

President's Corner

By Ken Van Swearingen

So, Hello!

As we approach Spring and warmer weather, we have been able to get some great Tours lined up and are putting together Presentations for the upcoming General Meetings. The Picnic Committee is holding meetings now to plan for the June 2nd Annual Club Picnic. TAP is busy getting systems ready to give to Youths that are in need. FLS has been beyond busy with the number of Members that are in need of help.

As can easily be seen, there is a small group of people working to help others; but, can't we get anyone else to step up and give us a hand?

It is as easy to give help as it is to accept it; it only takes some small measure of care for others and a will to offer a bit of time.

We need a Secretary now! Ginnie agreed to stay on while we get someone, but this cannot be open ended. We need a volunteer to step up and take on this responsibility. The position requires only about 6-8 hours a month to attend and record the minutes for two meetings: the monthly Board Meeting and General meeting. Also, some infrequent and incidental jobs include getting cards out to members who are ill or grieving and updating some lists from time to time. All of the functions require but simple office skills and a willingness to serve.

I would like to thank all our Club volunteers: those in **TAP**, who perform the functions necessary to deliver refurbished computer systems to deserving children and help realize the empowering gift of future potential to so many deserving students; those in **FLS** and **Mac SIG**, who benefit our members directly through personal technical advice and hands-on assistance in order to enhance our members experience with their own devices; those in **Tours**, who arrange and coordinate visits to some highly informational venues for members' benefit and enjoyment; those in **Membership** and **Grant Writing**, who are so vital to securing the funds necessary for the Club to operate and make everything else possible; those on Standing and Special Committees and other volunteers (**Meeting Hosts, Picnic, Communications, TellicoLife Admins, and members of the Board**), without whose continual efforts the Club could not succeed. Only through this collective volunteer effort can we succeed and provide benefit for our Members and the larger Community. **Thank you all!**

I encourage all members to become more active in the Club to assure its vitality and survival.

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News and Events

By Jim Watson

Annual TVCUC Picnic & Social at Tugaloo

Save the date on your calendar: **June 2, 2020.**

Barbara Ellerbrock is this year’s picnic coordinator. Additional information will be provided as planning details firm up.

Upcoming Meetings and Events

Keep up with latest club news and events by visiting our website. You can find us at <https://www.tvcuc.org>. See below for upcoming meetings and tour events.



TVCUC Annual Picnic set for June 2, 2020

Scheduled Meetings and Events*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
Monday, February 24 th	Mac Users SIG at Chota Rec Center
Tuesday, February 25 th	Meet with FLS at Chota Rec Center
Tuesday, March 3 rd	General Meeting—Program TBD
Saturday, March 14 th	Knoxville Proton Therapy Tour
Monday, March 23 rd	Mac Users SIG at Chota Rec Center
Tuesday, March 24 th	Loudon 911 Emergency Call Center Tour
Tuesday, March 24 th	Meet with FLS at Chota Rec Center
Monday, April 6 th	Sea Ray Boats Manufacturer Tour
Tuesday, April 7 th	General Meeting
Tuesday, April 7 th	MasterCraft Boat Manufacturer Tour
Monday, April 27 th	Mac Users SIG at Chota Rec Center
Tuesday, April 28 th	Meet with FLS at Chota Rec Center

*For the latest information, visit [TVCUC Website](http://www.tvcuc.org)



General Meeting Notes

By Ginnie Santoli

Ken Van Swearingen called the meeting to order and welcomed the attendees, numbering 101 members.

Ken advised that currently 1,140 members have enrolled in TVCUC for 2020. Of these, 91 are new members this year.

Ken reminded everyone that the club is still in need of a volunteer to take over the position of Secretary on the Board.

Slides from tonight’s meeting are available on the Club’s website.

