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Your Voice in the Village HOA Voice of the Village

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Important Dates

Mon. Oct. 5th: Last Day to Register for Nov. 3rd Presidential Election

Tues. Oct. 13th: HOA Social CANCELLED Wed. Oct. 14th: First Day of Early Voting

Thur. Oct. 22nd: HOA Sponsored POA Candidate Forum

Tues. Oct. 27th: Last Day to Request Absentee Mail-In Ballot for Nov. 3rd Election

Thur. Oct. 29th: Last Day of Early Voting Tues. Nov. 3rd: Presidential Election Day

President's Message

By Ken Litke





Advocacy at Work!

The HOA's primary purpose is to work on behalf of the homeowners so they can "Be Engaged, Be Informed, and Be Heard". One of our primary approaches to provide this value is through our Advocacy efforts. In addition, we provide some social outlets and activities. Unfortunately, social activities have been impacted due to COVID-19 but our advocacy efforts continue unabated. Here are some examples of recent successes and upcoming efforts.

POA Help Spot

Since being launched September 5, well over 100 Tellico Village homeowners have taken advantage of the new POA "Help Spot" which evolved from conversations between the HOA and POA on how to improve homeowner communications. Using the new Help Spot, homeowners directly log issues they are having to the POA which are then tracked through to completion. Hopefully, you will agree the new POA Help Spot is a valuable tool – additional information on using the Help Spot is later in this issue of the Voice.

POA Board Candidates Forum

Coming in October will be another important HOA advocating activity. Your HOA will be hosting the annual POA Board Candidates Forum. There are three candidates running for two open positions on the POA Board of Directors. The Forum will be held October 22nd – homeowner voting starts November 1st, so this is a timely meeting. Hear the candidates as they voice their positions and answer questions on key issues to Tellico Village.

Your HOA is now soliciting questions from homeowners to put to the candidates. If you have a question you want answered – now is your chance. Please email your question(s) to: hoatv.org@gmail.com. The HOA will review all questions and put the most common ones to the candidates. See more detail on the Candidates Forum later in this issue of the Voice.

Annual Membership Drive - Support HOA Advocacy Efforts

Our HOA advocacy efforts continue to bring significant value to your HOA membership. We ask that you to please keep these advocating efforts in mind as we begin our annual HOA mem-bership drive which begins October 1st. By renewing your membership and encouraging other non-members to join, you show your support of our ongoing and future advocating activities to help make Tellico Village a better place for all of us to enjoy. Just log onto TellicoLife to renew while it's on your mind.

In addition to these, your HOA continues to work on many other advocacy areas which impact Tellico Village homeowners – please see our Advocacy Update later in this edition of the "Voice".

Stay well!

POA Board of Directors Candidate Forum



SAVE THE DATE! October 22nd 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Your HOA will be hosting its annual POA Board Candidates Forum on October 22nd from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. We intend to livestream and record the event - we will provide you more information and how to participate as we get closer to the event date.

This event will be your opportunity to hear from the three candidates, Mike Blackwell, Rick Blough (i), and Pat White (i) who are running for the two open positions on the POA board for 2021. (i) designates incumbent

Your HOA is now soliciting questions from homeowners to put to the candidates. If you have a question you want answered – now is your chance. Please email your question(s) to: hoatv.org@gmail.com. The HOA will review all questions and put the most common ones to the candidates. We will also take questions from viewers during the live session.

We are looking forward to a very engaging and informative event.

"For questions or more information, please contact Dennis Dougherty, HOA Vice President-Programs atdpd@dpdougherty.com"

Loudon County Government

By Gail Link, HOA Loudon County Liaison

2020 is a year of government elections at all levels, lots of red and blue, television commercials centering on promises for the future and failures in the past. A fine time to learn about our local county government when the commissioners have 2 more years in their terms, and the general election for county positions wrapped up in August.

As residents and/or property owners in Tellico Village we elect POA Board members who are charged with setting policy, approving contracts and in general determining our lifestyle parameters in Tellico Village. There is a world outside of the Village, and depending on where we live in Tellico, we are residents of either Loudon or Monroe County. What does the county government look like, and who is making the decisions there?

