

# NEW VILLAGERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

May 2025 ISSUE

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## INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

- Meet the newest members this month.
- Events now open for registration and those coming soon.
- In-depth view of fun opportunities at socials and invitation to our next month's social.
- Important things to know and social opportunities.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

We are in our fifth month of the year and still going strong. May is a great month for Tellico Village. Now is the time to enjoy the outdoors; the NV Villager's golf season is in full swing, the lake is filled back up, the flowers are blooming, and the hummingbirds are back. Near the end of this month be on the lookout for the new fawns and other animal babies being introduced to our neighborhoods.

For residents new to the Village, it has been shown that our club is the quickest and easiest way to meet new folks and develop long friendships. Attending our socials, events, and joining our social clubs opens the door to all the benefits of living here in East Tennessee. While we come from all areas of the country with diverse backgrounds, it is amazing the common bonds we have and develop.

I have heard it said that if you are bored here then it is your choice. There are so many things to do, and New Villagers can be a gateway to filling up that calendar of yours! Our club has over 70 volunteers who are working to provide unique and diverse events for all members. This team makes it possible for all of us to discover new places, try new experiences, and find others with the same interests. This month, the activities team is introducing new events that start to take advantage of the area and weather. Look for our first Raft Off of the year, local history tours, dining outs, and opportunities to explore the area. We are also planning a Mother's Day picnic at Tugaloo.

Our upcoming May social is the best chance to hear about these activities and talk to each of the event coordinators to find out more information. Also, come get details on our NV social clubs and visit with other community groups that serve our Village. If you have an interest, there is probably a group already formed here at Tellico. We encourage everyone to get involved with their favorite activities.

Also, I want to welcome the 30+ new members this month. Your adventure is just beginning! I look forward to meeting you all at our Social and events.

Brian Hawkins  
New Villager President

## **Reminder – May Social**

The best way to get updated on all the upcoming events and news from the club is to attend one of our 2 sessions of the Monthly Social. If you haven't attended a social in a while we encourage you to give us a try with our improved parking situation. We promise to provide a fun experience with great opportunities to meet fellow new villagers and of course a chance at raffle prizes.

Join us for the upcoming June social and pick your session.



**New Villagers**

# **May Social**

Thursday May 1st  
2 Sessions to choose from

**Session 1**  
3:30-4:00: Gather and chat  
4:00-4:45: Welcome, event updates, and prizes  
4:45-5:30 Club and event tables open

Club and event tables open between 1st and 2nd sessions.  
See what events are opening by 9:00am Friday morning!

**Session 2**  
5:30-6:15 Club and event tables open  
6:15-7:00 Welcome, event updates, and prizes  
7:00-7:30: Stay and chat

Lower Level of the Yacht Club

Remember to Register:  
[www.tellicolife.org](http://www.tellicolife.org)

Contact Jane Moderhack with questions:  
[membership@telliconewvillagers.com](mailto:membership@telliconewvillagers.com)



**April Social**



**[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)**

### ***First Session***

**3:30 – 4:00 pm:** Doors open! Come early to socialize and visit NV event tables

**4:00 – 4:45 pm: Meeting**

**4:45 – 5:30 pm:** Time to socialize, visit Community club and NV events tables

### ***Second Session***

**5:30 – 6:15 pm:** Time to socialize, visit Community club and NV events tables

**6:15 – 7:00 pm: Meeting**

**7:00 – 7:30 pm:** Stay and chat

Don't forget to take advantage of the Yacht Club for dinner, either before or after your session.



**NEW VILLAGERS WHO JOINED LAST MONTH  
INTRODUCE YOURSELF AND WELCOME THEM TO THE VILLAGE**

**California**

Gary and Annabelle Cronk	Brea	CA
Stephen & Catherine Kerns	Mission Viejo	CA
Larry & Joy Pagenkopp	San Diego	CA

**Florida**

Guy and Kathy Saunders	Bonita Springs	FL
Jim and Barbara Blocker	Fort Myers	FL

**Georgia**

Steve & Cindy Beauvais	Savannah	GA
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**Kentucky**

Bud & Cynde Vance	Union	KY
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**New Hampshire**

Glen Brown & Becky Lorton	Portsmouth	NH
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**New Jersey**

