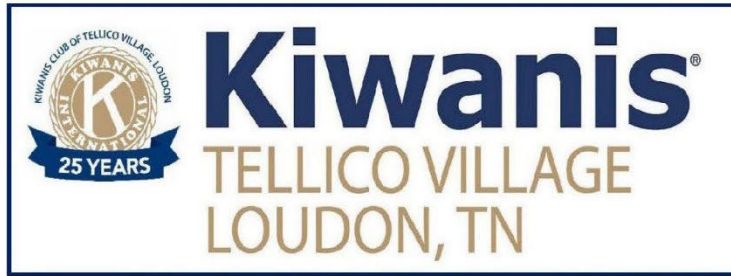


All the News that
is fit to print and
then some....
Feb. 4, 2025
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What a beautiful day for a meeting. 35 members joined us. We welcomed 8 guests! Paulette Craig, Lewis McElfresh, Barbara and Michael Miesemer, Sam and Karen Rieger, Chris and Kim Silvestri and Tina (Reba's best friend who is visiting from Atlanta.)

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Katey Bailey (Madam President)

Stressed the importance of responding to her Meeting Notice emails. She sends out initial Meeting Notice on Thursday with a follow-up on Sunday. If you plan on having lunch, PLEASE tell Katey. She must give the restaurant a count for lunch. They purchase supplies and prepare the food based on that count. We are being charged for the meal count given to Little Italy.

We received an email from Highland Park Elementary School asking for volunteers. They need greeters to welcome students at 7:10 am as they arrive for school. They are also looking for readers. Katey asked members to let her know if they were interested. This cannot interfere with our commitment to Lenoir City Elementary. Katey has also contacted Tammy at Loudon County Kiwanis.

Ginger Swintosky, Pancake Breakfast Co-Chair stressed how quickly time is flying. There are only 2 more meetings before the PB. Volunteers are needed.

Ginger mentioned that they will be trying out something new this time; a Silent Auction* Gift Baskets are being put together. More details will follow.

Kevin Flanagan, PB Ticket Master, asked everyone to please sell your tickets. He also said there were 20 members who have not yet picked up their tickets!

*Pat Robinson has been contacting local businesses requesting donations of items for our PB. She has been very successful. Food Lion allowed Pat to purchase \$70.00 worth of items. She bought enough items to create an Italian Gift Basket.

Reba Herzfeld has been knitting baby items to be used in another Gift Basket. Her friend, Tina, donated 50 pounds of yarn.

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*There are many opportunities to volunteer.
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happy birthday



FEBRUARY 2025 – HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 Louise Coulter	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14 KaDee Andreasen	15
16	17	18	19	20 Mark Johnson	21	22
23	24	25	26 Dave Miller	27	28	

MARCH 2025 – HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Judy Buscetta Bonnell Cooper
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Jane Holt	12	13	14	15
16 Brian Hass	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Randy Heiden	29
30	31					

Thank
you!



Dr. Ryan Grover



Dr. Ryan Grover, a renowned Radiation Oncologist with over two decades of experience, delivered an insightful presentation on the advancements in proton therapy.

Specializing in rare brain, skull base, and head and neck tumors, Dr. Grover shared his expertise on how proton therapy has revolutionized cancer treatment, offering more precise targeting of tumors while minimizing damage to surrounding healthy tissues. His detailed discussion highlighted the latest technological innovations that enhance treatment accuracy and patient outcomes, as well as the potential for proton therapy to improve the quality of life for patients with rare and challenging cancer diagnoses.

His goal is to make treatments more comfortable, as well as more effective.

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Welcome
To Our  **Kiwanis Family**
TELLICO VILLAGE
LOUDON, TN

Anne Cloud became member #79 today.

We are blessed and grateful to have her become part of our Kiwanis Family.

Anne is a friend of Kevin #1 and joined anyway!

(Only kidding Kevin. Thanks for helping Anne discover Kiwanis and our club.)



We Did It!

RONNIE RAPER CHILDREN'S MUSIC PROGRAM

Ronnie, from Etowah, TN, has been making a significant impact in his community by offering free musical instruments and instruction to underprivileged middle school students. His initiative has opened doors for many. Tellico Village Kiwanis recognizes the value of his mission, and has been supporting Ronnie in this effort.



