



March President's Message by Ken Litke

If you're like me, you're getting tired of being at home with the only connection to family and friends being through Zoom. A year ago, I didn't even know what 'Zoom' was but thank goodness for Zoom and our other electronic links to the outside world keeping us in touch and things to do.

While slower than we all hoped, the vaccine rollout is beginning to pick up the pace so better times are ahead. Regarding the vaccine and signups, please continue to look out for and assist your neighbors and friends who may have a lack of access to and familiarity with smartphones, computers and web-based appointment signups as well as those who may have mobility issues.

Thank goodness we live in Tennessee as well - with March we can expect warmer days which will allow more outdoor activities. HOA has scheduled a number of outdoor face-to-face social activities for March so please take advantage – details are in the February Social Update that was sent out on February 1 and can be reviewed/scheduled on our HOA [TellicoLife](#) event calendar.

In addition to these in-person events, we're continuing to offer a multitude of different online Zoom events – again these are all listed in the February Social Update and on [TellicoLife](#). Attendance and feedback have been very good for these sessions and we'll continue to offer even when the pandemic is over.

Also, on March 9th we're going to be trying something new – a 'virtual' HOA Monthly Social which should be both informative and entertaining – plus we'll have some door prizes for those who signup in advance and attend this virtual event. Keep watching for more detail in the March Social Update along with information and signups on [TellicoLife](#).

Lastly, and most importantly, please join us on Thursday, February 18th from 4-6 p.m. for our first Open Village meeting in 2021 titled "State of the Village". Hear about the "State of The Village" with informative updates by the HOA, POA, and other organizations. This meeting will be live-streamed like the current POA Board Meetings. The meeting will be available to watch live at 4:00pm on TVB's YouTube channel [here](#). Viewers will be able to submit questions online during the event.

Please take advantage of the events that have been planned and even though there will still be some trying times ahead - we'll get through this together!

HOA OPEN VILLAGE MEETING

State of the Village

Thursday, February 18, 2021

4:00 – 6:00 P.M.

Webinar LiveStreamed on YouTube

(Same way as POA Meetings)

Access provided on TellicoLife Calendar

Topics

HOA Update: 2020 Results/2021 Plans

Ken Litke, HOA President

Village Update: 2020 Results/2021 Plans

Winston Blazer, Tellico Village CEO

POA Update: 2020 Results/2021 Plans

Rick Blough, POA Board President

Tellico Village Volunteer Fire Dept. Update

Jerry Dougherty, TVVFD Fire Chief

Public Library of Tellico Village Update

DeForest Carol, TV Library Manager

Loudon County Covid-19 Update

Teresa Harill, Director – LC Health Dept.

Public Comments & Questions

For further information contact Dennis Dougherty at dpd@dpdougherty.com

The Help Spot

Since its inception last summer, the **Help Spot** on the POA website has helped hundreds of residents get answers to their questions and help resolve problems and concerns. But it seems a lot of people still don't know about it.

If you have a question or problem and you don't know where to go, if you are looking for information and don't know where to look or if you have a complaint and don't know where to take it, log on to the POA website and scroll down to the Help Spot. It's Easy.

Step One: Log on to the POA Website (tellicovillagepoa.org).

Step Two: Scroll down to Important Contact Information and click on the Help Spot Icon.



Step 3: At the upper left side of the page, click on Submit a Request.

Home
Submit a Request
Check on a Request
Knowledge Books
- FAQs

Welcome to the Tellico Village Help Center. If you need the Property Owners Association to contact you regarding an issue, please click on the "Submit a Request" link to the left of this box.

Someone from the Property Owners Association will be back in touch with you by the next business day. Thank you.

Before submitting a request, we encourage users to view our FAQ page for common questions. You can click on the FAQ link at the left to be taken to our Frequently Asked Questions page.

If you are checking on the status of a previously issued ticket, please select "Check on a Request" link at the left. We encourage you to use the Access Key that was issued to you at the time of ticket creation to check on the status of a ticket.

