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WATeR WORKS

November, 2011

WATeR's ANNUAL MEETING—NOVEMBER 17



Our annual meeting at the Christian Life Center of the Community Church at Tellico Village promises to be an interesting event. The doors will open at 6:30 for viewing of exhibits from various organizations. The program will begin at 7:00.

The program will feature an interesting presentation by Robin George, Army Corp of Engineer's first woman Lock Operator. More recently, she retired from TVA's Hydro Dispatch Control Cell in Chattanooga. This control center affects the flow of water through the Fort Loudoun Dam. Her talk will cover such topics as lake level fluctuations in the spring and fall, control of potential flood conditions and lock operations. You will have an opportunity to ask questions.

The program will begin with a slide show covering WATeR's activities during 2011, followed by a brief business meeting, an introduction and election of board members (see biographies on page 3), a review of financials and adoption of changes to the bylaws.



Gene Brownell, Lou Livengood & Lloyd Donnelly

(others on the team: Bob Martin, Larry Smart & Bob Kutschera)

Adopt A Site

In coordination with TVA, a group of WATeR members has initiated a test project to identify particularly trashy sites around Tellico Lake that require more attention than provided by our Annual Lakeshore Cleanup effort. Durable trash cans were permanently installed in 4 locations. Volunteers service their assigned areas about once a week to replace the filled trash can liner with a new one and pickup any trash that wasn't put into the can. We have been experiencing a success rate of about 90% i.e. about 90% of the trash has gone into the cans and not onto the ground. If you would like to participate in this worthwhile project, please contact Lou Livengood:

lou.livengood@charter.net

WATeR Needs You

Our website address is www.tellicowater.org.

The Watershed Association of the Tellico Reservoir (WATeR) is seeking new and renewing members from around Tellico Lake who share our goals of protecting and improving the environment in the Tellico Reservoir Watershed. We work with local, state, and federal agencies with similar interests and responsibilities. WATeR is an all-volunteer, non-profit, tax-exempt association that was founded in 2000.

Your Membership support will assure the continued success of these recent accomplishments:

Lakeshore Cleanup - Approximately 360 volunteers collected some 5 tons of trash during the 10th Annual Watershed Cleanup in March. During this 10 year period, 3983 volunteers, representing 26 clubs, organizations and communities have participated in the cleanups to collect more than 86 tons of trash.

East Lakeshore Trail at Tellico Lake - Dedicated volunteers added more than 1.5 miles to the trail system of the East Lakeshore Trail, including new wooden bridges. With the addition of a major new bridge constructed by TVA, the trail system includes over 21 miles of continuous hiking trails. The Adopt-A-Trail program has expanded to include 23 individual volunteers, and volunteers from the TV Women's Club, who maintain sections of the trail on a regular basis.

Adopt a Site - A new trial project that identifies "hotspot" sites around the lake that require more than an annual cleanup. Durable trash cans ,with bag liners, are monitored on a weekly basis.by volunteers This project has proven to be 90% successful (90% of the trash has found its way into the cans and not onto the ground).

Community Attention to Watershed Issues - The WATeR Board is made up of people from communities throughout the watershed. The Board supports including a walkway on the proposed U.S. Highway 321 bridge to connect trails on each side of the Tennessee River, and also supports TVA's policy to end development on lands set aside for natural preservation.

Water Quality - The shoreline stabilization around Heron Island is a WATeR project to protect nesting habitat for the Great Blue Heron and to improve water quality. WATeR has acquired the necessary approvals from TVA, Army Corps of Engineers, and TDEC to initiate a project to stabilize over 700 feet of eroding shoreline on Heron Island and has completed Phase One. Phase Two of the \$45,000 project will be implemented in January, 2012. WATeR members are a key component of the Baker Creek Watershed Partnership which has received a grant of over \$300,000 for projects to improve water quality.

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WATeR Membership Application — 2012 (January through December)

(Please bring your membership application to the Annual Meeting or mail it to the address below)

Select membership type: Basic Family Membership (\$20) Contributor (\$21-\$50)
 Patron (\$51-\$100) Benefactor/Corporate/Organization (Over \$100)

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Community: (Foothills Pointe, Rarity Bay, Vonore, Greenback, Tellico Village ,etc.) _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please check areas of interest or concern: Nature & Hiking Trails Lakeshore Cleanup
 Bank Erosion Water Quality Improvement Non-Point Source Pollution

Other concerns: _____

Submit to: **WATeR, P.O. Box 751, Loudon, TN 37774**

Thank you!

