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Important Dates

Meeting

Date

HOA Board Meeting Teleconference - Details on TellicoLife calendar	Mon. May 4th, 9:00 AM
HOA Social & Monthly Meeting - lower level of Yacht Club	Tues. May 12th *** CANCELLED ***
HOA Open Village Meeting - Community Church of Tellico Village	Thur. May 21 *** CANCELLED ***
HOA Welcome Orientation at Yacht Club	Thur. May 21 *** CANCELLED ***
HOA Social & Monthly Meeting - lower level of Yacht Club	Tues, June 9 *** PENDING ***

President's Message

By Ken Litke



Villagers overall are a very social group and it hasn't been easy to practice social distancing, but we have all done our part to help 'level that curve' by diligently following COVID-19 prevention guidelines. Now that Governor Bill Lee has announced our stay-at-home order will not be extended past April 30 the challenge will be how to reopen our Village and communities in a logical manner while minimizing risk. Once the Governor and POA announce guidelines to follow your HOA Board will create opening plans – during this time we ask you to please bear with us as turning the spigot back on (so to speak) will likely take more time than turning it off.

In the meantime, until we are back to whatever the new 'normal' is going to be, we are extremely fortunate to live in a wonderful area with many outdoor opportunities to maintain a healthy lifestyle yet remain safe to ourselves and others. As I walk around the Village, I can't help but notice that it's going to be a banner year for beautiful lawns and gardens!

But while most of us are doing well, we shouldn't forget those who may be struggling - fortunately there are many resources available to call upon for assistance – friends, neighbors, families, churches, and many other professional resources. Our POA Rec. Dept. has put together some excellent updates on resources which are provided later below in this issue of the Voice.

We should also not forget those much less fortunate and needing support especially now provided through our donations. Below are some links to some local organizations aiding those needing help.

While our HOA Social activities have been shut down during this crisis, our Advocacy Committee has trying their best to stay in contact with our local governments and keeping up on the hot issues like Asian Carp, the US Census and upcoming local elections. They continue to work as a conduit to the POA Board on specific issues brought to them by homeowners.

So, all of us need to please keep doing what we've been doing so well and together we'll get through this.

Please take care of yourselves and stay safe!

Some local links for organizations helping the less fortunate in our area:

[Good Samaritan Center of Loudon County \(GSC\)](#)

[Second Harvest Food Bank of East TN](#)

[Knox Area Rescue Ministries](#)

Ken Litke, HOA President

**Congratulations Tellico Village!
83% of you have completed
the 2020 Census!**



There is still time to complete it.
It only takes about 5 minutes.
Everyone's Response is Important
Let's Make It 100%

Questions? Check online at: <https://2020census.gov/>

It has never been easier to respond on your own, whether online, over the phone or by mail—**all without having to meet a census taker!**

Covid-19 April 15th Article placed in the “Connection”

Tellico Village Y'all are doing great!

HOA salutes all the Tellico Village Residents and our neighbors who are following the recommended guidelines to keep themselves and their community safe during this COVID-19 pandemic.

We salute all the First Responders, Health Care Providers and Workers in Essential Businesses for their generous service to all of us!

This is a stressful time and it is normal to have many mixed emotions and needs. Consider reaching out to support each other in a safe way, especially those who might be alone or vulnerable. Don't be afraid to ask for help. Friends, family, your church, your social groups, your physicians, counselors, and local organizations are available to help with physical and emotional needs. It is natural to be worried about what is going on around us but if worries interfere or become difficult to manage, it is OK to seek professional help.

We encourage everyone to keep the faith and stay the course - if we each do our part - we can get through this together, even as we stay apart physically!

Recreation Department Aids to Staying Safe at Home

The recreation department is concerned about your well being during this shelter at home period. Even though the Wellness Center is closed they have created a series of videos to help you stay physically and mentally active.

The following links contain some common sense advice on coping and some simple at home exercise routines for you to use.

Stay Safe and Stay Healthy!

- <https://conta.cc/34Ae224>
- <https://conta.cc/2VbTUz2>
- <https://conta.cc/2VaD0RG>
- <https://conta.cc/3aR9il2>



Advocacy

By Mark Pantley

The March HOA Open Village Meeting (which was cancelled) was to include a presentation from the turf grass experts at the UT Knoxville Institute of Agriculture on lawn care practices in East Tennessee. Since we're now starting into the lawn care season, I thought I'd pass along to you some of the recommendations that they were planning to give.

In general, while the grass you now have may be similar to whatever you had in the place you moved from, the climate and soil are not the same here. It is worthwhile rethinking how you take care of your lawn here in Tellico Village to get the best results. The benefits of doing so are reduced water use and fungal disease, improved water runoff control, and lower costs to maintain your lawn overall.

To find more information about recommended practices for lawn care, please see my expanded article on the HOA website: [Advocacy](#)

While our ability to see each other at HOA Social gatherings is currently limited, please feel free to send me a note if you have any issues or concerns that I might be able to help with.

Thank you. I look forward to hearing from you.

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HOA Board Meeting (Teleconference) – Monday, May 4th; 9:00 a.m

Following COVID-19 prevention guidelines, HOA will hold board meetings by video conference instead of in-person for the foreseeable future.

HOA Board meetings are open to all HOA members. If you wish to attend this meeting, simply go to the TellicoLife calendar entry for the meeting where simple Zoom meeting access instructions will be provided.

New Speed Limit on Tellico Parkway

TDOT has announced that they will be lowering the speed limit on the south end of Tellico Parkway from 50 mph to 45 mph. The lower speed limit will begin at the Clear Creek Bridge and continue south for 1.5 miles to the intersection with State Route 72.

The reasons for lowering the speed limit include: increased accidents at Chatuga Dr. and Mialaqua Rd intersections, the number of deer strikes, increased traffic from the Neighborhood and Senior Living areas, and commercial traffic on the south end of the Village.

The new speed limit signs are currently being installed.

Thanks to the Tellico Highway Safety Committee for this information.

Upcoming Election Information

August 6th is the date for State and Federal Primary and Local General Elections in Loudon and Monroe Counties. The following are the dates for your use.

It is extremely important that we as a community vote in this and all elections. Voter turnout from this community is one of the key factors our elected officials use to decide how to deal with issues directly affecting Tellico Village and surrounding community.

- May 8th, First Day to request Absentee Ballots (Military and Overseas).
- July 7th, Last Day to register to vote.
- July 17th First day of early voting.
- July 30th, Last day to request an absentee ballot.
- Aug. 1st, Last day of early voting
- August 6th, Election Day

For up to date election information go to loudoncountyvotes.com or monroecountyelectioncommission.com.

Welcome Orientation Information

Welcome Orientations for March and May have been cancelled - if you were planning on attending one of these events let us know and we will contact you when these meetings resume being held. We will also send you an information packet. If you are interested in this, contact Christie Bruns at christiebtv@gmail.com.

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Keep up with what's going on with the HOA. Click on this Facebook image and then when you see the HOA page click on "Like".

For general questions or comments email us at hoatv.org@gmail.com

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