IF YOU FAIL TO GET A RESPONSE FROM US WITHIN ONE BUSINESS DAY PLEASE CHECK YOUR SPAM OR JUNK EMAIL FOLDERS.

Step 4: Fill out the "Request for Assistance" form. You can attach a photo at the bottom of the page (this is helpful to understand your request) and submit the form.

Your request will be logged in and forwarded to the proper person who will contact you to help you.

An important final step is to complete the survey after your request has been completed. This helps monitor the success of the program.



Advocacy by Mark Pantley

Tellico Lake Planning. On January 28, 2021 TVA sent out a press release titled: “TVA Invites Public Input on Proposed Revision to Tellico Reservoir Land Management Plan”. Included in the press release was a link to information about their planning process and registration information for a webinar on February 25 at 5pm. <https://www.tva.com/newsroom/press-releases/tva-invites-public-input-on-proposed-revision-to-tellico-reservoir-land-management-plan>

HOA plans to send a letter to TVA expressing our views on development of Tellico Lake. The thoughts we have so far are to encourage expansion of the parking lot at Halls Bend Trailhead and to improve security at this site. Also, to improve erosion control of the lakeshore in common areas managed by TVA. If you have other ideas or concerns that should be included in our letter, please send them to me or Ken Litke (HOA President).

Asian Carp. Several things have happened in the area of controlling Asian Carp over the last few months. For details on this 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.

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HOA VP of Advocacy

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Come Help TellicoLife Extend Its Reach!

The vision for [TellicoLife](#) is to be a single online destination where Villagers can easily find out what's happening in and around Tellico Village.

[TellicoLife](#) started in early 2017 as an idea from HOA, New Villagers, TVCUC, Neighborhood Watch and Stay-In-TV to create an online channel for members to manage their memberships, view the calendar, register for events, etc. Since then, it has grown to include over 40 clubs and organizations, and more than 4,000 households that benefit from the amenities of [TellicoLife](#).

2020 was a challenging year for all clubs and organizations. However, now that we are starting to see light at the end of the tunnel, we want to extend the reach of [TellicoLife](#) to include more clubs and organizations and to have our calendar be a more comprehensive resource for everyone.

Are you interested in helping [TellicoLife](#) extend its reach to more organizations, more residents, more information and more events? We are forming a small team to help us figure out what our clubs and organizations need from [TellicoLife](#) and what our residents feel would be most beneficial. This team will work on defining what [TellicoLife](#) should become and what features should be included. This will include collecting input from some of the clubs and organizations in the area, as well as from some of our residents.

If you would like to help us realize this vision, please contact KC Babb at hoatv.vptechnology@gmail.com.

Preparing Your Garden for Spring



We asked Carol Fenton, the president of the Tellico Village Garden Club, to give us some tips on how to prepare your garden for spring. Here is what she has to say.

Use January and February as your planning months. Decide what annuals and perennials you want to grow and what your color scheme will be. February is a good time to clean up leaves and debris, cut dead stalks off your perennials, prune shrubs and crepe myrtles. Be careful with hydrangeas. If you grow on old wood and you prune, you'll get no flowers. Know your variety and whether they grow on old wood or new wood (you can find this out by referencing your variety on the internet). Also, put down Preen for weed control. This has to be put down early, before seeds sprout. April 15 is a safe planting date. Before then it is very risky, except for cold weather veggies.

Our soil is very rocky and clayey. Amend soil with compost and top soil. If you don't already have one, you might consider buying a serrated shovel. You can purchase one from Donna Olson, vice-president of the garden club (865-657-3079) for \$50, long or short handle.

You should know the entrance gardens are maintained by garden club volunteers. These gardens are funded by the club's aluminum can collection. Cans can be dropped off at the public works yard (Davis Ferry Rd.) or Kahite cart barn.

The garden club is not currently meeting because of Covid. They do send out a monthly newsletter and hope to be able to have group meetings in the fall.

