

THE LOG

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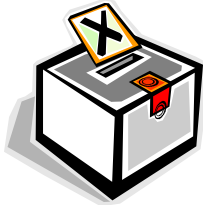
Hickory Ridge Village
The Hawthorn Center

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Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30-5
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April 24 Elections

On Saturday, April 24, between 9am and 3pm, cast your ballot and choose the five-member Village Board of Directors and our village's rep to the CA Board of Directors. This year we have six candidates vying for the five Village Board positions. Those six are John Bailey, Miles Coffman, Linda Hitzelberger, Tom Loudon, Tina Sinclair Smith and Michelle Wood. Gregg Schwind, our present CA Rep, will run unopposed.



In the *Flier's* Election Supplement, printed in the body of the *Flier*, find the statements and photographs of all our candidates. You will also find the candidates statements at the end of this newsletter. Please be advised that there is an error in the election supplement in that Michelle Wood's statement was incomplete. The correct version is in this newsletter.

If you are unable to vote in person on April 24, you may stop in the village office ahead of time to fill out an absentee ballot. Remember, that our legal documents permit one vote per household.

Candidates Night

Meet the candidates and ask them questions at Candidates Night on April 19th at 7:30pm in The Hawthorn Center. The Village Board meeting will immediately follow.

Bean Count



Those residents who vote in person on April 24 will be able to participate in the annual Jelly Bean Count. The winner receives \$50!

Flea Market

Don't miss the Annual Election Day Flea Market in the front parking lot of The Hawthorn Center on Election Day, April 24th. We charge \$10 per parking slot or \$15 for a double slot. The Flea Market is advertised to run from 9am – 1pm. Stop by our office in The Hawthorn Center to reserve your preferred space. We will advertise the market again in our April 15th LOG and also in the April 22nd *Flier* classified section.

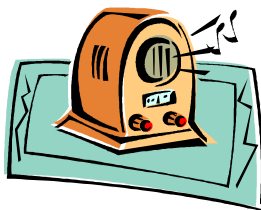


Quorum?

If we fail to receive 330 ballots by April 24, the Election Committee has preselected and approved May 8th (9am-3pm) as a second election day. All ballots cast before and on April 24 will be included in the May 8 count. Check our web site for the April 24 results. See www.hickoryridgecommunityassociation.org. We will have absentee ballots available for any second election.

Senior Lunch

Attend the Spring Senior Lunch at The Hawthorn Center on Thursday, May 20, at 11:30am. For a meager \$4 charge, we will provide a bountiful lunch and unique entertainment.



Hugo Keesing, a retired, popular University of MD American Studies teacher, will take us back to the 1940's with recordings of music, speeches and radio programs. He will recall events, issues, products, fads, people and styles that shaped our lives in the 40's. Call us at 410-730-7327 to reserve your seat.

Drama Kids

Join Drama Kids this summer at The Hawthorn Center for ages 6-12 from 9am-5pm during the weeks of July 19 or August 9. Learn acting skills and star in a special end-of-session performance. Call 410-480-2017 for complete info or go to www.dramakids.com/md1.



Home Tour

Tickets are now on sale for the Columbia Home Tour to be held on Sunday, June 6, between 11am and 5pm. Each ticket holder will receive a tour booklet and embark on a self-conducted tour of five **distinctive homes** in Columbia.



See a fabulous, renovated townhouse on the water in Wilde Lake, an exciting contemporary in Harper's Choice, a unique "green" home in Oakland Mills, a jazzy patio home and a lovely 2-story brick traditional in Long Reach.

All proceeds will benefit the One Month's Rent Initiative, a local charity that helps employed Howard County residents who are in danger of losing their housing due to a life crisis.

Tickets are \$20 and are available at Stonehouse in Long Reach. Call 410-730-8113 for info.

Readers Exchange

FOR SALE: tan Bassett sect. sofa, googd condition , \$200; DR set w/ glass table \$300; large mirror \$75; office desk \$100. 410-992-4322.

