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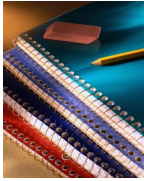
Hickory Ridge  
The Hawthorn Center  
6175 Sunny Spring

Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-5:00pm  
Phone: 410-730-7327

**August 1, 2024**

Connect with us at  
[HickoryRidgeVillage.org](http://HickoryRidgeVillage.org)

## School Supply Drive



Prepare for Success (PFS) has a 23-year-old community tradition of providing backpacks filled with NEW school supplies to Howard County students from families with low incomes.

Our Village has proudly supported this program since the outset. PFS has a formal partnership with the Howard County Public Schools System and the Community Action Council. PFS is an all-volunteer effort and 100% of donations are directed to the students.

Our Village office, along with every County library and major CA athletic facility, serve as collection points through August 9th.

Scan this QR code for a supplies list and info on other ways to donate, including tax-deductible contributions and an Amazon Wishlist!



100% of all cash donations are used to bulk purchase school supplies. If you have questions, feel free to contact PFS at [prepareforsuccess@gmail.com](mailto:prepareforsuccess@gmail.com) or go to [www.prepareforsuccess.org](http://www.prepareforsuccess.org).

## Freetown Farm Plant & Produce Sales

Visit Freetown Farm (8000 Harriet Tubman Ln, Columbia) every Saturday, 9:00am—1:00pm. Shop for lovely plants and farm fresh produce



throughout the summer at this stand right outside our Village! Each week, the Farm will have a different activity for visitors. If you're interested in learning more, please follow them on Facebook at The Community Ecology Institute or Instagram @CommunityEcologyInstitute.

## Upcoming Events



**Hickory Ridge Story Time: Farm Animals August 19th and 20th at 10:00am**

Designed for 0-5 year olds and an adult friend. Attendees will enjoy a story, crafts and treats at The Hawthorn Center. **FREE** to attend. Please RSVP to [events@hickoryridgevillage.org](mailto:events@hickoryridgevillage.org).

### Back 2 School Party

**August 26th, 5:30—7:30pm**

Join us at The Hawthorn Center parking lot for a first-day-of-school celebration with PTAs and Cub Scouts, frozen treats, music and raffles! Please RSVP to [events@hickoryridgevillage.org](mailto:events@hickoryridgevillage.org).

### Axe Throwing for Adults

**Friday, September 6th at 7:00pm**

Looking for a unique night out? Join us at The Hawthorn Center for axe throwing and dinner! Register by emailing [events@hickoryridgevillage.org](mailto:events@hickoryridgevillage.org). \$20 per person, 21+ only. Let the games begin!



### Save the Date!

- Winter Artisan Market Application opens 9/3
- Flea Market Space Registration begins 9/3
- Story Time (Shark): September 16th & 17th at 9:30am
- Adult (18+) Calligraphy Night, September 20th
- Flea Market, October 19th--9-11am

## Color Burst Park Summer Series



Merriweather District

6000 Merriweather Drive

Enjoy free concerts, open mic nights, fitness classes and events for kids! View details and schedule: [merriweatherdistrict.com/summer-series/](http://merriweatherdistrict.com/summer-series/)

## 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 or on the website. For details, email [events@hickoryridgevillage.org](mailto:events@hickoryridgevillage.org).



### 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 Hawthorn Center or please email [manager@hickoryridgevillage.org](mailto:manager@hickoryridgevillage.org).

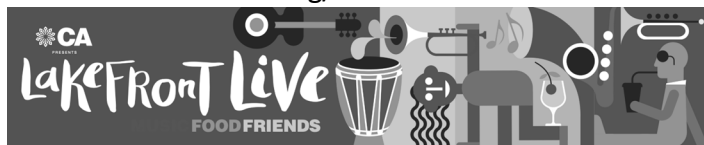
## Stay Connected!

Want to know what's happening in Hickory Ridge? Scan the QR code to find links to everything Hickory Ridge!



## Lakefront Live At Lake Kittamaqundi

Enjoy end of summer fun and entertainment with Lakefront Live, the exciting event series brought to you by Columbia Association. Entertainment includes free concerts, movies, and dancing for the whole community, all happening at the Downtown Columbia Lakefront! For more information go to [columbiaassociation.org/lakefront-live](http://columbiaassociation.org/lakefront-live).



## Music at the Hickory Ridge Village Center Sponsored by Kimco

Thursdays, 6:00—8:00pm

For details, go to [hickoryridge.shopkimco.com](http://hickoryridge.shopkimco.com).

- August 8: Patsy's Honky Tonk & Twang
- August 29: The Rockits
- September 12: Four Quarters Band



## Second Sunday Swim at CA Pools!

Did you know that you may visit CA's 23 outdoor pools for *FREE* on the second Sunday of August, the 11th? Residents must have a Columbia Card to receive access. Cards can be obtained by contacting CA's Customer Care Team at 410-730-1801 or [CMSC@ColumbiaAssociation.org](mailto:CMSC@ColumbiaAssociation.org).

In addition, CA is offering each Columbia Cardholder household four passes to use at any of the outdoor pools! One pass per person. You must bring your card. Columbia Cards cannot be issued at the time of use.



## Volunteer of the Year

Thank you to Skye Anderson, the Hickory Ridge Volunteer of the Year! Skye is tireless in her work for the Village as the Hickory Ridge representative to CA's Council. She also attends most Hickory Ridge events, meets with residents weekly, and advocates for residents when needed.



There were five nominees who *all* do great things for the Village, and it was impossible to choose. One volunteer was picked randomly out of a hat, but all the volunteers deserve recognition. When you see them, give a big THANK YOU to the other nominees!

- Celindah Grier has been on the RAC for many years and represents the Village on the Aging Well In Columbia Advisory Committee. Celindah also has been helping with new, hybrid Board meetings.
- Pam Franks has served on the Board of Clary's Woods HOA for more than two decades. Pam is also known to pick up trash and shovel snow for neighbors. She also obtained free trees that she planted herself in the HOA.
- Linda Loesch served on the RAC for several decades and her work on Hickory Ridge elections has been invaluable.
- Deborah Wessner chairs the Hickory Ridge Watershed Advisory Committee (WAC) AND chairs CA's WAC. Deborah is also a Watershed Steward and has been helping Hickory Ridge homeowners with free watershed assessments for years.

## Village Meetings

For more information, visit the web site.

August 5: Community Engagement Committee, in-person at The Hawthorn Center, 6:00pm

August 7: RAC meeting, virtual, 7:30pm

August 12: Board meeting, virtual, 7:30pm

## Village Office Services

- ⇒ Resale packets (also available on website)
- ⇒ Compliance requests
- ⇒ Covenant inquiries
- ⇒ Exterior Alteration Applications
- ⇒ Copies
- ⇒ FAX
- ⇒ Notary Public (by appointment only)

## Village Staff

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**August 12—16: Village office closed for regular maintenance to The Hawthorn Center.**



## Hickory Ridge Board & Committees

### Hickory Ridge Village Board

Steve Hannan, Chair

Kristine Amari, Vice Chair

Jared Ball

Michael Campbell

Samantha Link

### CA Council Representative

Skye Anderson

### Election

Don Warner, Chair

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### Community Engagement

Jonathan McKinney, Chair

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### CA Aging Well in Columbia

Celindah Grier

### CA Watershed

Deborah Wessner

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Celindah Grier, Vice Chair

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Matthew Heyne

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### Watershed Advisory

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