This young lady is 14 years old. Her dad deserted the family, leaving them with nothing and no place to live. A local church found the family a home. She wanted to play the guitar. Ronnie bought her a guitar and is teaching her to how play.

This child is only nine years old. She comes from a very underprivileged family. Ronnie found a used guitar and presented it to her. He is giving her lessons and provides the music.



On January 23, 2025, Kiwanians Ray and Beth Mouse presented Ronnie with a check in the amount of \$950.00, to help defray the costs associated with this life changing endeavor.



Weekend Food 4 kids

Project Leader: Pat Humphrey 912-531-7643 pathumphre@gmail.com

We provide both financial and manpower support for this program which presently serves students attending Loudon Elementary School. Our members pack bags of healthy snacks from the 4 food groups. They begin at 9:30 a.m. and are usually finished by 10:30 a.m. 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.

DO YOU THINK OUR MEMBERS ENJOY DOING WHAT THEY DO?

Jan. 23, 2025 Janine Julian, Kevin Flanagan, Pat Humphrey (in the selfie below), along with Mary Procyk and David Lillemon (who are missing from the selfie), volunteered at Loudon Elementary School for the Weekend Food 4 Kids Project.



*Happy
Birthday!*

**The monthly Ladies Tea at
The Neighborhood was
Tuesday, Jan. 28th, 2025.**

**Our Kiwanis Gals hosted a joyful birthday
celebration attended by 20 ladies residing at the
assisted living facility. A delightful blend of simple
pleasures; hot tea, cupcakes,**



**ice cream,
singing, and
conversations
transformed the
monthly Tea into
a perfect day.**

Our Kiwanis Gals who volunteered at the Jan. 28th Tea: Lucia Findley, Pat Humphrey, Peggy McRae, Bev Sikorsky, a friend of Bev's, and Courtney Morris (daughter of Debbie Morris).

Project Leaders: Lucia Findley 865-809-9857 lucia.findley@gmail.com
Debbie Morris 865-765-9217 dmorrislu4@gmail.com

The Ladies Tea at The Neighborhood held on the fourth Tuesday is a charming gathering that fosters community and connection. Hosted by the Kiwanis ladies, it offers a wonderful opportunity for socialization with the women residing at The Neighborhood. This delightful occasion is marked by an array of sweet treats and baked goods lovingly prepared and brought by the Kiwanis gals. The highlight of each get together is the serving of hot tea in elegant bone china cups, complete with saucers, adding a touch of sophistication and warmth. The residents truly enjoy this pampering experience, creating an atmosphere of joy and camaraderie. It's an event where laughter, conversation, and the simple pleasure of good company are always in ample supply, leaving everyone with cherished memories.



WOMEN ON POINT

Empowering Women to Increase Their Community Impact

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Event is hosted by The Loudon County Education Foundation, Leadership Loudon County Alumni Association, and Leadership East Tennessee

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

Katey Bailey, President Tellico Village Kiwanis.
Brenda Prater Sellers, business leader, photographer, community leader, philanthropist, and author. Kelly A. Henry, Major Gifts Officer with Second Harvest of East Tennessee.

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Katey Bailey, Club President, attended the Women on Point Women's Conference on Tuesday, Jan. 28th, 2025.

Pictured with Katey are -

In the middle: Brenda Prater Sellers, business leader, photographer, community leader, philanthropist, and author

On the right: Kelly A. Henry, Major Gifts Officer with Second Harvest of East Tennessee

Kelly is friends with Brenda. She won Brenda's book, "You Slept Where? Calamities of a Clumsy Businesswoman." Since Kelly already owns a copy of the book, she generously gave it to Katey.

As per Katey, "The LCEF event was wonderful. Lots of great information and incredible ladies!"



January 29, 2025

OUR INAUGURAL SESSION OF LUNCH & LEARN WAS A SUCCESS.

