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## Your Voice in the Village



## **President's Message**

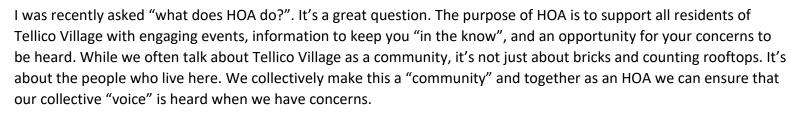
By the time this issue of the Voice comes out, we will have completed our "State of the Village" Open Village Meeting. It provided an update on the past year and plans for the new year from the HOA and POA, as well as detailed information on our Neighborhood Watch and A&E (Aesthetics & Environment) programs. If you were unable to attend or view online during the event, be sure to look at the recording of the meeting on TVN (Tellico Village Network). It is available using this link: <u>Tellico Village Network - YouTube</u>, or scan this QR code with your phone:



Looking forward, our next Open Village Meeting will focus on the "State of the County" and we plan to have separate events for Loudon and Monroe County. It's an election year and we all need to understand each candidate's positions and views so we can vote responsibly. We are considering using the upcoming OVMs to provide a candidate's forum (like we normally do in October for the POA Board candidates). Is this a good idea or should we just stick to the issues and focus on getting updates from current office-holders? If you have a preference, please let me know.

Our February Social is planned for the 8<sup>th</sup> (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday) at the Yacht Club from 5-6:30pm. The theme will be Valentine's Day, so wear red and white! There will be live music, special drinks, games, prizes, information on upcoming events, and as usual lots of fun as we spend an evening with our friends.

February 13 is the Super Bowl! We've planned a fun event at the Toqua Sports Bar. Wear your team colors and come to have a good time with friends as we root on our favorite team. This event is available only to HOA members and you must register in advance, so don't wait or you'll miss out! Registration closes at midnight on January 28. Go to <u>HOA Super Bowl Watch Party (tellicolife.org)</u>, or scan this QR code in your phone:

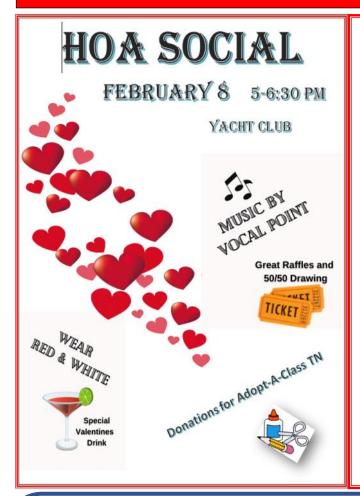


I hope to see you at the February Social or an upcoming event.

Mark Pantley HOA President



# Mark your calendars!



# **Donations for**

# **Adopt-A-Class TN**

We will be collecting donations for Adopt-A-Class at the Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> HOA Social

Items needed are:

Tissues \*Wipes \*Hand Sanitizer \*24 pk Crayola Crayons \*Erasers\* Pencils \*Construction Paper \*Loose Leaf Paper \*Dry Erase Markers\* Individually Wrapped Candy (NO Chocolate/peanuts)

<u>BRING A DONATION-GET AN EXTRA</u> <u>RAFFLE TICKET</u>

Monetary contributions help to purchase supplies in bulk. Checks can be made payable to "Adopt-A-Class", which is a 501(c)(3) charitable organization



It's hard to believe that, with more than 200 clubs and organizations here in the village, we would want or need anything else to do. Yet that is often the case when we want to do something different or special. Our Event Coordinators are the people who organize the activities which allow us all to attend these special events. We would like to offer even more events, but we need more Event Coordinators to make

this happen. Please consider becoming an Event Coordinator. Even if it's for just one event this year, together we can make a difference here in Tellico Village. For more information, contact Jim Barton at <u>jimamsco1@gmail.com</u>.



## Keeping an eye on Covid

Another wave of Covid 19 is now sweeping across the country. If it reaches us here in Tellico Village, we will adjust our HOA activities to help keep everyone safe.

## FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Don't miss the next big event! Follow us on Facebook for information about upcoming events. Click <u>HERE</u> to access the Tellico Village HOA Facebook page

The Friends of the Library are hosting The Tellico Village Public Library's first FUNraiser of 2022. "An Evening of Classic Romance" will feature a "get to know your library" scavenger hunt and a tribia question challenge centered around the these, Classic Romance, and the Library itself. Participants will be organized into teams based on well known romances (think Romeo and Juliet, Scarlett and Rhett). Prizes will be awarded to the team with the most correct trivia answers. There will also be champagn, wine, nonalcoholic drinks, savories and desserts and live music.