Michael & Helayne DiPiazza	Freehold	NJ
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**New York**

Rick & Nancy DiGasso	Montgomery	NY
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**South Carolina**

Pete & Stephanie Tesner	Hilton Head	SC
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**Tennessee**

Randy & Kathy Loewen	Fort Myers	TN
Bob & Jennifer Orlor	Knoxville	TN
Ted & Angela Sherry	Oak Ridge	TN

**Wisconsin**

Jane & Donald Manning	Madison	WI
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## ***NV Social Events***

April has been a busy month for activities and dine outs (some pictures below). We have several exciting events scheduled for May and into June that are still open for registration. A few of those events are highlighted in the following pages. Our activities team has been busy with many new events scheduled to be opened for registration after May's social. Look for new dine outs, tours, and group outings, so start filling in your June calendar now. **Sign up and attend either session of May's Social to get all the details on these events.** Scroll down in this newsletter to see a complete listing of all events that are open or will be opened on the Friday after the social.

Go onto the [TellicoLife NV calendar](#) to sign up and join the fun.

**Reminder: All new events will open up between 7 and 9 am on Friday (May 2nd)!**



**Easter Brunch  
Dancing Bear Lodge**



## The World of Cheese



## Hand and Foot Practice



## New Villagers Golf





## Sign up now for these Events

**ROCK CITY GARDENS**  
1400 Patten Road, Lookout Mountain, GA

**Date: Friday, May 16th**  
**Time: 10:00 am**  
Arrive by 9:45am



Explore a geological and botanical wonder!  
A place of unmatched natural beauty, where tranquility and adventure meet.

**Cost to reserve: \$35.00 per person**  
(Includes Tax and \$2.00 non-refundable administration fee for NV)  
**Minimum: 15 people, Maximum: 40**  
**Last day to sign up/cancel/refund: 4/30/25**  
Register at: [www.TellicoLife.org](http://www.TellicoLife.org)

Event Coordinator: Margaret Damm • [mardam@live.com](mailto:mardam@live.com)  
304-904-9212

**New Villagers PRESENTS**

**SINGO Like BINGO With a DJ**

Your favorite game of Bingo with a twist!!  
Featuring songs from the 50's thru the 90's

**Wednesday May 28TH**  
7:00pm  
Lower Level of the Yacht Club  
**Cost: \$12.00**  
Includes \$2 non-refundable admin fee  
Last day to register/cancel May 23rd

**Dropping Beats. Not Balls**

Register at [www.tellicolife.org](http://www.tellicolife.org)

Featuring: Missey D and Christina

Event Coordinators:  
Janine Julian, [janinejulian1331@gmail.com](mailto:janinejulian1331@gmail.com)  
Nancy Sheets, [nancysheets@gmail.com](mailto:nancysheets@gmail.com)

**NEW VILLAGERS**

**BUNCO**

Good Times  
Good Laughs  
Good Friends

**Monday May 19th 2-4 PM**  
1st Floor of the Yacht Club

**Guys & Gals**

**Cost: \$5.00**  
Non-Refundable

Last day to sign up 5/15  
Maximum 40 people

Contact: Diane Naylor, [cerullihon@aol.com](mailto:cerullihon@aol.com)  
If you have any questions or to be added to the waitlist

**Knoxville Walking Tours**

**Misbehaving Women**

601 S Gay Street, Knoxville

**Monday, May 19th**  
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm

The national movement for the women's right to vote would not have succeeded without work at the local level. In Knoxville women have a proud heritage of misbehaving in the cause of justice.

**Cost to Reserve: \$18.00 per person.**  
(includes \$2.00 non-refundable admin fee)  
**Min: 10 people Max: 24 people**  
**Last day to Register/Cancel/Refund: 5/12/25**

Event Coordinator: Tracy Burris: [trvi751@gmail.com](mailto:trvi751@gmail.com)  
Register at [www.tellicolife.org](http://www.tellicolife.org)

## Mother's Day Picnic

Come join fellow New Villagers in celebration of Mother's Day at Tugaloo. If you have family in town they are invited also, just contact Peggy Nicolai if you are bringing additional family members.

[Click here](#) for additional information and to sign up.

