

The Scroll

May 2023

Village website: www.dorseyssearch.org



Shredding rescheduled for May 20 from 9am—noon.

This is for residents of Dorsey's Search only.

No corporations or businesses allowed.

Exclusively for residential use only.

Please remember to bring ID.

*Please come and purchase ticket soon. We need a head count for the caterer.
Don't wait until the last minute.*



Pre-Memorial Day BBQ



COMMUNITY BBQ

LAWN GAMES & FOOD

In the Yard

Lawn Darts,
Croquet, corn
hole, and a
basketball free
throw game

BBQ

Sirloin Hamburgers, All
Beef Hot Dogs, Potato
Salad, Chips,
brownies, cookies,
soft drinks

Purchase

Come to Linden Hall to
purchase your tickets
starting **April 4**. Bring your
friends and/or family who
live outside of Dorsey's
Search.

SEE YOU THERE!

NO TICKETS SOLD AT DOOR.

SATURDAY, MAY 20 4PM - 7PM
LINDEN HALL - 4765 DORSEY HALL DR

**\$5 PER PERSON - CA LIEN
PROPERTY OWNER**

**\$10 per person for
non-CA lien guest**

Reminders

Shredding
May 20 9am—noon

Community BBQ
May 20 3pm—7pm
Tickets still available

Village Office Closed
May 29
Memorial Day

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**Dorsey's Search
Community Association
Information**

Village Board Meeting Schedule

All village board meetings are currently held via Zoom. Each regular meeting has a scheduled resident speak-out for residents to voice their opinion on issues of concern. Meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. unless otherwise noted. A link is posted on our website under the Village Board-Meeting, Minutes and Agenda and our facebook page. Please email Ingrid Hatz if you have any questions, see email below.

- Wednesday, May 10, 2023
- Wednesday, June 14, 2023
- Wednesday, July 12, 2023

Agendas and approved minutes are posted on the village website.

Village Office Staff

Phone: 410-730-4005

Ingrid Hatz, Village Manager—ihatz@dorseyssearch.org

Anne McKissick, Covenant Advisor—amckissick@dorseyssearch.org

Nancy Meredith, Administrative Assistant to the Village Manager—
nmeredith@dorseyssearch.org

Bitsy Furr	Facility Assistant
Patricia Jones	Facility Assistant
Kathy Ralston	Facility Assistant
Charles Treger	Facility Assistant
Eudora Ezirike	Facility Assistant
Bill Saliccioli	Set-up Tech

Village Board Members

Ellen Mackey	410-730-4005
Derek Carey	410-730-4005
Crissy Simpson	410-730-4005
Luke Menefee	410-730-4005

Columbia Council Representative

Chris Fuchs	410-730-4005
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Office Hours

Monday, Friday	8am— 3pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday	8am—7pm
Saturday	9am—11am
Sunday	Open for rental; no village office hours

Please call in advance for rental availability.

Website: www.dorseyssearch.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/dorseyssearch/>

Twitter: Dorsey's Search C.A. @dorseyssearch

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Dorsey's Search Community Association mission shall promote the health, safety, common good and social welfare of Dorsey's Search residents. The Board's mission is not for pecuniary gain or profit. The Village will sponsor, engage in, conduct and encourage cultural, educational, social, civic and other beneficial activities.

Village Board Notes

April 2023

⇒ Approved FY'24 Budget



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Thank You!

Although the Village did not have an election this year, we would like to thank all of our Volunteers for their dedication to our community. Your precious time has made this community a sought after place to live. Accolades to the following:

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|----------------|---------------|
| Ellen Mackey | John Ingalls |
| Derek Carey | Marc Volkmann |
| Crissy Simpson | John Slater |
| Luke Menefee | Dick Hesse |
| Chris Fuchs | Norman Wright |

A Special Shoutout to **Dick Boulton**. He has represented Dorsey's Search as our Columbia Council Representative for countless years. He decided not to run for another term. May you enjoy all of your free time. Thank you!

Want to join our Constant Contact group? Use your phone to scan this QR code. Type in your email address and name, press Sign up. It is that simple. We send out Crime Bulletins and other pertinent information regarding the happenings of our Village. Be in the know!