To learn more about the Garden Club, log on to TellicoLife, scroll down the page to "Village Clubs" and locate and click on The Garden Club.

If you have any questions you can contact Carol Fenton at cafenton3@gmail.com

STAYinTV Care Calls Program



STAYinTV trudges on despite Covid; starts new “Care Calls” program

STAYinTV, the aging-in-place activity in Tellico Village, is still in action – fulfilling its mission to help folks stay in their homes in Tellico Village as long as possible, even in the face of the Covid 19 pandemic.

The primary STAYinTV programs - Home Maintenance, Rides, Grocery Shopping and Errands and Respite Care continue. Said President Scott Mathot: “It’s been a challenge keeping the existing STAYinTV programs going during the pandemic, but our volunteers have met that challenge and are continuing to serve Villagers.”

STAY also is pursuing a new program called **Care Calls**, which aims to check on seniors who live alone and need outside contact. This pilot program is facilitated by Donna Barger. She said she has been concerned about people who live alone – especially during the pandemic – and had reached out to a few she knew, calling or e-mailing them and sometimes delivering food. She said she was moved to do something more extensive after a dramatic personal experience.

Said Donna:

“I had left a message for a woman whom I had previously spoken with only when I saw her in her yard. She did not answer the phone, and I was unsure what to do next. A few days later, I learned that she had gone upstairs in her home without a phone, fell and broke a hip. It took her three days to drag herself downstairs to her phone to call for help.

“The woman went through surgery but did not survive. As a result of that, I have a passion to help other people who live alone, so that hopefully such a situation can be prevented for them. I expanded my contacts to widowed members of my church. Then I wanted to identify people outside my church who could benefit from calls, so I contacted STAYinTV, to see if there might be opportunity to join forces. From those conversations, Care Calls was born.”

Care Calls is for Village residents who live alone or who may be caring for a spouse with a physical or mental challenge that might prevent them from calling for help.

- Volunteers make calls to clients sometimes daily, but at least once a week. A text message can work for some, or an agreed-upon signal to indicate when a person might need help.
- When someone needs help, the client tells the volunteer what their preferred “next step” is – such as calling a family member, close neighbor or 911.
- To request Care Calls, call the STAYinTV recorded line (865)458-7084. Select option 5, and leave their name, phone number and a message saying they want to receive calls.

- Potential volunteer callers can follow the same procedure - call and leave a message they would like to help.
- If a first responder or neighbor knows of a resident who could benefit from Care Calls, they should first ask the resident if they would like to receive calls. If they agree, then either the resident or the first responder can call the STAYinTV number, select option 5 and leave a message.

HOA 2021 Goals & Objectives

- * Goal: Realizing the importance of promoting social fellowship in our community, develop appropriate in-person and virtual Social Events that can be conducted during the Covid-19 pandemic and meeting HOA Covid guidelines.
- * Goal: Keep members informed, especially on high impact and controversial topics by working with the POA and select Village organizations.
 - * HOA BOD and HOA Liaisons have continued to regularly attend meetings of the POA and other key organizations in the Village and surrounding community.
 - * Monthly "Voice of the Village" email will be published with timely information for homeowners.
 - * Special topical "Voice" emails will be published as needed throughout the year.
 - * Neighborhood Watch will continue to provide data and guides to homeowners in a more accessible manner.
- * Goal: Implement advocacy strategies by identifying and prioritizing issues having current or future impact on HOA members. Work effectively with appropriate parties to help ensure positive, timely resolutions.
 - * HOA will monitor local issues that potentially have impact on homeowners.
 - * HOA will address homeowner concerns that are appropriate.
- * Goal: Improve efficiency of HOA roles by reducing non-essential activities and automating effort as available and appropriate.
- * Goal: Promote the implementation of community management business best practices to the benefit of all residents/homeowners.
 - * Continue to work with POA on establishing improvements to the benefit of homeowners.



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The cost for 2021 is \$15.00 per person. Go to: **2021 HOA Annual Golf Registration** and register today!

