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Important Dates

Thur. Nov. 26th: Happy Thanksgiving

Tues. Dec. 1st: Christmas Tree Lighting at Tellico Village Square

Thur. Dec. 3rd: Rain Date for Christmas Tree Lighting

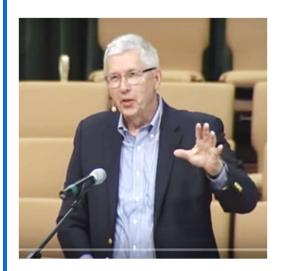
Tues. Dec. 8th: HOA Social CANCELLED

Fri. Dec. 25th: Merry Christmas



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December President's Message by Ken Litke

Traditionally Thanksgiving is the time of year to pause and remember the many things we are thankful for which I think is especially important with all the difficulties we have endured during 2020. As President of the HOA, I would like to express a heartfelt:

Thank you to our many volunteers whose served this past year. Planning and executing have been difficult as our 'tried-and-true' method of operating was out the window. But our volunteers were up to the challenge – crafting new ways to provide timely information on a wide range of important topics to homeowners - most recent example being supplying detailed general election voting information and holding a livestreamed POA Candidates Forum.

Thank you to our event coordinators who wanted to but were unable to hold our normal full slate of fun social activities. But those events that we did hold were very successful and as safe as we could make them.

Thank you to the volunteers who served as Officers and Leaders on the 2020 HOA Board whose terms are coming to an end.

Thank you to the new volunteers, and those who decided to stay on, to serve on the 2021 HOA board.

Thank you in advance to our new slate of event coordinators as they 'think outside the box' and come up with additional social events for the winter for our membership to enjoy.

Thank you to all of you who made your voice heard by voting in the general elections, POA Board Elections, and the HOA Board Elections.



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Thank you for choosing to be an HOA member and support the efforts of the HOA in our Advocating efforts on behalf of our membership to make the Village a better place for all of us to enjoy.

Thank you for HOA members who have renewed (or joined) the HOA for 2021 during our fall membership drive.

Thank you for the recent positive announcements in the news concerning COVID-19 treatments and a potential effective vaccine on the horizon. This gives us all hope that we may be seeing an actual light at the end of the long dark tunnel.

Finally, **thank you** for all the volunteers throughout the Village who serve in so many clubs and organizations, in so many roles, that make Tellico Village and our surrounding community the great place to live for all of us.



The Officers and Directors of HOA wish our members, our volunteers and all of our neighbors

A Happy Thanksgiving!

During these trying times we continue to work to represent you and keep you informed in the safest way possible.

Please enjoy the holiday and know that we are here for you if you need our help.



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2021 HOA Officer Election Results

Due to precautions to protect our members from the Covid-19 virus the election of officers to lead the HOA was conducted electronically this year through TellicoLife. The following is a list of Officers and Board members who will serve you in 2021.

2021 HOA Officers

Elect/Appoint	Position	Officer	
E	President	Ken Litke	
E	VP of Programs	Dennis Dougherty	
E	VP of Advocacy	Mark Pantley	
E	VP of Membership	Barbara Burke	
Е	VP of Communications & Marketing	George Curran	
E	VP of Technology	KC Babb	
E	VP of Social Planning	Sheryl Warmbold	
Е	VP of Event Planning	Tony Bridges	
E	Secretary	Chris Trepal	
Е	Treasurer	Harry Axt	
	Past President	Ellen Fox	
E	Chair at Large	David Warmbold	
E	Neighborhood Watch	Chris Sanders	
Е	Welcome Orientation	Christie Bruns	

Congratulations to the newly elected officers and Thank you to the outgoing officers for a job well done during these difficult times.



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Meet Our County Commissioners

By Gail Link

This article is the second of a series introducing you to our three elected County Commissioners.

INTRODUCING KELLY LITTLETON-BREWSTER

Before we share Kelly's thoughts on Loudon County and Tellico Village issues, let us take some time to meet her.

- The Littleton and Robinson families were some of the first residents of Loudon County, and Kelly's grandfather was one of the first doctors.
- With bachelor's, master's and specialist education degrees Kelly taught grades K through 8 for 30 years at Loudon County's Philadelphia Elementary (Go Warriors!). She retired after the 2019 2020 school year. Her favorite positions teaching Math and STEM Science.
- Kelly is a lifelong horsewoman who also enjoys outside gardening where she specializes in bringing "near dead" plants back to life and crafts including flower arranging and home décor. She is active in her church working with children, teaching Bible School, and running the sound system.
- Kelly learned about city and county government by attending city council and county commission
 meetings with her grandmother and mother. She passed that knowledge on to her students by inviting
 government officials to visit the classroom and taking the students on field trips to local government
 facilities to instill the importance of community involvement.
- Judge Lowell H. Russell's and her husband's encouragement to get involved with Loudon County's Commission resulted in Kelly winning her first election in 2014. She is Vice-Chairman of the Commission.
- Kelly and David Meers share responsibility for Loudon County's District 1, part of which occupies the Tommotley and Chatuga Neighborhoods on the west side of Hwy 444. NOTE: Kelly has promised to take me on a driving tour of District 1 so that I can describe its total area.

