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	Important Dates		
	Thur. November 9 th : HOA Social & Annual Board Election 4:30 to 6:00 P.M. at Yacht Club		
	Thur. November 18 ^{th:} : HOA Welcome Orientation at Yacht Club 5 th Floor Gallery Room		
	Tues. December 14 th : HOA Volunteer's Recognition Night & Social 4:00 to 6:30 P.M. at Yacht Club		
	October 31 st through November 18 th : POA Board Elections		



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November President's Message - Ken Litke



October was a busy month for your HOA, so I'd like to highlight a few items of note that occurred.

We kicked Oct off with a great **Monthly Social** - for the 1st time held on the Kahite Mountain View Patio.

Close to 200 attendees enjoyed the music of Knoxville Transfer, some great food from Angie and the Kahite Grill, plus some fabulous door prizes. It was great to see many new attendees at an HOA event from the Kahite neighborhood. Although we

did experience some sound issues, we were able to work through them and will certainly address for future HOA gatherings at Kahite.



HOA also held a well-attended <u>POA Candidates</u> Forum on October 21st at the Community Church. Attendees had the opportunity to hear all 3 candidates – John Arguelles, Robert Brunetti, and Hussein Nijim – tell us why they are running and answer questions of interest to homeowners. If you missed attending the meeting in person or watching the live-stream, don't worry as it was recorded for viewing – just go to the TVN (Tellico Village Network) YouTube channel – click <u>here</u> for link.



Voting for the 2 open POA board positions will officially start on Oct 31 and ends on November 18 – watch for further information from the POA on how to vote. Be sure to make your decision whose vision for the future will be elected. Thanks to VP Dennis Dougherty for organizing this great event.



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Now turning to November upcoming events:

November 9th we'll be back at the Yacht Club for a special Monthly Social. Our VP Sheryl

Warmbold again has planned some great live music with "AM Station" playing plus some great door prizes. Don't miss this Social as we'll also be calling a short **Special Meeting** to vote for the HOA 2022 Board of Directors. I want to thank Mark Pantley and the Nominations Committee for putting together a great slate of officers as well as all the new volunteers stepping forward wanting to serve. So come join your friends for a great chance to socialize, learn about what's coming up at your HOA, vote the new 2022 HOA Board of Directors, and listen to some great music.



Ending November 30th is our **annual HOA membership drive contest**. You can still renew (or join) in December (in fact anytime) but enter on TellicoLife before the end of November and you'll be automatically entered into a drawing



for



for some great prizes. So don't put off renewing or joining – just click on this <u>link</u>. Show your continued support for everything HOA has to offer by renewing your membership. We have some great plans for 2022!

In addition to the Monthly Socials and this Open Village Meeting, HOA has scheduled other social activities for November 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! Ken Litke



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HOA Monthly Social



November 9th 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm Yacht Club

Social will include a short "Annual Election Meeting" where voting will take place for your 2022 HOA Board of Directors



Entertainment by AM Station Duo





Great Door Prizes



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2022 HOA Board Nominations

It is our pleasure to announce the slate for the 2022 HOA Board. In July we started the process of identifying Board, Committee and Liaison candidates for next year. We reached out to our membership at Monthly Socials, in the HOA Voice, and through many Tellico Village clubs and organizations looking for volunteers to serve. We received a good response and we are now presenting this slate of candidates to you, our members, for consideration.

Elected Officers

President	Mark Pantley
VP of Programs	Lavonne Mitchell
VP of Advocacy	Harry Rucker
VP of Membership	Barb Burke
VP of Communications & Marketing	Linda Garza
VP of Technology	KC Babb
VP of Social Planning	Nancy Mariani
VP of Event Planning	Jim Barton (assisted by Betty Fortune)
Secretary	Chris Trepal
Treasurer	Harry Axt
Standing Committees	
Chair at Large	David Warmbold
Neighborhood Watch	Chris Sanders & Sherry Le
Welcome Orientation	Judy Bell

We had originally announced electronic voting but with declining Covid cases the HOA BOD has decided to return to inperson voting. According to HOA By-Laws, the 2022 HOA Board election shall take place on November 9th at a combined "November Monthly Social & Special Election Meeting" at the Yacht Club. This year we are combining our regular monthly Social with a Special Election Meeting to minimize the number of meetings we have in response to the Covid pandemic.

Also, up until ten days prior to this meeting, any HOA member in good standing may nominate another member for elective office and notify the Nominating Committee Chair of the nomination. The Nominating Committee shall determine such nominee's eligibility and willingness to serve.

If you have any questions, please contact Mark Pantley (Nominating Committee Chair) at <u>mark.pantley@gmail.com</u> or Ken Litke (HOA President) at <u>klitke204@gmail.com</u>.



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Protect Yourself from Fraud When Shopping Online







By Sherry Le, with Chris Sanders Neighborhood Watch Co-Chairs and Jamie Davis, Loudon County Chief Deputy Sheriff

Completing your holiday shopping online is convenient, but it can leave you open to fraud. The holidays are a peak time for thieves to take advantage of consumers that are buying more items and can therefore easily miss fraudulent charges amid a long list of transactions.

When you shop online or from your mobile device, you may be targeted by fraudsters that send you fake emails or texts advertising too-good-to-be-true deals (known as phishing). If you click on an unverified link, you may unknowingly give your credit card number to a thief who can use it to rack up unauthorized charges.

While credit card fraud can happen in numerous ways, there are actions you can take to safeguard your information. There's no way to prevent fraud from happening online, but there are actions you can take to limit your chances of becoming a victim of identity theft.

Here are 7 steps you can follow to protect yourself from credit card fraud during the holidays - and any time of the year.

Review your credit card transactions Monthly

Regularly log into your credit card accounts and check that the transactions listed were made by you or any authorized users. If you notice anything suspicious, contact your card issuer right away to dispute the transaction.

