

# THE LOG

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The Hawthorn Center

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Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30-5  
Saturday 9-noon

## Bingo Time!

Family Night Bingo is back at The Hawthorn Center. Join us on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 7:30-9pm. No reservations necessary.

We sell disposable bingo cards at 5/\$1, drinks for 75-cents and snacks for FREE. Winners take home both prizes and cash. See you Friday night.



## Deer Hunts

Howard County's Department of Recreation and Parks resumes its managed deer hunts this fall. On the following dates, hunters will be in the Middle Patuxent Environmental Area in Clary's Forest during the mornings:

October 7  
October 28  
November 11  
December 16  
January 13  
February 10



## Email Group

If you would like to be on our Hickory Ridge Email Group list, contact us via email or call. We send group members Village Board meeting minutes and agendas, police reports that involve incidents in our village, and current news items that miss newsletter deadlines. We send via blind copy and promise not to give your email address to anyone else.

## Raking Leaves



The onset of autumn brings crisp, golden days...and falling leaves. Howard County has asked us to remind resident NOT to rake leaves into the gutters or streets. They end up going into or blocking storm drains.

The county will take an unlimited amount of bagged leaves at your curb on recycling days. If you prefer to use paper yard waste bags, you can pick up some for FREE at The Hawthorn Center. Howard County has given us a supply, because the paper bags can be easily shredded along with the yard waste. Call us at 410-730-7327 to check our supply.

If raking is not your thing, consider going together with your neighbors and hiring a company to vacuum your leaves at a discount!

## Wine Tasting

Compare various types of wines under the tutelage of Eric Stein from Decanter Fine Wines. On Friday, October 9, at 7:30pm, Hickory Ridge will sponsor an evening of wine tasting and wine education at The Hawthorn Center. Admission is \$15 per person. Adults only. We will provide cheeses, bread, crackers and snacks to add to the party atmosphere. Please register in advance by calling 410-730-7327. This event fills up fast, so reserve your spot soon.



# Shredding



Howard County will sponsor a Free Shredding Event on October 17<sup>th</sup> from 9am-1pm at the Meadowbrook Park and Ride. The Park & Ride is located at the Long Gate exit off Route 100.

County residents may bring up to 3 bags or boxes of paper to be shredded on-site. No commercial or business materials will be allowed.

# Recycle Electronics

If you don't want to drive to the Marriottsville Landfill and Recycling Center, you can take old TV's and other electronics to Best Buy. Check out the web site, [www.Bestbuy.com](http://www.Bestbuy.com), for limitations.

# Tot Lot Redo



The Columbia Association will rebuild the tot lot inside the Little Patuxent Parkway loop in the spring. Equipment will include a large fort with 10-ft slide, swings, 2 spring cars, a 4-seat seesaw, a whirler, a play panel, and sandbox. Oh, to be young.

# Drive-thru Shots

The Health Department will sponsor a drive-thru clinic on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 10am-2pm, on the Columbia Gateway Drive Loop. Health officials want to evaluate the county's ability to immunize the population on a large scale. Professionals will administer free **seasonal flu vaccines**. Call 410-313-6503 for information



# Master Gardener

Register now for the free Master Gardener class at The Hawthorn Center on Tuesday, November 3, from 7:30-8:30pm. The presenter will teach you to create lovely decorations for your home using materials found on the forest floor, in the grocery and in your winter garden. Save your seat by calling 410-730-7327.



# Halloween



This year John Taylor, the Kinderman, will entertain children at the Hickory Ridge Village Center located on Freetown Road on Friday, Oct. 30. Showtime is from 5-6pm in the court area. After the entertainment, the center's merchants will welcome the children for trick or treating.

# Craft Shop



Plan to do some of your holiday shopping at the annual Hickory Ridge Craft Shop at The Hawthorn Center on Sunday, November 22, from 2-5pm. Twenty-two crafters and artisans will offer a wide array of hand-made items perfect for your holiday giving.



# Changes Coming?

If you are considering changes to the exterior of your property (addition, deck, fence, shed, color changes, major landscaping, lighting, play equipment, windows, doors... to name a few examples) be sure to first submit an Exterior Alteration Application to the Village Office for Architectural Committee review. Applications forms are available at The Hawthorn Center or you can download a copy at our web site, [www.hickoryridgecommunityassociation.org](http://www.hickoryridgecommunityassociation.org).



If you have questions about the covenants, Architectural Guidelines or review process, call us during our regular daytime office hours at 410-730-7327.

# Readers' Exchange

**FOR SALE:** three V-Tech cordless phones w/answering machine. 5.8 GH Digital Spectrum. \$20. Call 410-992-9676

**WANTED:** experienced mah jongg player for Thursday afternoon game 410-730-6264

**FOR SALE:** treadmill \$110 or best offer, weight bench & bar w/170 lbs of weights, \$70 OBO. 410-997-3585

## Contract Signed

On September 22<sup>nd</sup>, the Columbia Association signed a contract with Mobile Dredging and Pumping Company of Chester, Pennsylvania, for the long-awaited dredging of Lake Elkhorn. Those of you who visit and enjoy walking around Lake Elkhorn should see action soon.

## Schedule

Oct 5 – Village Board meets at 7:30pm

Oct 6 – Deadline for Exterior Alteration Applications for Oct 21 RAC review.

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Oct 7 – Resident Architectural Committee meets at Hawthorn Center at 7:30pm

The following Exterior Alteration Applications will be reviewed at the Oct. 7 RAC meeting:

11809 Blue February Way / shed

10333 Log Raft / detached garage/barn

11901 Yellow Rush Path / landscaping, tree removal

12135 Red Stream Way / patio, walkway, dry stream/rock garden, free-standing lattice

10919 Harmel Drive / paddock fence

6268 Martin Road / color change of shutters

6085 Covington Road / windows, sliders

11705 Lightfall Court / solar panels

6086 Loventree Road / split rail fence

10968 Harmel Drive / addition, deck

6692 Hawkeye Run / windows

6601 Dovecote Drive / window, slider, French doors