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Your Voice in the Village

April 2023 President's Message:

Researchers at Harvard University have been studying “what makes us happy in life?”. This study, which has been going on since 1938 (85 years!) was recently reported on by CNBC. It states that “....the No. 1 challenge people faced in retirement was not being able to replace the social connections that had sustained them for so long at work.” Also, it said “.... people who fare the best in retirement find ways to cultivate connections.” While, among other things, low cost of living, low taxes, low crime rates, access to medical, and access to other services are important for retirees, it’s the social connections that matter the most. After reading the article, my thought was “anyone in Tellico Village could have told them that – without a bunch of Harvard researchers!” Tellico Village is all about the connections we have with each other. The clubs, organizations, and activities we participate in are only meaningful because of the personal connections we make. Tellico Village provides this in wide-ranging ways that most communities do not. It’s what make our village the special place it is.

Speaking of connections, we’re going to have an HOA Picnic on June 26 at the Yacht Club with 500 of your closest friends! The theme is “summer fun” and it’s planned to be a “good old-fashioned picnic”. There will be food (including ice cream!), games (with great prizes!), and live music (including a couple of concerts!). We’re expecting this to be a great event for our community and I’m hoping that it will become an annual activity if it goes well. Details will be posted soon on Tellico Life. For now, please use this notice to “hold the date”.

The March HOA Social was a big success. There was plenty of green beer for everyone and the limericks challenge was lots of fun. Our April HOA Social is planned for April 11, 5-6:30pm at the Yacht Club. The theme is “egg-stravaganza!”, so I’m guessing that there is a chocolate bunny somewhere in this event. Please plan to attend and we’ll find out together.

Our events continue to sell out. We would like to have more activities, but we are limited by the number of Event Coordinators (EC) we have to plan our events. Being an EC is not hard and it can be really rewarding (I’m back to my “connections” thing again!). Please consider becoming an EC for a single event and try it out. You’ll be glad you did! Contact Betty Fortune, VP of Event Planning for more information (bjfortune@hotmail.com).

[Read more...](#)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Join us for the
HOA

April Social EGG - STRAVAGANZA!

TUESDAY, APRIL 11
5:00 - 7:00 PM

EGG-CITING GAMES & PRIZES!
50/50 DRAWING
CASH BAR
MUSIC

THINK AHEAD!
MAKE DINNER RESERVATIONS FOR 7:00 PM BY CALLING
THE BLUE HERON AT 865-458-4363

NOW IN KAHITE!

SINGO™

THURSDAY, MAY 11
7:00-9:00 pm

at Kahiti Pub & Grill

Cost: \$8.00 per person (Max 80)

CASH BAR

Bartenders will be on duty for the duration of Singo

If you would like to order dinner there,
please arrive at 6:00 pm.

Last day for cancellation w/ refund is May 1st



Contact **Betty Fortune** for more info at
(937) 681-6764
bjfortune@hotmail.com

Intermediate LINE DANCE CLASSES



w/ **Wendy Cochran**

ESPECIALLY FOR EXPERIENCED* DANCERS!

Series of 3 classes for
\$15 TOTAL!

MAY 18 + MAY 30 + MAY 31
7:45 ~ 8:45

Yacht Club Lower Level

Last day to sign up ~ 4/28/23

Last day to cancel w/ refund ~ 5/5/23

MIN ~ 20 **HOA** MAX ~ 30



CONTACT: Linda Garza lefgarza@gmail.com

***EXPERIENCED DANCERS SHOULD KNOW THE FOLLOWING STEPS:**

Vine Hitch	Shuffle Step Jagger Box Charleston	Rocking Chair Kick Ball Step Cross, Point	Triple in Place Rock, Recover
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We're planning another great trip to

**HARRAH'S
CHEROKEE
CASINO RESORT**
Cherokee, NC

TUESDAY, JUNE 6th

- Our Luxury Motor Coach will leave the parking lot behind the Welcome Center promptly at 8 am.
- Spend your day the way you like! Enjoy lunch at one of several on-site restaurants, book a spa treatment, shop, or try your luck at the slot machines and game tables.
- Cherokee is giving each passenger a \$20 credit to use at the slot machines.
- We will arrive back to Tellico Village approx. 6:30 pm

Cost of the trip is \$35
Last day to sign up or cancel is May 16th
MAX 56

EVENT COORDINATORS

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Betty Fortune | bjfortune@hotmail.com | 937-681-6764



Be sure to check your calendar prior to event registration! Many events are non-refundable, and those that are, require multiple steps and resources to complete which can prolong the refund process.

MEET HOA EVENT COORDINATOR – CARLA NAVAS

My name is Carla Navas and I've lived in the Village since mid-2019. I began doing events for New Villagers almost immediately upon my arrival as a way to get involved in the community. I've always been employed so meeting new friends looked a bit daunting to me. Also, I felt that if I were going to partake in activities here, it was really only fair that I participate in planning them as well. Once I 'graduated' out of NV I turned to HOA to remain active in Events. People are always very gracious and thankful that we've gone out of our way to create an outing for the group and that alone is rewarding. I have met many lovely people through the course of this and made several lasting friendships. Lastly (and selfishly), I've lived in several big cities where theater and music are plentiful, so I naturally gravitated to that. I was very pleased to see that Knoxville has a vibrant entertainment culture and I hope that everyone will partake in it, if not through HOA, then independently. Hope to see you all at one of the plentiful events that HOA has on the docket!



