



President's Message – October 2023

I think that transparency is important for anyone in leadership, particularly regarding elected positions. It's for that reason that I want to let you know that I have decided to run for a POA Board position (which reminds me of the old adage that "crazy people should not be allowed to run for office, but only crazy people will run!"). As a result of my decision to run, I've been thinking about what is important for our village. All of us have moved to Tellico Village from somewhere else. For a few it was a short trip and for others it was a long journey – but we all got here! Of course, we all brought with us our own personal history - our likes, dislikes, preferences, etc. My view is that diversity is a good thing, and I enjoy hearing different points of view, even if I don't always agree with them. So, is there anything that binds us together, or are we forever caught up in our differences? There is, and it's the Tellico Village Vision, Mission, Values, and Guiding Principles. You can find it on the POA website at <https://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/wp-content/uploads/Vision-Mission-Values-Principles-10072020.pdf>.

Our **Vision** is *"To be a dynamic, engaging, community, meeting the changing needs of property owners, in a fiscally responsible manner, resulting in a lifetime of wellbeing."* I think that to enjoy a "lifetime of wellbeing", it requires all of the first words (with nothing left out!). Balancing our ability to change and adapt together, as a community, while at the same time living within our collective financial means, is critical.

Our **Mission** is *"To enhance and preserve the Tellico Village quality of life, social fabric, property values, and overall member value through effective and efficient management of the Association."* This all seems like a pretty good idea; however, how do we know when we're achieving this (or not)? That's where the Values and Guiding Principles come in!

We have five **Values**:

- *"People – We respect the diversity, integrity, needs, and value of members, committees, employees, and others supporting the social fabric of the community."*
- *"Service – We nurture a culture of helping others."*
- *"Communication – We commit to effective and efficient communication, response, and resolution for our members."*
- *"Fiscal Responsibility – We engage in sound financial practices to provide high value for our property, amenities, and infrastructure."*
- *"Aesthetics and Environment – We strive to maintain, protect, and improve our natural and man-made environments."*

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR



OCTOBER SOCIAL

Tuesday, October 10
at 5:00 pm

featuring live musical performance by
The Top Notes!



The HOA wants to remind you that POA Board Election time is just around the corner! There will be two open positions. Running for these positions are Mike Braddock, Ed Grollemond, Don Hart, George Luttrell, and Mark Pantley. As a Tellico Village Homeowner, please plan on attending the HOA sponsored POA Candidate Forum on October 12th 4:00 pm at the Tellico Village Community Church. Learning more about your candidates will allow you to make a more informed decision when it comes time to vote. And most importantly, **DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!** For more information on the role of the POA Board and the election process, please click on the following link.

<https://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/board-election-information/>



HALLOWEEN AT THE LOCO

We are starting Halloween early.

GHOSTBUSTERS

October 24, 2023 5:30p.m.

\$5.00 (no refunds)

Bring your own snacks & drinks!

Or

Sons of Smoke food truck will be on site

LOCO DRIVE-IN, LOUDON TN

Coordinator: Cathie Dunn

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STAR OF
Knoxville

300 Neyland Drive - Knoxville



Christmas Cocktail Parties
Friday - December 1
6 - 9:00 pm

LUNCH CRUISE
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11
11:30 Boarding - 1:30 Return



HOA GOLF GEARING UP FOR THE 2024 SEASON



With 3 more HOA Golf Events remaining in the season, plans are now starting to pull together for another exciting season of golf in 2024.

There will be an HOA Golf Committee Information Session to be held on Monday, Oct 2 at 1 pm at the Toqua Pavilion for those who think they may be interested in helping out next year. This meeting will provide an overview of what is involved in running HOA Golf and will answer any questions. Ideal folks for the committee will have a desire to have fun while meeting new people!

If you are interested and wish to attend this session, please send an email to HOAGolf@gmail.com providing your name.

We plan to start the meeting on time, and it shouldn't last more than 30 minutes. Please wear your nametag.

PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGE

In August, the HOA Rebranding Committee conducted an online survey of its members and Tellico Village residents requesting input on changing the organization's name. 27.8% of survey participants indicated they like the current name; however, 72.2% liked one of the Committees' suggested alternative names or provided their own idea for the committees' consideration. After reviewing the input of survey participants, the Committee and the HOA Board has voted to move forward with this initiative.

What is the proposed new name?

Tellico Village Community Organization



What's next?

Changing our organization's name requires a change to its Bylaws. This is not a task that is taken lightly and, once again, requires the input of our membership. However, before asking for your vote, the Committee feels it is important for our members to understand the full scope of this initiative.

Reason for the change:

- Confusion between Tellico Village's HOA & POA (Property Owners Association) frequently leading to frustration and delays to important residential and/or community matters,
- and the goals, mission and objectives of our HOA do not meet the standard definition of a "Homeowners Association"

What will it cost?

- New digital assets (logos) are being created and donated by Mike Worrell of Black Umbrella Design
- Changing the name of our 501 (c)(7) is expected to cost \$50
- All preprinted material (envelopes, checks, marketing handouts) will be depleted before replenishing with new name/logo

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ADVOCACY UPDATE

HOA A&E Committee is Moving Forward



Aesthetics & Environment
COMMITTEE

Last month this publication introduced the Aesthetics and Environment Committee under the charter of the HOA and discussed some ideas for projects the Committee will work on. Your response has been gratifying and we will strive to live up to your expectations as we proceed on our mission to promote the protection and sustainability of the flora, fauna, air, and water, especially Tellico Lake, in our natural environment.

The Committee will host its inaugural workshop on January 16 when Randy Vogel will discuss native flowers and plants of East Tennessee and how you can use them to enhance your property and make it more sustainable. The workshop will be held from 10:00 AM to noon at the Yacht Club.

In early March, Arbor Day and Tennessee's Tree Day will be celebrated in Tellico Village. The A&E Committee will host the occasion in conjunction with WATeR, the Arbor Day Foundation, and the Tennessee Environmental Council. Bare-root native trees that are already acclimated to Tennessee's growing conditions will be available via an online ordering interface.

An Expo is planned later in March to help you bring your lawn, flower, and vegetable gardens back from winter dormancy. More information on these events will be provided on the HOA Event Calendar in Tellico Life.

Your HOA A&E Committee is still in the formative stages of development. Your ideas, needs, wants and desires are welcome. Our meetings are open to all Tellico Villagers. My email is: doriholt@gmail.com.



On September 9th our HOA Litter Angels collected 65 bags of trash, tires, and construction debris. We officially exceeded 1,000 bags collected since we started in April 2022!! Our next cleanup is scheduled for October 14 at 8:00. Volunteers will meet at Tugaloo Beach at 8:30am for equipment and work assignments. To join and learn more about the HOA Litter Angels Next Door Group click [here](#).

TEXT MESSAGE SCAMS

What is a "Smishing" scam? It is a scam that comes to you via a SMS text message on your personal devices. We have all gotten them. And the immediate response is to click on the link because we worry that it is something important... IT IS NOT!



How many of these looks familiar?

Your refund is added directly to your account. View balance below
dhtzn.me/EGWO6R4tBp

You have \$150 in cash value from Amazon expiring in 3 days. now
au16v.com/vkNNMhiGxg

[Read more...](#)

Highway Safety Committee



Continued TDOT Support

HOA SAFETY IS NO ACCIDENT

The Tellico Village Highway Safety committee would like to recognize the great work done by Billy Pickel, Road Superintendent, Loudon County, and his team for the great work they do. An example would be over the past year the road surface on Richey Road began to deteriorate. Billy and his team recognized this and using money appropriated by TDOT, his team resurfaced the road. The relationship between TDOT, Loudon County and Tellico Village Highway Safety Committee is strong. This is just another example of how well we work together for the betterment of the village.



2024 Membership Renewal



Online registration for 2024 membership will open on October 1, 2023, to all Tellico Village residents. For new members, registering early provides membership benefits effective the day of registration through December 31, 2024. That's three months free! Three households from the first 100 registrations will be picked to win a prize, so mark your calendars and register on or after October 1st.