Technology Access Program

Warren Sanders, TAP Co-Chair, reported that in 2019 TAP delivered 848 computer systems that benefited 996 students documented so far. For 2020, so far, 74 computer systems have been refurbished, some of which have not yet been delivered, benefitting another 32 documented students to date. TAPs grand totals from its inception in 2007 to date in 2020 is 7,333 computer systems delivered, helping 10,741 students.

First Level Support

Tom Verbeke, FLS Chair, reported that the committee received 87 calls for assistance in January and 14 members came to the Chota Rec Center for assistance on January 28.

Featured Program

The program for the night was strong passwords, the difficulty in remembering them and the benefits of a Password Keeper. Ken reviewed that fact that there are password keeper programs that are free and those that charge a fee. The free programs use less encryption and are based in a user’s

computer and so cannot be accessed from other devices such as a smart phone. The ones that are fee-based use stronger encryption, are cloud based and accessible across devices. A ratings chart for Password managers can be found through PC Magazine and the like. One highly rated cloud-based password manager is Dashlane.

Ken provided a live demo on the use of a cloud-based password manager. He opened existing accounts on websites, demonstrated changing a password, and showed other functionality. He noted that a password manager account can be shared between individuals by using the same logon credentials. He answered questions asked by the attendees.

Door Prize Winners

After the program, winners of the AWE gift certificates were drawn. Congratulations to the winners: Kathy Milam, Elton Pierson and Chuck Sanford.



February Door Prize Winners

Tours

By Bob Kutschera

A description of scheduled tours follows. Please sign on to **TellicoLife** before selecting any of the links below to enroll in a tour. Remember to enroll each member of your party after you complete your own enrollment. (Note: .If you need to cancel after registering, the contact information will be in the Confirmation Email that you received.)

[Knoxville Proton Therapy Tour set for March 14, 2020](#)

Members Are Invited to Join A Limited Space Tour Of The Proton Therapy Center In Knoxville On March 14, 2020. (above.)

A non-invasive, accurate treatment, proton therapy is one of the most advanced cancer treatment options in the world for localized cancers that have yet to spread to other parts of the body. It controls cancer with a lower risk of negative side effects and damage to secondary tissue. At Provision CARES Proton Therapy, our goal is to make this effective and successful treatment available to as many people as possible.

Registered Members taking the Tour will meet at:
The Chota Center parking lot to carpool at 10:00 a.m.
Leave the parking lot at: 10:10
The tour takes about 1-1/2 hours starting at 11:00 a.m..

[Sea Ray Boat Manufacturing Facility Tour set for April 6, 2020](#)

Members Are Invited To Join A Limited Space Tour Of The Sea Ray Boat Manufacturing Facility in Vonore, TN On April 6, 2020

Sea Ray designs, manufactures and markets boats ranging from 17-foot (5.2 m) power cruisers to over 65-foot (20 m) yachts, including the Sundancer brand and, starting in 2014, the "L" Series luxury yachts. Sea Ray is based in Knoxville, Tennessee and it operates two factories in Tennessee and two in Florida. Sea Ray designs and markets more than 40 models ranging in boats from 18 to 65 feet (5.5 to 19.8 m).

Sea Ray was the first boat manufacturer to use fiberglass in its pleasure boat construction, and it also pioneered the molded-in swim platform when it launched Ski Ray ski boats in 1991.

Registered Members taking the Tour will meet at:
The Chota Center parking lot to carpool at 9:30 a.m.
Leave the parking lot at: 9:35 a.m.
The tour takes about 1-1/2 hours—Please be aware there will be an odor in the air due to the manufacturing materials used

IMPORTANT: Do not wear Open Toed Shoes and Wear Your Name Tag

[MasterCraft Boat Manufacturing Facility Tour set for April 7, 2020](#)

Members Are Invited To Join A Limited Space Tour Of The Mastercraft Boat Manufacturing Facility in Vonore, TN On April 7, 2020.

