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Your Voice in the Village

The HOA Voice

Thank you for your HOA Membership
[Click here](#) if you need to renew your membership for 2019

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Upcoming HOA Meetings

Meeting	Date
HOA Social	October 8
POA Candidates Forum	October 24
HOA Social	November 12
HOA Volunteer Recognition Meeting	November 21
HOA Welcome Orientation	November 21
HOA Social	December 10

President's Message

By Ellen Fox



October- HOA Social

You're Invited

HOA continues to provide a lot of value for your membership! We couldn't do it without the many volunteers that make HOA the great volunteer organization it is!

HOA's goals continue to be to deliver membership value by providing engaging social activities, informative venues and outlets to be heard.

Be Engaged: If you haven't been to an HOA Social in a while, come check us out on October 8th starting at 4:30 pm. The winners of the 2019 Give Us Your Best Shot Photo Contest will be announced at this Social and you will have a chance to cast your vote for The People's Choice Award. The Event Coordinators for the Tellico Villagers Got Talent event are still looking for a few more performers on November 16. If you've got talent, please contact Randy at randyzee@icloud.com, first prize is \$250. There are lots of holiday events and even 2020 offerings to consider.

If you can't make a social you can always check out (and register for) the different activities on www.tellicolife.org.

Be Informed: The latest HOA Highlights & Happenings episode features an update from Ken Litke about the upcoming POA Candidates Forum. This forum is an opportunity to hear from, and get to meet, the 4 candidates running for the 3 open positions on the POA board. If you've got a question you think should be asked of the candidates, send it to HOATV.org@gmail.com. The forum is on Oct 24th from 4-6 PM at the Community Church.

Workshops on Home security followed the August Coffee with a Cop sessions. Information can be found by clicking the link found in Mark Kovar's article on Neighborhood Watch.

Updates from your Highway Safety Committee are included in this issue. If you have a concern or question, you can contact them at HSCTV.org@gmail.com

Be Heard: This is our first month of the HOA Voice emails. Each month you'll get

- A Social invite telling you what events are being offered.
- Shortly after that we'll advise what new events you can sign up for on *TellicoLife*.
- Later in the month we'll send out a General Information email, focused on keeping you informed.
- Of course, when there's something you need to know asap we will send it out via a special edition of the HOA voice.

It's that time of year you can renew your HOA membership for 2020, starting on October 1st. Again this year, if you renew online and by credit card, you save \$5 per household. HOA membership is one of the best values in this Village!

Let's go out and enjoy this sunshine.

2020 Membership Renewal Begins on October 1st

Thanks to you, over 3,200 Villagers, who are HOA members this year. There are over 150 volunteers that staff tables at HOA and other Village events, organize HOA activities/trips, attend POA advisory committee meetings as well as advocate for Tellico Village with TDOT, Loudon and Monroe County governmental agencies. It is now time to rejoin HOA for 2020.

Starting October 1st, you can join the HOA for only \$15 per household if paid by check or \$10 if paid by credit card through *TellicoLife* (www.tellicolife.org). In *TellicoLife*, find the HOA logo under the *TellicoLife* Partners section and click the Join/Renew link. Or mail your \$15.00 check payable to HOA, to: HOA, c/o Public Library at Tellico Village, 300 Irene Lane, Loudon, TN 37774.

Thank you again for your continued support of the HOA. Your membership has value and it matters!

POA Candidates Forum - October 24th



On Thursday Oct 24th, the HOA is sponsoring the POA Candidates Forum from 4- 6 PM at the Community Church of Tellico Village. There are four candidates running for the three available seats. The polls open online on November 3rd.

Come join your fellow Villagers and hear from the candidates as to how each will make a difference in our future. You can also meet them and pick up their literature.

If you've not yet been to a POA Candidates Forum, the latest HOA Highlights & Happenings episode overviews how it will work.

Loudon County to Install Safety Lighting at Highways 72 and 444

To improve safety and visibility, Loudon County is installing new high mast lighting at the intersection of Highways 72 and 444. This is at the south end of Tellico Parkway near Sloan's and Food Lion. This project is funded through the Loudon County Economic Development Agency. The lighting will consist of six [6] lights 45 feet tall with an arm overhang of 15 feet. Completion date is late September early October 2019.