**Mother's Day Picnic**  
May 11, 12:30-4:00 P.M.  
Tugaloo Shelter  
\$12 plus \$2 Admin fee = \$14

Includes Chicken Skewer or Sausage Stick  
Bread & Beverages

Bring a side salad to share  
or  
Join our chocolate chip cookie contest\*  
Contact Peggy to enter

\*Vote for your favorite cookie from our contestants.  
Prize for cookie contest winner!

Questions? contact:  
Peggy Nicolai  
[panicolaia@aol.com](mailto:panicolaia@aol.com)  
513-374-1371

**FUN AND FOOD!**  
LAST DAY TO REGISTER OR CANCEL: MAY 4  
MINIMUM 50,  
MAXIMUM 70

New Villagers events are the lifeblood of our club! To register, please click on any event and you will be linked to the flyer with detailed information and an opportunity to register. More events are added all the time. Check the New Villagers calendar at Tellico Life for all events planned and open.

Event Name	Day/Date	Time/Place
<b>To attend all monthly Socials:</b>	<b>REGISTRATION REQUIRED</b>	
<a href="#">NV May Social</a>	Thursday, May 1	3:30 1 <sup>st</sup> Session 5:30 2 <sup>nd</sup> Session
<a href="#">NV June Social</a>	Thursday, June 5	3:30 1 <sup>st</sup> Session 5:30 2 <sup>nd</sup> Session
<b>MONTHLY FAVORITES!</b>		
<a href="#">Hand &amp; Foot Practice</a>	Wednesday, May 7	1-4 pm @ Chota Rec Rm D
<a href="#">Hand &amp; Foot Practice</a>	Wednesday, June 4	1-4 pm @ Chota Rec Rm D
<a href="#">Learn Hand &amp; Foot</a>	Wednesday, June 18	1-4 pm @ Chota Rec Rm B
<a href="#">BUNCO for guys and gals</a>	Monday, May 19	2-4 pm @ Yacht Club
<a href="#">BUNCO for guys and gals</a>	Monday, June 16	2-4 pm @ Yacht Club
<b>ENTERTAINMENT!</b>		
<a href="#">Les Miserables TN Theater</a>	Wednesday, July 30	7:30 pm at Knoxville
<b>GROUP FUN THINGS TO DO!</b>		
<a href="#">Mother's Day Picnic</a>	Sunday, May 11	12:30-4 pm Tugaloo Park
<a href="#">Rock City Gardens</a>	Friday, May 16	10 am Chattanooga
<a href="#">Singo</a>	Wednesday, May 28	7-9 pm @ Yacht Club
<a href="#">Brushy Mountain State Pen</a>	Saturday, June 7	9:30 am Petros, TN
<a href="#">Evening Cruise</a>	Tuesday, June 10	5:30 – 7:00 pm Vonore
<a href="#">Raft Off</a>	Thursday, June 19	12 pm in Tellico Lake
<a href="#">Singo</a>	Wednesday, June 25	7-9 pm @ yacht Club
<a href="#">Amish Farmer's Market</a>	Thursday, June 26	10:00 am Tellico Plains
<a href="#">Highland Cow Visit and Painting</a>	Sunday, June 29	1:30 pm New Market, TN
<a href="#">Dueling Pianos &amp; Dinner</a>	Sunday, July 20	5:00 pm @ Yacht Club
<a href="#">NV – HOA Hand &amp; Foot Tournament</a>	Monday, July 21	12:00 @ Yacht Club
<b>TALKS, TRAINING, TOURS!</b>		
<a href="#">Erins Meadow Herb Farm</a>	Thursday, May 1	10 am Clinton, TN
<a href="#">Fly Fishing 201</a>	Saturday, May 10	9-12 pm Reliance, TN
<a href="#">Women's History Walking Tour</a>	Monday, May 19	2:30-4 pm Knoxville
<a href="#">Civil War Tour</a>	Sunday, June 22	2:30-4:00 pm Knoxville
<b>DINING OUTS!</b>		
<a href="#">Peach Street Grill</a>	Sunday, June 1	1:30 pm Tellico Plains
<a href="#">RT Lodge</a>	Friday, June 27	4:30 pm Maryville
<b>MORE Opening Up after June Social</b>	<b>Give Us Ideas and/or volunteer to lead an event!</b>	



