

New Villagers Club of Tellico Village News & Events

September 1, 2020







Our summer is beginning to fade to autumn and with that come the usual fall traditions but, in a very non-traditional way. Children are heading back to school - some physically, some virtually and some following a hybrid model. Football and soccer are returning to high school and college campuses - in all likelihood without or with greatly diminished attendance. Political conventions are taking place not in huge, filled-to-capacity arenas, but virtually from small towns and homes all across the country. This is the beginning of our very deliberate and gradual return to life as we knew it pre-COVID.

As you know, your New Villagers Board of Directors is proud to have led the way to re-opening here in Tellico Village with our "mini-socials" in June & July at the Toqua Pavilion - safely and responsibly within the CDC & Tennessee guidelines. In September we will take the next step in that process by moving our "modified social" indoors to the lower level of the Yacht Club on September 3rd. Please be assured that we will be adhering strictly to the CDC and Tennessee as well as POA guidelines for "gatherings" while continuing to empower you, our members, to decide for yourselves whether you are ready to re-engage socially. That includes a newly instituted POA face covering mandate (except when eating or drinking). I hope you will join us! To do so you MUST PRE-REGISTER for the session of your choice (limited to 90 NVers per session) online via Tellico Life at https://www.tellicolife.org/. But hurry. When those 180 seats are gone they are gone!

Other groups within the village are starting to re-engage with the community and asking you to reengage with them - safely and responsibly. Here are a couple of opportunities we hope you will consider:

<u>Kiwanis Golf Tournament</u> - four-person scramble on *Saturday, September 5th at 9AM at the Toqua Golf Course*. This organization is dedicated to serving the children in our local community. The field is full but, volunteers are always needed. If interested, please contact Phil Smith at pvsmith553@gmail.com. Have a great time while supporting our youngest generation locally!

<u>Lions Club Oktoberfest</u> - Lions serve their communities. Where there is a need, the Lions are there! This annual event will be held in a slightly modified format at the *Yacht Club on Monday*, *October 5th* (seating limited). For \$15 (\$13 for takeout w/o beverage) you can get a lunch (12-2PM) or dinner (6-8PM) or choose "take out" service from 4-5PM. Enjoy brats, sauerkraut, German

potato salad, beans, cookies and beverage with your friends or independently! Tickets are available from any Lions Club member, United Community Bank (dinner seating only), The Village Salon (lunch seating only) and Sloan's Home Center (take-out service only). Please contact Bruce Johnson at bruce.johnson133@charter.net in order to help the Lions gauge the community response.

TV Volunteer Fire/Rescue "Drive-Thru" Open House - Support your local volunteer fire and rescue workers. This "drive-thru" event is in lieu of their May Open House - their biggest fundraiser of the year. Drive thru at the TV Fire Department on *Saturday, October 3rd from 11AM - 2PM*. Meet your front line fire/rescue volunteers, receive a gift package, and make a donation to support their cause. It is tax deductible under the CARES Act, even if you don't itemize. They provide a critically-important, life-saving response time of 3-4 minutes on a 24/7 call and responded to >800 calls last year. Their ISO rating of 4 is "superior". Call your insurance agent. You may get a lower premium!

These are just a few of the "safe and responsible" opportunities for you to get out and re-engage with your community. Of course, you can always get out and enjoy our 3 beautiful, championship golf courses or spend a day fishing/floating/boating on the lake! Visit the Chelsea System and try 9-holes of NV Golf with your friends - or make some new ones! Please be sure to keep an eye out for NV Happenings in your email box mid-month for more great opportunities and bookmark *Tellico Life - New Villagers Events* for more great events & activities!

We'll be out there and looking for you! See you around the village!

Mike Blackwell, President

MEET YOUR 2021 BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES

With two notable exceptions, our slate of officers for 2021 is complete. Our by-laws require a quorum of 10% of the membership in order to confirm the slate. We will be conducting a "voice vote" at our September 3rd "modified socials" at the Yacht Club to install the incoming Board. A full house of 160 members will fill the bill!

