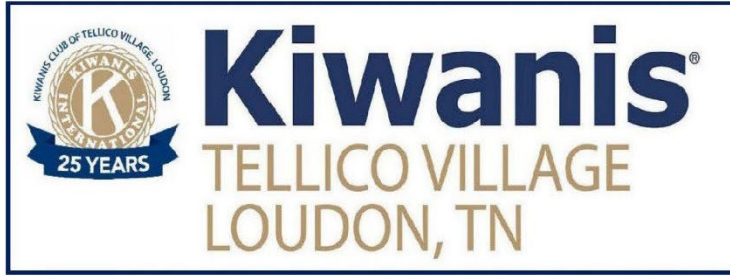


All the News that  
is fit to print and  
then some....  
April 16, 2024  
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Our April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting had 48 members in attendance!

Ron Uncapher inducted Judy Dowell as a new member. That brings our membership up to 88. The ladies are closing in at 41! We got to welcome Dean Roberts as a guest. We look forward to seeing him again. It was wonderful to see our friend, Harold Harman from Oak Ridge Kiwanis too.

Sandwich Buffet by Little Italy was excellent. Thank you Little Italy Restaurant for always providing a great lunch.

Guest Speaker was Karen Hamerslag. She is the founder of Adopt-A-Class TN. Amazing lady, amazing organization - **Page 4**

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**Club Administration Areas that need help!**

Kevin Meyer brought up the importance of our club's need for a Succession Plan. Succession Planning, as we all know, is the process of identifying the critical positions in our organization and developing action plans for individuals to assume those positions.

I did not add the areas where we need to focus in the Newsletter. Instead, I am going to send out a separate document in the next few days.

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**COMING UP**

**There are many volunteer opportunities available.**

The events are posted in MemberDay under Meeting and Events. Please take pictures and forward to me (your friendly little Newsletter Editor). Remember to get media release forms when needed.

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happy  
birthday



**Kiwaniis**  
TELLICO VILLAGE  
LOUDON, TN



APRIL 2024 – HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 Brad Ford	17 Kevin McRae Ken Holt	18 Al Porell	19 Patrick Hennessy	20 Gennie Murdoch
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Jerry Wrubel	29	30				

MAY 2024 – HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 Don Klein Phil Smith	3	4
5	6 Georganne Merritt	7	8	9	10	11 Peggy McRae
12	13 Janine Julian	14	15	16	17 Ruth Thornton	18
19	20 Bill Crowder Ron Hansen	21	22	23	24 Ginger Swintosky	25 Ron Uncapher
26	27	28	29	30	31 Debbie Ford	



Ron Uncapher, our Membership Chairman,  
 inducted another new member today.  
 Put your hands together and welcome:

Judy Dowell [judy@dowell.net](mailto:judy@dowell.net)



<b>MONTH OF MARCH 2024</b>	
<b>SERVICE HOURS - 512</b>	
<b>MEMBERS PARTICIPATION – 76</b>	
<b>NON-MEMBERS PARTICIPATION - 2</b>	
<b>PROJECTS</b>	
Amtryke	Buddy Benches
Commodity Food Distribution	C.O.P.
Ft. Loudon Medical Center	GetYourSelfie2School
Good Samaritan Center	Key Club
Knitters and Crocheters United 4 Kids	LCES Volunteer Hours
LCHS Scholarships	Lending Library
Lions Academy	RTI
Robotics in the Classroom	STAY in Tellico
Tea at The Neighborhood	Tea at The Neighborhood
Tellico Working Together	Veterans Assist Program
Weekend Food 4 Kids	
Club Administration	Club Media/Publicity Outlets
Sunshine Coordinator	



Adopt-a-Class TN was established by  
Karen Hamerslag in 2017.

<https://adoptaclasntn.org/>

Her dedication, drive and commitment has propelled this grassroots movement forward. Loudon Elementary was the first school "Adopted." In 2018, Steekee Elementary was added; and Vonore Elementary became the third school the spring of 2020 to be supported "Adopted" by the club. Their membership began with 14 volunteers and is now at 140.

The attainment of 501(c)(3) status, grant procurements, website development, Facebook usage, and charity networking have given Adopt-a-Class community recognition. Successful fundraisers, including the unique student designed greeting cards and bake sales, have increased program capabilities.

**Classroom Volunteer Program:** Classroom volunteers work directly with children, at the 3 adopted schools, as tutors, either individually or in small groups. Each volunteer is matched with a teacher and a classroom. This allows the volunteers to get to know the children and feel pride in their progress.

