Be Engaged. Be Informed. Be Heard.



Your Voice in the Village

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HOA Newsletter going digital ... mostly!

Starting with this quarter, the HOA Newsletter will be distributed to members through email and posted to the HOA and *TellicoLife* websites. Saving hundreds of dollars and allowing your board to provide more timely information, a digital HOA newsletter will be available to you regardless of where you are. Like most things today, you are a just an Internet connection away. For those members who enjoy the tactile feel of the HOA Newsletter, a limited supply will be available at the TV Welcome Center, TV Library and the Kahite Clubhouse

Membership

David Flanagan

VP Membership

So far this year we have over 3,100 members in the HOA. Your membership provides access to a variety of social activities, fun events and timely information. It is also important because the HOA is an advocate for Tellico Village with the Loudon and Monroe County governments and represents homeowners' viewpoints with the TVPOA. If you haven't yet joined the HOA or renewed your membership, you can do it through *TellicoLife* by credit card by clicking <u>here</u>. You can also pay in cash or by check at the monthly social, or drop it off at the Tellico Village Library. Membership in the HOA is voluntary, for the nominal fee of \$10 per year per household.

July, August and September 2018

President's Message

Sue English-Kovar

Summer in the Village!

Like every year in Tellico Village, the summer comes to us in a big way. Great golf, challenging pickleball, a multitude of fun raft



offs, serious and informative conversations and, most of all, some great events to keep us entertained. That's especially true for what the HOA has in store for you this summer.

Be Engaged!

The HOA has a series of fantastic events this summer including the annual HOA picnic, day trips within the region, overnights to cool places and cruises to great destinations. Check out page 4 for the current list of events planned through September. Sign up and enjoy yourself!

Be Informed!

Of course, we'll keep you informed of what's important to you and the Village this summer at our upcoming general meetings in August and September and at the HOA Welcome Orientation scheduled for July 31st. Plus, Neighborhood Watch is sponsoring a new program of conversations with members of the Loudon and Monroe County Sheriff's Departments, playfully labeled "Coffee with a Cop".

Be Heard! Be a part of making it happen!

Every year your HOA works to meet the needs of our members, as evidenced above. This takes the involvement of more than 100 volunteers who provide their time and talent to make the HOA run. These volunteers lead events, chair committees or serve as a member of the HOA Board. All of us have learned that being involved with the diverse variety of talented people in this community makes living in Tellico Village a richer experience.

I invite you to consider joining us! In July, the HOA starts the process of identifying our leadership team for 2019. You can find out more about volunteer opportunities and job descriptions on the HOA website under the heading for 'HOA Board / 2018 Board, click on the job titles. More importantly, please feel free to contact me at <u>sue_english_kovar@yahoo.com</u> to find out some of the specifics.

To our HOA members, thank you for your confidence. To all Villagers consider joining the HOA where you are free to offer suggestions and comments regarding issues, ideas, and concerns on matters that impact our quality of life here in Tellico Village. Be Heard!

New Projects—POA Rule Changes

David Flanagan , VP Membership

The Village is experiencing breakneck growth in homebuilding, with 130 single family homes currently under construction. Sometimes, neighboring homeowners might feel that a new project is detrimental to their neighborhood. Here's what you need to know about how new projects are approved, and how you might have some influence.

Every new project requires an Architectural Control Committee (ACC) permit. The ACC board is comprised of five (5) volunteer homeowners and two (2) POA staff members, and the ACC is legally advised by a POA-retained attorney. The ACC meets twice monthly, and issues permits based on a builder presenting a new project that conforms to the Residential Construction Manual (aka the Blue Book). The Blue Book provides TV property owners with the notification and appeal process for each new project, allowing neighboring homeowners an opportunity to learn about the new project, and to express any concerns to the ACC prior to its approval.

This notice consists of a permit application sign posted on the building site, and a delivered POA notice in the newspaper box of adjoining neighbors seven (7) days prior to the ACC meeting during which a new project will be reviewed. No project details are required to be posted at the site, so a homeowner/resident must be present in the Village to receive the notice, and each interested homeowner must visit the POA office to review the new project's plans on file as copies are not made available. An interested homeowner may attend the ACC meeting and provide comment during the period after a motion for approval has been made, and prior to the ACC vote. There is also a provision for a Property Owner to appeal any ACC decision to the POA board within 15 days.

At the last POA workshop, a change was proposed to shorten the appeal period from 15 to 7 days. This reduction is combined with additional language that obligates a builder to refrain from any construction activity until the appeal period has expired. These changes are available for review on the POA website. The POA Board declined proposals to correspondingly lengthen the 7 day notice period, and to serve notice to adjacent property owners by US mail, rather than by delivery in newspaper boxes.

