# NEW VILLAGERS CLUB NEWSLETTER

## 2026 NV BOARD

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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.

**March 2026 ISSUE**

March always feels like a month of possibility. Winter begins to loosen its grip, the days stretch a little longer, and we start to sense that familiar spark of Spring around Tellico. It's a wonderful time to reconnect, explore, and enjoy the spirit of our New Villagers community.

Thank you to everyone who joined February's activities and helped make our newest members feel at home. Your enthusiasm is what keeps this club vibrant. As we step into March, you'll find plenty of opportunities to get involved—whether it's trying a new outing, joining a social group, or simply sharing a conversation with someone you haven't met yet.

Here's to a month of fresh starts, friendly faces, and the promise of warmer days ahead!

Ron Roberts
New Villagers Club President

# ***Reminder – March Social***

Join us to hear about the upcoming New Villagers Events. If you have not recently attended, please consider picking a session to get updated on all the upcoming events and news from the club (and pick up that winning raffle ticket!).

Signup for either session on Tellico Life or by clicking **here**

***First Session***
3:30 – 4:00 pm: Doors open! Come early to socialize
**4:00 – 5:00 pm: Meeting**
5:00 – 5:30 pm: Time to socialize, visit Community club and NV events tables
***Second Session***
5:30 – 6:00 pm: Time to socialize, visit Community club and NV events tables
**6:00 – 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

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| **California** | | | **Texas** | | |
| Mark & Lynsay Taylor | Sacramento | CA | Brian & Cindy Smith | Allen | TX |
| Wendell & Donna Kelley | Valley Center | CA | Mary Witort | Dallas | TX |
| | | | Mike & Diane Butler | Frisco | TX |
| | | | Joe & Terri Williams | Pasadena | TX |
| **Georgia** | | | **Wisconsin** | | |
| Doug & Cyndi Curd | Atlanta | GA | John & Cheri Stratte | Mercer | WI |
| Chris & Gert Sporl | Berkeley Lake | GA | Patrick & Michelle McDonald | Rhinelander | WI |
| Kathy Abelson | Decatur | GA | | | |
| **Illinois** | | | | | |
| Laurance & Jan Reed | Chicago | IL | | | |
| Mary Calvert | Chicago | IL | | | |

# ***NV Social Events***

February was a busy month for activities. (some pictures below). We have several exciting events scheduled for March and into April 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 March's social. Look for new dine outs and group outings. 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.

**Reminder: All new events will be open for sign-up between 7:00 am and 12:00 pm on Friday (March 6th)!**

## Ladies Lunch Bunch

## Tennessee Valley Winery

## Copper Cellar Steakhouse

# Events that are currently open and available for signup

## Enjoy a dinner at a local Loudon gem!

## Have a FUN filled evening with Friends using your dice throwing skills!

## Enjoy a tasty dinner with friends and listen to Great Piano Music and favorite songs!

## Relax with friends and enjpy a wonderful dinner and Playhouse Event!

# 2026 Golf season is here!

Come on out and Meet our Pros to hear all about golf in the Village for 2026. This is a great overview of Tellico Village golf operations.  This is also the kickoff for New Villagers Golf. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers; Join us at the Yacht Club on **March 12th**!  3:00 pm - 5:00 pm.
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

| Play starts in April | |
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| April 9th | Toqua |
| April 16th | Kahite |
| April 23rd | Tanasi |
| April 30th | Toqua |

New Villagers events are the lifeblood of our club! **Registration is required for all events!** 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.