**Volunteer at Home Program:** Was established during the pandemic to allow volunteer participation without health risks, and has continued. Teachers submit requests for projects, Volunteer-at-Home members are contacted for availability and interest. Adopt-a-Class leaders collect the materials and instructions from the school, and deliver the materials to participants. After completion, volunteers return completed projects to the school.

**Donation Program:** This program provides school supplies to children and faculty at each of their adopted schools. Teachers submit requests for supplies needed. Adopt-A-Class TN purchases the items. They spend \$9,000 annually to fill the requests.

**Back to School Drive:** This event is held prior to the school year beginning. Residents are asked to contribute supplies such as paper, crayons, glue sticks, etc.

**Donation Bins:** There are several Donation Bins within Tellico Village where school supply items can be dropped off year-round.

**The Literacy Program:** Began in 2021 with subscriptions to Highlights Magazine to all second graders. The program has grown to include Highlights Magazines for all third graders. Scholastic Storyworks Magazine for fourth graders, and Scholastic Super STEM Magazine for fifth graders has been added.

**Family Engagement Program:** This program began in 2022 and provides resources for home learning. Mathematics and STEM Support Program was launched in 2023.

*A Antico*





# We Did It!



Kiwanis member, Rick Hamm, was volunteering at STAR during the week of April 2nd. He took a few pictures of Sampson. This handsome horse is sponsored by our club. Looks like Sampson is



**Sampson**

Chestnut Draft  
Cross Gelding

★

Sponsored by  
Kiwanis Club of  
Tellico Village

*A Antico 4-4-24*

Kindergarten Roundup  
Lenoir City Elementary School  
Friday, April 5, 2024  
Members from  
Kiwanis Tellico Village were  
on hand to help.



**Kiwanians:**  
Bob & Ginger Swintosky



**Kiwanians:**  
Beth and Ray Mouse



*A Antico 4-5-24*

**Kevin Meyer read a Thank you from  
Robin Rolland, Director of Compassion Ministries.**



Check Presentation on April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024.  
 Randy Heiden presented Sherri Raper (Director Monroe County Family Resource Center) a check for \$1,000.  
 Dan Kuzdzal presented Robin Rolland (Director Compassion Ministries) a check for \$5,000.  
 Working through Compassion Ministries, Tellico Working Together organization was able to secure approximately \$90,000. worth of food through 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest. That will feed approximately 500 Monroe County families on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the Monroe Food Distribution, held at Madisonville Primary School in Madisonville, TN.



*A Robco 9-6-24*

## Weekend Food 4 kids

The morning of April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2924 turned out to be a challenge for a few of our Kiwanis members.

They arrived ready to pack nutritious snacks for the Weekend Food 4 Kids Project at Loudon Elementary School. However, they were met with a large pallet delivered by Second Harvest.

They had to open the pallet, break it down, unpack it, sort the items, and placed them onto the shelves in the storage room.

There were no bags, which are used to pack the snacks, and distributed confidentially to 168 students. Ray Mouse went to Food Lion, who donated more than enough bags.

They then put together 168 individual bags, each containing 4 different nutritious snacks. The bags were labeled by student and classroom. Bags were loaded onto carts for each classroom and delivered to the teachers.



Our volunteers took it all in stride. We applaud you for your commitment and dedication. Thank you!

L-R: Mary Procyk, Kevin McRae, Katey Bailey, and Mary Colleary. (Ray Mouse is missing from the picture.)

*A Article 4-5-24*

### INTER-CLUB - APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup> WITH THE MADISONVILLE KIWANIS CLUB.

**Front Row: Don Klein,  
 Beth Mouse, Ray Mouse,  
 Mary Procyk, and David Coulter**

**Back Row: Katey Bailey,  
 Louise Coulter, and Phil Rothrock  
 (Phil is our very own Inter-Club Guru)**

**It was held at  
 Donna's Old town Café  
 100 College Steet S, Madisonville, TN**

**"Great Food and Great Fellowship."**



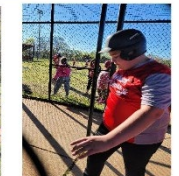


**Kiwaniis**  
 TELLICO VILLAGE  
 LOUDON, TN



Loudon Without Limits Baseball Team  
 Loudon Municipal Park, April 6, 2024.

