

The Log

July 3, 2025

What's happening in and around the Village of Hickory Ridge!
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The Hawthorn Center will be closed on July 4th in observance of Independence Day. Have a safe and happy holiday!



Hickory Ridge Community Association Upcoming Meetings

July 5: Family Pool Party, 6-8pm - Waitlist ONLY

July 14: Board Meeting, 7:30pm*

July 16: RAC Meeting, 7:30pm*

July 22 & 23: Story Time, 10:00am, please [RSVP](#)

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



The Columbia Association is so excited to co-host another July 4th celebration with Howard County Rec & Parks, and Merriweather Arts & Culture Center is producing the incredible entertainment. CA's [interactive resource guide](#) covers everything you need to know to have a great time .

Where: Downtown Columbia Lakefront (10275 Wincopin Cir, Columbia, MD 21044).

- Plan ahead for road closures! Little Patuxent Parkway will be closed between Symphony Woods Road and Governor Warfield Parkway starting at 6pm.
- This year, we're proud to offer expanded ADA parking. [Check out our resource guide](#) to see the designated lot at 10324 Little Patuxent Parkway - it's available on a first-come, first-served basis starting at 2pm.
- Free public parking is located at the Mall in Columbia and other nearby public lots. Plus, our friends at Bike HoCo will bring back the free bike corral.
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When: Friday, July 4, 2025.

- Blankets may be placed at 3pm.
- Food trucks from local vendors will be available starting at 5pm.
- Music starts at 6pm with the Sidleys, followed by Dustbowl Revival at 7:30pm.
- Fireworks start around 9:10-9:20.



Hickory Ridge Block Party Grants

Plan Your Block Party in Hickory Ridge!

Get ready to connect with your neighbors and celebrate your community! Organize a block party for your street—simply choose a date, complete the application, and share your invitation with your neighbors.

As a bonus, you could receive a \$100 Giant gift card to help cover party supplies!

Only 15 grants are available for CA-assessed addresses, and they're awarded on a first-come, first-served basis—so don't wait!

Apply here: <https://linktr.ee/hickoryridgevillage>



Hickory Ridge Happy Hour

Tuesday, July 15, 2025, 6:00 PM
Asian Palace, 10801 Hickory Ridge Road
[RSVP required.](#)

Come join community volunteers for a fun evening filled with great company at Asian Palace! Meet some neighbors and learn more about

We can't wait to see you there! [Please RSVP.](#)



Who Works in the Village Office?

Have you ever wondered who works in the Village Office—and what they do?

In the coming issues of the newsletter, we'll introduce you to the dedicated staff members who keep things running smoothly. Each edition will spotlight a different member of our Village Office team.

Covenant Advisor for Violations: Devora Wilkinson

After retiring from a public utility where she served as an Industrial Investigator, Devora brought her regulatory expertise to the Hickory Ridge Community Association (HRCA) eight years ago, joining the team as the part-time Covenant Advisor for Violations. Her background in enforcing environmental regulations has seamlessly translated to her role in upholding HRCA's covenants. Devora is deeply committed to maintaining the integrity and appearance of Village properties, ensuring homeowners remain in compliance with community standards, while working part-time. In her free time, Devora enjoys gardening and traveling in her RV with her husband and their two Finnish Lapphunds.

Other staff in the Village Office are:

Facility Coordinator

Facility Assistants

Village Manager - Laura

Covenant Advisor, Compliance and Applications - Tania

Events Coordinator - Emily

Keep an eye on this space for information about the other staff members!



Columbia Association Outdoor Pools: Now Open!

There are 23 outdoor pools in Columbia, three of which are in the Village of Hickory Ridge:

[Clarys Forest](#)

[Clemens Crossing](#)

[Hawthorn](#)

[For up to the minute pool information, go here!](#)

Pool membership information is available at columbiaassociation.org. If you are not a member, CA offers the programs below:

Second Sunday Swim

CA residents can visit CA's 23 outdoor pools for free on the second Sunday of each month: June 8, July 13, and Aug 10. Residents of CA-assessed property must have a Columbia Card to receive access. Cards can be obtained by contacting CA's Customer Care Team at CMSC@ColumbiaAssociation.org or 410-730-1801. Address verification and dependent children's birth certificates are required. For more information, call 410-730-1801.

Columbia Card Free Passes

In addition, CA is offering each Columbia Cardholder household four (4)

passes to use at any outdoor pool! Some restrictions apply. Passes can only be used Monday through Thursday, excluding holidays—one pass per person. You must bring your card. Columbia Cards cannot be issued at the time of use.

[To apply for a Columbia Card, go here!](#)

Plus, check out these free events open to the entire community:

- World's Largest Swim Lesson (Thursday, June 26). Join us at Faulkner Ridge Pool for this global event focused on drowning prevention and water safety. CA is proud to take part in this international effort—everyone is welcome to participate!
- Coral Reef Encounter (Saturday, July 19-Sunday, July 20). Snorkel through a colorful, immersive display and enjoy live music at Jeffers Hill Pool, open for ages five and older.



HCPSS Summer Meal Program

HCPSS will offer its [free summer meal program](#) weekdays June 23-Aug. 1 (except July 4) from 12:30-2 p.m. at locations across Howard County. Open to all HCPSS students and any children ages 18 and under, there are no applications, enrollment or fees to participate in this program, however children must be present to receive free meals. Free meals also will be provided to all students participating in HCPSS summer programs.



Keep Hickory Ridge Beautiful!

Have you walked around your house to check for maintenance issues recently? Is your siding clean? Are your trash and recycling bins stowed in your garage or on the side of your house? Are your garden beds and shrubs neat and tidy?

Our neighborhoods look their best when everyone works together to keep their homes looking good! Keep Hickory Ridge beautiful!



Rent The Hawthorn Center for Your Next Event!

Host your seminar, anniversary celebration, baby shower, or birthday party at The Hawthorn Center! Our richly appointed, contemporary atmosphere is the perfect backdrop for any occasion. We offer affordable rental space in a tasteful and convenient setting. We hope you will consider The Hawthorn Center for your next event. For more information, go to our website: <https://hickoryridgevillage.org/rentals/>

SUMMER ART FUN

This four-session series is inspired by Picasso of the Cubism movement of the early 20th century! Have fun learning the art of paper mâché to create decorative wall masks. Learn about the art and cultural significance of masks and their symbolism, as well as storytelling traditions. All supplies are included.

Tuesday-Friday, July 8-11, 2-4pm

\$95 CA members • \$105 Non-members

AGES 11-15

WALL

MASKS

WITH GUEST ARTISTS MELISSA PRESSLER AND CHERI GLOVER



Columbia Association Columbia Art Center 6100 Foreland Garth, Columbia, MD 21045
410-730-0075 • art.staff@columbiaassociation.org • ColumbiaArtCenter.org

The Hickory Ridge Community Association Presents

ICE CREAM Story Time

STORIES ***CRAFTS ***TREATS

TUESDAY, JULY 22ND & WEDNESDAY, JULY 23RD
10AM

THE HAWTHORN CENTER
6175 SUNNY SPRING

FREE TO ATTEND AND ALL ARE WELCOME.
BEST FOR KIDDOS 0-5 AND THEIR ADULT
FRIEND(S).

Please RSVP to: events@hickoryridgevillage.org

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We have received lots of questions about whether we'll be having a flea market, bringing back bingo, or planning other fun events. So, we thought you might appreciate having this flyer with all the upcoming info in one place! Stay tuned and mark your calendars — we've got some great things coming!

Hickory Ridge Community Association's

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please email Emily at events@hickoryridgevillage.org
for more info!



Scan the QR code to learn more!

**Aug
25th**

BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY--5:30-7:30PM

Join us in the Hawthorn Center Parking Lot for a frozen treat, live music, and food trucks! Representatives from several PTAs and Scout Troops will table to help you get more involved! FREE to attend!

**Sept.
6th**

BOYD CRU WINE TASTING--7-9PM

\$30 to attend. Admission includes a professionally guided tasting of four hand-selected wines, accompanied by lite bites. Must be 21+ to attend. Space is limited and pre-registration required.

**Sept.
13th**

FLEA MARKET--8-10:30AM

Registration to sell at the Flea Market opens July 14th! Please email Emily to reserve & pay for your flea market space(s). \$10 for 1, \$15 for 2, \$20 for 3.

**Sept.
16th &
17th**

BIRD STORY TIME--9:30AM

Designed for 0-5 year olds and an adult friend. Attendees will enjoy a story, a craft and treats at The Hawthorn Center. FREE to attend but please RSVP!

**More
Events!**

- September 22nd: Winter Artisan Market Application Opens! The market will be held on November 16th from 2-5pm
- October 10th from 6:30-8:30pm: Board & Brush Craft
- October 14 & 15 at 9:30: Apple Story Time
- November 15th at 7pm: Family Bingo

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TWO COLUMBIA FAVORITES,
ONE NIGHT OF FREE FUN!



Start with Dancin' Under the People Tree led by CA fitness instructors, then enjoy a family-friendly movie under the stars hosted by Columbia's own Mr. B!



Fridays, June 6 – August 29
Dancing at 7pm
Movies at Dusk (~8:15pm)



**Movie lineup
includes:**

Moana 2
Mufasa
Princess Bride
Wicked
Inside Out 2
Minecraft Movie
Sonic 3
Snow White
In the Heights
Mission Impossible
& MORE!