Kelly's Thoughts -

- When I asked how Kelly and David Meers divide the responsibilities of leading District 1, her response
 was "We share it. We don't divide it."
- Kelly is proud of her participation on the Budget Committee along with the capital projects budget
 where the committee members make sure that county services are fully funded and maintained. They
 set expenditures for all county offices while overseeing taxpayers' money by maintaining the tax rate.
- Loudon County is the 27th largest county in TN. Kelly works with the commission to grow the county in all areas jobs, recreation, housing. With the high per cent of people moving in from out of state, she is very aware of maintaining the beauty and low taxes in the area.



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- Kelly emphasized several diverse areas for future emphasis
 - 1) Continuing to aid residents who need know how to find information and replying quickly and accurately to their needs
 - 2) Finalizing a new arrangement for the Matlock Bend landfill, a negotiation that although near completion has taken 5 years
 - 3) Providing a facility for record retention that is secure and climate controlled. Many records were lost or damaged in the courthouse fire. The new courthouse design has no room for records.

Thanks, Kelly, for your information and insights!

INTRODUCING DAVID MEERS -

Before we share Dave's thoughts on Loudon County and Tellico Village issues, let us take some time to meet him. Dave shares Loudon County Commissioner responsibilities for District 1 with Kelly Littleton—Brewster.

- During his 43 years in Loudon County Dave worked in education with 30 years in administrative positions. For 28 years he was principal of Highland Park School.
- Dave worked with Roane State, LMU, and Tennessee Tech supervising student teachers.
- Dave has held leadership positions and has been recognized at the local, state, and international levels for his work with United Way and Lion's Club.
- His dedication to the Boys and Girls Clubs of Loudon County has resulted in his service as Chairman of the Board for Loudon County and to his election to the Boys and Girls Club Hall of Fame for Public Service in 2015. Dave is committed to reinstating Boys and Girls Clubs in Loudon County. Unfortunately, the Club had to close in 2017 due to a lack of funds.
- Dave is past president of the Drug Free Program for Tennessee and is an active Mason.
- When he was looking for a new outlet in 2002, Dave remembered his father-in-law's 22 years of city council experience in Loudon. Acting on that memory he ran for Loudon County Commission in 2002 promoting a platform of ethical politics that represented the voters in District 1.
- Dave and his wife Susan have been married 43 years, an amazing coincidence to the time he has lived in Loudon County.

Dave's Thoughts -

• Dave believes that the strong volunteer spirit in Tellico Village builds a strong relationship with Loudon County. NOTE: This writer believes that Dave's dedication to volunteering sets a fantastic example for everyone.



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- Dave has served on Loudon County's Finance Committee for over 10 years and is proud of the Committee's responsible management of the public's money. Key areas of focus for the Finance Committee include fire protection, the sheriff's department, the county's ambulance contract, and the hospital.
- Loudon County is ranked #1 in Tennessee for the oldest population. A current issue related to the hospital is how to develop more specialties and enhance emergency services and communication.
- A key area for Dave is promoting a cooperative program for industry and Loudon County schools to assist students in developing marketable skills.
- Dave is committed to Loudon County beginning a 3 to 5-year needs assessment that will help the Commission plan for road expansion, population growth, and the needs of aging citizens.
- Responding to taxpayer needs while remaining fiscally responsible with taxes is an important Commission focus for Dave. He knows that the Commission must work together to build relationships, support commitments, and sometimes say "No" to projects.

Thanks, Dave for sharing your time and thoughts.





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Karrying On in Kahite

TDS High Speed Fiber Installations

The work goes on. One by one homes are getting wired for the TDS Fiber Network with high speed connections the smart TV's are working overtime. The computer networks are focused on streaming shows and more Zoom calls than ever before, homes are being equipped with either 300 or 600 bps hence dropping of many DISH/Direct TV satellite dishes and our famous DSL lines. Thanks to local residents of Kahite we received a special state grant to provide rural areas with high speed access. The city of Vonore was also included in our successful bid.

Another Record Year for Kahite United Way!

