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Important Dates

Tues. Sept. 14th: September HOA Social at Lower-Level Yacht Club

Thur. Sept. 16th: HOA Welcome Orientation-5th Floor Yacht Club

Wed. Sept. 22nd: Watch for Long Range Planning Survey

Tues. Oct. 12th: October HOA Social at Lower-Level Yacht Club

Thur. Oct. 21st: HOA Open Village Meeting, POA Board Candidates Forum
at Tellico Village Community Church **(Dependent on The Number of Candidates)**

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September President's Message - Ken Litke



Hopefully most of you read the recent Connection article ([link](#)) where I was quoted on the impact of the Housing Boom on Tellico Village. My response was that TV has always been a planned community. While the rapid speed of development may be a concern to some people, if we have good leadership and we plan for it, then the future will be good. This fall, as homeowners we have the opportunity to play an important role in the planning process. So, how do we do this?

Firstly, the Long-Range Planning Committee is finalizing a survey that will be sent to all residents to gather information to help with future planning in our ever-growing village. This critical survey will be coming out in September so don't miss this opportunity to provide your feedback to help guide our future.

Secondly, each Fall, approximately one-third of the POA Board of Directors (BOD) are up for election. BOD members contribute significantly to the effective management of the Village including long range planning, sponsorship of special issue studies, as well as a liaison role with the various advisory committees. This fall, there will be two BOD positions that are up. Anyone with an interest to participate can apply for these important positions but you better apply fast as Sept 3rd is the last day for applications, petitions, and resumes to be submitted to the POA. This BOD will also have the important task of selecting a new Chief Executive Officer as Winton Blazer will be retiring next year.

While you may not want to serve on the BOD, our duty as homeowners is to learn about the candidates for the POA Board Positions and then vote. Assuming more than 2 candidates place their name on the ballot, HOA will conduct POA Candidates Forum in October. Don't miss this opportunity to hear and ask questions from the candidates running for the open POA Board positions and make your decision whose vision for the future will be elected.

Now turning to the more fun stuff – namely social activities - our August Monthly Social which we called “Yacht Rock” was fabulously supported by the HOA membership! Well over 200 people attended with 130 eating at the optional Buffet and all enjoying the music from AM Station. Many really got into the swing of things by dressing up in

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Yacht and Island wear. Based upon the success of this event, we'll plan more of these type events in the future.



Sheryl and her team have another great Social being planned for September 14th - again with live music provided by Dave Jeffrey plus see some Classic Cars in the parking lot from the Tellico Car Club.

So, if you haven't been to an HOA Social lately, you're really missing a great chance to socialize with your friends, learn about what's coming up at your HOA, and listen to some great music.

In addition to the Monthly Socials and this Open Village Meeting, HOA has scheduled other social activities for September and beyond so please watch for and read the HOA Social Invite email. All new events will open for sign-ups when the Social Invite emails are sent to HOA members – so if you see something you'd like to attend – don't wait as events tend to fill up fast.

See you soon at an HOA event!

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2022 HOA Candidate Appeal



By Mark Pantley, Chairman of HOA Nominating Committee

BECOME AN **HOA** VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



The HOA is looking for interested volunteers to serve on the HOA Board for the 2022 calendar year. Your HOA strives to deliver membership value to Tellico Village homeowners through informative and engaging programs, while promoting social fellowship, civic responsibility, and providing a 'voice' for homeowner concerns. This is your chance to give back to this amazing community which we all enjoy.

If you are interested in working with an energetic group of motivated people, please click on this [link](#) for a list of open positions that will be elected in November. If you are interested in either volunteering or just finding out more information, please email me at mark.pantley@gmail.com for more information.

We have roles that need to be filled of all shapes and sizes, so I'm sure that we can find something that is a perfect fit for your skills and interests. If you're not sure about what you might want to do but would still like to volunteer in some way, please send me an email and let me know where your interests lie. We will connect you with the right person to find out more information.

Please help the HOA continue to serve as "Your Voice of the Village"

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September HOA Social

HOA Social
September 14, 2021
4:30 – 6:00 pm
Tellico Village Yacht Club



Music by **Dave Jeffrey**

View Classic Cars in the parking lot



Short Program with Speaker
Great Door Prizes! 50/50 Raffle



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Neighborhood Watch-Theft Around Construction Sites



By: Chris Sanders & Sherry Le, Neighborhood Watch Co-Chairs
and Jimmy Davis, Loudon County Chief Deputy Sheriff

It is not uncommon for builders to deal with theft at their home construction sites and sometimes this theft may spill over to homes located near construction sites. There is a construction boom happening now in Tellico Village. Unoccupied construction sites can be opportunities for thieves to steal items they can then sell for cash. Thieves can sometimes be the employees of the builders or contractors known as insiders, amateur opportunists, or professional thieves. Amateur opportunists may take generic building materials for use in their own houses, such as plywood, lumber, or ladders. Professional thieves may take property that can be sold in an unregulated second-hand market, such as ceramic tiles, faucets, toilets, doors, and windows. Insiders may be more likely to take tools and small equipment or items that take some skill or effort to remove. Unfortunately, those living close to new construction sites may also find themselves the victim of theft just by the close association of these likely targets.