MasterCraft was founded in 1968 when it built its first ski boat in a two-stall horse barn on a farm in Maryville, Tennessee. Dissatisfied with the large wakes and pull of other ski boats, MasterCraft builders designed a hull that had the smallest wake in the industry; smooth and low at slalom and jump speeds; well defined at trick speeds.

In its first year of operation, MasterCraft only built 12 boats. But the boat design was so revolutionary that the company began getting order after order for its boats and MasterCraft soon became recognized as a major force in the tournament ski boat market. Fast forward forty-five years later, MasterCraft is producing thousands of tournament ski, wakeboarding, luxury and performance boats annually to keep up with consumer demand.

MasterCraft has a single manufacturing facility located in Vonore, Tennessee, where it employs over 400 people. These "MasterCraftsmen" descend on Lake Tellico every morning dedicated to hand-building the world's best boats. MasterCraft engineers listen to the consumer's wants and needs, develop new ideas, and mix humanity with technology in order to produce the next generation of MasterCraft boats. This constant evaluation and focus on the customer have made the soul of the company more attuned to rider and skier needs with each passing year.

MasterCraft is by far the largest producer of inboard ski, wakeboard and luxury performance powerboats in the world. It sells boats in over 30 different countries and has over 130 domestic and international dealers.

This Tour is limited to 12 Members.

Registered Members taking the Tour will meet at:

The tour will start at 10:00 a.m.

The Event Coordinator will email directions and additional information.

The tour takes about 1-1/2 hours—Please be aware there will be an odor in the air due to the manufacturing materials used.

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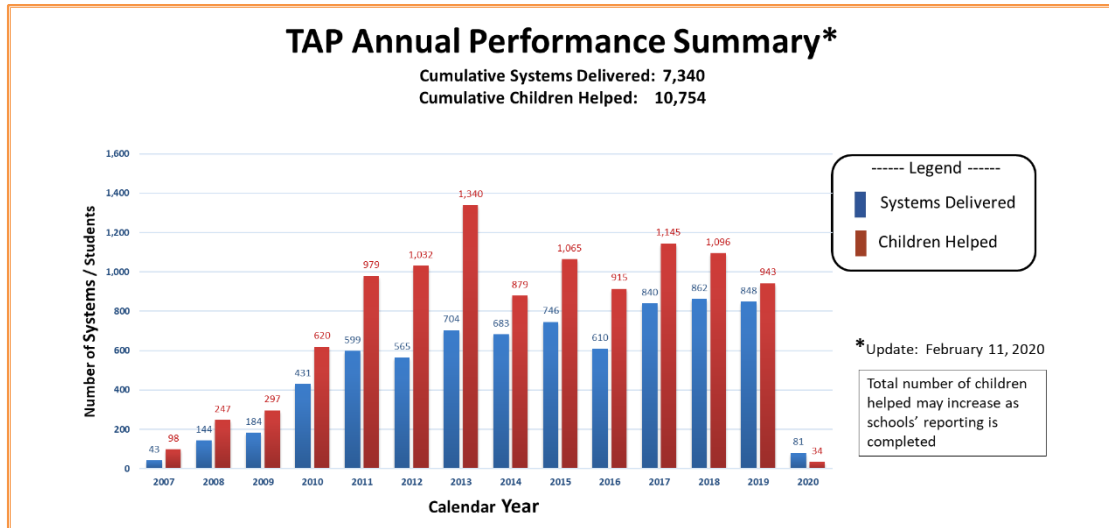


Technology Access Program

By Warren Sanders and Vince Alline

TAP volunteers continue working hard to deliver refurbished computer systems to deserving children in area schools. The demand remains high and, as of February 11th this year, TAP has delivered 81 systems assisting at least 34 students. The number of students helped from

systems already delivered increases monthly, as reporting by schools and agencies for 98 systems delivered last year and 45 systems delivered this year continues. We look forward to another successful year. The chart below illustrates our performance since program inception.