Covenant

Corner

The Resident Architectural Committee (RAC) is a village board appointed volunteer committee that meets twice a month to review exterior alteration applications. Property owners must apply for **ALL** exterior changes to their property/home. If you have any questions regarding the application process, please feel free to contact the Covenant Advisor at 410-730-4005, ext. 11. The Exterior Alteration Application can be found at our web site. www.dorseyssearch.org in the Covenant section.

Approved/Denied Applications: Mar16–Mar17 (descriptions are abbreviated)
 Application Approvals:
 4986 Dorsey Hall Dr C3—windows
 4233 Red Bandana—roof
 4220 Scarlet Sage—garage door
 5169 Columbia—Exterior lights
 5324 Tarkington—siding & trim
 4753 Leyden—deck & deck undercover
 4753 Leyden—Patio
 4248 Lilac—roof
 Dorsey’s Choice Townhouse HOA—replace steps at playground
 4201 Eagles Wing—tree removal, landscaping, white string lights
 4262 Bright Bay—garage doors, basement stairs including door & railings, crawlspace door and oval window
 4282 Bright Bay—Landscaping
 5115 Columbia—garage door
 4998 Dorsey Hall Dr B3—windows & slider
 4561 Kingscup—windows
 4001 Chariots Flight—tree removal
 4018 Twilight Grove—deck, pergola
 4201 Bright Bay—front door
 4536 Hemlock Cone—roof
 4056 Fragile Sail—front door, roof, door trim, portico, shutters, lattice under deck, deck railing, exterior lights
 4507 Kingscup—windows

4737 Columbia—fence
 4250 Bright Bay—front door, 3 season room, new patio
 4582 Kingscup—tree removal
 4613 Smokey Wreath—deck stain
Approved as an exception
 4264 Lilac—fence
 4663 Willowgrove—fence

Application Deadlines and Meeting Dates

7p.m. Deadline	Review Date
May 2	May 17
May 16	Jun 7
Jun 6	Jun 21
Jun 20	Jul 5
Jul 5*	Jul 19
*date due to holiday	

Grass needs to be mowed.

Not only on your property but on any adjacent county right of away (remember the back & side of your property). Howard County Code 18.402 - Maintenance of sidewalks, driveways, and sod: It shall be the duty and obligation of the owner of the property.



grass

Did you know?.....Office Staff, Committee Members, and Board Members may enter your property to inspect for maintenance, construction and alterations.

Dorsey’s Search Village Covenants—SECTION 7.09.

Any agent of HRD and CIDC or of the Architectural Committee or of CPRA or the Association when the latter two entities are entitled to exercise rights of enforcement hereunder may at any reasonable time or times enter upon and inspect any Lot and any improvement thereon for the purpose of ascertaining whether the maintenance of such Lot and the maintenance, construction or alteration of Structures thereon are in compliance with the provisions hereof; and neither HRD and CIDC, CPRA, the Association nor the Architectural Committee nor any such agent shall be deemed to have committed a trespass or other wrongful act by reason of such entry or inspection.

Complaints, which remain anonymous, should be brought to the attention of the Covenant Advisor, who will investigate to verify if a violation exists. The property owner is notified and asked to correct the violation either by removal, by submission of an acceptable application, or by repair in the case of a maintenance problem. Most problems are resolved at this stage; however, if no action is taken to correct the violation, a formal notice from the Board of Directors can be sent, stating that legal remedies may be initiated. A letter stating that the property is in compliance will not be issued if a violation exists, and this may affect property resale.

DUMPSTER/POD/RV/Trailer

Please call the Village Office at 410-730-4005 or email Anne McKissick at amckissick@dorseyssearch.org if you are having any of these items temporarily parked on your property. Please give us an address and a timeframe. A portable storage unit shall not be left on a lot for more than 30 days.

Columbia Council Representative Report to the Dorsey’s Search Village Board of Directors– April 2023

- A timeline was prepared for the recruitment of a new President/CEO who would take office at the conclusion of FY24.
- Discussions on a new Board Ethics Code continue. Points to be resolved regard Code enforcement guidelines and conflicts of interest, particularly as it affects service on the Inner Arbor board of directors.
- The Board continues to discuss CA's overall Watershed Plan and the Lake Elkhorn Stream Restoration Project. We will be getting legal advice regarding the terms of the easement granted to WSSI.
- Coming up are discussions on the Emergency Cash Reserves Policy, a new Five-Year Strategic Plan and proposed new committee structures.