A future Loudon County project, at the north end of Tellico Parkway, will include lighting at the intersection of Highway 444/Tellico Parkway at the turn onto Highway 321 toward Maryville. This project is tentatively scheduled for 2020.



HOA/POA Highway Safety Committee TDOT Report

By Ed Wilson, Chair

The monthly **TDOT Construction Progress Meeting** for the 321 Highway construction was held at the Lenoir City Municipal Building, Wednesday, Sep 18th. According to TDOT's website, the contractor's allowed time for completing construction has ended. Going forward, the contractor will be charged \$1,600.00 per calendar day until the 321 Highway construction is complete. Thanks to Rep. Lowell Russell and others, this project has the attention of the Highway Commissioner for Tennessee and also has the attention of AT&T area management. The Mayor of Lenoir City is holding regular meetings with TDOT officials, local political leaders, such as Rep Russell, and the contractor. AT&T has not been the holdup. Before the project was bid, AT&T and TDOT agreed that AT&T would have 255 days to complete their work after the contractor had completed the necessary preliminary work. The preliminary work included the installation of conduit and pull boxes. The TDOT contractor completed his preliminary work on April 22, 2019. The contractor knew of the 255 days to complete arrangement when he bid the project. AT&T hopes to have its work completed as soon as possible, but their work will probably take the full 255 days after the contractor's necessary preliminary work is completed.

Unfortunately, when AT&T completes their work in several weeks, less favorable construction weather will hamper the job's progress. Also paving in the winter is problematic. The goal is to get the [321/11](#) intersection open fully by sometime in the spring. Final paving will take place sometime after that. The Highway Commissioner stated he expected the job will be completed mid-summer 2020.

Please remember, that while most of us have been frustrated by the slow progress of the [321/11](#) intersection work, TDOT chose our immediate area to benefit from \$100,000,000.00 of investment in recent years. This includes the new bridge required over the Tennessee River, the 321 expansion, and paving Tellico Parkway. TDOT has also added turn lanes on 444, added a merge lane on 444 from 321, and are adding intersection lights at 72/444.

The Highway Safety Committee asks, that we focus on the positive efforts being done. In a few months, all the work will be completed, and everyone will have a safer, easier commute.

If you have any questions regarding the work of the HOA/POA Highway Safety Committee, please email: HSCTV.org@gmail.com

HOA Neighborhood Watch

Home Security Starter Kit

Fact: the average home has 250,000 to 300,000+ household items. One respondent to our survey told us about a \$70,000 loss they filed before moving to Tellico Village; however, they only received \$2,000 in compensation from the insurance company. From the Neighborhood Watch Home Security portion of our website, find the Tip & Checklist Item: A home inventory can expedite the insurance claims process after theft, fire, damage, or loss and provide better assurance of a "fair replacement value" settlement with an insurance company. This is one of many "Quick Wins", Tips & Checklist Items we review in the Home Security Starter Kit Workshop.

Effective Fall of 2019, Neighborhood Watch is moving our newsletters and community information to a shared dropbox folder. In the interim that information is available on hoatv.org or by clicking [here](#).

POA's Fall Fest

The 3rd Annual Fall Festival will take place on Friday, October 25 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the back parking lot of the Community Church at Tellico Village. The POA is hosting this event in conjunction with Tellico Working Together, HOA, New Villagers, STAYinTV, EATS, Tellico Village University, Tellico Village Broadcasting, the Tellico Village Foundation, and local churches.

There will be FREE hot dogs, popcorn, and ice cream at the event, as well as crafts. There's still room for crafters and vendors providing that you bring your own table. Chairs will be provided. You might even find some local celebrities in the dunking booth!

For more information contact Lisa McCray at 865-458-5408 ext 4131 or lmccray@tvpoa.org.

STAYinTV, TVU to Collaborate on CarFit Safe Driving Initiative

To help senior drivers find a better “fit” with their vehicles for comfort and safety, STAYinTV and Tellico Village University are sponsoring CarFit, a safety program designed to help older drivers and their families.

The CarFit program will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday, October 25 at the Lakeside Realty parking lot, across from the Marathon station. Admission is free. Refreshments will be served.

The CarFit program is being held in conjunction with the POA's 3rd annual Fall Festival, being held in the Tellico Village Community Church parking lot the same day.