The POA is actively promoting Tellico Village and marketing the hundreds of recently acquired tax delinquent lots. It is up to all homeowners to engage as new projects come up to be sure our interests are taken into account. **Pay attention out there!**

Communications

Annette Schmidt, VP Communications

Hard to believe the year is half over! Yikes! Your HOA Board has had a busy year to-date with our incredible monthly socials and wide array of social functions, multiple informative general meetings, and welcome orientations for newbies to Tellico Village. The HOA continues to offer a wide variety of ways for Villagers to be engaged, be informed and be heard! Click onto the website <u>www.hoatv.org</u> and *TellicoLife* at <u>www.TellicoLife.org</u> for more detailed information about past, present and future HOA events and activities.

The HOA has embarked on a new area of "communication" provided by Tellico Village Broadcasting (TVB) called HOA Highlights and Happenings. TVB is an amazing resource for Tellico Village residents with truly dedicated and talented volunteers. Our thanks to TVB and if you haven't had the opportunity to view the most recent HOA video, please take a few minutes to watch and get updated on all of our HOA Highlights and Happenings <u>https://vimeo.com/273742147</u>.



Marsha Herzog, VP of Technology

Happy Birthday TellicoLife!

TellicoLife celebrated its first birthday in June. And, what a year it has been!

Sponsored by the HOA, and governed by our five (5) partner organizations – HOA, New Villagers, Computer Users Club, STAYinTV and Neighborhood Watch – *TellicoLife* is rapidly moving to become the on -line place for what's happening in Tellico Village. Also, *TellicoLife's* participating organizations represent a diverse group – in and outside the Village – including local clubs, charities, churches, recreation and community services.

Some interesting statistics that reinforce our optimism:

TellicoLife gets 2,000 visits and 25,000 page views per month; 40% of *TellicoLife's* traffic is from a mobile device – a tablet or phone; more than 5,200 individuals are registered on *TellicoLife*, a 5% increase in just the last 90 days and; *TellicoLife* is the web portal for twenty-one (21) Tellico Village clubs and organizations, just click on the club or organization logo from the *TellicoLife* front page.

Looking for some summertime news? New this month is our NEWs page, where we post current news and information that may be important to Villagers. For example, if you are interested in what's happening with the Tellico Village strategic plan, you'll find it on our NEWs page!

Thank you to all our participating organizations ... Art Guild of Tellico Village, Computer Users Club (TVCUC), GFWC Tellico Village Women's Club, Good Samaritan Loudon County, HOA HomeOwners Association, Illinois Club, Kiwanis, Muddy Boots Hiking Group, Neighborhood Watch, New Villagers, Recreation Department – TVPOA, Shop Tellico Village, St Thomas Catholic Church, STAYinTV, Tanasi Cove Villas, Tellico Community Foundation, Tellico Community Players, TV Hikers, TV Singers, United Way of Loudon County, Village Vettes Corvette Club.

If your club or organization is interested in joining *TellicoLife*, or if you have a suggestion on how we can make *TellicoLife* better for you and the village, please contact us at <u>info@tellicolife.org</u>. If you are a regular visitor to <u>www.tellicolife.org</u>, thank you!

Programs Ellen Fox, VP Programs

Programs and General Meetings targeted to keep you INFORMED

Citizenship - Our efforts to keep you informed this spring about the 2018 elections that will impact us will hopefully result in a record number of voters from Tellico Village for the August 2nd primary and the November 6th general election. You can request an absentee ballot for August 2nd at Loudoncountyvotes.com or by calling 865-458-2560.

At the Polls - In Tennessee primaries, you are asked if you want either a Republican or a Democratic ballot, as Independent candidates are not on primary ballots. Before going to the polls, you can view the bios of candidates running in the August primary at <u>http://www.hoatellicovillage.com/2018/05/27/political-forum-june-28thcommunity-church-tellico-village/.</u>

For the rest of the summer - we're planning a special meeting at the Yacht Club on August 9th that will include an overview on the Architectural Control Committee blue book processes. On Sept 20th we're back at the Community Church at Tellico Village for updates from Marti Hands on the 5 Star Independent Living construction project Amanda Snowden, Region 1 Director of Operations for TDOT on 444 resurfacing plus the intersection of 321 & 11. As an early Fall 2018 teaser, the TVPOA candidate forum will be on October 11th and on November 29th the HOA will host the 2018 Volunteer Recognition event.

Neighborhood Watch

Ken Litke, Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

Neighborhood Watch presents "Coffee with a Cop!"

Our neighborhoods are fortunate to be protected by the Loudon and Monroe County Sheriff's Departments. To provide an opportunity for Tellico Village residents to learn more about these departments and the people who protect us on a daily basis, your Neighborhood Watch program will shortly be conducting a series of informal morning gatherings which we are calling "Coffee with a Cop".

These morning gatherings will allow residents to share a cup of coffee (and yes - maybe a donut) with different officers and learn about what they encounter while on duty and share your concerns and ask questions. It's a great opportunity to show our appreciation for what they do for us.

