a great community, growing and in strong financial shape. We have a history of excellent independent audits of our operations. It's the POA's job to ensure this continues. Having a reasonable approach to document access is needed for the POA to do its work with less disruption and more organization.

## Next Few Days Ahead

### Saturday May 1st

#### 8 am-Camp Tellico Registration (CRC)

8:30 am-Racquetball (CRC)

8:35 am- Deep Water (WC)

9 am-Swim Team Meeting (CRC)

9:30 am-Aerobics (WC)

10 am-Advanced Line Dancing (CRC)

10:30 am-Wallyball (CRC)

12:30 pm-Badminton (CRC)

3 pm-Table Tennis (CRC)

### Monday, May 3rd

8 am-Basketball (CRC)

8:30 am-Racquetball (CRC)

8:30 am-Aerobics (WC)

8:30 am- Aerobic Fit & Tone (KAC)

8:35 am-Water Aerobics (WC)

9 am-Quilters (CRC)

9:45 am-Tai Chi Practice (KAC)

9:45 am-Tai Chi Practice (CRC)

9:45 am-Water Exercise (WC)

9:45 am- Stability Ball (WC)

10:30 am-Table Tennis (KAC)

11 am-Water Arthritis (WC)

11:30 am-Yoga (WC)

1 pm-Carving Club (CRC)

1 pm-Inter Line Dancing (WC)

1:15 pm-Badminton (CRC)

2:15 pm -Basic Line Dancing (WC)

4:15 pm- Basketball (CRC)

4:30 pm- Kickboxing (WC)

4:30 pm-Co-Ed Water interval (WC)

6 pm-Duplicate Bridge (CRC)

### Tuesday, May 4th

8 am-Fit & Tone (WC)

8 am-Table Tennis (CRC)

8:30 am-Racquetball (CRC)

9 am-Art Guild (CRC)

9:15 am-Fit & Tone (WC)

10 am-POA Board Workshop (POA)

10 am-Water Fun, Movement (WC)

10:30 am-Tai Chi (WC)

2 pm-Table Tennis (KAC)

2:15 pm-Latin Buzz (WC)

3 pm-Wallyball (CRC)

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

### 16th Annual TV Friends of Library Book Sale

After months of gathering, sorting and pricing, the Friends of the Tellico Village Library Book Sale is ready to open its doors to budget-minded booklovers 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday, April 30; and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, May 1. in the Tellico Village Community Church. Cash, check, plus Mastercard, Visa, and Discovery cards will be accepted for purchases. This is the 16th annual book sale for the Friends and a major fund raiser that helps offset the operational expenses of Tellico Village Public Library.

The book sale which began in 1994, has grown from an event offering 2,500 hardback books to the current sale which will present around 30,000 various media items for sale. Hardback, paperbacks, DVDs, VHS, music CDs and vinyl records will be available for sale. Cheryl Petras, co-chair of the sale, notes that this year's sale will offer more signed books and VHS movies than in previous years. Book topics range from romance to children's books, cookbooks to science fiction and much more

Architectural drawings of the new library will be displayed at the sale, with Friends representatives available to answer questions about the building project. Information regarding giving opportunities will also be available.

The policy of the book sale committee is that each book has a home. If media materials are not sold at the sale, they will be distributed to local charities and outreach programs. In some cases, some items find a home at a smaller library's book sale.

*Submitted by Leigh Whittaker*

### TVVFD Open House May 8

*An Important Message from Villagers Supporting Fire and Rescue:* Come join us for the Campaign Kick-Off Open House and Fund Raising Campaign Kick Off:

- Saturday, May 8, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department's Fire House on Chota Road
- Free hamburgers and hot dogs with all the trimmings

The Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Department has a staff of highly trained volunteers who are on call 24/7. These Volunteers are your neighbors; they are trained and certified to the same exacting standards as the paid departments in our surrounding communities. They include first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics and firefighters—many bring years of prior professional experience.

In 2009 these Volunteers responded to 340 emergency calls in the Village, 286 of which were for medical aid. The POA provides funding, however it covers only about 50% of the yearly operating costs, the balance must come from the generosity of Tellico Village residents.

Come show your support, enjoy a free hamburger or hot dog, see demonstrations of the firefighting and EMS equipment and meet the

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4 pm-Pilates Yoga (KAC)  
4 pm-Water Zumba (WC)  
4 pm-Intermediate Yoga (WC)  
4:15 pm- Basketball (CRC)  
5:30 pm-Table Tennis (KAC)  
6 pm-Badminton (CRC)  
6:30 pm-Hand and Foot (CRC)  
6:45 pm-Pinochle (CRC)  
7 pm-Caring and Sharing Bible Study (CRC)

#### Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am-Racquetball (CRC)  
8:30 am- Aerobics (WC)  
8:30 am- Aerobic Fit & Tone (KAC)  
8:35 am-Water Aerobics (WC)  
10 am-Badminton (CRC)  
9 am-Practice and Play Bridge (CRC)  
9 am-ILTA Board Meeting (CRC)  
9:45 am-Water Exercise (WC)  
9:45 am- Tai Chi (WC)  
9:45n am-Tai Chi Practice (KAC)  
10 am-Quilters (CRC)  
10:30 am-Table Tennis (KAC)  
11 am-Arthritis Water Class (WC)  
11 am-Pickleball Board Meeting (WC)  
11:30 am-Yoga (WC)  
1 pm-Mah Jongg (KAC)  
1 pm-Inter Line Dancing (WC)  
1 pm-Contract Bridge (CRC)  
2:15 pm -Basic Line Dancing (WC)  
3:30 pm- TOPS (CRC)  
4:30 pm -Co-ed Water Fitness (WC)  
4 pm-Pilates Yoga (WC)  
4:15 pm- Basketball (CRC)  
6:30 pm-Bible Study (CRC)  
6:30 pm-Euchre (CRC)  
7:30 pm-Bluegrass Jam (CRC)

#### Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup>

8 am-Fit & Tone (WC)  
8:30 am-Pilates (KAC)  
8:30 am-Racquetball (CRC)  
9 am-ACC (POA)  
9 am-Quilters (CRC)  
9 am-Thyme for Herbs (CRC)  
9:15 am-Fit & Tone (WC)  
10 am-Rec Adv Com (WC)

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Volunteers who are dedicated to protecting your life and your property. Watch your mailbox for additional Fund Raising Campaign information and how you can support these men and women. It's to all our benefit to have a highly trained and well equipped fire and rescue service in the Village.

*Submitted by Rich Planzo*

## Tellico Village "Fun Day" at Kahite

The sign-ups for the Tellico "Fun Day" are quickly filling up. The event is held every year on Mother's Day at the Links of Kahite. This year the event is on May 9 with a shotgun start beginning at 11 a.m. The field is limited to 144 participants and more than 80 individuals, couples and groups have already signed-up.

Included in the \$20 entry fee is dinner at the Kahite Pub and Grill after play at 5 p.m. and awards for all three flights (men and women). Prizes are also awarded for closest to the hole winners on all par 3's, longest drives, most accurate drives, putting contest and best dressed awards. If you don't have an established handicap, you are still welcome to join in the fun for a reduced cost of \$15.

To sign up simply call the Kahite Pro Shop, 423-884-6108, and ask to have your name included on the sign-up sheet. You can sign up as an individual, couple, or groups of one or more. If you have any questions, please contact Len Willis, 423-519-9807.

*Submitted by Len Willis*

## Reminder: Photo Contest Deadline is May 15

Four seasons scenery photos of Tellico Village wanted! So dig out your best scenery photos of Tellico Village...or get the camera out and begin taking some shots. This is a final reminder about the Photography Contest sponsored by the Women's Club of Tellico Village. The 13 winning photographs will be used to create a color 2011 calendar, which will be for sale later this year. All proceeds will be donated to various charitable organizations and causes.

All entries must be original landscape/scenery photos (or non-domestic animals) taken within Tellico Village boundaries. Entries should be submitted in landscape format as an 8" x 10" color photo. Contestants should be Tellico Village residents and must be amateur photographers. Contestants may submit more than one photograph.

Entry deadline is **May 15th**. Drop off your entries at the Chota Rec Center front desk. Each photo must have the following information on the back: photographer's name, address, phone number, e-mail address and a brief caption giving location of photo. To protect your photo(s), place them in an envelope and labeled "Tellico Village Photo Contest." If you want your entry returned, you **must** include a stamped, self-addressed envelope with the entry.

Entries will be judged by members of the **Just for Fun** Photography Club. For more info, contact Karen Hall, [kmbmoon@charter.net](mailto:kmbmoon@charter.net) or 865-657-9236.

*Submitted by Pat Vitrone*

10 am-Beginning Racquetball (CRC)  
10 am-Water Fun, Movement (WC)  
10:30 am-Beginning Tai Chi (WC)  
10:30 am-Wallyball (CRC)  
11 am-Table Tennis (CRC)  
1 pm-Intro to Line Dancing (WC)  
3 pm-Weight Watchers (CRC)  
4 pm -Weight Equipment Orientation (WC)  
4 pm-Intermediate Yoga (WC)  
4:15 pm-Basketball (CRC)  
5 pm-New Villagers Social (YC)  
6:15 pm- Badminton (CRC)

### Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>

8 am-Basketball (CRC)  
8:30 am-Racquetball (CRC)  
8:30 am- Aerobic Fit & Tone (KAC)  
8:30 am-Aerobics (WC)  
8:35 am-Water Aerobics (WC)  
9 am-Communications Adv Com (POA)  
9 am-Art Guild (CRC)  
9:30 am-Tai Chi Practice (CRC)  
9:45 am-Fit & Tone (WC)  
9:45 am-Water Exercise (WC)  
9:45 am-Tai Chi (KAC)  
11 am-Badminton (CRC)  
11 am-Arthritis Water Class (WC)  
11:30 am-Yoga (WC)  
1 pm-Bridge (CRC)  
2:15 pm-Latin Buzz (WC)  
3 pm-Table Tennis (CRC)

### Saturday May 8<sup>th</sup>

8:30 am-Racquetball (CRC)  
8:35 am- Deep Water (WC)  
9 am-Saturday Coffee (KAC)  
9 am-Quilters (CRC)  
9:30 am-Bokoshe Bible Study (CRC)  
9:30 am-Aerobics (WC)  
10 am-Advanced Line Dancing (CRC)  
10:30 am-Wallyball (CRC)  
12 pm- Table Tennis (KAC)  
12:30 pm-Badminton (CRC)  
3 pm-Table Tennis (CRC)

### Monday, May 10<sup>th</sup>

8 am-Basketball (CRC)  
8:30 am-Racquetball (CRC)