What a marvelous game. Athletics having fun, laughing,  
 enjoying the sunshine, hitting the ball, running the bases,  
 and passing home plate.  
 Families and friends cheered them on.  
 Kiwanians Beth and Ray Mouse and Angie and Lou Antico  
 attended and had a ball!



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[www.kiwanistellivillage.org](http://www.kiwanistellivillage.org)

<https://www.facebook.com/KiwanisTV/>





320 Blue Pinwheels were planted at the Kids First- Child Advocacy Center on Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>. Each pinwheel represented a child victim the Center served last year from Loudon, Roane, Morgan, or Megis County.

The pinwheels were planted by community members, law enforcement, and their Child Protective Investigative Teams.



Kiwanians, Angie and Lou Antico, stopped by the event. (Lou was on camera duty and is missing from the photo.)



**Project Leader: Reba Herzfeld 404-403-0567**  
[rebareneekay@aol.com](mailto:rebareneekay@aol.com)

Reba presented her idea for this project in Feb. to Angie Antico and Jerry Wrubel. The Board approved the project in March. Reba, in this short period of time, has added 7 volunteers to her team of knitters/crocheters. She has approached the Kids First-Child Advocacy Center, who gave a resounding YES to accepting the items.

At our meeting, she and Jane Holt showed off a few of the beautiful completed pieces.

Contact Reba, if you or a friend would like to be a part of this rewarding project.





**Kiwanis**  
TELLICO VILLAGE  
LOUDON, TN

**COMING UP**

**IT'S ALMOST HERE!!!!!!!**

**Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious**

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**DID YOU SELL YOUR TICKETS AND TURN IN  
THE MOOLAH?**

**HAVE YOU VOLUNTEER?**

**EXTRA HELP IS ALWAYS NEEDED.**

**WALK, RUN, HOP, SKIP, JUMP, OR DRIVE TO  
HELP MAKE OUR EVENT A SUCCESS.**

**SETUP IS FRIDAY, APRIL 19TH**

**THE BIG DAY IS SATURDAY, APRIL 20TH**

Katey Bailey and Ginger Swintosky  
are Co-Chairs

Katey: [Katey\\_b@gmail.com](mailto:Katey_b@gmail.com)

Ginger: [gswintosky@gmail.com](mailto:gswintosky@gmail.com)



Rick Hamm had 2 additional members offer to help at the Shred Truck Event. He will be sending out an email with location time to arrive to the volunteers. If you need to contact Rick: [walkerhamm@gmail.com](mailto:walkerhamm@gmail.com) Mobile: 941-468-7441

Come and check out the Car Show presented by our Key Club and Interact Club. No Entry Fee but Donations Welcomed. Help support our Key Club.



### Amtryke - Therapeutic Tricycle Project



Rob Orkney announced that there will be an Amtryke presentation on April 30<sup>th</sup>. The tryke will be given to a 17-year-old girl. Rob will be sending out an email with details.

Our club provides financial and manpower support to provide therapeutic tricycles to special needs children who are unable to operate a traditional bike. These unique tricycles can be either hand and/or foot operated and can accommodate riders with varying degrees of physical limitations. These bikes have many therapeutic benefits including improved motor skills, strength development and self-esteem.

**Rob needs help with the project. Please email Rob for additional information. [Tellico4rob@charter.net](mailto:Tellico4rob@charter.net)**

Our Annual Car Wash is Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Our next meeting is not until May 7<sup>th</sup>.

Kevin Meyer needs VOLUNTEERS.

Contact Kevin to find out what tasks need to be filled.

We split the event into 2 shifts.

We don't want our members to wear themselves out.

Our Car Wash Fundraiser started out under the possibility that may or may not work!

It worked.

Our Community looks forward to it every year.

Our members enjoy seeing their neighbors, spreading goodwill, the camaraderie.

(Water fights between volunteers may happen. Of course, this activity is not condoned.)



**ALL ROADS LEAD TO THE  
KIWANIS CLUB 7TH ANNUAL  
COMMUNITY CAR WASH  
SATURDAY, MAY 4TH  
WELCOME CENTER, TELLICO VILLAGE  
9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.**



**NO FEE TO WASH YOUR VEHICLE.  
WE SIMPLY ASK FOR A DONATION.  
100% OF PROCEEDS GO TO HELP FUND  
OUR PROJECTS FOR CHILDREN.**

**YOUR SUPPORT MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR US  
TO CONTINUE OUR MISSION, "MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF CHILDREN. ONE  
CHILD AND ONE COMMUNITY AT A TIME.**





Without Limits is a program began in Monroe County in 2019 offering baseball to athletes with special needs. Without Limits works with the Loudon Diamond Club; which offers youth baseball and softball to local children. Sweetwater and Tellico Plains were the first Without Limit teams. The Loudon Without Limits team made its debut April 26, 2023. The Loudon team consists of players ranging in age from 5 to 28. Our club approved Without Limits as a project under our Youth Services Committee. We offer financial funding, and volunteers to help support the athletes.

