

The LogJuly 6, 2023

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



Who Handles What?

Do you want to know who handles what - CA, the Howard County Government or The Columbia Village Associations? Click here to see a simple breakdown.



Babysitters in Hickory Ridge

If you live in Hickory Ridge and you babysit and would like to be included in the babysitter list in the next edition of The Log, please email **events@hickoryridgevillage.org**.

Please note that the list below are individuals with experience and interest in babysitting but are not vetted by this office.

Babysitter List

- Gloribeth "Glory" Gancedo: 305-224-2095
- Kailyn Shaw: kailynshaw@yahoo.com



Columbia Flier - LAST ISSUE WAS JUNE 29th

Baltimore Sun Media ended production of The Columbia Flier with the June 29th issue. For questions, call 410-332-6100. To subscribe to the Howard County Times or The Baltimore Sun, go to **join.baltimoresun.com**.



Grant Opportunities

Block Party Grants

We'll help you party with your neighbors this year! Our Block Party Grant program offers qualifying parties a \$100 Giant gift card for party expenses. Applications are available at The Hawthorn Center. Please email events@hickoryridgevillage.org for more information.

Cul-de-Sac Grants

Hickory Ridge offers a reimbursement program for residents who want to beautify their cul-de-sac circle. The Village will reimburse approved

landscaping up to \$300 of your cost for plants and materials. The grant process does require neighbor consent and final approval by the county. For more information, stop by the Village office or email manager@hickoryridgevillage.org.



Comments on Election Policies and Procedures

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

At the Village Board meeting on Monday, July 10th at 7:30pm, the Board will be reviewing the election policies and procedures. Comments may be emailed to manager@hickoryridgevillage.org or made in person at The Hawthorn Center during the meeting.

Emails will be forwarded to the Board members. Each resident will have two minutes to comment during the discussion of the agenda item.



Howard County Conservancy's Upcoming Events

Butterfly walks

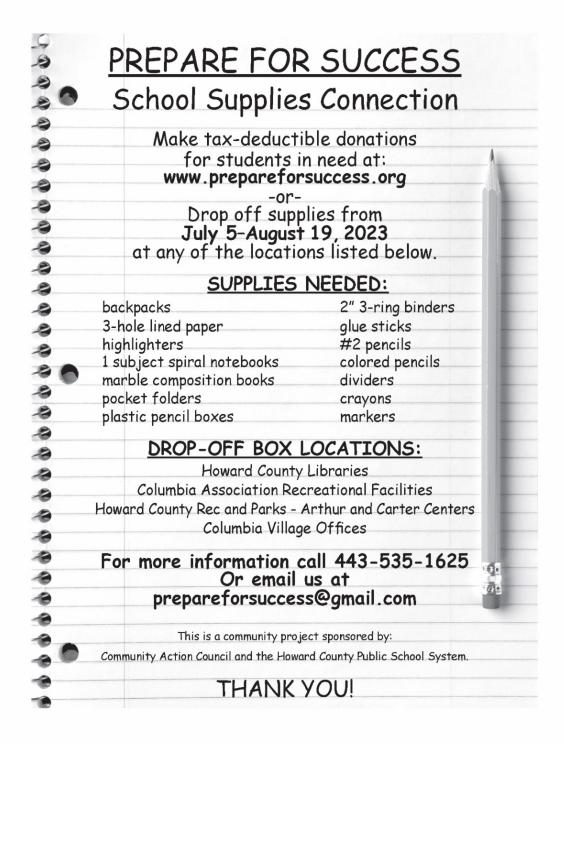
The Howard County Conservancy will offer guided butterfly walks this summer, with tips on spotting and identifying butterflies. Join us on July 29, Aug. 14 and Aug. 26, 10:30 a.m. Held at Mt. Pleasant's 232 acres of meadows and gardens, 10520 Old Frederick Road. Free. Registration required: https://www.howardnature.org/events/



Lakefront Live Downtown Columbia Lakefront

Get ready for a summer of fun and entertainment with Lakefront Live, the exciting event series brought to you by Columbia Association. They are excited to provide free concerts, movies, and dancing events for the whole community, all happening at the Downtown Columbia Lakefront!

Go here to see a schedule of events!