Membership dues are still only \$15 per household and go towards numerous programs sponsored by the HOA. By the end of this year, the HOA will have:

- Hosted 3 Open Village Meetings (The State of Loudon County, The State of Monroe County and the POA Candidate Forum)
- Held 11 Monthly Socials with numerous guest speakers, door prizes and raffles
- Sponsored its first ever membership picnic, with plans for another one next year!
- Coordinated 120 events for members participation
- Sponsored and supported Litter Angels in the collection of nearly 1.65 Tons of garbage
- Worked with TDOT to add additional parking to the Halls Bend Trail Head, created a Milage Map of Hwy 444, and conducted multiple traffic studies that will ultimately result in safer roads in our community
- Sponsored 2 Neighborhood Watch community meetings with the support of Neighborhood Watch Coordinators from every neighborhood in the main Village & Kahite
- Communicated property owners' concerns on sensitive topics impacting homeowners to the POA, such as, the proposed Bowman Property sale, short term rentals, ACC Blue Book changes and more
- Spearheaded the creation of one "Tellico Village Welcome Orientation" co-sponsored by the HOA, POA & New Villagers with sponsorship tables from more than 200 club/organizations in our community

With the continued support of our members, we are making plans for another exciting and engaging year. We hope you will continue to support us through your annual membership.

Register online at www.tellicolife.org. Select the HOA logo under the Tellico Life Partners section and click on the Join/Renew now link.

Community News & More

TELLICOLIFE IS LOOKING FOR A BUSINESS LEAD



The primary on-line source for information on social activities in Tellico Village is TellicoLife. Every time you sign up for an HOA event, you are using TellicoLife. This valued resource is now looking for a business lead to oversee its strategic direction, steward the platform's finances and effectively market TellicoLife to the community's clubs, organizations, and members.

It's an important position and requires someone who has a business management background with technology experience. The business lead will work closely with the operation lead, who will manage the technical side of TellicoLife. The new TellicoLife business lead will be expected to devote on average 15 hours per month to this volunteer role.

KC Babb, after serving three years as both the business and operational lead for TellicoLife, will be stepping down. She will be working with her replacement for a period of time to ensure a smooth transition.

Interested Villagers should contact KC at: tellicolifeinfo@gmail.com



The Friends of the Vonore Public Library will host an indoor artisan craft fair on Saturday, October 7th, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Vonore Community Center, 611 Church Street (above the library). The fair will showcase great handmade items to cross off your Christmas list, including ornaments, candles, jewelry, hand-crafted honey gifts and much more. Come rain or shine, the public is invited to attend this special shopping event. (Only cash or checks can be accepted.) For more information, contact Karen at rischek2@yahoo.com

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO!

It is with sincere gratitude that we thank the following businesses and individuals for their support of our September HOA Socials and events through their kind gifts and donations:

- Gallaher's Spa
- Tellico Village Community Players
- Sweetwater Valley Farms
- Lions Club (Octoberfest)
- Jay's NY Pizza & Grill
- Granola Queen





TELLICO VILLAGE PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Town Hall Meeting

{ COMMUNITY CHURCH AT TELLICO VILLAGE }
130 CHOTA CENTER, LOUDON, TN

THURSDAY, 4:00 P.M. -
SEPTEMBER 28TH 6:00 P.M.

JOIN US FOR THIS SPECIAL TOWN HALL MEETING.
THE TOPIC OF THE MEETING WILL BE THE TANASI REBUILD
PROJECT. THE COMMITTEE WILL REVIEW THE SITE PLAN, FLOOR
PLANS, AND PROJECT STATUS. THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY
FOR QUESTIONS.



READER REWARDS!!!

Congratulations to our September Reader Rewards winner:

Tom Bradley

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 October Social?

October Questions:

1. Provide one of Tellico Villages "Guiding Principles"
2. Changing our Bylaws requires members to do what?

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



**IS THE FOLLOWING
STATEMENT FAKE OR A
FACT?**

There are 7,500 varieties of apples in the world.
2,500 are grown in the United States.

Answer: This is a Fact! It's apple season and what better time to learn more about apples. Check out the link below for more information.

[How Many Types of Apples Exist?](#)

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