Dorsey Hall Garden Club

submitted by Joan Oliver, Dorsey Hall Garden Club

Spring is finally here and as gardeners, we are intrinsically drawn outside on the first warm days. We peruse our gardens and begin our daily inspection, watching to see what magically will reappear as the sunlight increases and the weather warms. By now we have seen crocus, daffodils and other early spring bulbs bloom along with the glorious magnolia and cherry trees. And now, in late April, we are seeing an array of deciduous trees and shrubs budding and leaving and nondescript perennial shoots peaking up from the warming soil. Some of these we recognize and others we will have to wait to rediscover. It's an exciting time to be in nature.

This time of year, I would encourage you to visit a garden. Nearby Brookside Gardens is a great place to visit, where you can experience their well-developed grounds that are all inspiring. If you can, I would also recommend traveling to one of the Dupont gardens, Longwood, Winterthur or Mt. Cuba. All are unique in what they offer. On a recent trip to Winterthur, I saw the most spectacular expanse of *Anemone appenina* or Italian Windflower. Such a trip will renew your spirit and inspire you to create.



"In the spring, at the end of the day, you should smell like dirt." Margaret Atwood

The University of Maryland, Howard County Master Gardener offers several programs to help inform individuals interested in gardening. Ask a Master Gardener sessions are now going on at our local libraries, check the website for time and place. In addition, the Bay-wise Landscape Management program is designed to educate residents about landscape practices that work to protect the Bay and our local streams and rivers.

If you are having questions regarding water run off or other water related issues on your property, contact them thru the website to arrange for a visit. Experienced Master Gardeners will help to identify and suggest solutions to your situation. (Website: extension.umd.edu)

The Dorsey Hall Garden Club meets monthly. Our Club is dedicated to encouraging the love of gardening and promoting positive horticultural practices and conservation through education of its members and the broader community. Visit us on Facebook. New members are welcomed. Please email Karen Griffith at tgriff@hotmail.com

Electronic version of the newsletter

You can sign up for the electronic version of the newsletter.
Just email Nancy Meredith at
nmeredith@dorseyssearch.org

Please supply an email address and your property address.

If you have new neighbors, be sure to tell them about the newsletter. We don't receive new owner information on a frequent basis.

Ever wonder—What does my CA annual assessment pay for?

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<https://www.columbiaassociation.org/annual-charge/>

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The Howard County Bureau of Highways is responsible for pavement, sidewalks, storm drains, trees, and over 970 miles of county roads for the convenience and safety of the public. If you see a problem within the village please call the appropriate number below or use the TellHoCo App that can be downloaded onto your cell phone. Tell-HoCo may also be accessed by visiting the County website at www.howardcountymd.gov

Traffic Engineering Division...This division is responsible for traffic signals, streetlight installation, street signs, and traffic calming and safety. 410-313-2430.

Street Signs...The Sign and Marking Division is responsible for all existing street signs and pavement markings. To report damaged or down sign, contact 410-313-7450. To inquire about the installation of a new sign, contact 410-313-2430.

To Report a Highway Maintenance concern such as road condition, sidewalks, storm drainage or street trees, contact the Highways Operations Division at 410-313-7450 or by email: highways@howardcountymd.gov.

To Report a Traffic Control concerns such as intersection safety, traffic calming, street lights and miss-timed traffic signal or school flasher, contact the Traffic Engineering Division at 410-313-2430 or by email: traffic@howardcountymd.gov.

Street Lights...BGE is responsible for all street light outages and maintenance, ("knocked down", "bulb out" or "on in daylight") - their Customer Service number is 800-685-0123 or online at www.BGE.com

Mailbox Problems: Mailboxes are the property of the US Postal Department please call 410-750-1340 for Ellicott City and 410-381-4373 for Columbia.

County Council Representative for Dorsey's Search (District 1): Liz Walsh can be reached at (410) 313-2001

Street trees need pruning call 410-313-7450.

Animal Control.....	410-313-2780
CA.....	410-715-3000
Trash/Recycling Collection.....	410-313-6444
HC Information.....	410-313-3000
Voter Information.....	410-313-5820
Bus Schedules.....	800-270-9553
Senior Info. & Assist.....	410-313-1234
Police Non-emergency.....	410-313-2200
HC Police General Information.....	410-313-3200
HC Board of ED.....	410-313-6682
Cable Complaints.....	410-313-3318
Columbia Association.....	410-715-3000
HC Citizens Services.....	410-313-6400
HC Licensing & Permits.....	410-313-2455

Bulk Trash Items: Residents receiving County-provided curbside trash collection are eligible for curbside bulk trash and metal collection. Residents in private areas that do not receive County collection are not eligible for bulk pickup. Remember: Bulk trash items collected by the County will be sent to a landfill. Residents may call 410-313-6444. Large trash items (individual items which do not fit in trash cans) such as mattresses, box springs, chairs, sofas, dressers and tables will be collected. Place these items at the curb on your regular trash day. Maximum of 4 large trash items will be collected per pick-up. Items must be able to be lifted by two collection crew members (larger items will be tagged and left for the resident's disposal). Bulk metal items include metal swing sets, file cabinets, appliances, lawn mowers, exercise equipment, etc. must be scheduled. Please remove doors from refrigerators, and drain oil and gas from lawn mowers. Please go to:

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/curbsidecollections> for detailed information.

Trash and Recycling Pick-up: there are holidays that the County has moved pick up to a slide schedule. If you have further questions, please Call 410-313-6444 or visit their website at: www.howardcountymd.gov/holidayschedule

All trash and recycling cans should be removed from the street on the pick-up day and stored out of sight.

Yard Trim Collection: Howard County offers yard trim collection on the same day as recycling collection. Do not use plastic bags for your yard trim—it will not be collected. Use paper bags or reusable containers without lids only. Howard County offers the “**Feed the Green Bin**” program in our Village. Please visit the Howard County website if you are interested in participating. Information and tips can be located on the website.

<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/public-works/feed-green-bin>

Linden Hall is available for rental

Please email Ingrid Hatz for available dates and information regarding capacity. Dates are booking up quick. Her email is:

ihatz@dorseyssearch.org

It's never too early to plan a special event at Linden Hall!

Saturday, May 20th Events

at Linden Hall (4765 Dorsey Hall Drive, Ellicott City)

Document Shredding 9am - noon

Dorsey's Search residents ONLY!
ID will be requested.

This event is exclusively for residents.

No corporations or businesses!

This is weather permitting. Please go to our website or visit our facebook page for any cancellations.



Community BBQ 4pm - 7pm

Tickets still available.

Only \$5 per person

Guests residing outside of
Dorsey's Search - \$10/person

Bring your friends for an unplugged evening of fun games and good food.

DORSEY'S SEARCH VILLAGE

IT'S A POOL PARTY!

Tickets Distribution begins May 8 during business hours.

No tickets sales at door.

Price: \$4/person

When: Sat, June 17, 2023

Where: Dorsey Hall pool
located at 4649 Columbia Road,
Ellicott City

Time: 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Dorsey's Search residents only!

IF THE POOL CLOSSES DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER, WE BRING THE FOOD UP TO LINDEN HALL BECAUSE WE'VE ORDERED IT.

Keep in mind.....