**Events with an asterisk * are currently open and ready for sign-up.**

| Event Name | Day/Date | Time/Place |
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| | | |
| NV March Social * | Thursday, Mar 5 | 3:30 1st Session@ Yacht Club<br>5:30 2nd Session@ Yacht Club |
| NV April Social | Thursday, Apr 2 | 3:30 1st Session@ Yacht Club<br>5:30 2nd Session@ Yacht Club |
| **MONTHLY FAVORITES!** | | |
| Bunco for guys and gals * | Monday, Mar 16 | 2 – 4pm @ Yacht Club |
| Singo * | Wednesday, Mar 25 | 7 pm @ Yacht Club |
| Hand and Foot Practice II | Friday. Mar 27 | 1 – 4pm Chota Rec Center |
| Hand and Foot Practice | Wednesday, Apr 1 | 1 – 4pm Chota Rec Center |
| Hand and Foot Learn | Wednesday, Apr 15 | 1 – 4pm Chota Rec Center |
| Bunco for guys and gals | Monday, Apr 20 | 2 – 4pm @ Yacht Club |
| **ENTERTAINMENT!** | | |
| Little Italy & Tellico Playhouse * | Thursday, Mar 26 | 5:00 pm Loudon |
| Dueling Pianos & Dinner * | Sunday, Mar 29 | 5 – 9:30 pm @ Yacht Club |
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| **GROUP FUN THINGS TO DO!** | | |
| Tennessee Aquarium | Wednesday, April 15 | 11:00 am - Chattanooga |
| Black and White Party | Thursday, April 16 | 7 – 9 pm @ Yacht Club |
| Firefly Lane Wine Bar | Tuesday, April 21 | 6 – 8 pm Loudon |
| Murder Mystery Dinner | Saturday, Apr 25 | 5 – 7:30 Sweetwater |
| Little Tail Farms | Sunday, May 3 | 11:00 am – Dunlap |
| **TALKS, TRAINING, TOURS!** | | |
| Meet the Pros | Thursday, Mar 12 | 3 – 5 @ Yacht Club |
| Whiskey and Chocolate Tasting Tour | Tuesday, May 19 | 3 – 5 pm - Townsend |
| **DINE OUTS!** | | |
| The Local Bite * | Friday, Mar 20 | 5:00 pm Loudon |
| Route 129 Smokehouse | Sunday, Apr 19 | 5:00 pm Maryville |
| Tacos and Tequila at Condado | Sunday, Apr 26 | 12:30 pm - Knoxville |
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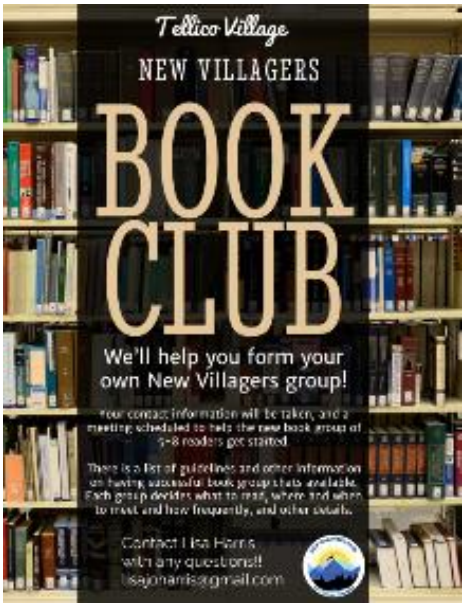
| **MORE Opening Up after April Social** | | |
| | **Give Us Ideas and/or volunteer to lead an event!** | |

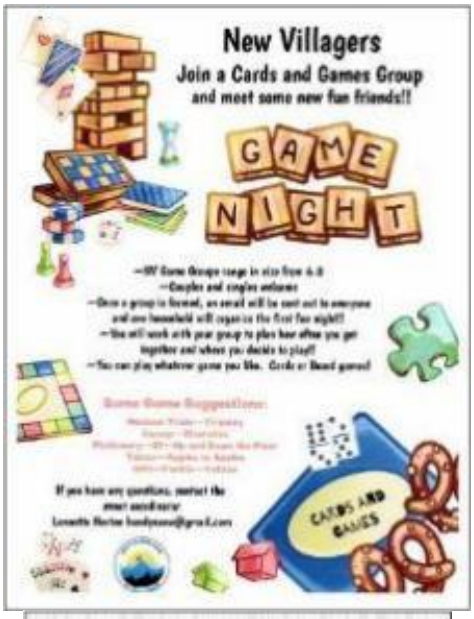
# New Villagers Groups and Clubs

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.

## Current Clubs to investigate!



## New Villagers - Happy Hour at Home Group

Happy Hour at Home is fun, easy, and does not require alcohol!

Meet new friends in a casual setting. Share appetizers and enjoy the beverage of your choice!

*This is the group where most villagers find their lifelong new best friends. Come find your new best friends!*

*Groups are 4-5 households or 8-10 people and rotate monthly in members home

*Each household brings an appetizer to share and their own beverage (wine, cocktail, bourbon, mocktail, soda or bottled water)

*The host supplies the glasses, plates, napkins and utensils plus an appetizer.

*The member list will be emailed to the group with details. If there are not enough people to complete a group then those left will be on next month's list.

*You are not obligated to the group forever and may leave at any time. You can also sign up for another....As many as you like!! It's that much fun!

Remember the NV and Happy Hour Group goal is *hours of happiness and a lifetime of memories!*

Happy Hour at Home Coordinator to contact:

Christina McDermott
(804)615-5444
cmhygiene@gmail.com

Go to our website www.telliconewvillagers.com for more information.

