



The Log

November 17, 2022

What's happening in and around the Village of Hickory Ridge!



Winter Artisan Market

**This Sunday, November 20th
2-5pm
The Hawthorn Center**

Stop by The Hawthorn Center for our wonderful winter artisan market with great gift items for everyone on your list! Featuring 20 amazing artisans selling all handmade items! Come take a look, buy a few things and enjoy a beautiful afternoon. FREE to attend and all are welcome!



Wine Tasting hosted by the Wine Collective

**Friday, December 9th
7-9pm
The Hawthorn Center**

Grab your friends (21 years and over) and enjoy a night sampling a variety of delicious wines. Tickets are \$20 and pre-registration is required, 6 wine tastings and lite bites will be provided. Space is limited- please register soon by calling 410-730-7327 or emailing events@hickoryridgevillage.org.



Story Time with Gingerbread

**Monday, December 12th
10am
Inside The Hawthorn Center**

Attendees will enjoy crafts, stories and gingerbread treats! Please register by calling 410-730-7327 or emailing events@hickoryridgevillage.org.

Wanna Pizza This food truck is coming to town!!

**Wednesday, December 14th
4:30-7:30pm**



FOOD TRUCK TROT

WHO
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HOW

Wanna Pizza This, Hickory Ridge & Toys For Tots!

A night of giving to spread holiday cheer!

Date: December 14 from 4:30-7:30

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Why not? And to help those in need!

Bring a new and unopened gift and receive 10% off your bill! Promo code toysfortots for online ordering (honor system)



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The Hickory Ridge Log Newsletter-Print Edition

Be on the lookout for the printed edition of the Hickory Ridge Log newsletter arriving in your mailbox the week of November 28th! It's jam packed with great information and upcoming events!



Downtown Columbia Walkability Study

Do you spend time in Downtown Columbia?

The Downtown Columbia Partnership (DTC) launched a project to assess walkability in Downtown Columbia and they want to hear from you.

DTC has created a short survey and interactive map for you to help inform the project team of existing issues and concerns as they prepare for a series of on-site evaluations of existing pedestrian conditions.

Your feedback will help the project team identify walking routes for our on-site visits and refine a set of short-term and long-term recommendations for improving pedestrian comfort and safety in the area.

https://tooledesign.github.io/Downtown_Columbia/



CA Finish Strong Program for Students Ages 8-13

CATeens has worked extremely hard to organize the CA Finish Strong program where we have open tutoring to all students aged 8-13, 100% free of charge!

The committee is made up of qualified high school volunteers from around Howard county. Students can expect various activities in addition to tutoring such as basketball, crafts, board games, and more.

These sessions will be every Tuesday at Columbia Athletic Club and Thursday at Supreme Sports Club from 3:30 - 5:30 pm. No Columbia Association Membership is required to attend! If you have any questions please contact rene.buckmon@columbiaassociation.org

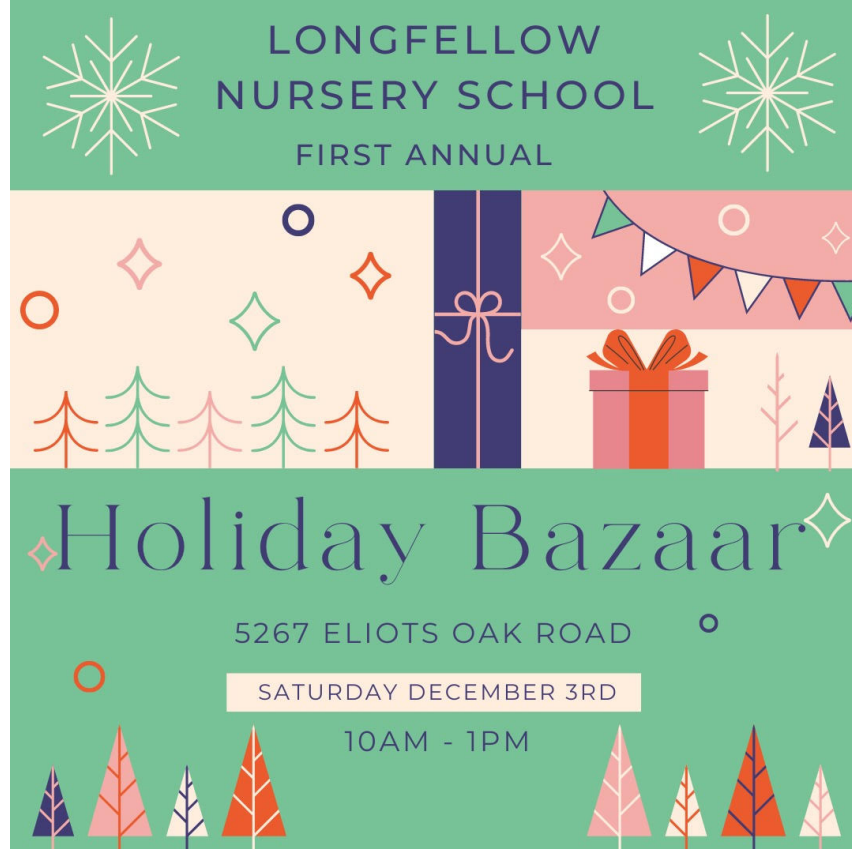


Patuxent Commons Pre-Submission Community Meeting

**Thursday, December 1st
6pm
The Hawthorn Center**

The development team will answer any questions after presenting information on the project to the community, in advance of submitting the site development plan to the Department of Planning and Zoning in early 2023.

An exciting and important step in the County permitting process as work is done to make Patuxent Commons a reality!



Keep Storm Drains Clear

As homeowners, we are responsible for the trees on our property. That means when trees decide to lose their leaves, we are responsible for where they go. You may think “if the leaves are in the street, it’s not my problem.”