The first of the HOA golf events for 2021 will begin on Wednesday, February 3rd as part of the "Mini Golf" winter golf events. The "Mini Golf" events are held in the enclosed and heated Toqua Pavilion. The HOA vs. NV "Mini Golf" challenge is between HOA and New Villager (NV) participants and run by assistant golf professional, Charles Roffers. Make your reservation with Charles (865-458-6546

or croffers@tvpoa.org), and pay the participation fee. When making your reservation, inform Charles that your 2-person team is playing for HOA. HOA golf will award prizes to the top 4 HOA teams and those teams will participate in a free putt off at the end with the top 4 NV teams to determine bragging rights!!!! The dates for the HOA vs. NV Mini Golf event are: 2/3, 2/10, 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, and 3/10.

The second HOA golf event will utilize the new Trackman Golf Simulator with 4-person teams participating in a 9-hole scramble on classic golf courses selected by Charles. Teams can be all men, women, or couples. HOA golf will award prizes to the best men, women, and couples with the scores of the 2 best teams that will determine bragging rights between HOA and NV. The cost is \$50 per team. Contact Charles Roffers to reserve your tee time, informing him your team is playing for HOA. There are limited-time slots available so make your reservations quickly!!! The dates for this event are: Sundays 2/7, 2/14, 2/21, 2/28, 3/7 and Thursdays 2/18, 3/11 starting at 11:00 am.

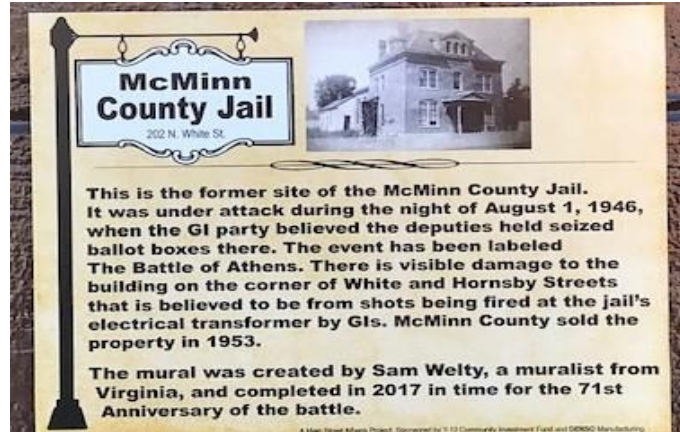
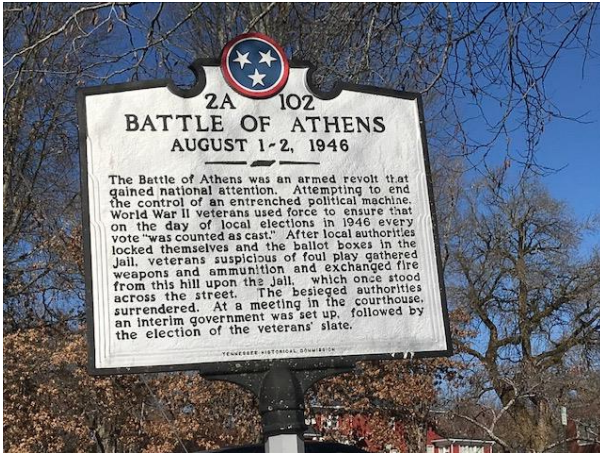
The 2021 HOA golf scramble season starts on Wednesday, April 14th at Tanasi. Dates for the entire 2021 HOA golf scramble season are located within the TellicoLife calendar.

If you have questions regarding HOA golf, please send a message to: HOAGolf@Gmail.com.

Fairways & greens,

Your 2021 HOA Golf Team

The Battle of Athens



On August 1st and 2nd 1946, the Town of Athens TN was the scene of the first successful armed insurrection in America since the Revolutionary War. A group of local citizens, many just returning from their service in World War II, banded together to wrest control of their local government from a group of corrupt politicians. The following are interesting links to this story.