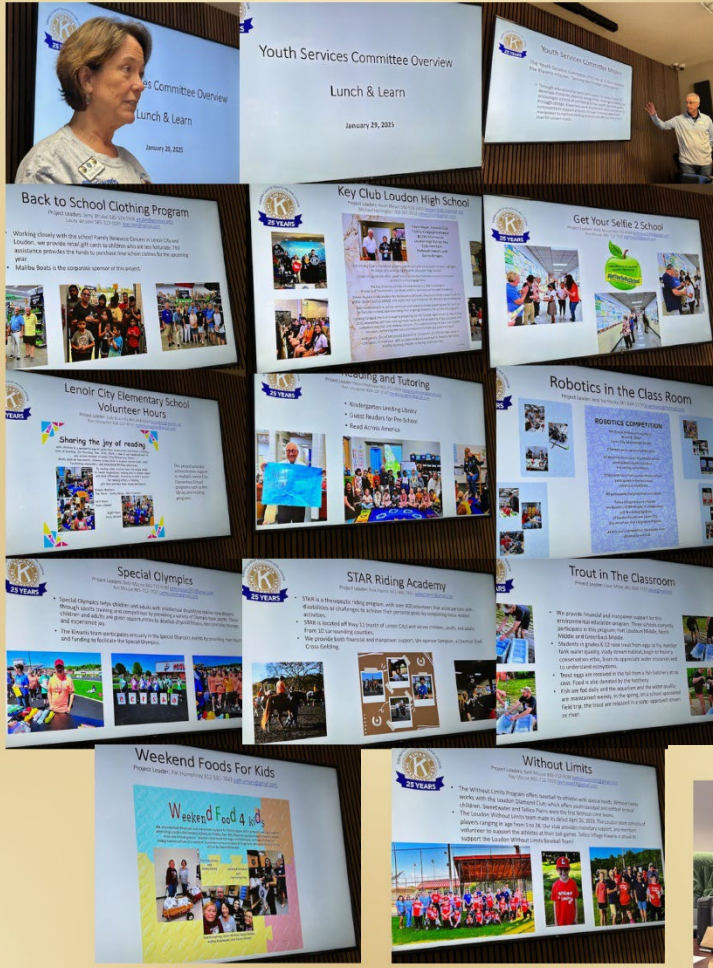
Thank you to our club president, Katey Bailey. She presented the idea, organized the event, and made it happen.

Thank you to Youth Services Committee Chair, Kevin McRae. He prepared a comprehensive PowerPoint, highlighting the various projects our club supports and how individuals can get involved.



The Lunch & Learn was a vibrant gathering, with 13 members and 6 guests in attendance. The atmosphere was lively as questions were posed and thoughtfully answered, engaging dialogue among all present. Central to the discussions was the impactful work undertaken by the club members, highlighting their dedication to community service and the positive changes they are effecting. The meeting underscored the club's commitment to making a difference, inspiring both members and guest.







Ron Uncapher enjoyed reading to pre-kindergarten children at Lenoir City Elementary School Thursday, Jan. 30th, 2025.

The children are always happy to see Ron. He holds their attention, helps them use their imaginations, and continues to bring the joy of reading into their lives.

Early Childhood Literacy – (Young Children: Priority One Committee)

Project Leader: Ron Uncapher 828-337-9747 ronalduncapher@gmail.com

Every other Thursday of the month during the school year, volunteers read to Pre-Kindergarten children at Lenoir City Elementary School. This project follows the Lending Library program held on the specified Thursday morning.

The children gather in classrooms and listen to a book reading by a volunteer. The children are attentive and very often a question-and-answer session follows. This program helps to introduce young children to the fascination of books.



A few of our members attended an Inter-Club
on Friday, January 31st , 2025 at the
Kiwanis Club of Athens.

Left to Right:

Pat Humphrey, Kevin Meyer,
Anne Cloud (new newest member), and
Bob Swintosky.

David Coulter, not shown, also attended.



What is Inter-Club?

Briefly, an inter-club meeting is a meeting staged by two or more Kiwanis clubs.

Inter-clubbing is a means of supporting Kiwanis' fifth Object, which is "To provide, through this club, a practical means to form enduring friendships, to render altruistic service and to build a better community." This wider scope of Kiwanis can be achieved by member visits between clubs in the same town, division and district, as well as inter-district get-togethers.

The development of fellowship among members of the Kiwanis family by having inter-club activities is so important.

