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Upcoming HOA Meetings

Meeting	Date
Presidential Preference Primary	Tues. March 3 from 8:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M.
HOA Social & Monthly Meeting - lower level of Yacht Club	Tues. Mar. 10th from 4:30 to 6:00 P.M.
HOA Welcome Orientation - 3rd Floor of Yacht Club	Thur. March 19th from 6:30 to 8:00 P.M.
HOA Open Village Meeting - Community Church of Tellico Village	Thur. Mar. 26th from 4:00 to 6:00 P.M.
HOA Social & Monthly Meeting - lower level of Yacht Club	Tues. Apr. 14th from 4:30 to 6:00 P.M.

President's Message

By Ken Litke

I'm pleased to report that February was filled with some great HOA activities – be sure to check our Facebook page which showcases our members having fun at

these events. Your Social Committee has planned some great events for March as well – watch your email inbox for the “HOA Voice Social Invite” which will preview all the exciting coming events – and then come to the March



10th Social. March in Tennessee means that Spring is now just around the corner with some nice weather coming – perfect for golf. If you're a golfer – or think you may want to be one - make sure you've signed up via TellicoLife for the reinvented HOA Golf program called "HOA Golf Scramblers". This is all about having fun and the Golf Committee has some great themed events planned – for more info please drop by the Golf Table at the March Social.

On March 26th, HOA will conduct it's second HOA Open Village Meeting at 4pm at the Community Church. Note that we have changed the name of the meeting from "HOA General Meeting" to "HOA Open Village Meeting" to more properly reflect that the meeting is open and important for all residents of Tellico Village to attend. These meetings are an important part of the HOA Advocacy Program to help Villagers "Be Engaged – Be Informed – Be Heard".

For more on the HOA Advocacy program be sure to read the Advocacy report later in this Voice.

Planned topics for the March "HOA Open Village Meeting" are:

- Rollout of the Tellico Village Irrigation Schedule Recommendations
- Presentation on the 2020 US. Census and its importance to Tellico Village
- Presentation by the POA on 2020 Goals
- HOA Update

I would like to remind all members of the upcoming primary and local elections - it's important that all residents be registered to vote and then actually vote in both the primaries and general elections – to make our Voice heard!

Lastly, please continue to watch your 'in-boxes' for HOA Voice of the Village updates so you stay informed and don't miss out on both Social and Advocacy events.

Ken Litke, HOA President

Get Out The Vote!

The Presidential Preference and County Primaries will be held on **Thursday, March 3rd**. If you have not Early Voted or submitted an Absentee Ballot it is important for you to vote.

Not only is voting one of our most important rights but voter turnout is also the gauge that local officials use when deciding important issues. Tellico Village has a sad record of low voter turnout and our voice is only as loud as our voter turnout. The HOA Advocacy Committee and the POA Governments Affairs Committee desperately need you to vote so they can show local officials how powerful our voice is.

Please vote on March 3rd.

Sample ballots and polling information can be found at: loudoncountyvotes.com or at monroecountyelectioncommission.com . The ballot is not long or complicated.



Advocacy

By Mark Pantley

Last month I started a discussion about what I think advocacy looks like in practice from an HOA perspective. Using the six planning principles from the Long-Range Planning Advisory Committee (LRPAC), I covered the first 3 principles concerning lifestyle, property values, and social fabric. This month I'd like to focus on the remaining 3 principles (*italics are from the LRPAC*):

1. *Deliver a lifetime of wellbeing for all residents.* In general, I think that people who are attracted to Tellico Village want to lead active lifestyles. Fortunately, here in the village we have access to excellent support programs that provide enabling help when it is needed. As the village ages and we age, these offered programs and services may need to evolve to ensure changing needs are addressed.
2. *Maintain Tellico Village's financial status ensuring recommendations are affordable.* While any organization always has room to improve, Tellico Village currently enjoys a strong financial status. In general, I think that

financial strength is achieved by practicing transparency and accountability, not only in its accounting and reporting processes, but also in related activities such as project management and procurement. Having robust processes and procedures also helps with the second part of the principle: ensuring that recommendations are affordable.