Hickory Ridge Community Association **Upcoming Events** Back to School Ice Cream Social 28 Enjoy FREE treats with friends and neighbors! Outside in the Hawthorn Center Parking Lot August from 6:30-8pm. 28-29 Ice Cream Story Time Free to attend and everyone is welcome! Enjoy crafts, stories and tasty treats! Designed for 0-5 August year olds. Registration is required. Held at 10am both days. Registration Opens Registration and applications to be both a Flea Market and Winter Artisan Market Vendor Sept. opens today. 8 Puzzle Night & Popcorn We invite teams of 2 (12+ with an adult) to a 500 piece puzzle competition. Teams will receive the Sept. same puzzle and given 2 hours to complete it. \$20/team. Prizes awarded. Discussion: A.I. & Social Media 12 This talk will attempt to demystify AI, highlight how it can affect our kids, politics, and society as a whole. It Sept. will help to answer questions about where we've been and where we should be aspiring to go. Yard Tools Story Time 18-19 Free to attend and everyone is welcome! Enjoy Sept. crafts, stories and tasty treats! Designed for 0-5 year olds. Registration is required. Held at 10am both days. Adult Bingo (21+) 22 Invite your family, friends and neighbors to share Sept. some laughs and a little bit of friendly competition trying to win great prizes. For \$5 play 10 games of BINGO. 7-9pm Flea Market 30 All are welcome and free to shop! Outside in Sept. the Hawthorn Center Parking Lot from For more information & to register, please email events@hickoryridgevillage.org Made with PosterMyWall.com **HCDrugFree HC DrugFree Upcoming Opportunities** Free Life Skills Classes for HoCo Kids (Grades 6-9)

July 17, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25, 26, and 27 • 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. HC DrugFree is providing another series of FUN and interactive skillsbased classes designed to promote positive health and personal development. This curriculum was designed for students in grades 6 to 9, but for slightly younger or older students, we will consider each request. This program will use developmentally appropriate, collaborative learning strategies so students will learn skills that have been shown to help resist high-risk behaviors including substance use (vaping, alcohol and other drugs) and more. The curriculum is designed to strengthen student's social skills, personal self-management skills, substance resistance skills, and more! Learn more and register here: https://tinyurl.com/LifeSkillsSummer23



Join our Team! HC DrugFree has an immediate opening for an Outreach Assistant with potential for advancement. We are also seeking college students for a virtual position this summer. Learn

more: https://tinyurl.com/HCDrugFreeJobs

HC DrugFree's Teen Advisory Council

Howard County Teens! Are you ready to stand out? HC DrugFree invites all Howard County students in grades 8-12 to join the HC DrugFree Teen Advisory Council (TAC). TAC members are student leaders who earn community service hours while developing life skills to make healthy choices and prepare for life after middle and high school. TAC provides a meaningful way for students to volunteer in the community and MAKE A DIFFERENCE all while building a powerful resume for job and college applications! Now accepting registrations for the 23/24 school year. If you'd like to learn more about the Teen Advisory Council or to register please visit our

website: https://tinyurl.com/HCDrugFreeTAC OR you can request more information by e-mailing admin@hcdrugfree.org

CORAL REEF ENCOUNTER

Fun volunteer and snorkeling opportunities! The Coral Reef Encounter will be at the Jeffers Hill Pool on July 22 and 23. Sign-up ahead of time for 115 swimmers in each hourand-a-half session. There will be lots of parking.

Volunteers are essential for the success of the 2023 Coral Reef Encounter. You are encouraged to sign up to snorkel to get the time slot that works best.

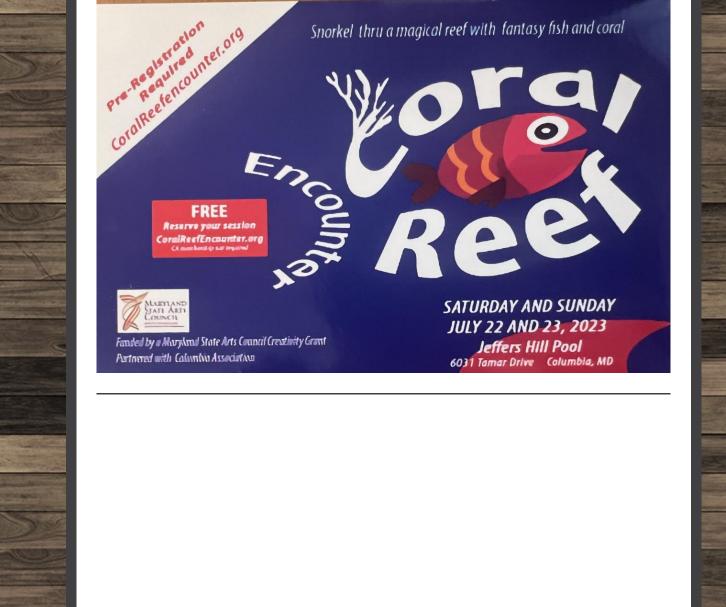
The Coral Reef Encounter Team is a non-profit with no paid staff.

1. Help out with registration or mask fitting on dry land

2. Stay cool in the pool while you make sure swimmers stay on the path and are OK.

Reserve your spot to snorkel through the reef at https://www.coralreefencounter.org

Questions about volunteering or snorkeling? tgilltte@comcast.net or 443-538-4639



Back to School 2023



Backpacks Needed

The Abiding Savior Lutheran Church Care Committee is organizing a fundraiser to aid children returning to school this August. Please consider showing your support by purchasing <u>new</u> backpacks for children attending local Howard County elementary and middle schools this coming year.

