The Scroll

July 2023

Village website: www.dorseyssearch.org

New Residents (long time residents too) in Dorsey's Search

I had the pleasure of bumping into a resident one morning. We had a brief conversation and I learned that the person is renting a condo in the village. I did not have an opportunity to mention that we host events specifically for Dorsey's Search residents whether you rent or own. To attend a village sponsored event, proof of residency in the Village is required. If you haven't received your updated government issued ID which displays your new address in our Village, bring in a utility bill with your printed Dorsey's Search address. We love to see as many new faces as we can.

These past few years, the Village has had an uptick in property sales. We are happy to hear that many families want to live in Dorsey's Search. It's a great place to live and raise a family. It is conveniently located at the crossroads of rt. 29 and rt. 108 and only a few minutes away from the Mall, Centennial Park, and Old Ellicott City.

Dorsey's Search is one of the Villages of Columbia. What does that mean? It means that you live on CA assessed property and you pay a Columbia Association (CA) annual charge. An annual charge is a fee for living on CA assessed property which does not give you membership to CA facilities. CA owns many facilities with classes and activities for our residents to enjoy. Residents receive a lower rate for membership. To learn more about facility membership contact CA's membership services department for rates. Their main phone number is 410-715-3000.

CA also takes care of Open Space. Open Space are areas such as playgrounds, basketball courts, pathways, and open fields. An example of Open Space is the area behind the Dorsey Hall pool. CA's Open Space crew will mow, pick up trash, and maintain the playground/basketball court. Any problems with trash along pathways or at playgrounds (aka—tot lots), please contact CA Open Space. Please keep in mind, that the County also has "Open Space" within our Village. Are you confused? No need to worry. The staff at the Village office will help you out.

If you are planning on making any exterior updates (large or small), please contact the Covenant Advisor-Anne McKissick. Her email is located on page 2 or give her a call. Her usual office hours are Tuesday—Thursday from 8am—3pm. We appreciate any question you may have about the guidelines. Property owners are responsible to remove any unapproved alteration if it has been denied. Better to know before you build or install.

Whether you are a new resident or a long time resident, you will hear some local terms which might be thrown around in conversation:

Playgrounds—tot lots;
Out-parcel—non-CA assessed property within a Village;
Pioneer—original homeowner in a Columbia Village;
Interfaith Center—place of worship for various religions
(Oakland Mills, Owen Brown, Wilde Lake)
Covenants—rules governing your property

We'd like to welcome all of our new families, but we want to say good-bye to our long time or short term residents. You are what makes the Village a community. It's great to see new faces, but it's sad to see our long time residents leave. Thanks for making our Village your home. Please feel free to share the newsletter with new families on your street. It's a great way to introduce yourself.

Reminders

The Village Office will be CLOSED on Mon., July 3 and Tue., July 4 in observance of Independence Day The office will reopen on Wednesday with normal operating hours from 8am—7pm.

Howard County curbside collection will be on schedule Monday, July 3, but will be on the slide schedule after Tuesday due to Independence Day on Tuesday, July 4.

Monday ----> Monday pickup

Tuesday ---> moved to Wednesday

Wednesday -> moved Thursday

Thursday ----> Moved to Friday

Friday ---> moved to Saturday

Trash may be placed at curbside starting 6pm the day before your scheduled pick up date. Items for recycling and trash must be out by 6am the day of pick up. Depending on the route, crews will be collecting as early as 6am.

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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, July 12, 2023
- Wednesday, August 9, 2023
- Wednesday, September 13, 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
Bill Salciccioli	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

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

June 2023

- ⇒ Ellen Mackey appointed as the Board Chair; Derek Carey appointed as the vice-chair
- ⇒ RAC members were appointed
- ⇒ Ingrid Hatz was appointed as the Village Manager
- ⇒ Accepted 4th Quarter Report



Cancellation of Courtyard Concerts at Dorsey's Search will be posted on the facebook page managed by Kimco Realty. Kimco manages the Dorsey's Search Village Center.

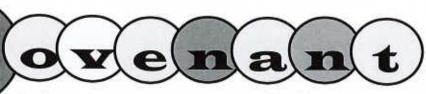
https://www.facebook.com/ColumbiaVillageCenters

Any cancellation of events for the Columbia Association's Lakefront Live events will be posted on Columbia Association's website and/or Facebook page.

www.columbiaassociation.org

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!





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.