***Without Limits Baseball Game Upcoming Schedule***

**Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. Loudon Municipal Park  
1470 Roberson Springs Rd., Loudon**

**Tuesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 5:30 p.m. Loudon High School  
1038 Mulberry St., Loudon**

**This is a Charity Game. Admission is a donation (no set amount).**

**Without Limits Team will play first.**

**First Responders will follow.**

**Loudon Police Officers Vs Loudon Firemen**

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2:00 p.m. Kefauver Park, Madison Lane, Madisonville  
All Star Game**

**All 3 Without Limits teams will play, Tellico Plains, Sweetwater, and Loudon.**

Thank you,  
Beth Mouse,  
for providing  
the Baseball  
Games  
schedule.



# Weekend Food 4 kids

**May 10<sup>th</sup> is the final Weekend Food 4 Kids Project for this school year.**

Pat Humphrey needs volunteers to help pack the snack. Email Pat for details: [pathumphre@gmail.com](mailto:pathumphre@gmail.com)

We provide both financial and manpower support for this program which presently serves disadvantaged students attending Loudon Elementary School. Our members pack bags of healthy snacks from the 4 food groups. Teachers distribute the bags, confidentially, to these children on Friday's when school is in session. Food is purchased through Second Harvest; who delivers the items directly to the school.

*Creating More Moments of Joy*

 **Our PLACE**  
Capital Campaign  
Fundraiser & Gala

**May 19, 2024**  
Tellico Village Yacht Club | 5-10 pm

Cash Bar  
Hors d'oeuvres  
3 Dinner Options  
Silent Auction  
Music

**\$100 per person**  
**\$800 Reserved Table for 8**  
Cocktail Dress

RSVP, Dinner options, credit card pay at  
**OurPlaceTN.org**  
Ginny Ranck - 865-271-8101  
Shawn Tallant - 703-399-1826

Rick Hamm asked for items to be donated towards a Kiwanis gift basket for the fundraising effort to benefit Our Place.

The basket will be auctioned at the Our Place Gala.

Items are needed.

The Gift Basket must be completed by April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Please contact Rick Hamm, if you can help with items to be included in our Kiwanis Gift Basket.

[walkerhamm@gmail.com](mailto:walkerhamm@gmail.com)

### BEGINNING OF SUMMER SOCIAL

Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Tennessee Valley Winery 15606 Hotchkiss Valley Rd., Loudon

An evening for picnics (BYO) or purchase from the food truck.

Entertainment by popular vocalist, Josiah Atchley,  
who performs soul ,country, rock etc.

An area will be provided for our group, and tents will be setup for us.

It is suggested to take your own chairs and car pool.

No alcohol or pets are permitted.

You may tour the facility and purchase their wine at a discount.

In case of rain, we will go inside the building.

Sign-up by June 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Social Committee

Ruth Thornton, KaDee Andreasen, Georganne Merritt and Janet Villa



## FORT LOUDOUN VOLUNTEER HEADLINES



4.15.2024

### Spring is in the Air



I would like to welcome you to the 'Fort Loudoun Volunteer Headlines'. It will fill you in on current events, acknowledge years of service and welcome new volunteers.

If you have anything you would like to include in next month's Headlines, please email them to: [aray2@covhlth.com](mailto:aray2@covhlth.com).

### National Volunteer Week - April 21st - April 27th



You may or may not know, the origin of Candy Strippers initiated in 1944 in a High School of New Jersey. The uniforms were tailored by the girls themselves with the help of materials their teachers provided. It was red-white clothes, which later turned out to be the iconic costume of the Candy Strippers. They initially participated in the Junior Hostesses program, which was designed to familiarize girls with the social service side of the medical field. With the immediate success and popularity of this program, Candy Strippers started helping in different parts of the country and became elemental to the hospitals in the USA. Candy Strippers played a significant role during World War II, actively volunteering in military hospitals to take care of the injured soldiers.