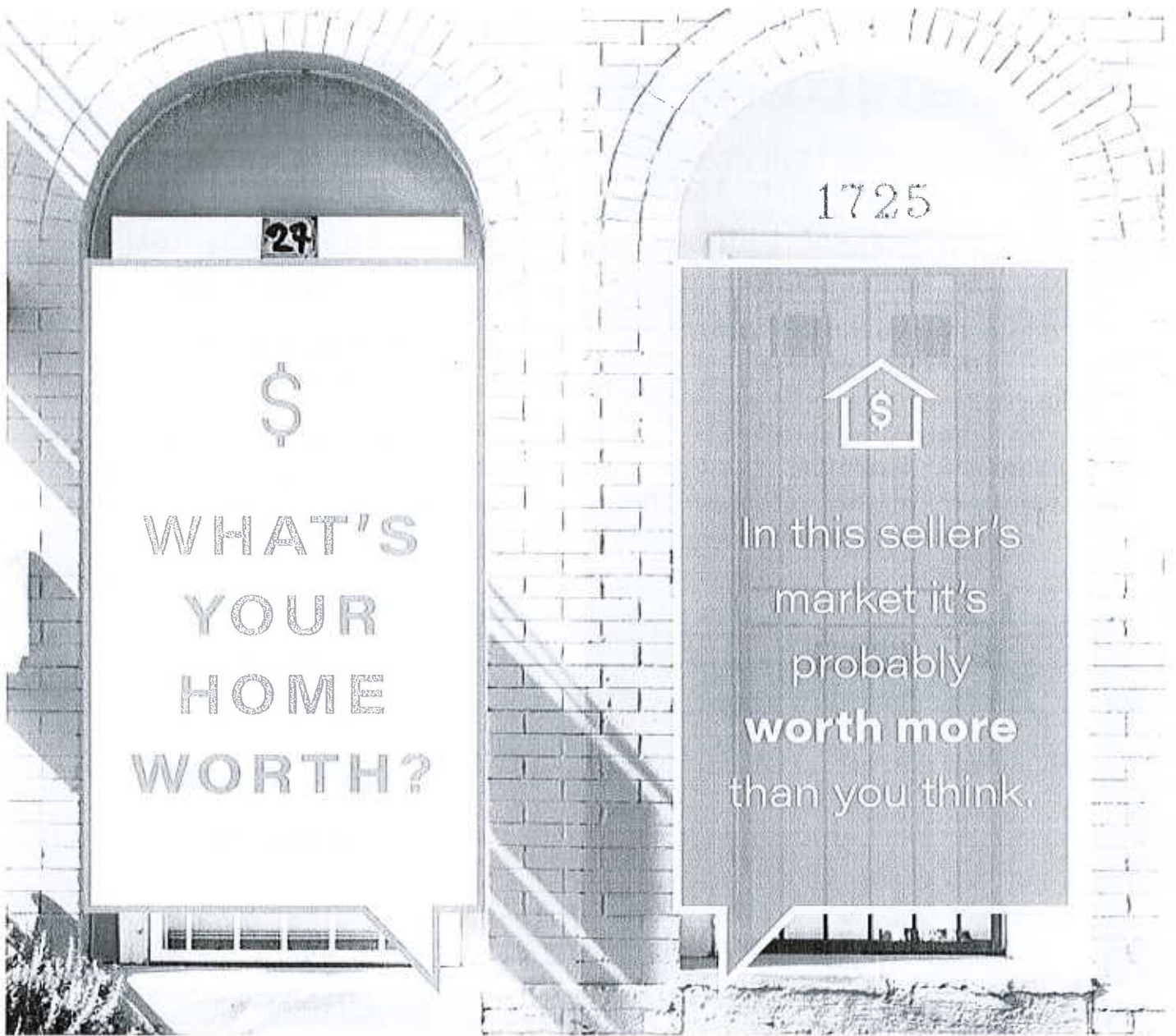
Fall Fest Dinner
in October

Co-sponsored Shredding
in October

Senior Holiday Luncheon
Santa Events
Holiday Open House/Dinner
in December

We would love to see old and new residents join us this year! Keep reading your newsletter for ticket distribution dates.

Special events are sponsored by the Dorsey's Search Community Association and some events may be co-sponsored with the Villages of Columbia and/or Dorsey's Search Village Merchants and Columbia Association. For those events requiring a ticket, tickets can be picked up at Linden Hall during regular business hours. For most events, there are a limited number of tickets available, so tickets are distributed on a first-come, first served basis. **No telephone reservations can be taken unless otherwise noted.** Tickets must be picked up in advance-there are no tickets available at the door, since caterers need an exact headcount before hand. **If you picked up free tickets and cannot attend an event, please return to the village office as soon as possible so you can be taken off the headcount and allow a wait-listed family to attend.** Staff may require ID in order to verify residency; please do not send children to pick up tickets, since they are not included on the resident list. Children must be accompanied by an adult to all events. Tickets are still available when issue is being printed, but may be sold out before you receive your issue. Thank you.



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