Through the fellowship gained by inter-club activities, members learn how other clubs function, get to know their neighboring Kiwanians, develop new ideas and a broader interest in how Kiwanis operates, find new ideas for use in their own club, and become better Kiwanians.

Inter- clubbing creates fun and strong fellowship.

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Trout in the Classroom
Preparation of trout eggs to be delivered to the
3 schools who participate in this project,
Fort Loudon Middle, North Middle and Greenback Middle

David Miller, Project Leader, and Ken Holt got our
Signature project up and running again
Monday, Feb. 3rd, 2025.

"Trout in the Classroom" is an educational program that provides students with a unique opportunity to learn about ecosystems, conservation, and biology through the hands-on experience of raising trout. The journey begins with trout eggs, which are typically delivered to classrooms in the fall. Students then carefully monitor the development of the eggs, observing as they hatch into alevins and eventually grow into fry. Throughout this process, students learn about the life cycle of trout, the importance of clean water, and the role of these fish in their natural habitats. By the time the young trout are ready to be released into local streams or rivers, students have gained a deeper understanding and appreciation for aquatic life and environmental stewardship. This participatory approach not only enhances science education but also fosters a sense of responsibility and connection to the natural world.



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Ron Uncapher, Project Leader, is looking for a few good men and women to help with two projects at Lenoir City Elementary School.

These projects bring smiles to the faces of children, help them concentrate and dream.
They are stepping stones to a child's future.

Please contact Ron at: ronalduncapher@gmail.com

Thursday, February 13th: Early Childhood Literacy Project needs 3 volunteers to read to the Pre-kindergarten children at 8:15 a.m.

Early Childhood Literacy (Young Children: Priority One Committee)

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**Read Across
America Day**

Friday, March 7th: Read Across America Event needs 5 volunteers to read to the kindergarteners. Reading begins at 8:30, however, plan on arriving 10 minutes early to select a book to read to the little ones.

The next scheduled Commodity Food Distribution is March 4, 2025.

Below is a brief description of this project. One thing is missing, though.

Ken Austin always brings DONUTS!!

Willing to volunteer? Contact Ken Austin.

Commodity Food Distribution - (Community Services Committee)

Project Leader: Ken Austin 865-657-9067 kaustinmedia@aol.com

Once each quarter, Kiwanis helps coordinate with the Mid-East government organization for the receipt, packing, and delivery of surplus government commodities to residents in Lenoir City. Kiwanis Members meet at the War Memorial Building located at 101 N B Street in Lenoir City. Volunteer Packers should arrive by 9:00 a.m. to receive and pack the food received from USDA. Delivery Volunteers should arrive by 10:00 a.m.

Those receiving food are primarily low-income elderly or handicapped individuals unable to pick up the food themselves. Recipients are qualified for the distributions through Mid-East.



Weeke**n**d **F**ood **4** ki**d**s

Volunteers Needed! March 7, April 4, April 17, and May 9

Please contact Pat Humphrey. No child should go hungry!



Weekend Food 4 Kids – (Youth Services Committee)

Project Leader: Pat Humphrey 912-531-7643 pathumphre@gmail.com

We provide both financial and manpower support for this program which presently serves students attending Loudon Elementary School. Our members pack bags of healthy snacks from the 4 food groups. They begin at 9:30 a.m. and are usually finished by 10:30 a.m. 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.

You can download the Registration Form and tentative agenda from the KY-TN District website:

<https://k10.site.kiwanis.org/mid-year-conference/>

It is also in MemberDay. Files> KY_TN District Information > Mid-Year Conference March 6_8 2025.



What a great day to be a Kiwanian!



You may register on line with debit or credit card OR by mail with check.

We need all our members to support this very important fundraiser.

If you have not picked up your tickets, contact Kevin #2 –
kevin@cfelectric.com

PLEASE PLEASE sell your tickets.

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE volunteer to help and sign-up to assist with a task.

THERE ARE ONLY 38 DAYS LEFT BEFORE OUR PANCAKE BREAKFAST.



Spring **PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Community Church at Tellico Village
Saturday, March 15, 2025
7:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast
Tickets are \$14.00
Kids 12 and under Eat Free

MORE THAN JUST PANCAKES:
Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Fruit Cups, Juice,
Coffee, Tea, and Water.