I'm so thankful you chose FLMC to serve. You bring love, joy and peace to all you encounter. Y'all are dear and near to my heart!

We wish to honor you for your remarkable service to Fort Loudoun Medical Center! Anytime, the week of April 22nd, please stop by April Ray's office and pickup a gift of appreciation.

### Years of Service



I would love to recognize our volunteers that have served 5+ years. You will receive a pin for your years of service:

#### 5 Years

- \* Cindy Hansen
- \* Christie Bruns
- \* Ruth Shacklee
- \* Reba Pekala

#### 15 Years

- \* Linda Racke
- \* Alan Ganzman

#### 10 Years

- \* Stacia Scanlan
- \* Arlene Vincent

#### 20 Years

- \* Valerie MacDonald

### Chaplain Program

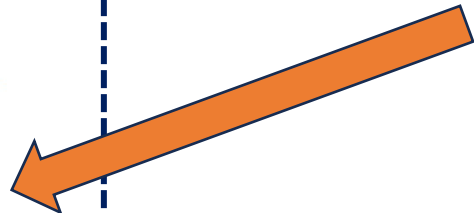


Our Chaplain Program is off to a great start! We have several volunteers that have said yes to the call!

I want to say a special thank you to David Coulter for helping in this. He has started a morning devotion for anyone that would like to join on Thursday mornings at 9:30.

If you know of someone that feels lead to minister, please direct them to me at, [aray2@covhlth.com](mailto:aray2@covhlth.com).

"The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26





## Congratulations Dr. Chris Smallen

Posted Date: 04/10/2024

It's time to let the cat out of the bag and celebrate an incredible achievement! Please join me in extending a resounding congratulations to Dr. Chris Smallen for his election to serve on the esteemed CoSN Board of Directors!

Dr. Smallen's dedication and expertise have been evident throughout his career, including his previous role as TETA Chairman of the Board and his current position as the Chief Technology Officer and Virtual School Principal at Lenoir City Schools.

We couldn't be prouder of Dr. Smallen's accomplishments and the honor he brings to our community. His leadership and commitment to excellence will undoubtedly shine as he takes on this new role, representing Tennessee with distinction.

Dr. Smallen, your hard work and dedication have paid off, and we have no doubt that you will excel in this new endeavor. Congratulations once again!

If you have a moment, please feel free to send Dr. Smallen your best wishes and congratulations [here](#) on his remarkable achievement.

**Mark Howell**  
TETA Board Chair [mark.howell@teta.org](mailto:mark.howell@teta.org)



### IT'S TIME TO CLEAN OUT YOUR BATHROOM DRAWERS

YES! National DEA "Drug Take Back Day" is here. On April 27<sup>th</sup>, from 10am to 2pm The Tellico Community Foundation is sponsoring your opportunity to safely dispose of *Outdated/Unused prescription and OTC medicines*. Local Monroe/Loudon Sheriff Departments will be on site to dispose of the drugs. Environmentally safe, don't flush, drop off!

**Where:** Kahite Parking Lot and Tellico Village Welcome Center.

**Plus:** Get a coupon for 10% off at the Kahite or Toqua restaurants for that day.

#### About Tellico Community Foundation

Since 2017, the Tellico Community Foundation has contributed approximately \$300,000 to nonprofits serving Loudon and Monroe Counties. Its mission is to enrich the Loudon and Monroe County communities by funding programs and projects that provide support for seniors and promote childhood development. The Tellico Community Foundation is an affiliate fund of East Tennessee Foundation.

To learn more, donate or to become involved:  
[www.tellicolife.org/tellico-community-foundation](http://www.tellicolife.org/tellico-community-foundation)



We respect our members privacy.

We will only share details on health issues if given their approval.

**PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**George and Linda Arwood:** Loss of their son. Keep them in your thoughts as they deal with this tragedy.

**Jim Barton:** Stage 4 lung cancer. Jim has a long and difficult road ahead.

**Brian Hass:** His recovery is going extremely well. Brian's physical therapist is both pleased and impressed. Keep up the great work, Brian.

**Dick Jones:** Dick is home. He is still very ill.

**Phil Rothrock:** Prostate cancer and is undergoing Proton therapy.

**Dana Rothrock (Phil's wife):** Undergoing cancer treatments for lymphoma.

**Human kindness  
has never weakened  
the stamina or  
softened the fiber of  
a free people.**

—FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT



Peace Out,  
Angie Antico, Editor