## *New Villagers Golf Upcoming Schedule*

### MAY

MAY 1st	No Play – Social
MAY 8th	KAHITE
MAY 15th	TANASI
MAY 22nd	TOQUA
MAY 29th	KAHITE

### JUNE

JUNE 4th	No Play - Social
JUNE 12th	No Play
JUNE 19th	TOQUA
JUNE 26th	KAHITE

**We had a great time in our first few events! If you are signed up don't forget to go onto Chelsea to grab a slot for these dates. If you haven't signed up yet you are welcomed to join anytime throughout the golf season.**



The poster features a vibrant background of a golf course under a bright sun with clouds. In the foreground, a golf bag filled with clubs is visible. The New Villagers Club logo is in the top left corner. The title 'New Villagers Golf' is prominently displayed in a green box, with '9 - Hole Scramble' below it. A central text block describes the event as a 9-hole scramble for all levels of play, perfect for couples or singles. A list of four bullet points highlights the benefits: meeting other members without competition, no trophies or standings, scheduled on 2nd to 5th Thursdays from April to October, and often followed by food and/or snacks and beverages. At the bottom, three numbered steps guide participants on how to join, including the annual membership fee of \$20 and the registration website. The 'Time & Place' section specifies a shotgun start at 4:00 pm, rotating between Tanasi, Toqua, and Kahite, with rotating pairing assignments. The 'COST' section states \$31 per person per round of play. Contact information for Jeri Krieg is provided at the very bottom.

**New Villagers Golf**  
9 - Hole Scramble

**New Villagers Golf is a 9-hole Scramble for All Levels of play. Perfect for couples or singles!**

- Great opportunity to meet other New Villagers, without the pressure of competition!
- No Trophies or standings. Just an afternoon of fun!
- Scheduled on the 2nd to 5th Thursday's from April to October
- Often followed by food and/or snacks and beverages

1. Join New Villagers to participate
2. Join New Villagers Golf  
(Annual Membership of \$20 per person)  
Registration now open [www.tellicolife.org](http://www.tellicolife.org)
3. Each golfer will need to individually register for NV Golf. No combined household registration allowed.

**Time & Place**  
Shotgun Start Promptly at 4:00 pm  
Rotates between Tanasi, Toqua and Kahite  
We also rotate pairing assignments

**COST**  
\$31 Per Person Per Round of Play

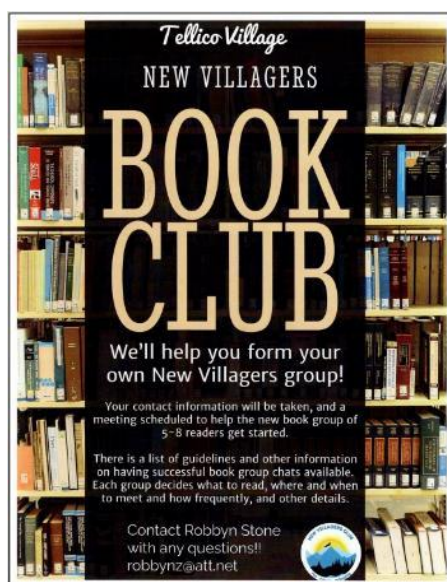
Please contact Jeri Krieg with any questions or concerns:  
[jjkrieg49@me.com](mailto:jjkrieg49@me.com)



# New Villagers Social Clubs

If you talk to residents who have been here for a while, you will often hear them say that their very best friendships were forged in the small social groups they joined when they first moved here! If you like to eat, drink, read books, play games or enjoy the outdoors with friends there are New Villager clubs for you. Visit the club tables at the next social and sign up to join in the fun.

**Note:** If you have already signed up for a group but haven't clicked as a group, it's OK! You are welcome to sign up again to be put back on the list to be added to a fresh group. These are all about meeting friends and having fun.



**Tellico Village**  
**NEW VILLAGERS**

## BOOK CLUB

We'll help you form your own New Villagers group!

Your contact information will be taken, and a meeting scheduled to help the new book group of 5-8 readers get started.

There is a list of guidelines and other information on having successful book group chats available. Each group decides what to read, where and when to meet and how frequently, and other details.

Contact Robbyn Stone with any questions!!  
robbynz@aatt.net



**New Villagers**  
**Wine and Mixers Social Group**

Are you looking to meet new people? Maybe have a glass of wine or cocktail with some new friends? Then this is the GROUP for you!!!