Unlike many communities, the Kahite United Way campaign runs only for the month of October – just 31 days. Halfway through the campaign, the Kahite United Way committee members host an Appreciation Night for Kahite residents to come and enjoy a free hot dog dinner.

The committee's goal for the past several years has been participation, aiming to receive donations from at least half of the homeowners in Kahite. That goal was again exceeded in 2020, achieving over 110% - 245 of Kahite's 440 homes.

The nearly \$32,000 that was collected and will be used to benefit the 18 agencies that Monroe County United Way supports. It is important to note that United Way of Monroe County is unique in that **it returns 99% of all donations received to supported agencies**. UWMC owns its own building and leases 80% of that space to others. The rent collected covers all local general and administrative costs of UWMC.

Sunshine Committee, TVKWO

The Tellico Village Kahite Women's Organization continues to provide outstanding service and volunteer assistance to our local neighborhood as well as the surrounding communities. With over 125 members the organization can provide "Sunshine" service to Kahite households that maybe in



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need of food service and or transportation in times of need. They have seen needs arise due to surgery, deaths, or other illnesses. They brighten our neighbors lives by sending well-wishing cards too!

New Trails in Kahite

It seems every 60 days our Kahite trail system continues to find new pathways through our neighborhood. The Kahite Chain Gang created two new pathways recently adding to our nature walks, this winter they will be welcomed additions to our fitness and lifestyle adventures.

Mountain View Dining

We are starting to notice lunch and early evening dinner guests from Vonore, Madisonville, Sweetwater and even the main village enjoying the lovely days/nights of Fall we have recently enjoyed. The overhead heaters, open air and even when the curtains are hung with their "living room sized window's", make any day/evening a great experience. The daily specials and new menu items offer wonderful choices for your Pub experience. Make sure you say hello to each of the friendly wait staff and they will return the favor. The kitchen is open until 7pm.

HOA 2021 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE



You can easily renew your 2021 HOA Membership by logging in to TellicoLife.

HOA is **your voice** in important 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.

Significant benefits of HOA membership are:

- Homeowner advocacy on issues & concerns to the POA Board and POA committees.
- Monthly HOA Socials with over 100 sponsored activities and events in normal years
- Open Village meetings on pertinent topics POA "Candidate Forum" coming soon in Oct!
- Monthly "HOA Voice of the Village" emails
- Special "Voice" emails on important topics to homeowners such as elections
- Neighborhood Watch program
- Surveys to express your opinion on important issues
- Liaisons to local government and TDOT to stay on top of issues that may affect Tellico Village.

Membership continues to be a DEAL at \$10.00 per household when you sign up using <u>TellicoLife</u> and paying by credit card.

We appreciate your support during this difficult year – please renew and help HOA continue to carry on our important advocacy work in the coming year.



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Nov. 3rd Election Turnout



When we began posting election information before the first primary date, we realized that there is a tremendous amount of information that is needed in order to make an informed decision and to know when, where and how to use that information at the polls. We became afraid that too much information would discourage you from keeping up with all the everything, but we are pleased to say that Tellico Village did a great job getting out the vote on Nov. 3rd. We thank you for the massive turnout in Tellico Village.

The chart below is a recap of voter turnout in Loudon County. The national turnout is projected to be 66.7%. The State turnout was 68.6%. Loudon County was 76.7%. Tellico Village was over 82%.

We do not have any data about the turnover in Monroe County but we will post it if it becomes available.

If you would like to see the voting totals for Loudon and Monroe Counties you on find them on our website hoatellicovillage.com under the Advocacy tab or you can click on this link.

November 3rd Election Turnout Statistics for Loudon County (Unoffical)

Precincts	Turnout	Registered Voters	Votes Cast	% of Total Vote
Loudon/Mt. Zion	81.60%	1565	1277	3.996%
Tellico Village- North	84.23%	3000	2527	7.907%
Tellico Village _ South	82.63%	3885	3210	10.044%
Loudon	68.88%	2844	1958	6.127%
Loudon - Outside	76.04%	2225	1692	5.294%
Lenoir City	64.85%	4148	2690	8.417%
Lenoir City - Outside	71.34%	1148	819	2.563%
Greenback	75.76%	2104	1594	4.988%
Glendale	79.76%	1976	1576	4.931%
Davis	76.19%	674	473	1.480%
Lutrell	80%	4203	3366	10.532%
Philadelphia	73.09%	1319	964	3.016%
Browder	77.47%	3103	2404	7.522%
Eaton	76.89%	5258	4043	12.651%
Highland Park	80.09%	4203	3366	10.532%
TOTALS	76.723%	41655	31959	100.000%



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Village Christmas Tree Lighting