Homeowners should take notice of the comings and goings in their own neighborhood, but especially when so many are vehicles that are not normally in the neighborhood. Make yourself visible if you think that someone may be lurking about, driving slower than normal, or making several passes down your street. If a thief believes they may be seen, they will not stop. Outdoor security cameras with easily identifiable signage may also deter not only theft from your property, but possibly neighboring properties. Don't leave garage doors open or items lying about outdoors to become an unintended victim.

Just a reminder, should you witness a crime in progress, immediately call 911 and try to record or photograph any details that will help law enforcement catch the perpetrators. However, do not put yourself in harm's way.

And it can't be said enough.... "If you see something, say something."

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How to Update Your TellicoLife Profile Information

When you signed up for TellicoLife you were probably new to the Village. Since then, things might have changed, like your address, email address or phone number. It is important to keep this information up to date. Do you know how to update your contact information in Tellico Life? Your **profile** contains all of the information that TellicoLife knows about you.

Once you login to TellicoLife, you can view your profile by clicking on 'My Profile' in the **Quick Links** on the upper right of your TellicoLife screen.

Some information is kept on you as an individual, and some of it is kept at your 'household' (also known as organization) level. TellicoLife has Help information on how to make any of the changes you might want to make. All of the Help information for you as a TellicoLife user is under 'Help->[Help for TellicoLife Users](#)'

If you would like to update information about your household, such as your address, please review article number 1: Changes. If you would like to update your email, your name, or other information about you as an individual, please review article number 10: [Profile - Editing your Profile](#)

How to Subscribe for the POA Tell-E-Gram

Sign up to receive the Tell-E-Gram

Stay up to date with what is going on in Tellico Village! The Tell-E-Gram is a digital newsletter that goes out every Tuesday and features news, announcements, and events. Every other Friday, the upcoming Board meeting agenda is also sent out. When we have urgent and time-sensitive news to share, we will also send out a Tell-E-Flash.

This is the official source of news and communication from the POA to our property owners. It's easy to join! Click on the Link below.

<https://mailchi.mp/89e9ffcfb7e0/tellegramsignup>

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Interview with Jack Qualls, Executive Director of Loudon County Economic Development Association

By Gail Link, Loudon County Liaison



Remember the big question of the 1990's – "What keeps (you fill in the blank) up at night?" This question and the answers made it to the top of most corporate interviews, especially if the interviewee was vying for a presidential or CEO position. It became the lynchpin for many books and articles about the most valuable executives.

Let us bring this question into the present and ask Jack Qualls, Executive Director of the Loudon County Economic Development Association (LCEDA), "Jack, what keeps you up at night?"

Our immediate opinion is that Jack is sleeping soundly. LCEDA, the 23-year-old joint venture between Loudon County, Loudon, and Lenoir City provides programs that encourage individuals and companies to relocate to or remain in the greater Loudon County area. Although attracting new companies to the area is key, keeping the organizations and people who are already here is equally important.

How could there be a better place to work toward these goals?

- Loudon County fits the ideal of a work, play and live environment. You cannot beat the mountains, lakes, climate, low taxes, and leisure options.
- The current labor pool in the Loudon County labor shed has reached 540,000.
- Loudon County boasts the intersection of two major highways, two railroad systems, and a shipping port.
- The area has already attracted a diverse corporate community that includes Kimberley-Clark (paper products), Malibu (boats), Tate & Lyle (food additives), Viskase (food packaging), and Morgan Olson (step vans). We must also include Monterey Mushroom and Wampler's Sausage.
- Housing is affordable with a median price of \$336,000.
- The average commute to work, even if a person is traveling from Loudon County to Knoxville, is 40 minutes.

So, Jack what are the challenges that keep you up at night?

- The median age of Loudon County's population is 47.5 years with 27% of Loudon County's population over 65 years old. We can compare these percentages to Knox County with 37.4 years the median age and 16% of the people over 65.
- Loudon County competes for industry with all 95 counties within TN borders but also with large cities like Birmingham where development costs are lower due to the flat terrain.
- Although Loudon County has a sizeable workforce, companies analyze a prospective location for the availability of skilled workers. Loudon County's skilled labor pool has improved in recent years. However, the improvement needs to continue with STEM type programs to prepare for automation.