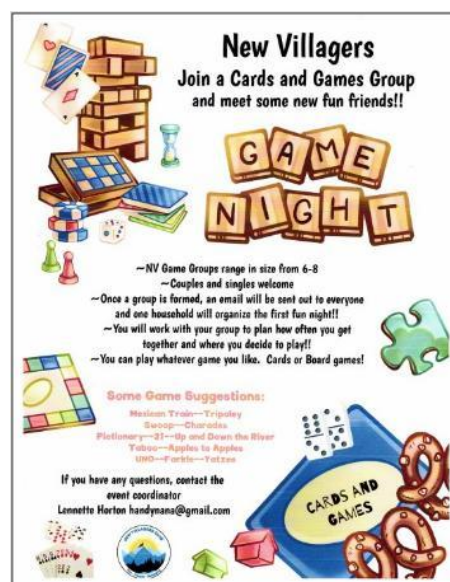
Once signed up, you will be put together with a group of 5-8 other New Villagers looking to make some new friends too! Together you can plan some unique themed nights to help bring the FUN to the evening!! You don't have to drink to join this group!! It's all about new friends and having fun each night!!

**Seasonal Favorites**

**Red Wine Night** Take your best SHOT  
Drinks with Rum  
Best GOLF cocktail

**It "Pairs Together"** Comes from a can (ack here!)  
Be creative with your theme if you choose one, but most importantly HAVE FUN!

Contact Christina McDermott with any questions  
chrisdi44@gmail.com



**New Villagers**  
Join a Cards and Games Group and meet some new fun friends!!

## GAME NIGHT

~NV Game Groups range in size from 6-8  
~Couples and singles welcome  
~Once a group is formed, an email will be sent out to everyone and one household will organize the first fun night!!  
~You will work with your group to plan how often you get together and where you decide to play!!  
~You can play whatever game you like. Cards or Board games!

**Some Game Suggestions:**  
Monopoly—Trivial Pursuit  
Scrabble—Clue  
Pictionary—21—Up and Down the River  
Yummy—Apples to Apples  
Uno—Farkle—Yatzee

If you have any questions, contact the event coordinator  
Lennette Harten hendryana@gmail.com



**New Villagers**

## Dinner with Friends

A group where you Meet and Eat with new friends!

You will be put together with a group of 6-8 other New Villagers to enjoy dinner in each others homes.

**Each month, the HOST will make the main course and the guests will be tasked to bring a side dish or dessert to share.**

This is a minimum of 3-4 month commitment

Each month different house will host the dinner.

If you have any questions, please contact  
Danielle Tate whitefeather2028@yahoo.com



**New Villagers**

## Outdoor Enthusiast Club

**ADVENTURE**  
↑↑ awaits ↑↑

**NATURE IS my THERAPY**

Outdoor enthusiast (noun): a person who loves nature and being outdoors.

Do you enjoy hiking, kayaking, fishing, walking, rafting or just anything that evolves being outdoors?

**Sign up and join this NEW club!**

You will be put together in group with a total of 8-10 other New Villagers that love doing things outdoors! Together you will plan monthly activities to enjoy as a group. Take a hike, plan a bike ride, go for a walk or go white water rafting! Whatever you enjoy doing OUTDOORS!!

For additional information, contact:  
BARB SAYLOR  
4barbsaylor@gmail.com



**NEW VILLAGERS**

## BOAT CLUB

### NEW CLUB

Do you have a boat and want to get together other friends with boats? Then this NEW CLUB is for you!!

**Must have a boat to join!!**

You will be paired with 3-4 other New Villagers so you can start planning your own boating adventures together!!

For more information contact Danielle Tate  
whitefeather2028@yahoo.com

Go to our website [www.telliconewvillagers.com](http://www.telliconewvillagers.com) for more information.

**Don't hesitate to come up to your board members (look for the red hats!) during the upcoming social or via email if you have any questions or suggestions. We are always open to new ideas that will enhance the NV experience.**

## **Volunteers Needed**

### **Event Coordinators**

Have you enjoyed the variety of events that our activities group has provided to enhance your New Villagers club membership? The secret to the great variety and number of events are our Event Coordinators. These fellow New Villagers have volunteered their time to identify, plan and coordinate the NV events and activities so far this year. We are always looking for new ECs that will continue to make this club successful. Please consider volunteering. We have events that have been identified and just need an EC to coordinate, and we also welcome a new coordinator to bring new ideas and lead an event or two. Getting near the end of your NV two-year membership? Volunteering as an EC will allow you to extend your time in the club!