# Tellico Village Clubs

While the New Villagers Club has a varied set of events and activities, we know that there are a wide range of interests and backgrounds that New Villagers bring with them. One of the strengths of the Tellico Village community is the various clubs and organizations that exist. Listed below are a sample of those groups. There is a good chance that some of these match your interests. If not, you can always reach out to the community and start one.

A complete list of the TellicoLife registered clubs and organizations along with further information is located at this link. Tellico Clubs

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| **Game Clubs (Bridge, Euchre, Hand & Foot, Mah Jongg, Pinochle, RUMMIKUB, etc)** | | **Knifty Knitters, Crochet and Fiber Arts** |
| **Sports Clubs (Badminton, Pickleball, Senior Olympics, Swim Club, Softball, Shooting, Table Tennis, Tennis)** | | **Ladies Luncheon and Fashion Show** |
| **Music Clubs (Bluegrass Jam, Dulcimer, Guitar, Jazz, Ukelele)** | | **Tellico Military History Group** |
| **Various Car Clubs** | | **Tellico Riders Motorcycle Club** |
| **American Wine Society - Smoky Mountain Chapter** | | **Tellico Village Network** |
| **Art Guild of Tellico Village** | | **TV Naturalists** |
| **Tellico Lake Amateur Radio Club (TLARC)** | | **Just for fun Photography** |
| **Adopt-A-Class** | | **Village Pool Players** |
| **Animal Rescue: Loudon County Friends of Animals** | | **Village Quilters** |
| **Bluebird Society (Valley Chapter TBS)** | | **Roadrunners RV Club** |
| **Bird Watching** | | **Rover Run Dog Park** |
| **Tellico Village Computer Users Club (TVCUC)** | | **STAYinTV** |
| **Citizens Observer Patrol (COPs)** | | **Square Dancing: Little T Squares Dance Club** |
| **Conservative Club of Tellico** | | **Scrapbook Club** |
| **Crafters at the Community Church** | | **Smoky Mountain Service Dogs** |
| **Tellico Cruising Club** | | **Tellico Village Singers** |
| **Democrats Club - Living Blue in the Village** | | **Tellico Village Single Baby Boomers** |
| **Dancing: Footloose Line Dancing Club** | | **Singles Group: TV Solos Club** |
| **Dragon Boating - Tellico Heat Dragon Boat Club** | | **T-BART - Tellico Boaters Assistance Response Team** |
| **Tellico Village Fishing Club** | | **Tellico Community Players** |
| **Friends of the Library** | | **Travel: Telli-GO** |
| **Garden Club of Tellico Village** | | **TimeLess Tellico Foundation** |
| **Genealogy Research Club** | | **Tennessee in Teal** |
| **GFWC Tellico Village Women's Club** | | **Tellico Village Woodworkers Club** |
| **Hiking Clubs** | | **Watershed Association of the Tellico Reservoir (WATeR)** |
| **Kayaking: Soggy Bottom Kayakers** | | |

**Look for representatives and information on some of these organizations at the monthly NV Socials**

**Don't hesitate to come up to your board members 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.**

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**Looking forward to next month's Social!**

# NEW VILLAGERS
# it's the April Social

## April 2nd, 2026
## Yacht Club Lower Level

Register at www.tellicolife.org

### SESSION ONE

3:30-4:00pm Gather & Chat
4:00-5:00pm New Villager Events
Welcome New Villagers
Prizes
5:00-5:30pm Event & Club Tables Open

### SESSION TWO

5:30-6:00pm Event & Club Tables Open
6:00-7:00pm New Villager Events
Welcome New Villagers
Prizes
7:00-7:30pm Gather & Chat

Make sure to check out all the clubs New Villagers has to offer to help you connect and make lasting friendships!

*Book Club, Happy Hour at Home, Dinner with Friends, Boat Club, Poker Club, Cards & Games Group, OutdoorEnthusiast and Golf*

**CLUB & EVENT TABLES WILL BE OPEN BETWEEN THE FIRST & SECOND SESSIONS**

*SIGN UP FOR ALL NEW EVENTS STARTING FRIDAY MORNING APRIL 3RD AT WWW.TELLICOLIFE.ORG*

**ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT:**
**MARIDEE CLARK**
**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 haven't yet, you can get your Tellico Village name tags from the TV Library.
- If you have suggestions for events/activities or if you want to become an Event Coordinator, email activities@telliconewvillagers.com or President@telliconewvillagers.com.
- 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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Any and all media recorded may be used in our promotional materials, social media, and/or website in perpetuity without renumeration.