Since the majority of Tellico Village resides in Loudon County, let us start there with our local government lesson. The legislative function in Loudon County is managed by the Loudon County Commission, a decision-making board comprised of ten commissioners and the County Mayor who is a non-voting

member. The commissioners are elected to four-year terms by the people in their districts. District 7 takes in most of Tellico Village with a section in northwest Tellico Village in District 1. District One is represented by two commissioners due to the dense population of the area. Kelly Littleton-Brewster and David Meers are the District One commissioners. Henry Cullen is not only the commissioner for District 7, he is the Chairman of the Loudon County Commission. In a future article I will profile our three commissioners and the county government in Monroe County.

In addition to representing issues important to the Loudon County residents in their districts, the County Commissioners participate on boards and committees that solve problems and set policies for the county. The list of departments is long and extends from animal shelters to elections, facilities maintenance, and property assessment. Of course, accounts and budgets is a key department. Adoption of the county budget in June is a major undertaking for the commission and usually involves funding three major areas – county government – general, schools, and highways. Since Tellico Village is a private subdivision, our roads do not fall under county supervision and maintenance. Although the Tellico Village population includes approximately 150 school-age children, school funding in the Loudon County budget is important to maintaining opportunities for quality education in the area.

In addition to the county commissioners and the mayor there are nine other elected officials in Loudon County. They are the property assessor; general sessions judge; sheriff; clerk of circuit, criminal, sessions, juvenile, and probate courts; registrar of deeds; county clerk; trustee; high-way superintendent; and general sessions judge. Loudon County residents re-elected Mike Campbell, Assessor of Property, and Steve Harrelson, Circuit County Clerk, in the General Election in August.

For any Tellico Village resident who has not participated in county government, discovering the breadth of issues addressed by the Loudon County Commissioners and other government officials is a valuable education. I am just beginning to realize the amount of knowledge, research and communication that the ten commissioners must use to represent the differing needs of Loudon County residents. The Loudon County Commission meets on the 1st Monday of the month and holds a workshop on the 3rd Monday.

Nov. 3rd Election Information



Your HOA will continue to provide important information for the Nov. 3rd Presidential election. Over the next month we will be posting information pertinent to the upcoming election. Keep an eye out for our Election Updates.

Coming up first and most important is the upcoming special interview our VP Programs Dennis Dougherty recently had with Susan Harrison who is the Administer of Elections for Loudon County. She will discuss the process that is followed to ensure the safety of your ballot.

Our next Special Election Update with provide information about Early Voting which begins Oct 14.

The HOA website is still your place to go for Election 2020 voting information. You can go to the HOA website, which is hoatellicovillage.com. Open the Advocacy Tab and click on Election 2020 to find the most recent election information. You will find Nov.3rd Election updates 1 & 2, the Loudon & Monroe County's Sample Ballots and contact information for both counties.



Come Help TellicoLife Thrive

Since starting up in 2017, TellicoLife has continued to grow and expand the number of clubs and organizations that are represented. TellicoLife is supported and managed by Tellico Village volunteers.

Your HOA and TellicoLife are looking for volunteers for 2021 to help support TellicoLife. TellicoLife support is split into multiple areas which focus on different aspects of the system. These include:

- Event Support for Our Platinum members (HOA, New Villagers, TVCUC): creating calendar entries, helping with fliers, forms and event registrations
- Club Support: On-boarding and supporting content and calendar entries for our Gold, Silver and Bronze members
- Profile Support: maintaining the member profiles in the TellicoLife database
- Content Support: reviewing and ensuring that the TellicoLife content is accurate and current
- TellicoLife Technical Support: System support for the TellicoLife implementation, various administrative and reporting functions. This can be a little more technical than the other positions but does not require any previous experience with the MemberClicks software.

If you enjoy working on your pc or mac, are comfortable working on browser based applications and think it would be interesting to get involved in supporting TellicoLife, please contact KC Babb athoaty.vptechnology@gmail.com

Advocacy - Air Quality



Mark Pantley

In the July HOA Voice I included an article about air quality in Loudon and Monroe counties. It included data from the EPA Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) regarding releases from industries who operate in our area. When compared to other parts of the U.S., it looks surprisingly bad. Here is a link to that article:Advocacy - July 2020 - air quality

I ended the July article with several questions which I wanted to get answers about from TDEC (TN Department of Environment and Conservation). The purpose of this article is to report back some of what I've been able to learn since then.