Except, they are your problem. Too many leaves blocking a storm drain can cause flooding during heavy rainfalls, leading to impassable streets, safety hazards and possibly property damage.

To keep your community safe:

1. DON'T sweep leaves into the street.
2. DO use a leaf rake to remove leaves from on top and sides of the storm drain entry points. Add them to your green bin for collection and composting.
3. If you see flooding in your streets due to clogged storm drains – try to pull the leaves onto the curb out of the way of the water.
4. If flooding is too great and you can not safely clear the drain, place a ticket in TellHoCo

(https://seeclickfix.com/web_portal/Kkh6qLcSRJDMcnYqo7uSKCQR/report/category/5273/location) so the county can come out and professionally clean the storm drain.



CA Rain Gardens are Back!!

Does your residential property have water problems during and immediately after a rain storm, water seeping into your basement, streams of water across your lawn, soggy soil for days after the storm, plants getting so waterlogged that they die?

If so, please contact The Hickory Ridge Community Association at

events@hickoryridgevillage.org and the staff will put you in touch with the village's Watershed Advisory Committee. One or more members of the committee will assess your yard's situation and provide advice on how to deal with the water.

The advice tends to be on no/low cost solutions, one of which might be a CA rain garden. CA rain gardens can capture a lot of water allowing it to infiltrate into your lawn, while feeding a lovely garden and a grant from the state pays 75% of the cost while a professional gardening team digs, fills and plants the garden for you!



Join the Hickory Ridge Watershed Advisory Committee!

Would you like to make an impact in the Village? Are you interested in issues like runoff management and invasive plant species? Join the Watershed Advisory Committee! This group organizes various clean-up and Weed Warrior events in the Village. They educate residents about watershed issues and advocate for watershed issues in the Village that need attention. Contact Deborah Wessner at 410-340-7757 or dwessner@yahoo.com using "WAC" in the title line.



Election Committee Volunteers Needed

Would you like to get to know your neighbors and learn more about the Hickory Ridge Community Association? Join the Election Committee!

We are looking for residents to help the Village with its 2022 Election. Volunteers will make recommendations to the Board, help plan and moderate Candidate's Night (Tuesday, April 4, 2023, tentatively), check in voters or help with the vote count on Election Day on April 22, 2023 and ensure that the Election Rules and Procedures are followed. The Chair of the Committee will be selected by the Committee members.

To join the Election Committee, you must:

- Be a member of the Hickory Ridge Community Association, which means you must own or rent a property in the Village.
- Be able to contribute about 10 hours of your time for several meetings, Candidates Night and Election Day.
- Fill out the Volunteer Application Form and return it to the Village Manager.

All Committee tasks will be done with Village staff support and training. If you are willing to lend a hand, please fill out the [Committee Volunteer form](#) and email it to manager@hickoryridgevillage.org by Tuesday, November 22 at 9am. Questions? Contact the Village Manager at manager@hickoryridgevillage.org or 410-730-7327.

The time commitment is minimal, and you will contribute to the success of the Hickory Ridge Community Association!

The National Suicide Prevention Line is now 988.

What does this change mean for you?



988 is now live!

988, the new national mental health crisis helpline, officially launched on July 16. Whenever you call this number, whether here in Howard County or anywhere else in the nation, you are guaranteed quality and safe care

for mental health and substance use emergencies. No need to look up any national toll-free number. No need to look for the "right" local 10-digit emergency number. Simply call or text 988 and you will get free, immediate, confidential help you need from a trained counselor.



Exterior Alterations--Last Call for Applications in 2022!

Thinking about making some changes to the exterior of your home or landscaping? Don't forget to check to see if you need to submit an Exterior Alteration application. The Hickory Ridge Architectural Guidelines and applications are available **on our website** in the Covenants section. Questions? Call 410-730-7327 or email applications@hickoryridgevillage.org.

If you're exterior alterations require RAC approval, the final RAC meeting for 2022 will be held on Wednesday, December 7th and complete applications need to be submitted by Monday, November 28th.



Read the Columbia Flier

If you did not receive the Columbia Flier at your home, you may read it online [here](#).

SAVE THE DATE!

November 18: Paint n' Sip, Sold Out, 7-9:30pm

November 20: Winter Artisan Market, 2-5pm

November 24-25: Office Closed

November 28: Board Meeting, 7:30pm*

[*Zoom meeting, check website for details.](#)

Resident Architectural Committee Meeting Agenda

Resident Architectural Committee (RAC) meeting agendas are available on the Hickory Ridge website. [Click here to view](#) upcoming agendas and meeting results. Questions about submitting an application or the approval process?

Email applications@hickoryridgevillage.org.



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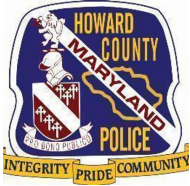
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Open Space Questions or Concerns?

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Space areas, contact CA Open Space directly by calling 410-312-6330 or by emailing Open.Space@ColumbiaAssociation.org.



Crime Statistics Map of Howard County

Howard County has interactive maps with information about properties and neighborhoods. One is the Crime Statistics map. It used to be that the Howard County Police would have to put these statistics together for us, but now they are available at our fingertips. [Check out the Crime Statistics map.](#)



Need to Talk? Call 211, Press 1

Problems with depression? Anxiety? Thoughts of suicide? Drugs or Alcohol? Call Maryland's helpline: Call 211, press 1 or text your zip code to 898-211 (TXT-211).



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Subscribe to Howard County Executive Calvin Ball's newsletter *The Ball Bulletin* [here](#) Stay informed about the latest updates and essential information from your Howard County government.



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[District 4 Website](#)

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