The story can be found in writing by clicking the following link. <https://www.abbevilleinstitute.org/blog/the-battle-of-athens-tennessee/>

There is an interesting YouTube video explaining the incident with footage of a film that was made of this story. It can be found by clicking the following link to a YouTube Video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U5ut6yPrObw>

If you are interested in visiting Athens, which is about 1 hour south on Highway 11, there is a walking tour of the old buildings located around the McMinn County Courthouse. Many of these buildings are gone but there are plaques located at their previous sites, some relate to the Battle of Athens. There is also a mural depicting the Battle of Athens on the wall of the Carter Insurance Building, site of the old jail. It is located at 206 N. White St. There is also a Civil Rights mural on the side of the building located at College and White Streets. You can find the walking tour map by clicking on the following link.

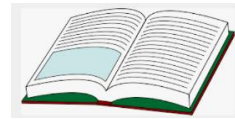
<https://www.southeasttennessee.com/athens-tour/>

Enjoy your exploring!

New York Times Best Selling Books of 2000

Fiction

Jan. 2 – Feb. 13	<u>Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets</u>	J.K. Rowling
Feb. 20 – Apr. 16	<u>The Brethren</u>	John Grisham
Apr. 23 – Apr. 30	<u>The Wedding</u>	Danielle Steel
May 7 – May 28	<u>Before I Say Good-Bye</u>	Mary Higgins Clark
June 4	<u>Easy Prey</u>	John Sandford
June 11 – July 2	<u>The Indwelling</u>	Tim LaHaye & Jerry B. Jenkins
July 9	<u>Hot Six</u>	Janet Evanovich
July 16 – Aug. 13	<u>The House of Hope</u>	Danielle Steel
Aug. 20 – Sept. 3	<u>Winter Solstice</u>	Rosamunde Pilcher
Sept. 10 – Oct. 8	<u>The Bear and the Dragon</u>	Tom Clancy
Oct. 15 – Oct. 22	<u>The Rescue</u>	Nicholas Sparks
Nov. 5 – Nov. 19	<u>The Last Precinct</u>	Patricia Cornwell
Nov. 26	<u>Winter's Heart</u>	Robert Jordan
Dec. 3 – Dec. 31	<u>The Mark</u>	Tim LaHaye & Jerry B. Jenkins



Non-Fiction

Jan. 2 – Jan. 23	<u>Tuesdays with Morrie</u>	Mitch Albom
Jan. 30 – Feb. 13	<u>The Rock Says</u>	The Rock with Joe Layden
Feb. 20	<u>Tuesdays with Morrie</u>	Mitch Albom
Feb. 27	<u>The Rock Says</u>	The Rock with Joe Layden
Mar. 5 – June 4	<u>Tuesdays with Morrie</u>	Mitch Albom
June 11 – July 9	<u>Flags Of Our Fathers</u>	James Bradley & Ron Powers
July 16 – July 23	<u>Tuesdays with Morrie</u>	Mitch Albom
July 30	<u>The Day John Died</u>	Christopher Andersen
Aug. 6	<u>Life on the Other Side</u>	Sylvia Browne & Lindsay Harrison
Aug. 13 – Aug. 20	<u>It's Not about the Bike</u>	Lance Armstrong & Sally Jenkins
Aug. 27	<u>Tuesdays with Morrie</u>	Mitch Albom
Sept. 3	<u>It's Not about the Bike</u>	Lance Armstrong & Sally Jenkins
Sept. 10	<u>Tuesdays with Morrie</u>	Mitch Albom
Sept. 17 – Oct. 15	<u>Nothing Like It in the World</u>	Stephen Ambrose
Oct. 22 – Nov. 5	<u>The Beatles Anthology</u>	The Beatles
Nov. 12 – Dec. 17	<u>The O'Reilly Factor</u>	Bill O'Reilly
Dec. 24 – Dec. 31	<u>The Beatles Anthology</u>	The Beatles