Tickets are available online at <u>www.tvlibrary.org</u>. Click on the Friends button and go to events. Tickets are also available at the library circulation desk but don't wait. Only 60 tickets will be sold for this event and tickets are going fast!

Unable to attend the HOA Open Village Meeting – The State of the Village on January 20<sup>th</sup>? Don't worry! Tellico Village Network recorded it for you. Click <u>HERE</u> is view the meeting.

Use the video playback bar at the bottom of the presentation screen to pause or fast forward the meeting.





### Ice Bears vs. Fayetteville Marksmen for *Our* PLACE at the Knoxville Civic Coliseum

500 Howard Baker Blvd., Knoxville, TN 37915

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20 @ 3P TICKETS \$21

\$5 of every ticket sold will be donated to **Our PLACE** when you purchase through the link on our website @ www.ourplacetn.org.

Tickets can be picked up on the afternoon of the game at Will Call.



For all questions, please reach out to Josh Shaffer at josh@knoxvilleicebears.com / 865-525-7825

OUT PLACE

### I Just Want to Have Fun!!

We are currently looking for someone to be a TellicoLife Club Event Administrator. Your reaction to this might be: "why would I want to be a TellicoLife Club Event Administrator? I'm retired! I just want to have fun!!!" While it's true that we should all make sure that we're having fun in life, we also need to consider why it is that Tellico Village is the special place it is. The answer is in our volunteer spirit and involvement in our village. Working together we are making this a very special place to live. Every role is important and together they fit into a whole that makes this a community. Service can be fun!

This role works with Event Coordinators to post upcoming events on TellicoLife and assist with administration of events on the TellicoLife system. Don't know how to do this? Don't worry, we provide training on how to do it and you work with a team of other villagers who can support you. It's a great way to learn a new skill and be in the know about upcoming events! For more information, contact KC Babb at hoaty.vptechnology@gmail.com.



## *FEBRUARY 2022 NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH*

By Sherry Le, HOA Neighborhood Watch Chair

WHO'S IN YOUR HOUSE?

Recently one of your Tellico Village neighbors was a victim of theft - I want to share the generic version of the story as an eye opener to everyone and provide you with important tips and preventative measures to keep you and your loved ones safe.

Mr. Neighbor kept a couple of firearms in his nightstand drawer. Since the grandkids were coming for the holidays, he thought it would be safer to move those guns to an area of the closet out of reach. Grandkids came and went and in the days following Mr. Neighbor had a service repair person out to his home. Just so happens that service repair person had to access the master closet to complete the repair. (You all know where this story is going...) Sometime later, Mr. Neighbor remembered "Oh, I should put my guns back in my nightstand since the grandkids are gone now..." However, the handguns were nowhere to be found in the master closet.

Click <u>HERE</u> for to read the full article and obtain important tips to keep you and your loved ones safe!

## **Election Update**

The county primary elections will be held on May 3, 2022. This is the election where our local officials get selected (since there is rarely a Democratic challenger), so it's really important for everyone to participate. A few key dates to think about:

- You have until February 2 April 26 to request an absentee ballot.
- You have until February 17 to submit your petition if you want to run for office.
- April 4 is the deadline to register to vote in the primary (note: you can't vote absentee in the first election you participate in).

In Loudon County the Sheriff, County Clerk, Register of Deeds, Superintendent of Roads, County Commission District 1A and 1B are all contested. There may be additional candidates since the application window has not yet closed.

In Monroe County we have not yet heard who has petitioned to run for the open positions.



## Is the following statement "Fact" or "Fake"?

The Tellico Village *Blue Book* provides residents with an estimated value of their used vehicle.

**AUSWER**: This is FAKE! The Tellico Village Blue Book is our Residential Construction Handbook and can be accessed by logging into the POA website.

## Other Activities

Use these links to check out additional events/activities happening near you:

#### HOA Event Calendar

<u>Tellico Village Chota Recreation</u> <u>Center</u> (Log in to POA website required)

<u>Tennessee Theater</u> https://www.tennesseetheatre.c om/events

Bijou https://www.knoxbijou.org

The Shed https://www.theshedtickets.com

Miser Station https://www.facebook.com/pg/ miserstation/events

TPAC https://www.tpac.org/eventstickets

NPAC https://www.npacgreeneville.co m

Clayton Theater https://www.claytonartscenter.c om

Clarence Brown Theater https://clarencebrowntheatre.co m

Bluegrass Underground https://www.thecaverns.com

Loudon Theater https://www.historicloudontheat re.com/

Knoxville Symphony Orchestra https://knoxvillesymphony.com

Knoxville Opera https://www.knoxvilleopera.com

## YARD STICK ISSUE 2, February 2022 By Jim Hawkey, HOA A&E Chair

### Aesthetics and Environment (A&E) Committee Gets Organized

Thanks to all of you who attended the "State of Tellico Village" presentations at the Community Church on January 20th! We had an opportunity to present and discuss the purpose and goals of both the A&E Committee and the Tennessee Smart Yards Program (TNSY). Working together we can make a difference in Tellico Village and protect Tellico Lake our most important natural resource because protecting the water quality of the lake means we insure the real estate value of our homes and the community.