- 1. Tellico Village is located close to several manufacturing plants. Do you have any information on prevailing wind direction? Also, what is the dispersion pattern once this stuff is released? Typically wind moves SW to NE up and down the TN valley. Both the Loudon and Monroe portions of Tellico Village are east or south of the industrial sites, so are normally not directly impacted by these industrial releases.
- According to the TRI report, most of the material released is Carbon Disulfide, Hydrogen Sulfide, and Styrene. What happens when these materials are released – do they stay suspended in the

atmosphere or head back to ground quickly? We understand that TDEC tests for Ozone and Particulate Matter (PM). Does TDEC test for any other substance in our area? The Air Pollution Control group in TDEC is focused on items in the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), which does not include these chemicals. Particulate Matter and Ozone are monitored. Loudon County is in attainment for these pollutants at this time.

- 3. Are any of these chemicals part of the makeup of acid rain in our area? How does this impact the forests and waterways of East TN? For this question I turned to the team at WATeR (Watershed Association of Tellico Reservoir) and received a very useful response. According to WATeR, the waters in our area are not acidic due to the limestone underlying the entire area. Acid rain was a huge issue in the Smokies back in the 1990's, but has decreased due to the closing of coal-fired power plants and coal-fired private boilers.
- 4. Are there any ongoing discussions with the various manufacturers to introduce additional pollution controls to reduce their emissions output? TDEC did not indicate any ongoing discussions with local industry to reduce their emissions.
- 5. Where can we see the results of the 2003-2009 air quality study in Loudon county? The completed studies are attached to my expanded article on the HOA web site. Advocacy

As a result of my looking at this subject, I've come to a few conclusions:

- 1. TDEC are governmental bureaucrats who follow the rules yet they are approachable and willing to respond to direct questions.
- 2. TDEC does not look at the overall current emissions of an area they just focus on individual point sources and the changes involved with that particular permit.
- 3. For air quality TDEC does not measure chemicals such as Carbon Disulfide, Hydrogen Sulfide, and Styrene beyond the point of emission. We don't how much remains in our local community.
- 4. Two air quality studies were completed for Loudon County one in 2006 and another in 2009. Neither study focused on the primary chemicals being reported by our local manufacturers.
- 5. In TN business comes first, environmental quality is secondary. As a result, challenges to environmental permits are only allowed within a 30-day notice period and it must be very specific as to the issues. It is very difficult for someone to receive the notice, do the research needed, and then launch a challenge within the allowed time period.

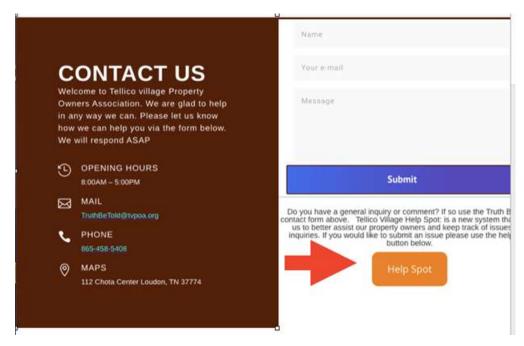
For more information please see my expanded article on the HOA web site: Advocacy

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.

Mark Pantley HOA VP of Advocacy mark.pantley@gmail.com (832) 654-1272

Introducing Tellico Village Help Spot



TVPOA recently launched the **Tellico Village Help Spot**: a new system that allows the POA to better assist our property owners and keep track of issues and inquiries. When submitting a request for assistance, the user will be asked to provide their name, contact information, and request details. You will be given the option to mark the request as urgent and you can attach up to three pictures (just take with your phone) and/or files. Once completed, an access key will be is-sued to allow the submitter to check the status of their inquiry.

Shortly following submittal, a ticket is created, and an email will be sent to confirm the request has been successfully received. Once the ticket has been received and resolved by a POA staff member, an additional notification will be sent to the submitter. In most cases, property owners will be contacted within the same day or the next business day.

Following the closing of the ticket, submitters will have the opportunity to complete a quick satisfaction survey with comments.

The system should not be used for emergency requests (water leaks, sewer alarms, etc.). Those should be reported by calling Tellico Village Public Works at 865-3458-4522.

You can access the Tellico Village Help Spot by logging on to POA website and clicking on the "Contact Us" tab at the top of the page or click on the Help Spot icon at the bottom of the Home page.

On the Contact Us page, go to the bottom of the box and select "Help Spot". When the Tellico Village Help Spot opens, click on "Submit a Request" or "Check on a "Request" and follow the instructions.

There is also a section on commonly asked questions to the POA. Simply click on the Knowledge Books FAQs as shown in the picture below.



A direct link to the Help Center Website is https://tvpoa.helpspot.com/

HOA 2021 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



2021 HOA Membership renewal will open up on TellicoLife Oct 1st.

Your membership is important to us. In order to carry on our advocacy work we need your membership to show that we have the support of the village.