(descriptions are abbreviated)

Application Approvals:

4659 Columbia—Garden with fencing

4633 Columbia - driveway

4506 Mustering Drum—tree removal

4645 Smokey Wreath—patio

5590 April Journey—planter box

4221 Blue Barrow—firepit

4659 Columbia - driveway

4657 Columbia - driveway

4521 Hemlock Cone-lights

4503 Mustering Drum—lights, no grids on windows, landscaping, radon system

5315 Butler-garage door

4620 Willowgrove-tree removal

4054 Larkspring-landscaping

4082 Fragile Sail—Paint house

4052 Fragile Sail—patio & firewood pile

5559 April Journey-deck

5351 Tarkington—front door

4560 Hemlock Cone-roof

4807 Portsmouth—roof

4223 Purple Twilight—landscaping

4252 Lilac-tree removal

4023 Huckleberry-playset

4745 Hallowed Sream-Lattice

4526 Mustering Drum-garage door

4217 Scarlet Sage—door, windows, sliders

4609 Morning Ride—roof, garage doors, no grids on windows, security lights, pathway, grill used as a planter, sundial, landscape rocks, stepping stones

4609 Manorhill—front door

4565 Hemlock Cone—siding, gutters, downspouts, roof

466 Brentwood - paint siding

Approved with Conditions

4229 Red Bandana—deer fencing

Approved as amended

4606 Brentwood—basketball hoop

Application Deadlines and Meeting Dates

7p.m. Deadline	Review Date
Jul 5* *date due to holiday	Jul 19
Jul 18	Aug 2
Aug 1	Aug 16
Aug 15	Sep 6
Sep 5	Sep 20



Trash Cans/Recycling Bins

Please store your bins out of sight. If you do not have a garage, you will need to place the bins at the rear of the house where it will be the least visible to the neighbors.



Greenhouses are listed under Guideline #1: Additions in the Dorsey's Search guidelines. All greenhouses require an application. A complete plan for the greenhouse such as materials used, dimensions, and location must be on the application. Please refer to the guidelines when applying for a greenhouse. You may contact Anne McKissick, the Covenant Advisor by emailamckissick@dorseyssearch.org or by calling her at 410-730-4005.

Prepare for Success will have a box available at Linden Hall from July 5-August 19 for school supply donations. Prepare for Success provides new school supplies to families in need. There is nothing better than having new school supplies to start a new year. This could change a student's attitude. Please donate new school supplies as you shop for your student's supplies or take advantage of the advertised sales when you see them.

Here is an abbreviated list of supplies:

Backpack

Folders

Composition Books

Spiral Notebooks

Ruler

Pencil Box

Scissors

Colored Pencils

Crayons

Box of pencils

Glue Sticks

Yellow Highlighter

Index Cards

Erasers

Pencil Sharpner

Markers Wide tip

2" Binder

Dividers

Loose leaf filler (college)

Pen (blue/black)

Visit their website at:

https://www.prepareforsuccess.org/

The Board Approved Operating Budget was approved at the April 12, 2023 Board Meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Ingrid Hatz, Village Manager by phone or email. Ms. Hatz's email: ihatz@dorseyssearch.org. Phone: 410-730-4005

Dorsey's Search Village

FY'24

Date Approved: 4/12/2023

Board Approved Operating Budget

REVENUES

1.	CA Assessment Share	\$ 291,440
2.	Lease and Rental	95,300
3.	Tuition & Enrollment	0
4.	Interest	4
5.	Special Events	1,650
6.	Fees	8
7.	Miscellaneous	9,900
8.	Gain/Loss on Disposal of Asset	0
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9.	Staff Salaries	\$193,625
10.	Janitorial Wages	5,500
11.	Contract Labor	0
12.	Payroll Benefits	17,965
13.	Payroll Taxes	17,965
14.	Janitorial Expense	14,000
15.	Fees	42,500
16.	Operating Expense	8,450
17.	Business Expense	850
18.	Insurance	4,800
19.	Advertising	0
20.	Newsletter	12,000
21.	Other Printing	1,100
22.	Donations/Contributions	1,400
23.	Special Events	41,300
24.	Taxes	4,000
25.	Utilities	13,665
26.	Repairs & Maintenance	16,700
27.	Furniture & Fixtures	2,775
28.	Total Expenses Before Depreciation	398,595
29.	Depreciation	11,848
30.	Total Expenses	410,443

Upcoming Events

Shredding

Saturday, October 28 from 9am—noon

Our next shredding event will be co-sponsored with 3 other Villages. The shredding truck will be parked at the Wilde Lake Faulkner Ridge Neighborhood Center located at:

10518 Marble Faun Lane Columbia, MD 21044

Please bring ID with you. This is for residential use only. NO BUSINESSES.

Please remove metal binder clips and/or metal folder clasps. No notebooks. Any boxes or plastic bags will be returned to you. This is not recycling. You shred documents with personal identification or information on the paper. Junk mail that does not have your name or address on it may be placed in your recycling bin.

Fall Festival

at Linden Hall

Saturday, October 28 from 6pm—9pm

Only 21+ years of age may attend.

There will be alcohol served during this event which will be included in the price of the ticket.

If you have children, get your babysitter lined up. It will be good time.

The menu will consist of Autumnal fare.

If you are thinking it is Oktoberfest type food, it is not.

Tickets will be available in September.

Pricing will be determined at a future date.

Please stay tuned as we finalize our plans.

Concerts at Centennial Park Amphitheater—sponsored by the Howard County Department of Recreation and Parks

July 12: Reverend Smackmaster and the Congregation of Funk – Funk Mix – https://www.smackmasterfunk.com/
A Charm City supergroup with a unique blend of Motown, blues, and funky hits from the 60s, the 70s, all the way to today, we bring the noise, the vibe, and the dance partyl We'll have you groovin' in no time! Smackmaster is available for weddings, corporate events, festivals, fundraisers, and more! Get down, get down.