3. *Be legal and ensure safety.* All community activities should have legal and safety compliance embedded in them. This starts with good facility design, most often seen as ADA (Americans with Disabilities Act) compliance. It also shows up in how we conduct our meetings and address needs of attendees with accessibility limitations.

An expanded discussion of these three points and the role that the HOA has in this is available on the HOA web site, which you can find by using this link: [Advocacy](#). In my next article I'll discuss an advocacy project that we'll be rolling out in March to provide recommendations regarding lawn irrigation practices.

I welcome any input you might have. Please feel free to send me a note, or track me down at the next HOA Social or General Meeting.

Thank you. I look forward to hearing from you.

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HOA Open Village Meeting Notice

Join us on Thursday, March 26th from 4-6 PM at the Tellico Community Church.

The topic of our HOA Open Village Meeting will be:

- HOA Update
- POA 2020 Objectives and Status
- 2020 Census and Tellico Village Participation
- Irrigation Best Practices and Water Conservation

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

NOTE: If you missed the January 23rd meeting, the [HOA January General Meeting Summary and Video](#) is now available on the HOA website.

STAYinTV mission continues; adult day care on horizon



The mission of STAYinTV is to help Villagers remain in their homes as long as possible. The all-volunteer group offers minor home maintenance services, grocery shopping, and rides to doctor appointments, as well as respite care for caregivers – primarily of dementia clients. Last Fall, STAY offered CarFit, a program to help seniors better “fit” their vehicles.

STAYinTV also works to be a catalyst for awareness of senior needs, since much of the POA's energy and resources are directed at younger, newer residents.

While our Village is growing, and the so-called “average age” of Villagers is decreasing, projections of the POA Long Range Planning Committee indicate we should have at least 5,000, and perhaps 7,000 Villagers who are over age 75 by the year 2028. That “super senior explosion” would be nearly half the total projected population.

There is a great need in our area for a licensed senior day care facility – a place where a caregiver could bring a person with mild dementia for a few hours and know they would be cared for, occupied and safe.

Spurred by STAYinTV, a group of dedicated people have been working for over a year on this concept – which they call “Our Place.” They secured the support of area churches, and originally, they hoped to begin operating at Our Savior Lutheran Church. However, fire and other regulations prohibited that. A dedicated facility for Our Place seemed warranted.

In December STAYinTV and Our Place were instrumental in getting the roughly five-acre vacant property across from Food Lion donated to the Tellico Community Foundation and the East Tennessee Foundation. This came with an understanding that a portion of the land would be given to Our Place for a building site. STAYinTV has funded some architectural work, which will be used in a fund-raising campaign that will be announced in the coming weeks. STAYinTV hopes the HOA and its members will be supportive of the fund drive.

In the meantime, Villagers should continue to be on the lookout for friends and neighbors who could take advantage of STAYinTV services. Often folks are unaware of what's available, or they may even be too proud to ask for help.

Both prospective volunteers and clients can learn more on the STAYinTV website: www.stayintv.org . Prospective volunteers for any of the services should call the answering service number at (865) 458-7084 and leave their contact information, or e-mail info@stayintv.org .

HOA Welcome Orientation

Thursday, March 19th 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

The HOA Welcome Orientation is your introduction to Tellico Village. Co-Hosted by the HOA and New Villagers, it is held on the Third Level of Yacht Club from 6:30 pm - 8:00 p.m. This event presents an excellent opportunity to gain valuable overview of the community and our key organizations. Additionally, it provides important information that can be of benefit to you as a new resident of Tellico Village. If you are new to the village or you know someone who would benefit from this, we urge you to sign up.

Make your reservation now on [Tellico Life!](#)

For more information, please contact Christie Bruns at 865-657-6237 or by email at christiebtv@gmail.com.

Liaison Report - CAC

Our POA Communications Advisory Committee (CAC) Liaison reports that the CAC has been tasked with and is working on creating a POA Facility Display Procedure in order to improve the appearance of POA lobbies and facilities. The CAC meets on the first Friday of each month at 9:00 A.M. at the POA Conference.

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