## The A&E COMMITTEE NEEDS COMMITTEE MEMBERS!

The A&E will be a working committee and each committee member will be expected to help with environmental projects and the development and distribution of communications and publicity materials for use by Tellico Village residents. Committee assignments will be based on the members interest and background. If you are interested, please contact Jim Hawkey: <u>jchawkey42@gmail.com</u>.

## **TENNESSEE SMART YARDS (TNSY) PROGRAM**

Once upon a time, Tellico Village was a forest and no negative pollutants entered the water. Today with urbanization and 5K plus homes, nutrients like nitrogen (NI) and phosphorous (Ph) are being carried by rain water into the lake. These chemicals promote plant growth to your lawn and flower beds and they promote the growth of green smelly algae and unwanted vegetation at the lake shore. To protect the long-term water quality of the lake and the real estate value of our homes, each one of us needs to become a steward of the lake and take preventative action NOW to protect the water quality of the lake.

To read the full story and learn how YOU can help, click HERE!

# Neighbors Helping Neighbors

## GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER PRODUCTIVITY BENEFITS FROM TCF GRANT

Productivity at the Good Shepherd Center (GSC) in Madisonville improved dramatically thanks to a grant from the Tellico Community Foundation (TCF). The grant was used to purchase six laptop computers, scanners and food pantry management software.

Recently, TCF made an \$8,000 grant, its largest cash grant in the foundation's short history, to the GSC. The newly purchased technology has transformed the organization.

"Most all of our tedious, manual intensify processes have been effectively streamlined," says Tina Smith, GSC Executive Director. "Before we had our laptops, we were tracking and trying to manage the center by producing reams of paper records."

Click <u>HERE</u> for the full story of how Tellico Community Foundation transformed the work being done at the Good Shepherd Center.



## **READER REWARDS!!!**

The Mission of the HOA is to "Deliver value to Tellico Village homeowners through informative and engaging programs, while promoting social fellowship, civic responsibility, and providing a 'voice' for homeowner concerns." One of the ways we attempt to deliver on that Mission is through our monthly newsletters. Fortunately, the HOA is not lacking great news to share about its programs (i.e. - social events, the introduction of our new A&E committee, Neighborhood Watch launch in the main village and the recent Open Village Meeting hosted by the HOA) but to reduce reader fatigue, we are trying a condensed format as is featured in this edition. While we hope this format will minimize reader fatigue, we certainly don't want to minimize the importance of the information provided. Therefore, to test if this format is meeting our goal, we will reward the first 2022 HOA member that emails us at hoaty.org@gmail.com with the correct answers to these two questions with five (5) free tickets for our February 50/50 Raffle:

Questions:

- Name one of the nine tenants of the TNSY program.
- Provide one of the four tips you should do when you are expecting a service technician inside of your home.

We will announce the winner of our first Reader Reward at our February Social and notify the winner by email. We hope you enjoy our newsletter as much as we enjoy putting it together for you. We also welcome your input on our new format and information you'd like to learn more about. Email us at hoatv.org@gmail.com.

# **CALLING ALL GOLFERS!**

We understand. It's snowing outside and temperatures are in the 30s right now. You are probably considering packing up the car and heading south to enjoy warmer weather and to hit a ball or two.

We get it. Like you, we're looking forward to the return of warmer weather. While our HOA Golf program is on hiatus November through March, this is the time of year we make plans and prepare for the upcoming season. Our golf program members have benefited for years from the volunteer leadership of Bob Flaig, who year after year has created a FUN and engaging program.

Unfortunately, Bob has announced his retirement as our HOA Golf Chairperson, and we are looking for a new Chairperson. We know there are other passionate golfers out there like Bob, who have great ideas, who love the sport and enjoy bringing people together to play. Please consider becoming this year's HOA Golf Chairperson. For more information, contact Jim Barton at jimamsco1@gmail.com.





## Don't Miss Out!!

Our membership is growing! We're now above our level from last year and it's still increasing! Don't miss out by not renewing your membership. If you have not yet renewed your HOA membership for 2022, please don't delay! It's only \$15 for the year and it includes everyone in your household (including your significant other, kids, and anyone else!). Renewing your membership is easy. You can do it online at TellicoLife. On your computer or smartphone go to www.tellicolife.org, or scan this QR code with your phone:

