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Hickory Ridge
The Hawthorn Center
6175 Sunny Spring

Hours: Mon-Thurs, 9:30am-5:00pm
Friday, 9:30am-3:30pm
April 3, 2025

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

Annual Meeting/Election 2025



The Village Election this year will be Saturday, April 26, 2025, 9:00am—12:00pm. Absentee ballot postcards will arrive in your mailbox in early April.

At the conclusion of the Election, the Annual Meeting will occur in The Hawthorn Center.

There are **two** candidates for **one** Columbia Council (CA Board of Directors) seat.

- **Skye Anderson**
- **Jared Ball**

Here are your options for voting:

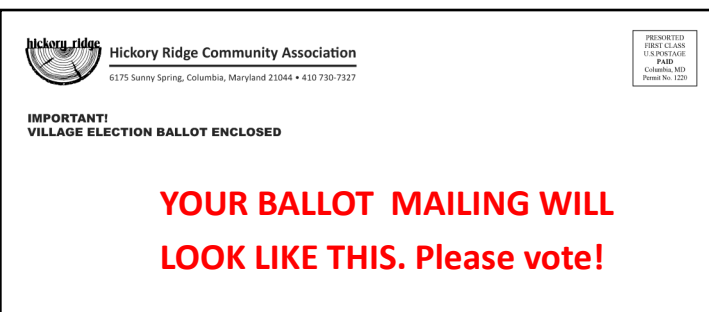
Absentee Voting:

- Mail your absentee ballot postcard. Mailed absentee ballot postcards must be received by 5:00pm on Friday, April 25, 2025. Please plan accordingly.
- Drop-off your ballot postcard with Village Office staff at The Hawthorn Center at 6175 Sunny Spring during these times: Mondays-Thursdays, 9:30am—5:00pm, Fridays from 9:30am—3:30pm or Friday, April 25th from 5:30pm—7:30pm.

Vote in person:

Vote on Election Day, Saturday, April 26th from 9:00am—12:00pm at The Hawthorn Center, 6175 Sunny Spring.

Have questions? Call Laura at 410-730-7327 or email manager@hickoryridgevillage.org.



Upcoming Events

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

Columbia Cleans Hickory Ridge April 5th from 9:30-11:00am

The Hawthorn Center

Help clean up CA Open Space in the Hawthorn neighborhood. We all have a responsibility for keeping our precious natural areas litter free. Hickory Ridge is proud to support Columbia Cleans Day, a longstanding tradition that gives everyone the opportunity to help the environment in their own backyard. Everyone is welcome (groups, individuals, and families). Registration is strongly recommended. Clean up supplies and continental breakfast will be provided!



Donut Story Time

April 22nd & 23rd at 9:30am

The Hawthorn Center



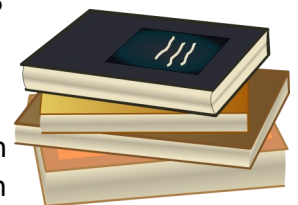
Designed for 0-5 year olds and an adult friend. Attendees will enjoy a story, crafts and treats. FREE to attend but please RSVP.

Books & Baked Goods

May 3rd at 9am

The Hawthorn Center

Bring up to three books with you to the event to swap with others. Grab a baked good and a cup of coffee and join in small group conversation centered around books. **FREE** to attend. Please RSVP, 18+ event.



Meet The Candidates for the Columbia Council!

Meet the candidates for Hickory Ridge representative to the Columbia Council! Two Candidate Forums will be held:

- Virtual, scripted Candidate Forum, Monday, March 31st, 7:00pm
- In-person Candidate Forum at The Hawthorn Center, Monday, April 7th, 7:00pm

The Candidate Forums are your opportunity to hear what the candidates for the Columbia Council think about issues of concern in the Village and Columbia.

To read statements and questionnaires from Skye Anderson and Jared Ball, and for more information, visit the Village Elections page here: <https://hickoryridgevillage.org/village-board/>.

Election Volunteers Needed

The Village is planning the Annual Meeting/Election on April 26, 2025! Volunteers are needed to help with the Candidate Forum on Monday, April 7th at 7:00pm at The Hawthorn Center. Volunteers are also needed to check in voters and to help with the vote count at the Annual Meeting/Election Day on April 26, 2025.

Shifts are 90 minutes long and we provide breakfast, lunch and other refreshments to volunteers.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Annual Meeting/Election Day events please contact Laura at manager@hickoryridgevillage.org or 410-730-7327.

Community Celebration!

Join The Hickory Ridge Community Association staff, on Friday, April 25th from 5:30—7:30pm outside in the parking lot of The Hawthorn Center for an evening of fun, food & music! Hickory Ridge residents get a FREE, native plant and the Watershed Advisory Committee will have environmental information to share! Live music by Paul Philip Music. Food for purchase from Antojitos Express, Greek on the Go, I Loves Me Some Snowballs, Sweets and Treats, and Wanna Pizza This. All are welcome. Hickory Ridge CA-assessed residents, please bring your absentee ballot postcard to vote in this year's Village Election!

Contact the Village Board

Can't make it to a Board meeting on the second or fourth Monday of the month? No worries, you can reach the Board via email. Send the details in an email to board@hrvboard.org. You will reach all the members including the Columbia Council Representative. Information about Village Board meetings is on the website, hickoryridgevillage.org.

Columbia Association Open Space

If you have concerns about the condition of pathways or other CA open space areas, you may reach out directly to CA. Email photos or information to open.space@columbiaassociation.org.

Stay Social!

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram [@hickoryridgevillage](https://www.instagram.com/hickoryridgevillage). To receive the e-newsletter issues of *The Log*, scan this QR code or go to bit.ly/3GyJja5 to sign up today!



Report Non-Emergency Issues

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

SAVE THE DATE! The Hickory Ridge Pool Party is scheduled for July 5th from 6:00—8:00pm at the Hawthorn Pool!

Registration will begin May 1st! This event is FREE to attend and open to Hickory Ridge residents only. You do not need to have a CA pool membership to attend. Pool games, music and a FREE treat from I Loves Me Some Snowballs, Sweets and Treats. Picnics are strongly encouraged.

Thank You!

All of the volunteers who give time to our Village to keep it functioning deserve our thanks! Check the next page for the list of volunteers on the Hickory Ridge Board and committees. The Village cannot do all it does without them!

Village Meetings

For more information, visit the website.

April 14th: Board meeting, virtual, 7:30pm

April 16th: RAC meeting, virtual, 7:30pm

April 28th: Board meeting, in-person, 7:30pm

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Village Office Services

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

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? Email applications@hickoryridgevillage.org or call the Village office at 410-730-7327.



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!

TheHawthornCenter.org



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