Systems delivered and children helped by TAP since program inception

Membership

By Jim Autry

Renewals for 2020 began on October 1, 2019. As of February 7, 2019, TVCUC enjoys a membership of 1,152 members, including 97 new members. Annual dues for 2020 remain at \$20 per household. If TVCUC renewal or new application is made via **TellicoLife** and paid by credit card, the amount is reduced to \$15.

OUR MISSION:

The **Tellico Village Computer Users Club (TVCUC)** is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization formed to provide a forum to increase understanding of the personal computer ecosystem and to maximize its safe and effective utilization.

The Club provides the opportunity to communicate and exchange ideas, knowledge, and experiences for the enrichment of members including both PC & Mac Users.

To join TVCUC, visit **TellicoLife** webpage at [Join/Renew TVCUC Membership](#).

Mac Special Interest Group

By Karen Brown

The February meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 24, 3 p.m., in Room D at Chota Rec Center. Bill Markle will present a discussion of password programs and their value.

I've put the following four articles, from the February issue of Macworld, on the [Google Drive](#):

- Find My: How to use Apple's all-in-one app to find friends and devices
- How to take advantage of the photo editing tools in iOS13 & iPadOS13
- What's the difference between Save, Save As, and Duplicate in MacOS?
- Swift Publisher 5.5: Affordable DTP software for Mac expands design options (*I use this product*).

Following are some things that may be of interest to you.

[How to search your music library in macOS Catalina's Music app](#)

Three buttons let you choose among collections to search, but Your Library should be one of them.

[How To Use the New Music App On the Mac Without Subscribing To Apple Music](#)

After upgrading to macOS Catalina, many users mistakenly believe that the new Music app requires that you subscribe to Apple Music. In fact, you can use the Music app just like you used the old iTunes app. You can ignore Apple Music and listen to songs in your own library, import new music just like you did before, and also buy music in the iTunes Store. You can also disable Apple Music entirely in the app.

[13 Alternate Ways To Use Emoji On Your Mac](#)

Emoji can be used for more than just expressing emotion in text messages and comments. You can also use Emoji characters throughout macOS. They can help bookmarks, files and folders stand out, as well as calendar events and more. You can use them as clipart in Pages, Keynote and even in videos. You can even use them as special symbols in Numbers. They are also useful in the Mail app and you can also use them to search in the Maps app.

[How To Get the Most From the Notification Center](#)

The Notification Center appears on the right side of your Mac's screen and contains lots of useful information. To get the most from it, you should take the time to customize both the Today view and Notifications view. Eliminating notifications you don't care

about and learning how to use the Today view widgets will help you get more from this useful macOS feature.

[20 Useful Tips and Tricks For Mac Numbers](#)

Numbers is a huge app with tons of features. If you use it a lot, you can benefit from learning some tips, tricks and techniques. Learn how to autofill cells, re-apply sorts, get quick calculation results, automatically format cells, hidden keyboard shortcuts and much more.



First Level Support

By Tom Verbeke

FLS statistics for the month of January 2020:

- We responded to **87 Calls** to the Help line (865-408-8223), an increase from last month and well above the average for the past year.
- The Meet with FLS session in January had **14 Members** that attended, all received help or had a visit scheduled. All calls and issues were handled in a timely fashion.

The next "Meet with FLS" will be held **Tuesday, February 25th** at 3:15 p.m. in the Chota Rec. Center. If you are experiencing difficulties with your home computer system but cannot make the scheduled meeting, please call the FLS Hot Line.

FLS Hot Line: (865) 408-8223



Tip of the Month

Bob Kutschera

[Cord Cutters News](#)

Welcome to the Cord Cutting Daily Newsletter! Your daily guide to some of the best stories and content about Cord Cutting!

Cord Cutters News has a **Free App** on Android, Fire Tablets, & iOS

Rebuttal to ABC's Latest Anti-Cord Cutting Story...Read more: [Here](#).

Deal Round Up: [National Cut the Cord Day Edition](#)