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Hickory Ridge The Hawthorn Center 6175 Sunny Spring

Hours: Mon-Thurs, 9:30am-5:00pm Friday, 9:30am-3:30pm

December 5, 2024

Connect with us at HickoryRidgeVillage.org Phone: 410-730-7327

# Hello, Neighbors!

Do you live in an apartment in The Bluffs, Clary's Crossing, Club Merion, Eagle Rock, The Eaves, Hickory Ridge Place, Poplar Glen or The Greens? Then you are a member of the Village of Hickory Ridge! We have a welcome bag with helpful information from the County and Hickory Ridge, plus a few treats from us that you are welcome to pickup. Stop by our office at The Hawthorn Center. We look forward to meeting you! Scan the QR code to connect with all information.

## **Community Engagement Volunteers**

Would you like to get involved and meet neighbors?



Volunteer to help with community VOLUNTEER engagement! Let's find ways to connect residents across the neighborhoods Village's by creating links that will increase communication.

For more information, call the office or email Laura at manager@hickoryridgevillage.org.

# **Neighborhood Liaisons**

Do you know your neighbors? Would you like to be a point of contact for your block or street? Hickory Ridge is looking for residents who are interested in keeping their community in-the-know about what is going on in the Village of Hickory Ridge. Contact Laura at manager@hickoryridgevillage.org or 410-730-7327 for more information.

# **Village Office Closed For Holidays**

The Village office at The Hawthorn Center will be closed for the holidays from 1:00pm on Tuesday, 12/24/2024—Wednesday, 1/1/2025.

Please email events@hickoryridgevillage.org to RSVP or with any questions.

# **Toys for Tots Food Truck Dinner**

December 4th, 4:30-7:30pm **Hawthorn Center Parking Lot** 

FREE to attend and all are welcome! Bring a new, unwrapped toy and receive 10% off of your order at Pasta La Vista, Baby food truck or online at pastababyfoodtruck.net, promo code TOYSFORTOTS.

## **Decem-brr Snowman Story Time** December 10th & 11th at 9:30am The Hawthorn Center

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.

# **Bagels & Book Swap** January 11th at 9:30am The Hawthorn Center

Bring up to 3 books with you to the event to swap with others. Grab a bagel or a doughnut and a cup of coffee and join in small group conversation centered around books. FREE to attend. Please RSVP, 18+ event.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for these upcoming events in 2025! More information to follow in future newsletters.

# **Gingerbread Story Time** January 14th and 15th at 9:30am

Puzzle-Palooza & Desserts February 1st, 6:30-9pm

# **Snow Shoveling**

We are looking for people willing to shovel snow for neighbors (for a reasonable fee). If you are able to help shovel and would like your name added to our snow shoveler

list, please call us at 410-730-7327 or email events@hickoryridgevillage.org and provide your name, street and phone number.

### Join the Election Committee!

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 with the 2025 Annual Meeting/Election Day process for the Village of Hickory Ridge. Each April, the Village elects Village Board members and a Representative to the Columbia Council.

Volunteers on the Election Committee will make recommendations to the Board, help plan and moderate Candidate Nights, check in voters and help with the vote count at the Annual Meeting/Election Day on April 26, 2025. They also ensure that the Election Rules and Procedures are followed.

To join the Election Committee, you must:

- Be a member of the Hickory Ridge Community Association, which means you must own or rent a Columbia Association assessed property in Hickory Ridge.
- Be able to contribute about 15 hours of your time for several meetings, Candidates Night and Election Day.
- Fill out the Volunteer Application form and return it to manager@hickoryridgevillage.org.

The Volunteer Application form is on the website.



# \*\* Happy Holidays

The Hickory Ridge Village Board and staff wish you and yours the most joyful of holidays!

# **Watershed Advisory Committee**



The Watershed Advisory Committee members have been hard at work on a variety of tasks. They have inspected street signs for visibility and reported signs that are in bad condition. The members have been assessing the Village for invasive plants on CA Open Space, and they

are planning informative presentations on climate change and invasive plants in Maryland. Make sure you receive the twice-monthly emailed editions of the newsletter to learn more about these presentations. Follow the QR code to subscribe!

#### **TellHoCo**

Report water main breaks, broken street signs, and more on Howard County's mobile app and website TellHoCo. Download the TellHoCo app or visit howardcountymd.gov/Tell-HoCo.

# **Babysitter List**

If you live in Hickory Ridge and you would like to be included on the Village babysitter list, please email events@hickoryridgevillage.org. You may also request the list via email to the same address.

# Safety Reminder

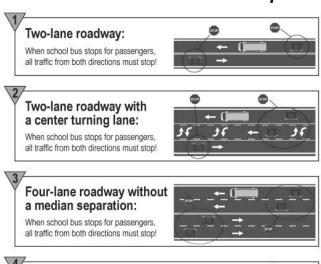
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School Buses: Do I need to stop?



# **Village Meetings**

For more information, visit the web site.

December 4th: RAC meeting, virtual, 7:30pm

December 9th: Board meeting, virtual, 7:30pm

# **Village Staff**

Laura Mayton, Village Manager manager@hickoryridgevillage.org Tania Tavares, Covenant Advisor (Applications) applications@hickoryridgevillage.org Devora Wilkinson, Covenant Advisor (Violations) devora@hickoryridgevillage.org Emily Rieger, Events Coordinator events@hickoryridgevillage.org Charlotte Nisos, Bookkeeper charlotte@hickoryridgevillage.org Heather Havranek, Facility Coordinator facility@hickoryridgevillage.org Ellen Roberts, Facility Assistant info@hickoryridgevillage.org Erica Carpio, Facility Assistant Daniel Nairn, Facility Assistant John Pongraz, Facility Assistant

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# **Village Office Services**

- ⇒ Resale packets (also available on website)
- ⇒ Compliance requests
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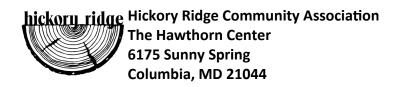
# The Hawthorn Center

Host a party, seminar, baby

shower or other life celebration at The Hawthorn Center! Our well-appointed, contemporary setting is the perfect backdrop for any occasion. The Hawthorn Center can also accommodate weekday and evening meetings. Please consider The Hawthorn Center for your next social or business event!

#### The Hawthorn Center.org







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