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- Prior to the COVID pandemic Jack and the LCEDA personnel highlighted wages as the key to selecting a job or career. Now they hear more about reassessing quality of life – flexible time at work, working from home, and time for leisure.
- Change is a constant. The COVID pandemic with its necessary changes in home versus office work locations, work – life balance, and interrupted income for many folks has resulted in workers viewing their jobs and careers through a different lens. What changes does Loudon County need to make to address the new requirements?
- Finally, in Jack’s words, “What will Generation Z (born 1997 – 2015) individuals demand from the workplace?”

To address the need to retain younger workers and provide the work/life balance people want LCEDA is –

- * Focusing on young people starting at the high school level with robotics and STEM learning, internships with local companies, and corporate programs that build skills needed by the companies in the area.
- * Creating a talent pipeline based on skilled labor needs at local companies.
- * Participating in National Manufacturers Week that includes plant tours, training opportunities, and presentations.
- * Encouraging a holistic approach to growth that supports population centers like Loudon County, Maryville, and Farragut working together, instead of competing.
- * Building a communications conduit that ensures the sharing of data and changes among citizens, government bodies, and corporations.
- * Creating the Young Professionals, a group dedicated to keeping younger workers in the Loudon County area.

Jack has created the Volunteer Portal, located on the Loudon County Chamber of Commerce website. The portal is designed to provide 2-way communication for organizations requesting voluntary skill or time support and people or groups with time and talent to share with others. This site answers the question, “Who can help Loudon County build increased skilled labor, a sharing of work experiences, and hands-on knowledge-building?”

Jack does feel that Tellico Village residents have a wealth of knowledge, skills, and experience to share. He encourages all Tellico Village residents to volunteer some of their retirement time to help Loudon County continue its path to corporate and personal growth. A good night’s sleep for all!



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Watch for Long Range Planning Survey

The Long-Range Planning Committee is finalizing an updated survey to gather information to help with future planning in our ever-growing village. Watch your email and your mailbox and the Tell E Gram for details. If you don't already subscribe to the Tell E Gram you can do so by clicking on the link in the article above. The survey will be available from Sept. 22 to Oct. 31.

HOA 2021 Christmas Gala



HOA Christmas Gala

Sunday, Dec. 5th

5:30 to 10:30 P.M.

Tellico Village Yacht Club

10 Per Table

The HOA Christmas Gala has been scheduled. This year signups will be a little different. You will sign up individually on TellicoLife. Information on how to sign up will be posted with the September Social Invite but signup for this event will be delayed until Sept. 21st. This will give you time to organize your group.

When you log into the event you will be asked if you want open seating or if you are with a group. If you are part of a group, decide who will be the table contact and enter their last name when asked. You will then make your dinner choice. Next, if you are signing up another household member click on "Linked Profile", not "Guest" and repeat the process. Finally, you will pay and complete registration. So, get your group organized, name a leader or opt for open seating and be ready to sign up on Sept. 21st

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Friends of Vonore Public Library Needs Your Help



Friends of the Vonore Public library
P. O. Box 266
Vonore TN 37885-0266

HELP NEEDED-The Friends of the Vonore Public Library (FVPL) Board has taken a hit with the COVID Pandemic. Our membership has dropped and we have lost three Board members. We are seeking volunteers who would like to serve on the Board. We need a Treasurer, Secretary, and Imagination Library representative. The Friends are very active in the Vonore Community with a book sale, annual member meeting with speaker, free children book giveaways, summer reading program, grants to the library to purchase computers, and started a fund to build a new library. The FVPL Board meets once a month in Vonore. For information, contact Don Edmands, Jr., dedmands@tds.net or phone 423-884-3806.

Trip Advisors Top 20 Best Attractions in Knoxville



1. Market Square, <https://knoxvillemarketsquare.com/dining/>
2. Ijams Nature Center, www.ijams.org
3. Tennessee Theatre, www.tennessee theatre.com
4. Knoxville Zoo, www.knoxvillezoo.org
5. Knoxville Museum of Art, www.knoxart.org
6. Neyland Stadium, www.utssports.com
7. Sunsphere Tower, www.worldsfairpark.org
8. East Tennessee Historical Society, www.easttnhistory.org
9. University of Tennessee, www.utk.edu
10. World's Fair Park, <https://www.worldsfairpark.org/>
11. House Mountain State Nature Area, www.knoxcounty.org/parks/pdfs/housemtn.pdf
12. James White Fort, www.jameswhitefort.org
13. Old City, www.oldcityknoxville.org

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14. Lakeshore Park, www.lakeshoreparkknoxville.org
15. Muse Knoxville, www.themuseknoxville.org
16. Clarence Brown Theatre, www.clarencebrowntheatre.com
17. U.T. Gardens, <https://ag.tennessee.edu/utg/Pages/default.aspx>
18. Schulz Brau Brewing Company, www.schulzbraubrewing.com
19. Knoxville Visitors Center, www.visitknoxville.com
20. McClung Museum of Natural History & Culture, <https://mcclungmuseum.utk.edu/>