CarFit was developed nationally by AAA, AARP and the American Occupational Therapy Association. It's designed to give a quick, yet comprehensive check on how well an older driver and their vehicle work together.

“As we age, changes in our vision, flexibility, strength, range of motion and even size and height may make us less comfortable and reduce our control behind the wheel,” said Bill Hartman, chair of the event. “CarFit provides older adults with the tools to understand and apply the safety features of their car.”

At the CarFit event, trained volunteers will complete a 12-point checklist with each driver. Items checked will include correct position of driver's seat, driver's ability to easily reach pedals and proper adjustment of mirrors.

Occupational therapists also will be on hand also to provide consultation, if needed, that will teach drivers how to maintain and improve aspects related to their driving health. The therapist also can provide information to participants addressing individual needs, including information about local community resources on exercise, nutrition and other programs to help keep them safe on the road.

“It is critically important that mature drivers make safety a personal priority,” said Hartman. “Driving today is more difficult than ever because of increased traffic congestion, longer commute distances, new technology and faster speeds. Older drivers can take important measures to mitigate the stress associated with driving.”

HOA's Highlights and Happenings

Click [here](#) to see the TVB video of Vice Presidents Ken Litke and Annette Schmidt, discussing the upcoming POA candidates forum to be held on October 24

Volunteer Spotlight



Linda Farruggia

Vice President of Social Planning

Moved here from Rochester, NY in 2014

Favorite hobbies: gardening, quilting, cooking, baking, crafts and fishing

She and her husband Jeff, learned to be master creators of Scavenger Hunts by coaching youth teams for a program called [Odyssey](#).



TellicoLife Feature

Links & More

There are many features in *TellicoLife*. We encourage you to look around and click on many of the menu options and explore *TellicoLife*. Try clicking on 'Links & More', you will find many different links that will help you learn more about Tellico Village and our surroundings. As an example, click on 'Get to know Knoxville' and you will find a link to a comprehensive calendar of events in and around Knoxville. Try the other links while you are there. Happy surfing!

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State & Local Government

Area History

Tellico Village History

Loudon Utilities Response to Safety of Smart Meters

Here's Loudon County Utilities response regarding safety concerns about smart meters



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Prior to installation, a radio frequency sensor was utilized to perform experiments with the meters that were to be installed at homes. Also measured for comparison purposes were the radio frequency output fields around cell phones on standby and while in use.

Radio transmission units are measured in milliwatts per square meter (mW/M²). (Please note, if you compare other measurements, that this is over a LARGE square area! If another measurement is in milliwatts per square centimeter, it will be 10,000 times smaller).

A test station was set up by LUB with a smart meter base attached to a concrete block wall. Radio frequency output measurements were taken directly in front, on the sides, and on the back side of the wall (like in a house). When the smart meter was on normal stand-by, (not transmitting) the signal strength was almost non-measurable (less than 0.1 milliwatt) on all sides, front and back. When the meter turned on to send a measurement, 3 inches to the front of the meter, it measured 270 milliwatts and lasted about 0.2 seconds, which is little more than the blink of an eye. Directly behind the concrete wall, it was 0.6 milliwatts. At 12 inches from the front and sides of the meter, it ranged from 11 to 19 milliwatts.

For comparison, LUB measurements of cell phones were as follows: When not in use, the cell phones were very low—around 0.5 milliwatts right in front and ~1.5 milliwatts on the back. With the cell phone a foot away, the radio frequency was virtually too small to measure. When a call was made by the phone, the measurement in front of the cell phone (screen side) jumped to over 400

milliwatts for about 4 seconds and settled to ~100 milliwatts once the connection was made. It maintained that ~100 level for the duration of the call. The highest readings taken were behind the cell phone, measuring over 1500 milliwatts.

The results of the LUB tests demonstrated that the smart meters have a radio output so small, even when broadcasting/transmitting its readings, the exposure inside a house wall is nearly unmeasurable.

If anyone has additional questions, please contact LUB directly at: Gregg Hensley, Director of Customer Service, 865-458-7524, gregg.hensley@loudonutilities.org Bill Watkins, Director of Electric, 865-414-3520, bill.watkins@loudonutilities.org.