HOA GOLF "PLAY FOR PUPPIES" ANNUAL FUNDRAISER TO BENEFIT LOUDON COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

HOA Golf will be collecting donations to support the Loudon County Animal Shelter once again at our first golf event at Tanasi on Wednesday, April 12. Last year's effort resulted in our largest collection to date and we hope to surpass that this year. Both golfers and non-golfers can participate!

Beginning on April 1st, there will be a drop box located at the Toqua Golf Shop where members can drop off items to support the shelter. A 'wish list' of items is included on the attached flyer.

On April 12 at our golf event **anyone** (golfers and non-golfers) dropping off items during our HOA Golf Check-In period between 3:00 pm – 3:45 pm will receive a door prize ticket for their donation. Registered golfers will receive their regular door prize ticket for golfing the event. The door prize drawing will take place immediately after golf (at approx. 6:30 pm).

Monetary donations will also be accepted in the form of cash or a check (check is preferred) made out to **Loudon County Animal Shelter**.

Oh wait, there's more! Everyone can get 10% off their purchase by taking the attached flyer to PetSense in Lenoir City.

Many of the local animal shelters took a big hit during the extended cold snap over the holidays and this is a great chance for everyone to come together as an HOA Golf Group to support this local organization.



Loudon County Animal Shelter Wish List

All of the following items can be put to good use.

Used washcloths, towels, dish cloths, dish towels
Used sheets, blankets, bath mats, etc. (for bedding)

Liquid Laundry detergent
Dawn dishwashing liquid
Scotchbrite Dobie cleaning pads
Air fresheners
Refills for Air wick plug ins
Stainless steel food/water bowls

Dog treats
Dog Food
Puppy food
Kitten food
Puppy shampoo
Flea and tick shampoo
Cat litter (non-clumping)
Nemex 2 dewormer, 16-oz bottle
Rawhide chews
Hard, rubber toys (can go in dishwasher)
Cat toys

Advantix/Frontline/Advantage—flea and tick control
Xtra Large size Kongs for dogs in Kennel
(must not be able to go down the drains)
Omega Paw Treat Ball 5" Diameter for dogs in Kennel
(must not be able to go down the drains)

Tellico Village Plays a Part in Loudon County's Strategic Plans



Every resident knows that East Tennessee is a destination homestead that is growing very rapidly. The Loudon County Economic Development Agency (LCEDA) commissioned an economic strategic plan in 2022 because of rapid growth in the county. The County noted that they did not have adequate planning policies and a plan was needed. The county's actions at that time were limited to establishing a moratorium on planned unit developments (PUDs) and enacting a minimum density of residential development to two units per acre.

The new strategic plan addresses growth factors that impact both the county and

its municipalities in effort to create an economic development vision for the community that is sustainable. The resulting plan assesses current marketing conditions and includes recommendations for promoting smart growth and enhancing the quality of life in the county and its municipalities.

The plan was developed with stakeholders and municipal leadership input, business and citizenry surveys, and a comprehensive market analysis. The citizens survey, run from June 3 to July 29, 2022, was open to all County residents, however, it was not well publicized in Tellico Village and only 27 of the respondents to the survey reported that they lived in Tellico Village.

Still, Tellico Village is a significant part of the Loudon County Strategic Plan and was mentioned 25 times. Some of the mentions in the plan include:

- Tellico Village is a place to visit.
- Tellico Village is fast becoming the largest community in the county. Loudon County grew by nearly 16% in the past 12 years. Tellico Village, the third largest community in the county, grew by nearly twice that (31.3%) while the largest community, Loudon grew 19.8% and the second largest, Lenoir City grew 21.4%.
- Tellico Village has the highest growth rate in county.

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH - LATE NIGHT CRUISING

There have been reports of cars driving through neighborhoods during the early morning, late night hours – usually when you're sound asleep. What are they doing? One thought is stealing mail...

Mail Theft in the United States is a federal crime and just one more way that criminals commit identity theft. Thieves will target retirement communities and areas where mailboxes are easily accessible. Sounds like Tellico Village, huh?

People who steal mail are looking for specific things. They are searching for personal information or anything that might contain account or credit card information. They are looking for checks and they are looking for gift cards or other monetary gifts you might receive for a special occasion.

Be aware that one target is also those junk credit card offers you receive. Criminals have been known to steal those, sign up for them in your name, reroute the actual card to their home and then use your credit limit in order to



[Read more...](#)



As the bags along Hwy. 444 multiply, so do the number of residents who come out to support our HOA Litter Angels. The teams' collective efforts continue to amaze observers and visitors to our community and provide immediate satisfaction to all who participate in the routine pickups. Join the team for their next pickup scheduled for April 1st. Team members meet at Tugaloo Beach parking at 8:30am for assignments, to get their equipment and safety gear. To learn more about this team, join the HOA Litter Angels NextDoor group by clicking [here](#).