These drop-in meetings will be announced on TellicoLife.org and will not require signup in advance.

The New Medicare Card—Keep Your Eye Out for Yours

You may have heard that Medicare will be mailing new Medicare cards to everyone on Medicare. The new card will have a new Medicare Number that's unique to each person, without using your Social Security Number. For more information about new cards and other Medicare information - check out Medicare.gov or log into your MyMedicare.gov account.

Be Alert to the Grandparent Scam

Emergency scams (sometimes called grandparent scams) prey on your willingness to help friends and family in need. Scammers impersonate their targets' loved ones, make up an urgent situation, and plead for help... and money. Thanks to social media sites, scammers can offer plausible stories and incorporate nicknames and real travel plans into the con to convince their targets.

How the Scam Works:

Emergency scams are about a family member or friend in a dire situation. You get a call, email, or social media message from someone claiming to be a family member in distress. They may say they've been arrested while traveling overseas, or there was an accident, medical emergency, or other calamity. They provide convincing details, such as family names, school details, etc.

A common version is the "grandparent scam," where the con artist contacts a grandparent claiming to be their grandchild. The plea is so persuasive that the grandparent wires money to the scammer, only to find out later their family member was safe and sound all along. This scam can also work in reverse where the 'grandparent' calls their grandchild pleading for help.

Tips to Foil the Scam

Resist the urge to act immediately, no matter how dramatic the story. Check out the story with other family and friends, but call directly. Don't call the phone number provided by the caller or caller ID. Ask questions that would be hard for an impostor to answer correctly.

Know what your family members are sharing online. You may not have control over your family's social media accounts, but familiarize yourself with what they are sharing online.

SOCIAL PROGRAM AND CALENDAR

Diane Delgouffre, VP-Social Committee

Summer has arrived in full glory - with all the heat, rain and humidity that goes with it. Your Social Activities Committee is working hard (between vacations) to bring you some "cool" activities, too! In addition to the activities below, we also have Gourmet Dining for 6 (Rock Rochford, 865-657-3529); Dining for 6 (Sandi Jorgensen, 865-458-2792); Cocktails & Games Groups (Barbara Ellerbrock, 865-657-3596); Wine Groups (Judy Bell, 480-980-5764) and weekly Golf (Paul Sheffer, 865-657-5081).

JULY 2018:		
Dining Out - Shuck Raw Bar	July 9th & 16th	Mike & Bev Cottle, 865-414-9150
Vintage Baseball & Ramsey House Tour	July 14th	Linda Klein, 865-973-7233
Bowling Tournament w/New Villagers	July 17th	Jim Anderson, 865-287-6312
Scopes Monkey Trial	July 20th	Diane Delgouffre, 954-806-8984
Trivia Quiz Night	July 29th	Evie Jones, 865-657-3234
AUGUST 2018:		
Dining Out - Kitchen 919	Aug 1st & 21st	Tom & Suzy Holcomb, 865-657-9052
White Water Rafting w/New Villagers	Aug 9th	Sue Smith, 334-332-0240
Bluegrass Underground Concert	Aug 11th	Joyce Blevins, 937-620-7267
After Social Picnic	Aug 14th	Diane Delgouffre, 954-806-8984
Alaskan Cruise	Aug 15 - Aug 26	Marge & Lance Jenson, 865-458-7337
Biltmore Day Trip	Aug 16th	Sharon Krischer, 727-580-3796
Smokies Baseball (All You Can Eat)	Aug 22nd	Ken Litke, 508-509-0895
Back to Football Party	Aug 23rd	Barbara Ellerbrock, 865-657-3596
SEPTEMBER 2018:		
Star Gazing Party	Sep 8th	Mary Kay Bogardus, 865-657-9374
Lake Boat Ride to Calhoun's	Sep 12th	Mickey Hostick, 865-657-7204
Dining Out - Chesapeake's	Sept 17th & 24th	Dave & Vicky StJohn, 513-477-0453
Overnight to Historic Abingdon, VA	Sept 20th & 21st	Barbara Ellerbrock, 865-657-3596
UT - Forensic Anthropology Presentation	TBD	Sue Smith, 334-332-0240
Riverboat Lunch Cruise	Sep 29th	Bobbi Taylor, 865-591-4436

Welcome Orientations

Susan Kimball

New residents, and even settled ones, are invited to attend the HOA Welcome Orientations. You will receive an informational packet and meet Villagers who head the Fire Department, TBart, recreational facilities such as the Wellness Center and the Recreation Center, the Tellico Village Library, Tellico Community Players, Tellico Village University, HOA, POA, and others. They will introduce you to the many opportunities and advantages of being a resident of Tellico Village. It will enhance your ability to access any information you will need to live in and love your new community.

The 2018 Orientations will be held at 6:30 pm at the Yacht Club on the following dates: July 31st, October 11th and November 29th.

Please call Susan Kimball at (248) 534-0340 with any questions.

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