July 19: Columbia Big Band – Jazz / Swing - https://www.columbiabands.org/big-band.htm
Founded in 2015, the Columbia Big Band operates under the Columbia Bands, Inc. (CBI) umbrella, and was formed to provide an outlet for community members to play in a jazz ensemble. Though some members play and teach music professionally, they are volunteers employed in a wide variety of professions, who share a love of music and a desire to play the many styles performed by jazz ensembles, from jazz/swing, to rock, to Latin. The Columbia Big Band hopes to bring the enjoyment of big band music to a wide audience.

July 26: Damon Foreman & Blue Funk - Funk/Blues/Rock - https://www.damonforemanmusic.com/
Mark your calendars for this awesome concert at Centennial Park, performed by Howard County native Damon Foreman & Blue Funk. Damon has performed in past summer concerts and at Wine in the Woods and we are excited to have him back! Damon also runs an award-winning music school in Glenwood. Don't miss out on this amazing Funk/Blues/Rock com/fulton/
Join Bach To Rock for a FREE band showcase! Bach To Rock is a well-known music school for students of all ages. The scenic lake is the perfect setting for a concert you won't forget. Don't miss out on this chance to see an amazing performance from some of Maryland's best student talent!

*All concerts are FREE a

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 ad-

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?

Go Visit the Columbia Association webpage:

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

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

<u>Street Signs</u>...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, <u>sidewalks</u>, storm drainage or street trees, contact the Highways Operations Division at 410-313-7450 or by email: <u>highways@howardcountymd.gov</u>.

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

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

<u>County Council Representative</u> 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!

Dorsey Hall Garden Club

Submitted by: Joan Oliver, Dorsey Hall Garden Club

In a world where native pollinators are in decline, there is much talk and discussion on the right plants to add to your garden. Many of the native varieties suggested now are new to some gardeners and some feel a bit overwhelmed with information on the difference between native vs cultivar varieties. However, there is one group of plants, where you will find familiar options that you can enjoy year after year, require minimal care and fill your garden with scents and attractive blooms that are easy to incorporate, helpful in the kitchen and enhance our palettes as well.

Here is a list of herbs that are beneficial pollinators. They can be added to your garden patch or planted in pots that will add interest to a patio or walk way. Add them and you will see the benefit in the pollinators they attract. There is nothing like sitting on your patio, sipping a favorite drink, pursuing a good book and looking up to see a beautiful butterfly landing on the blossom of a plant. Gardening can bring such simple pleasures and, in some cases, a sense of accomplishment in doing something to help our environment.

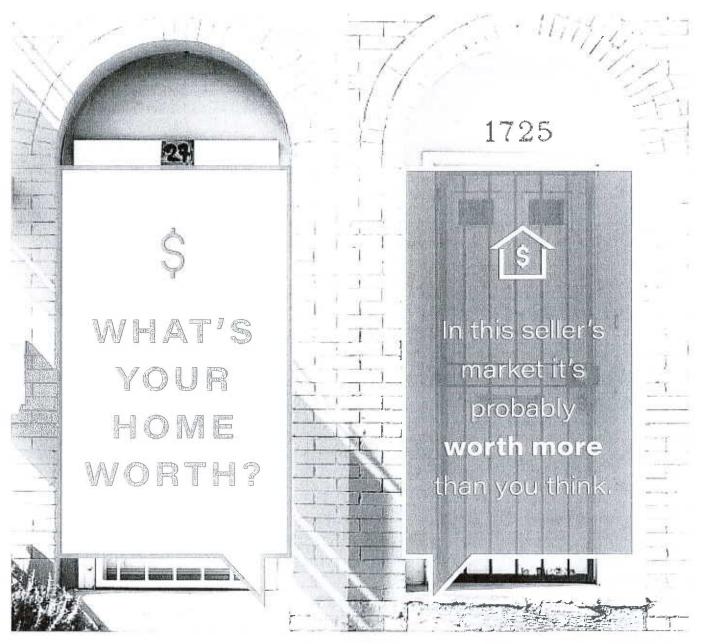
Borage, Lemon Balm (a spreader!), Sage, Rosemary, Oregano (can act like a ground cover) Anise Hyssop, Lavender, Chives, Fennel, Chamomile and Cilantro and Parsley

The Dorsey Hall Garden Club recently had a progressive garden tour that ended at the Howard County Library's Enchanted Garden. The garden is located on the grounds of the Miller Library. Established as an "innovative outdoor educational environment", the garden is designed to instruct and enhance the health and well-being of the community. Tended by community groups, students and many volunteers, the harvested food is donated to the Howard County Food Bank. For more information on this garden please visit their website at *hclibrary.org/enchantedgarden*.



The University of Maryland, Howard County Master Gardener 'Ask a Master Gardener' sessions are now at our local libraries, check the website for time and place. Also, 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 through 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. For more information, please email Karen Griffith at tgriff@hotmail.com.



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