COMMUNITY NEWS & MORE

Town Hall Meeting



The **location, date, and time** of the next Town Hall Meeting have been changed. To accommodate a larger live audience, the decision has been made to move the meeting to the Community Church of Tellico Village. The church is located at 130 Chota Center, Loudon, TN. The new date will be Thursday, March 30th and the new time will be 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

We hope you will make plans to attend the town hall meeting, if you cannot attend you can watch the meeting live [here](#).

Come to the next

TELICO VILLAGE WELCOME ORIENTATION



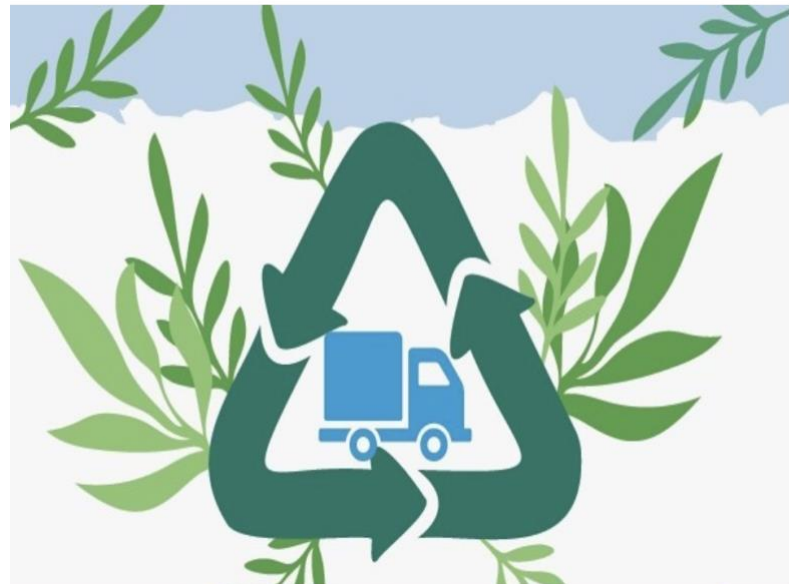
**TUESDAY, APRIL 4
2:00 - 3:00 at the Yacht Club**

Open to ALL Tellico Village Residents

- Find out who does what and how to contact them
- Hear a bit of history about the village and area
- Meet our community leaders
- Stroll the information tables
- Learn fun facts and receive a goody bag!

This informative program occurs every 2 months and is open to any Tellico Resident who wants to know more about this dynamic community. Come early and ask questions!

**DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER ON
TELICO LIFE!**



SHRED TRUCK EVENT

**April 21st, 2023
10am-12pm**

You are invited to this free event held in the beach parking lot beside the pavilion.
Tugaloo Dr SW
Loudon, TN 37774



The kindness and contributions of the residents in Tellico Village continues to amaze all who come here. A study is currently underway to collect the number of volunteer hours residents provide to support our community needs, such as the POA, HOA, New Villager Board and supporting positions, fire and emergency services, event planning, clean roads and so much more.

In addition to our residents' contributions, the support of local businesses in Tellico Village is phenomenal. The HOA Board would like to recognize the following businesses for their donations and contributions to our March HOA Social:

- [Joe's Italian Cuisine](#)
- [Food Lion](#)
- [Gallaher Spa](#)
- [Tellico Players](#)
- [Kingdom Energy & Nutrition](#)
- [Rice Kitchen](#)



Additionally, the HOA would like to say a special THANK YOU to Michael Worrell of [Black Umbrella Design](#) for his volunteer work to design new logos for our Litter Angels (see above), Highway Safety Committee and A&E Committee. Michael's talents and knowledge of our Club's brand and messaging goals provides invaluable benefits to our community.

We truly are a Village run on the support of our residents and our local businesses. Please help us support these businesses and recognize them for their contributions.



The HOA is currently looking for a volunteer to fill our open Website Administrator position. If you have either previously created a web site from scratch, operated a web site, supported a web site, or just think that you could learn the set of skills needed to support one, please contact us. If selected, you will work with our small team as you learn our system. The work is part time and often done using the internet from your home; so, set aside any concerns about taking too much of your time. You will be contributing time for something that really impacts many households like your own. Click [here](#) to review the job description or contact us at hoatv.org@gmail.com to speak to a member of our team to learn more.



IS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION FAKE OR FACT?

Clubs and Organizations who are listed in the [TellicoLife Directory](#) may request up to 4 calendar entries per year.

Answer: This is a FACT! For more information click on the Clubs & Organizations tab in TellicoLife.

READER REWARDS!!!

Our March Reader Rewards winner:

- John Barrett



Will you be our next Reader Rewards winner? Be the first HOA member to answer this month's questions and win \$5 in free 50/50 raffle tickets for our April Social?

April Questions:

1. What does LCEDA stand for?
2. What is the URL for our HOA Website?

Hurry! Email your answers to: hoatv.org@gmail.com

Thank you for reading this edition of Voice of the Village! We welcome your feedback and suggestions about our newsletter, website, or HOA sponsored events. Write to us at hoatv.org@gmail.com

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