You may place your donations in the marked collection bin inside or outside the church building, 10689 Owen Brown Road, Columbia MD. Donations must be delivered by <u>August 20, 2023</u>. Please contact <u>aslc@abiding-savior.org</u> if you have any questions.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

HOWARD COUNTY FARMERS MARKET 2023





CLARKSVILLE COMMONS

12250 Clarksville Pike, Clarksville
May 13 – November 11
Saturdays | 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
www.clarksvillecommons.com/farmers-market/



HOWARD COUNTY LIBRARY-EAST COLUMBIA BRANCH

6600 Cradlerock Way, Columbia, MD
May 4 – November 16
Thursdays | 12:00 – 6:00 PM
www.howardcountyfarmersmarkets.com



HOWARD COUNTY LIBRARY-MILLER BRANCH

9421 Frederick Road, Ellicott City May 10 – November 8 Wednesdays | 2:00 – 6:00 PM www.howardcountyfarmersmarkets.com



MAPLE LAWN FARMERS MARKET

7405 Maple Lawn Blvd., Fulton May 13 – November 4 Saturdays | 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM www.maplelawnfarmersmarket.com



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Non-stop summer fun for children 5-13

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Session 1: July 10 – July 14 **Session 2:** July 17 – July 21 **Session 3:** July 24 – July 28 **Session 4:** July 31 – Aug. 4

Session 5: Aug. 7 – Aug. 11

Before care: 7am-8:30am

Regular: 8:30am-4pm **After care:** 4pm-6pm

General Tuition Rate: \$350 per 1-week session



\$25 off Camp Tuition each session if camper is enrolled in multiple sessions or enrolls multiple

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Housing Repair Program

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- You must be a Howard County homeowner
- Own and occupy the home as your principal residence
- Can be single family, townhouse or condo
- All mortgage, property taxes, HOA/condo fees, and hazard insurance payments must be current

Loan Terms

- Maximum loan amount is \$40,000
- Interest rate shall not exceed 2%
- Maximum term is 30 years



Department of Housing & Community Development — To apply visit https://bit.ly/3gqNF58 and complete the Pre-Application. Full program guidelines and income eligibility requirements can also be found on our website.









Funding availability based on annual budget allocation.

Contact Taylor Shelton for details at tshelton@howardcountymd.gov or (410) 313-6333



Community Action Council of Howard County

The mission of the Community Action Council is to diminish poverty and enable self-sufficiency for all Howard County Individuals, families and children in need. To better serve the local community and improve ease of accessibility, the Community Action Council of Howard County (CAC) will have community service workers stationed at the following locations during the following extended times:

Howard County Food Bank
Tuesdays, 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm
Wednesdays, 11:00 am - 7:00 pm
Thursdays, 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm

<u>Laurel MultiService Center*</u>
Wednesdays, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Thursdays, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

*The Laurel MultiService Center is included along the Purple Bus route. To learn more about CAC's programs or to apply for assistance, visit



Report Non-Emergency Issues Online

Report water main breaks, broken street signs, and more on Howard County's mobile app and website Tell HoCo. Residents can report non-emergency issues which the county will assign to the responsible department. Download the TellHoCoApp on your mobile phone or visit howardcountymd.gov/Tell-HoCo.



Letter of Compliance

If you are putting your house on the market this spring, request a Letter of Compliance from the Village Office well in advance of a pending settlement date. This letter is not required, but it is a valuable tool for sellers because it verifies that your property is in compliance with the Hickory Ridge Covenants. Any covenant violations on your property become the responsibility of the new owner, so home buyers often request a Letter of Compliance from the Seller. Request forms are available in the Covenants section of our website and at the Village Office. Questions? Email applications@hickoryridgevillage.org.



Exterior Alterations

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.

For a complete schedule of RAC meetings and submission deadlines, click <u>here</u>

SAVE THE DATE!

July 10th: Village Board meeting at The Hawthorn Center, 7:30pm

July 19th: RAC meeting, 7:30pm*

July 24th: Village 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. <u>Click here to view</u> upcoming agendas and meeting results. Questions about submitting an application or the approval process? Email <u>applications@hickoryridgevillage.org</u>.



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Open Space Questions or Concerns?

If you have questions or concerns about Columbia Association Open 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).



Howard County Government Updates

Subscribe to Howard County Executive Calvin Ball's newsletter *The Ball Bulletin* here Stay informed about the latest updates and essential information form your Howard County government.



District 4 County Council Newsletter

Deb Jung is the County Council Representative for Hickory Ridge residents. For more information about your district, check out the website.

District 4 Website

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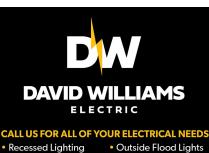
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