Schedule

Apr 19 – Candidates Night, 7:30pm, Hawthorn

Apr 19 – Village Board meets afterwards

Apr 20 – Deadline for April 29 Log

Apr 20 – Deadline for Exterior Alterations for May 5 RAC review

Apr 21 – Resident Architectural Committee meets at Hawthorn Center at 7:30pm

The following Exterior Alteration Applications will be reviewed at the Apr 21 RAC meeting:

10356 Blue Arrow Court / siding, shutters

11748 Bright Passage / paint house & trim

10766 Cordage Walk / windows

11744 Bright Passage / retaining wall

11885 Bright Passage / tree removals, retaining wall, landscaping

6712 Hawkeye Run / walkway

10824 Bird Song Pass / fence

6229 Sunny Spring / front door, trim light fixtures

Village Board Candidates

The following six persons have submitted candidate statements for the five available positions on the Hickory Ridge Village Board. Their statements follow in random order.

LINDA HITZELBERGER, 6277 Golden Hook

I am requesting your vote for reelection to the Hickory Ridge Board of Directors. I have served on the board for more than 15 years and would love the opportunity to serve again. You can count on me to be at the meetings informed and ready to do the job you entrusted to me. I am dedicated to my Village- pure and simple.

I hope that you come out to vote and encourage your neighbors to do the same. Thank you

MICHELLE WOOD, 6263 Golden Hook

It has been an honor to serve as your representative on the Village Board and Architectural Committee for the past two years. Since being elected, I have never missed a village board meeting or architectural appeal. One of my top priorities has always been advocating for safe and well-maintained neighborhoods so that our village continues to be one of the most desirable areas to live. Columbia is on the verge of major changes due to downtown development and village center revitalization. It is crucial that we continue our active role in these processes because they will directly impact the residents of Hickory Ridge. Redevelopment is going to have a major impact on Columbia: structurally, socially, and environmentally. I will do everything I can to ensure that the changes are both responsible and positive. I always welcome your input.

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MILES COFFMAN, 6231 Bright Plume

I seek your vote for re-election to the Village of Hickory Ridge Board of Directors. This past year the Hickory Ridge Village Board opposed zoning changes for surrounding out-parcels, worked to resolve traffic issues, and was the voice of the Village in the redevelopment of downtown. The Board also began to develop a master plan for the Hickory Ridge Village Center by forming a committee to do initial research. I look forward to continuing to work for the Citizens of the Village. Please vote.

TINA SINCLAIR SMITH, 10360 Quarterstaff Road

Columbia “pioneer”, resident in Clemens Crossing 21 years, where my husband and I raised our daughter and designed and built a home. Work and management experience: Howard County music educator 35 years; co-founder and director of nonprofit music school; board member, Howard County Arts Council; past president, Columbia Community Players; licensed real estate agent; professional home stager. Relocated in 1965 from Seattle for my Dad’s work, assisting Jim Rouse in forming of religious Interfaith Centers and low cost housing. I’ve seen Columbia grow from the ground up. I advocate protecting and promoting our Village’s great value, beauty and services, and assisting participation and communication amongst residents. I am passionate about Columbia values: education, the arts, resident governance, smart growth concepts, protection of the environment, and issues of fairness and equality. I’m a no-nonsense, hardworking team player.

TOM LOUDEN, 11776 Bright Passage

I have served the Village of Hickory Ridge as a member of its Board for the past ten years. Why do I seek this position year after year? Because I love my community and wish to continue doing my best to make Hickory Ridge Village and Columbia an even better place to live. Being retired for the past ten years has permitted me to deal with the many issues that require my time any time of the day.

I have served as Chairman of the Architectural Committee for a number of years now and have worked closely with the Residential Architectural Committee and

other members of the Board to develop Guidelines and a resident-friendly philosophy on their enforcement without compromising the goals or intentions of our covenants.

JOHN BAILEY, 12039 White Cord Way

It has been my pleasure to serve on the Hickory Ridge Village Board for the past two years, and I would be honored to continue to serve. As a life long resident of Howard County and an Atholton High School graduate, I have over 30 years background knowledge and experience on the issues facing the residents of Hickory Ridge and Howard County.

This has been an exciting year in the life of our community as vitalization plans for downtown Columbia were passed and are now going through the planning process. My concern will always be for Hickory Ridge and what is best for our residents and the long term impact of development on our community. Community service is a vital part of life in Hickory Ridge and I would be honored to continue to serve you on the Village Board. Thank you for your support.