HOA is **your voice** in all matters affecting Tellico Village property values, infrastructure, lifestyle and social environment. Your continued membership in the HOA provides you with the Voice to "Be Engaged – Be Informed – Be Heard" on matters within Tellico Village.

The **benefits** of HOA membership are:

- Homeowner advocacy on issues & concerns to the POA Board
- Monthly HOA Socials with over 100 sponsored activities and events
- Open Village meetings on pertinent topics
- Monthly "HOA Voice" emails
- · Neighborhood Watch program
- Surveys to express your opinion on important issues
- · Liaisons to local government and TDOT
- · Representing homeowner issues and concerns to various POA committees

Membership continues to be a DEAL at \$10.00 per household, when you sign up online and pay by credit card.



Karrying On in Kahite

Fun, Fun, Fun continues to be a theme in Kahite.

Fun golf continues to be a hit, with creative rules and unique rules for each event, our neighborhood continues to enjoy this tradition of enjoyment, food and lots of laughter. Building neighborhood culture is what makes Kahite special.

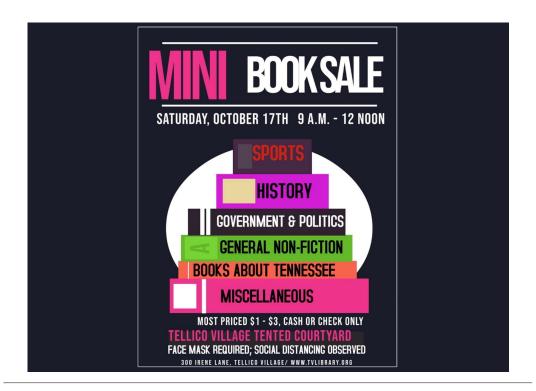
Food is also a fun factor in Kahite! We will miss the Lakeshore Marina dining this Fall/Winter but the Taco Tuesday truck, Pizza at Pizzeria Vente, BBQ at Smokin Bonz and great Mexican at Cielto Lindo along with the Italian Deli at Genovese's makes living here so convenient and fun. All within minutes of our neighborhood entrance.

Now that the weather curtains are installed on the Mountain View Patio and with our 82" TV we are expecting our fall/winter dining at our Pub to continue to be the best spot to spend lunch and dining experience. Hopefully football and basketball games will be on the schedule. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy, especially with the overhead heaters warming up the atmosphere. All paid for by Kabitians

The Monroe County Sheriff's Appreciation Dinner was terrific. The Pub's /AWE team did a terrific job in preparing a salad/prime rib/baked potato/veggie/cheesecake dinner for approximately 60 attendees. Carla Johnson on behalf of Kahite and the POA Board thanked the officers and their spouses. It was held on the Mountain View Patio and everyone practiced social distancing. We are encouraging other communities to show their appreciation for our first responders as well.

TDS is working hard on installing our fiber internet connections. Thanks to a group of Kahitians in getting a grant to make us one of the first to get high speed fiber installed. Due date is October. Internet, phone, and TV service will make us neighborhood for the future!

October Mini Book Sale - Saturday, October 17th



Folds of Honor Tellico Village



On Thursday, October 1st all five Tellico Village Golf Professionals will participate in a Golf Marathon. They will be using our brand-new Finn Scooters to complete their rounds and "tag-in" the next professional. After completion they will have played 90 holes, the event has created so much attention that the **Sports Animal 99.1 FM** will be live on site to broadcast their show.

Donations are being taken to support The Folds of Honor in all golf shops now through October 1st.

The Folds of Honor Foundation provides educational opportunities to children of fallen soldiers who sacrificed their lives for our country. Tellico Village was one of the largest donating communities in the country last year after turning close to \$6,000 for military families. We need your help to meet our goal this year!

Members and guests may pledge a minimum of \$.25 cents (or any amount you choose) x 90 holes played by the pros. Also, you may add an additional Birdie Bonus pledge.

PLEDGE = \$.25 cents (or any amount you choose) x 90 holes completed by the pros. **BIRDIE BONUS** = \$1 (or any amount you choose) x Number of birdies made by pros.

To access our Tellico Village Folds of Honor to track progress or donate using a credit/debit card click thislink

You can also send your pledge or donation amount to Casey Flenniken at cflenniken@tvpoa.org.

To find out more about the Folds of Honor click here: foldsofhonor.org



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