Tickets must be purchased in advance,
and are available at:
Sloan's Hardware, United Community Bank,
The Village Salon or any Kiwanis Member.

**KIDS NEED
KIWANIS**



Kiwanis
TELLICO VILLAGE
LOUDON, TN

**KIWANIS
NEEDS YOU**

Bringing our community together, we will share upcoming Tellico Working Together Events.



Tellico Working Together – (Community Services Committee)

Project Leaders: Dan Kuzdzal 865-657-9331 djkuzdzal@yahoo.com

Randy Heiden 865-408-1605 randynancyh@outlook.com

Kiwanis Club works together with 15 other civic organizations and churches in the Tellico Village area to support each other in various community-oriented projects and charitable causes.

The 16 Organizations that make up TWT currently are Community Church at Tellico Village, First Baptist Church Tellico Village, Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church, Christ Our Savior Methodist Church, Kiwanis Club of Tellico Village, Rotary of Tellico Village, Lions Club, General Federation of Women Club Tellico Village, Adopt-a-Class, Our PLACE and Tellico Foundation, Friends of the Library, Stay in TV, Water, T-Bart and 4 Paws Food Bank.

Tellico Working Together Upcoming Events.

You can find details on the Tellico Life Calendar, and the organizations websites.

February 2025

- 4 – Tellico Village Welcome Orientation – Service Groups Information Tables
- 6 – New Villagers Social – Service Groups Information Tables
- 26 – TWT Meeting 10:45 Baptist Church

March 2025

- 3 – Lions Club - Chili/Soup Dinner 4 pm at Yacht Club
- 6 – New Villagers Social – Service Groups Information Tables
- 15 - Kiwanis Club - Pancake Breakfast at Community Church at Tellico Village
- 22 – WATer - Lakeshore cleanup
- Month – Four Paws Food Pantry Pet Food Drive at United Community Bank



GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER MARDI GRAS DANCE MARCH 1, 2025 | 6-10 PM

Tellico Village Yacht Club | 100 Sequoyah Rd Loudon



New Orleans revelry with a DJ, dancing, & celebration



Wine Pull Game & heavy hors d'oeuvres (cash bar)

\$50/pp

King cakes at each table; find the King Baby and win a prize!

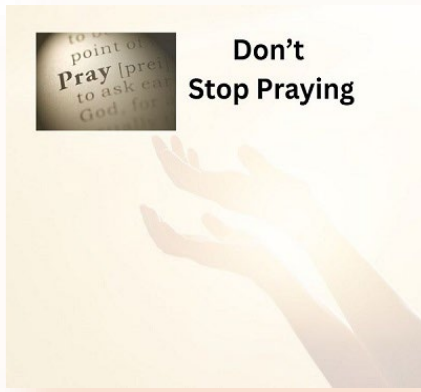


Dress and dance to impress as King & Queen to be selected



All proceeds go directly to Good Shepherd Center and our mission to help care for the needs of our neighbors in Monroe County.

for more information visit:
www.goodshepherdcenter.net



Please let us know if you or someone you know has specifically asked for/needs prayers.

Continue praying for our nation, our leaders, our military, first responders, our community, friends, neighbors, and our Kiwanis family,

Andrea Johnson: Her mom, **Jeanette Warren**, and for the family as they face each difficult day dealing with Jeanette's terminal illness of Stage 4 glioblastoma.

Jim Gazay, Immediate Past Governor of KY-TN District. He received a diagnosis of adenocarcinoma, an invasive type of cancer that has grown beyond its original location. Jim's medical team is still gathering information, but believe it's in the early stages, which is very encouraging. This means they should be able to remove it completely. While there are different types of adenocarcinoma, the type Jim has may respond well to treatments such as chemotherapy.

Please continue to pray for the 67 souls lost in the DC plane crash and their families, to those who have seen their homes reduced to ashes by the fires in California, and those still dealing with the aftermath left by the Hurricanes and floods.

You have it easily in your power to increase the sum total of this world's happiness now.

Dale Carnegie

**Peace Out,
Angie Antico
Editor**