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2025-2026 Programs

Morning 3s

Tu/W/Th
9:00-11:45am

- Must be 3 by 12/31/25
- 16 students max
- 2 Teachers
- Co-Op Volunteer

***Waitlist
Open!***

Morning 4s

M/W/F
9:00-11:45am

- Must be 4 by 12/31/25
- 16 students max
- 2 Teachers
- Co-Op Volunteer

***Waitlist
Open!***

Afternoon 4s

M/Tu/W/Th
12:30-3:15pm

- Must be 4 by 12/31/25
- 18 students max
- Co-op optional




Now offering LUNCH BUNCH option:

AM classes extend to 12:30 dismissal
PM classes extend to 11:45 start

Spaces limited, offered on first come basis



Registration Hotline: 410-929-6730 /
ecvp1@gmail.com or visit our website!

 Registration

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2025-2026 PROGRAMS

TWO YEAR OLD PROGRAM

- Tuesday, Thursday
- 9:15 - 11:15 AM
- Class size: 10
- \$225 / month
- Must be 2 by 9/1

THREE YEAR OLD PROGRAM

- Monday, Wednesday, Friday
- 9:15 - 11:45 AM
- Class size: 16
- \$275 / month
- Must be 3 by 9/1

FOUR YEAR OLD PROGRAM

- Monday - Friday
- 12:30 - 3 PM
- Class size: 16
- \$370 / month
- must be 4 by 10/15

Contact us at info@wlcnet.net with questions or to schedule a tour. Register online at WLCN.net!
We'd love to welcome you to our co-op preschool!

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Resident Architectural Committee & Exterior Alterations

Resident Architectural Committee (RAC) meeting agendas are available on the Hickory Ridge website. **[Click here to view](#)** upcoming agendas and meeting results.

Exterior Alterations Applications received by the village office by 5 pm on the submission deadline date will be reviewed on the corresponding RAC meeting date. **[Click here for the meeting dates and deadlines.](#)**

RAC meetings are held at 7:30 pm via Zoom. To join the meeting, go to the Village **calendar** and click on the meeting. You will find the invitation to the meeting in the **calendar event**. Though not mandatory, residents are encouraged to attend the meeting.

Applications may be delivered to:
The Hickory Ridge Community Association 6175 Sunny Spring,

Columbia, MD 21044

Or email: **applications@hickoryridgevillage.org**

Questions? Please contact Tania Tavares, Covenant Advisor

Phone: 410-730-7327

Email: **applications@hickoryridgevillage.org**



Babysitters in Hickory Ridge

If you live in Hickory Ridge, 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
- Zandi Jera: sunsetjera@yahoo.com
- Shamiso Dzvairo: sunsetjera@yahoo.com
- Jos Dumont: jos.pierre.dumont@gmail.com
- Sofia Blose 410-707-0332
- Christine Chen: NH8ChristineS@gmail.com
- Carolina Stiefel: 443-467-5811
- Sydney Daniel: danielsydney75@gmail.com
- Kasey LaWall: 301-275-4623
- Le'Mia Tyree: lemia.tyree@gmail.com
- Mia Fatuzzo: miaholdenfatzuzzo@gmail.com
- Aisha Bamidele: aisha_bamidele@yahoo.com
- Yocheved Englander: 443-574-5332
- Daynisha Holloway: daynishah@yahoo.com
- Hermione Bransford: chelsinoelle@gmail.com
- Daphne Richardson: 443-750-1151
- Grace (Stevie) Brown: g.lombard2583@gmail.com

Columbia Association Open Space Dashboard

Columbia Association (CA) Open Space project information is now available online via CA's Project & Access Dashboard. Visit **columbiaassociation.org/open-space/development/real-estate-services/** and click on the Dashboard. You can view various projects, access, and requests currently taking place on CA Open Space.



Who Do I Call?

Check out the [Useful Information page on the Hickory Ridge website](#). There are phone number and/or links to various resources.

Rebuilding Together Howard County

If you or someone you know is a low- or moderate-income homeowner needing essential repairs, Rebuilding Together Howard County is here for you!

With projects covering everything from roof replacements and plumbing repairs to electrical upgrades and accessibility features, Rebuilding Together is dedicated to ensuring safe, healthy homes for all.

Howard County Government is a proud partner and funder of Rebuilding Together, helping dozens of Howard County households every year. Learn more at <https://rebuildingtogetherhowardcounty.org>.



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Housing Repair Program

Who is eligible?

- 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

988 Is Here to Help

Need immediate emotional support? Call 988 to connect to a counselor who can help. Their specialists provide confidential care 24/7. Because we all need help sometimes.

Call whenever you need emergency emotional support or are worried about someone else. The 988 helpline is free and confidential.



Call 988 for emergency emotional support.
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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

Laurel MultiService Center*

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 <https://cac-hc.org/get-help/>



Letter of Compliance

If you are putting your house on the market, 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



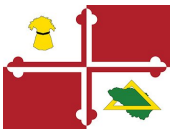
Open Space Questions or Concerns?

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](#).



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 from 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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Rentals of The Hawthorn Center
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