## OVERTON COUNTY

## MAJOR ATTRACTIONS:

- A. Standing Stone State Park
- B. Access to three major new retirement areas being developed
- C. The most visitor-ready town square.
- 1. Historic Downtown Livingston and Overton Town Square Livingston, Tennessee 38570

http://www.overtonco.com/

Of all the town squares in any of the eight counties I toured, Livingston was most ready for tourists. It has many shops and restaurants around the Square, wonderful historic buildings, park benches, all utility wires underground, lots of sidewalks. Very eye-appealing and tourism friendly. They also have a lake within a few blocks of Downtown that offers a walking trail, amphitheater, playground. Governor Robert's Law Office is well preserved is within walking distance and includes a historic marker. Rate it a 4.

- Livingston Boat Dock, Marina & Campground 1260 Livingston Boat Dock Road Allons, TN, 38541 931-823-6666, <u>http://www.livingstonboatdock.com/</u> 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 7 days/week, floating barge—mobile pumpout. This has recently been purchased by Abe Lincoln Log Homes (same people developing Swan Lake). It is a bit run down but major changes are in the works. Rate it a 2 with potential.of becoming a 4 with a little capitol investment.
- Mitchell Creek Lodge & Café
  1000 Livingston Boat Dock Road
  Allons, TN, 38541
  A restaurant enroute to Livingston Boat Dock with rooms above it for rent.
  Tastefully done and should do well once the Boat Dock area is redone.
  Rate it a 3.
- 4. Standing Stone State park & Forest 1674 Standing Stone Park Hwy. Hilham, TN 38568 Phone: 931-823-6347 Toll-Free: 800-713-5157 <u>http://www.tnvacation.com/vendors/standing\_stone\_state\_park/</u> <u>http://www.dalehollow-lake.net/html/standing\_stone\_state\_park.html</u> Lodge, camping, cabins, pool, bathhouse, picnic areas, conference center Standing Stone State Park covers nearly 11,000 acres on the Cumberland Plateau of north-central Tennessee. The quaint and rustic park is noted for its outstanding scenery, spring wildflowers, fossils and other natural diversity. The park takes its

name from the Standing Stone, an eight-foot tall rock standing upright on a sandstone ledge, which was supposedly used as a boundary line between two separate Indian nations. When the rock fell, the Indians placed a portion of it upon an improvised monument to preserve it. The stone is still preserved in Monterey, Tennessee. **Directions:** I-40 exit 288N to Livingston - Hwy 52W. Approximately 10 miles. Rate it a 4.

Things to do: Obey River Park Recreation Area, Governor A.H. Roberts Law Office, Holly Creek Resort, Dale Hollow Dam Recreation Area. Places to stay: Cherokee Lodge & Resort, Willow Grove Dock & Resort, Inc., Southern Porches Bed & Breakfast, Obey River Park Recreation Area.

- 5. Standing Stone Lake and Dam 1674 Standing Stone Park Hwy. Hilham, TN 38568 This is impressive with water spilling over the top creating a long waterfall into the spillway and creating the tailwaters. Large pavilion, ample parking, restroom facilities. Very inviting and great for large group gatherings. Rate it a 4
- 6. Moses Fiske Memorial

1674 Standing Stone Park Hwy.Hilham, TN 38568Historic home within Standing Stone State Park. Has historical marker. Tree had fallen down in front of it the day we were there. Not sure if it is open to the public. Rate it a 2

7. Holly Ridge Winery,

486 O'Neil Road, Livingston, TN, 38570 http://www.hollyridgewinery.com/

Signage is good. Website is nice. Haven't actually visited it but it does offer regular set hours, is close to a downtown area and easily accessible. Rate it a 3 or very possibly a 4. Can't say for sure without visiting.

8. Tourist Information/Chamber of Commerce

Livingston - Overton County Chamber of Commerce PO Box 354A, Livingston, Tennessee 38570 http://www.overtonco.com/

Excellent location where road Y's just off the Square. Very visible, easily accessible and plenty of parking. Also has a small museum as part of a large meeting room. Brochures prominent in entrance as are the restroom facilities. Rate it a 4

9. Willow Grove Resort Inc (931) 823-6616 9990 Willow Grove Hwy Allons, TN 38541 Willow Grove Development (Actually in Clay County but only accessible from Overton County). This is a lake property development by German investors. High dollar homes. Their plans are very very impressive! http://www.willowgrove.com/ There is a marina and resort right now. Rate it a 4

10. Swan Ridge Lake Resort Development

(Actually in Clay County but only accessible from Overton Co.) 1569 Swan Ridge Rd. Hilham, TN 38568 <u>http://www.swanridgedevelopment.com/</u> Access to Dala Hollow Laka, beautiful log homes being built wit

Access to Dale Hollow Lake, beautiful log homes being built with breathtaking views, becoming very popular place to live, adding more amenities and drawing people with money into the area. Rate it a 4 but aimed more at retirees than tourists which is bringing an entirely higher income clientel into the area. :)

11. Cornerstone at Mitchell Creek (access Overton Co.) http://www.dalehollowlakeviews.com/

http://www.aboutdalehollow.com/cornerstone.htm

This is a gated community overlooking Dale Hollow Lake which is a little more established but still has some lots for sale. Very nicely done with wooded lots. Rate it a 4.

 Lillydale Campground & Day Use 985 LILLYDALE ROAD ALLONS TN 38541

http://www.reserveusa.com/jsp/commonpage.jsp?goto=/nrrs/tn/lill/newindex.html Lillydale Campground and Day Use Area is located on beautiful Dale Hollow Lake 20 miles from Livingston, TN. The campground offers 114 sites, 15 of which are primitive island camping. Water and electric hookups are available. Additional amenities include hot showers, picnic shelter, laundry facilities, boat launch, playgrounds, volleyball court, hiking trail, swimming beaches, dump station, and a public telephone. Rate it a 4.