Nominations to the WATeR Board of Directors

To be voted on at the WATeR Annual Meeting, November 17, 2011

Presented by the 2011 Nominations Committee: Marjorie Waldrop, Chair; Dick Sawinski, Bruce Rein, Patricia Wallace, and Gary Grove. Lloyd Donnelly, ex officio member.

Lloyd Donnelly is nominated for his second two-year term. Lloyd has been WATeR President, where he initiated a digital recording of WATeR archives. He has a B.S. in Industrial Management from Lowell Technological Institute and an MBA from Indiana University. He was an officer in the U.S. Air Force and an executive with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission. He and his wife, Claire, moved to Tellico Village in 1999, where he served as president of the homeowners association. His hobbies include golf, woodworking, and stained glass. He hopes to assist WATeR in seeking grants.

Robert Joy is nominated for his first two-year term. He is a resident of Rarity Bay, having moved back to East Tennessee after an active career in industry. He was Senior Vice President for Global Resources for Colgate-Palmolive Company when the company was highly recognized for its leadership development and global succession planning programs. Robert is a recognized expert in developing effective leadership and strong sustainable organizations. He has assisted in executive training at Columbia University and Rutgers and served on service and scholastic community boards.

Bill Webster is nominated for his first two-year term. He has headed WATeR's Watershed Cleanup for the past four years. Born near Kentucky Lake Dam, he grew up as a "TVA Brat," following his father, a TVA employee, around to many of the TVA lakes during his childhood. He is a University of Tennessee graduate. He had a long career in insurance, being Georgia claims manager for State Farm in Atlanta prior to retiring and moving to Tellico Village. His wife, Cindy, teaches psychology at Tennessee Tech in Cookeville, and was a member of the first WATeR board. With children and grandchildren in the area, Bill enjoys boating, hiking, and attending UT games with his grandchildren.

Bob Buchanan is nominated for his first two-year term on the Board. He has served as WATeR Treasurer in an off-board position since November, 2007 and will continue as Treasurer. Bob and Harriette have lived in Tellico Village since May, 2004, moving here from Beaufort, South Carolina. Bob is a CPA, and was Senior Assistant Controller for Alcoa, Inc. in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He enjoys gardening, golf, and reading.

John Rogers is nominated for his first two-year term on the board. After John's 40 year career in the Pulp & Paper Industry, he and his wife Gina moved to Tellico Village in 2000. John is a graduate of Ripon College (A.B.); Ripon, Wisconsin and of the Institute of Paper Chemistry (M.S. & Ph.D.); Appleton, Wisconsin. His career path progression was from Research Scientist to VP of Technology. For the past 8 years, John has been chairman of WATeR's committee for Water Quality Improvement, with a focus on shoreline stabilization, e.g., Tanasi Clubhouse & Heron Island projects. He has a strong interest in water quality and the natural environment as it impacts our quality of life.

Anne McNeer is nominated for her first two-year term on the board. She and her husband Mel moved to Tellico Village in 1999 from Valparaiso, Indiana. She has a B.S. degree in Education from West Virginia University. Anne taught school for 17 years in Ohio, Illinois, Indiana, and Tennessee. She became interested in WATeR through working in the watershed clean-up efforts and helped with early trail building of the East Lakeshore Trail. Anne's hobbies include tennis, kayaking, gardening, and reading. She has served on tennis recreation committee and on the Tellico Lake Tennis Association (TLTA) social committee. Anne is in the handbell choir at the Community Church.

Tony Bokal is a new board member who was appointed by the board this year to fill an unexpired term to December, 2012, so he will not be voted on at the annual meeting. He and his wife, Pat, moved to Rarity Bay in 2002. He retired from Caterpillar Inc. after 35 years in their Information Technology Group, and was Business Manager for their Information Technology Center, a large organization giving worldwide services. He enjoys motorcycle riding, hiking and appreciates all the natural beauty in this area. Tony has been a WATeR trail builder and participated in the watershed cleanup. He is active in his community and church.