Freeze your credit

A credit freeze restricts access to your credit reports, helping prevent fraudsters from opening new accounts in your name. Make sure you freeze your credit with all three credit bureaus – Experian, Equifax and TransUnion. Note^{*} - Freezing your credit is just a smart, easy, and no cost easy way to protect from someone opening a new account in your name.



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Check that websites start with "https"

Before completing a purchase online, check that the URL begins with "https" and that there's a small lock icon that confirms it's a secure site.

Don't answer spam calls or texts

Spam calls are in full force during the holidays, and many thieves have also started texting fraudulent links. Avoid clicking on anything and don't even pick up a spam call. You can block the sender to avoid future messages from them.

Verify deals from social media ads

You may receive targeted ads on social media from companies that you've never heard of boasting amazing deals, but before you click to make a purchase, verify it's legitimate. Do a simple online search for the merchant and read reviews to make sure you can safely complete a transaction.

Don't click on links or open attachments from unknown senders

If you receive an email from an unknown sender, don't click on the link or open the attachment since there's a good chance it's a phishing attempt to get your personal information. Simply delete the message and block the sender.

Opt-out of saving your credit card information

If you want to be extra careful, avoid saving your credit card information on your web browser, phone or loyalty account. This protects unauthorized transactions if someone hacks your account or device.

We hope this helps in some way to protect both Tellico and Kahite residents from experiencing any type of fraud during the upcoming holiday season. And most important, if you encounter any type of fraud incident, please contact the local sheriff's office to report the incident. This may sound trivial. However, it's very important to have an incident report with your name on file in case the offender is apprehended.

We hope everyone has a safe Halloween, a festive Thanksgiving, and a joyous Christmas!



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BECOME AN HOA VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



2022 HOA Candidate Appeal

By Mark Pantley, Chairman of HOA Nominating Committee

The HOA is looking for interested volunteers to serve on the HOA Board for the 2022 calendar year. The purpose of your HOA is 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.

Many of your neighbors have already signed up to be a part of the 2022 HOA Board. Don't miss out on the opportunity to be a part of this fantastic organization.

The following positions are available:

- 1. Lead for HOA Social Greeters
- 2. Tellico Life Club Event Administrator (2 positions)
- 3. Loudon County Liaison
- 4. Monroe County Liaison
- 5. Social Groups Leader Golf
- 6. Social Groups Leader Dining Out
- 7. Social Groups Leader Diners for 6
- 8. Event Coordinators

If you are interested in volunteering, please email me at <u>mark.pantley@gmail.com</u> for more information. The variety of roles available offer the ability to 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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Tellico Village Woodworkers Club' Annual Toys for Tots Drive

Your donated <u>New, Unwrapped Toys</u> will be distributed to local charities for distribution to the children of Loudon & Monroe counties.

<u>Collection Box Locations</u> Wellness Center Chota Rec Center Welcome Center Kahite Club House



Donations accepted until Dec. 11, 2021

Your Generosity and Participation is Appreciated

"Putting a Smile on a Child's face can change the world. Maybe not the whole world, but at least *their* world." Richard M. Kittle, Jr.



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How Secure is TellicoLife?

By now you've heard that some TellicoLife clubs are accepting credit cards for membership and event sign-ups. There are a lot of positive reasons for doing this - and one of the most important is because credit card use is efficient and saves time for volunteers who run clubs.

But what about the security of your credit card experience on TellicoLife?

TellicoLife is committed to providing you with a secure online experience that protects your confidential information.

Here are some of the TellicoLife security measures. We are built on an internet software from MemberClicks. MemberClicks is a leading internet service provider powering over 1,500 associations - from large professional societies to associations like us. We benefit from their 20+ years of innovation and responsibility. MemberClicks maintains a PCI Level 1 compliance, the highest level of compliance in the credit card industry. Your credit card data is encrypted, and your credit card information is NEVER stored on TellicoLife.

For more information on our security and privacy policy, visit us at www.tellicolife.org



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Update From Highway Safety Committee



The HOA Highway Safety Committee is currently working on several issues to improve safety on the state highways around Tellico Village. The following are two items.

- 1. Recently the Highway Safety Committee and HOA leadership met with TVA and TDOT representatives to address the need to mow the right of way along Highway 444 on a regular basis. Currently TDOT mows the right of way along Highway 444 from the Tellico Village entrance on the north end down to Highway 72 south end. The area north of the entrance fountain up to Highway 321 is not being covered. As a result of the Highway Safety Committee questions about this unsupported area, TVA has agreed to start mowing this right of way. This should improve the safety of this section of highway north of Tellico Village by opening a wider median strip on each side of the highway in case of emergency. This work has not begun, awaiting final authorization from TVA Knoxville.
- 2. TDOT will be installing traffic counting devices at the intersection of Mialaquo/Cheeyo/Hwy 444. The purpose of these control devices, and the data they collect, will be used to determine the need for installing a traffic light, stop sign or other traffic control measures at that intersection. The study should take a week.

After the study is concluded, TDOT will evaluate the data collected and advise the Highway Safety Committee of their determination based on the data collected.

TDOT is conducting the study at the request of the Highway Safety Committee.

The Highway Safety Committee is made up of three village residents, Ed Wilson, Rick Carlin & Deb Marshall.



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NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Champs

2010	U Conn Huskies
2011	Texas A&M Aggies
2012	Baylor Lady Bears
2013	U Conn Huskies
2014	U Conn Huskies
2015	U Conn Huskies
2016	U Conn Huskies
2017	South Carolina Gamecocks
2018	Notre Dame Fighting Irish
2019	Baylor Lady Bears
2020	Cancelled due to Covid 19
2021	Stanford Cardinals