PRESIDENT - John Arguelles
VP ACTIVITIES - Pat McLaughlin
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VP SOCIAL - Louise Williams
VP MEMBERSHIP - Nancy Mariani
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SECRETARY - Gary Wheelock
WEBMASTER - OPEN

If you are interested in volunteering to serve with New Villagers in 2021, please reach out to any NV Board member ASAP! We are still in desperate need of an **Associate VP Activities** and a **Webmaster**. In addition, we are looking for a couple of individuals who may be interested in volunteering to work as liaisons to Tellico Life - our Tellico Village database management team. These individuals help to ensure that all of those New Villagers-related events and activities you navigate to on our Tellico Life webpage are timely and accurate a pretty important function!

Greetings New Villagers,

Our Socials are open to **all New Villagers**. Because our June and July Socials were restricted in different ways, there is some confusion out there on who is invited to our two Socials on September 3rd — answer — all of you.

Socials are free, a cash bar will be available, and each session lasts one hour. The first one at 5:00 is filled up, but there are spaces left at 6:30. Each session can take 90 New Villagers. The Socials will be at the **Yacht Club** and **registration** and masks are required. Go to the Tellico Life Events calendar and click on September 3rd if you wish to join us.

I won't go through our list of available events as they are all on Tellico Life, but I will mention we're having a fun **Irish Trivia Party** at the Toqua Pavilion, some interesting lectures at the Yacht Club on **local Civil War history** and **WWII**, four scheduled **Dining Out** evenings, and four historical **walking tours of Old Loudon!** Meet new friends and learn a little about our community.

If you've been craving to go to a few of Knoxville's downtown drinkeries, join us for one of our October **PATIO PUB CRAWLS**. The first one focuses on Knoxville's Old City District. You board the bus at the Yacht Club and shortly are visiting the 'POUR Taproom' for a self-service selection of craft beers, wines & cocktails and a quick Trivia game. Then march on to 'The Love Shack' for a late lunch/early dinner. Our parade then strides over to the 'Merchants of Beer (MOB)' patio with a full bar selection. All of the venues have outdoor seating. At the end of the day, the bus brings you safely back home to Paradise.

As I've mentioned before, we are very limited in what we can organize these days. Lots of our normal venues are shuttered (like music events and plays) and others are closed to tours (like our local boat factories and medical facilities) so bear with us while we try to find **interesting**, **fun**, and **safe** activities for all of you.

Kind Regards,

Karen Halligan VP Activities New Villagers Club



MEET YOUR NEW NEIGHBORS

Tom & Nancy Kunkel

We are Tom and Nancy Kunkel, both retired, and from Grayslake, IL (far north Chicago suburb, close to WI). We purchased our waterfront home in Toqua (near the 14th hole) a year ago June, and moved here full time this past March as the virus was hitting.....whew, made it just in time! Tom's interests are boating, reading, and music Nancy's interests are boating, skiing, wakeboarding, hiking, lap swimming, video editing, yoga and I hope to get back into pickleball and golf after years away from them. Looking forward to making new friends!



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Mario & Cassio Bello

Current address: Coyatee Coves neighborhood

Moved From: Gurnee, IL

We are both now happily retired

Cassie for several years and Mario since January. We were ready to start traveling with our 2 Portuguese Water Dogs when everything got locked down. Mario has been golfing and I've joined the Women Club and am learning to groom my dogs! We both enjoy Hand and Foot and wine.



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Chuck & Debbie Stonehill

We are from Bartlett, Illinois, where we lived for more than 30 years. We moved to the Tanasi neighborhood on May 12, 2020.

Our hobbies include boating, golfing, motorcycling, playing cards & board games, hiking, fishing, and the Chicago Cubs. Debbie enjoys scrapbooking and reading. Chuck enjoys craft beer, fine wine and good whiskey.

We are very excited about living here and have already met good friends and neighbors in the Village!



If you have registered with New Villagers on March 1, 2020 or after we would like to include you in the next month's newsletter. Please include the following information:

- Where you moved from
- What neighborhood in TV you live
- Some of your main hobbies and interests

Please email your picture and bio to NVTV.Communications@gmail.com to be included in the next month's newsletter.

Thanks,

Linda Rasmussen VP Communications