If you are interested or just want more information, reach out to our activities team or any other NV board member. [activities@telliconewvillagers.com](mailto:activities@telliconewvillagers.com)

### **2026 Board Members**

While we are only halfway through our 2025 board year, it is time to start looking for next year's NV leadership team. Our board members are all volunteers and serve a one calendar year term. As you enjoy the benefits of the New Villagers Club think about how you can apply your backgrounds, talents and energy to make the club even better. Consider volunteering for a board position starting in 2026. Reach out to any board member for information on what each role entails.

Anyone interested in joining the NV Board as Treasurer for 2026? It does require some technical skills but really not that hard to learn. In this role you really get to know and understand all the inner workings of the club from a financial and compliance perspective... so if you're into that..., please contact Carl Nordman, [treasurer@telliconewvillagers.com](mailto:treasurer@telliconewvillagers.com).

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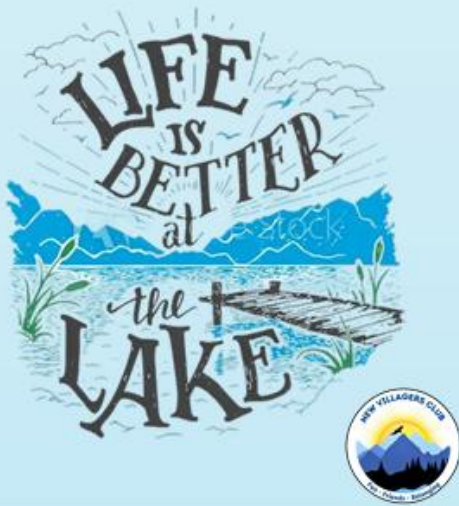
Looking forward to next month's Social!



## June 5th

Come and see what events are opening by 9:00am Friday morning!

Join one of the many clubs or groups New Villagers has to offer!!



## 1st Session

3:30-4:00 Gather and Chat  
4:00-4:45 Meeting  
4:45-5:30 Club and Event  
Tables open

2 Sessions to choose from

## 2nd Session

5:30-6:15 Club and Event  
Tables open  
6:15-7:00 Meeting  
7:00-7:30 Stay and Chat

Continue the party and head upstairs with your new friends for dinner at the Yacht Club

Remember to register: [www.tellicolife.org](http://www.tellicolife.org)

For more information contact Jane Moderhack [membership@telliconewvillagers.com](mailto:membership@telliconewvillagers.com)



## IMPORTANT THINGS FOR NEWCOMERS TO KNOW:

- Coming to socials lets you meet new friends, sign up for activities such as dinner parties, wine groups, game groups, and learn about many clubs at the information tables! Come at 3:30 or 5:30 and stop by tables and get information about the fun they offer.
- **NOTICE: YOU MUST REGISTER FOR THE MONTHLY SOCIAL TO BE GUARANTEED A SEAT!** Register anytime for next month's social the day after each month's social meeting (Friday) when many events open for registration!
- If you don't come to a social, you can't win any of the prizes being given away each time!
- If you have suggestions for events/activities, email [activities@telliconewvillagers.com](mailto:activities@telliconewvillagers.com) or [President@telliconewvillagers.com](mailto:President@telliconewvillagers.com) or IF you want to sponsor or coordinate an event.
- Every **Wednesday** morning from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., one can shop at the Tellico Village Farmers Market. It is conveniently located in the Village Square parking lot behind the Welcome Center (202 Chota Road). The Farmers Market is open year-round, but more vendors are present in the summer months. There is lots of fresh produce, more as the season progresses. In addition, you will find baked goods, chemical-free cleaning products, handmade items, gifts, and more. We hope you will find time to visit the Farmers Market soon.



### Note

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By attending any New Villager activity or meeting you are giving your consent to use any photograph, video, image, voice and/or likeness in the promotion Tellico Village and New Villagers. Any and all media recorded may be used in our promotional materials, social media, and/or website in perpetuity without remuneration.

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