

The Scroll

October 2023

Village website: www.dorseyssearch.org

Tickets on Sale for Fall Festival

At Linden Hall

Residents who reside on Columbia Association lien paying property—\$15/person

Guests that do not pay the Columbia Association lien—\$20/person

Ticket sales end on October 12. The event is on **Saturday, October 28 from 6– 9 pm**. This will make a great housewarming gift for a new neighbor. Unfortunately, no children under the age of 21 may attend the event.

You must be 21 years old or older.

Sampling of our menu: Bourbon Chicken; Flank Steak; Fall Harvest Pasta Dessert; Coffee and Hot Apple Cider; beer and wine

As we draw closer to the sales end date, please call the office to see if there are still tickets available.



Shredding

at Faulkner Ridge Neighborhood Center

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.

Reminders

Office Closed
Oct 9

Shredding—Oct 28; 9—noon
at Faulkner Ridge Neighborhood Center in
the Village of Wilde Lake

Fall Festival—Oct 28; 6pm—9pm
At Linden Hall

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Bryan Moody, Bureau Chief of Parks for Howard County sent the Village several documents regarding Deer Management, Deer Density Study, and a letter being

sent to residents abutting County Open Space. These documents can be found on our Village website. Bryan Moody's contact information and definitions for various hunts are posted on our website.

No hunting is performed on Columbia Association Open Space.

Our website: www.dorseyssearch.org

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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, October 11, 2023
- Wednesday, November 8, 2023
- Wednesday, December 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

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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
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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

September 2023

- ⇒ 4709 Ram's Horn Row voted to remove the flag on the assessment files and restore access to Columbia Association
- ⇒ Approved revised 4th Quarter Report
- ⇒ Approved 1st Quarter Report
- ⇒ Accepted 2023 Audit
- ⇒ Howard County's Bureau Chief of Parks, Bryan Moody, attended Village Board meeting to speak and answer questions about deer management in the County, but in particular the Dorsey Hall County Open Space. Documents will be supplied to the Village for residents to view. Cover page in newsletter.



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Covenant

o r n e r

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: July 20—Aug 28

(descriptions are abbreviated)

Application Approvals:

- 4510 Mustering Drum—Shed
- 4237 Scarlet Sage—2 window
- 4613 Morning Ride—addition
- 4014 Twilight Grove—roof, siding, shutters, gutters, downspouts
- 4213 Eagles Wing—siding, trim, remove shutters
- 4625 Old Dragon—paint, gutters, downspouts
- 4102 Red Bandana—roof
- 4683 Hallowed Stream—tree removal
- 4709 Rams Horn—storm door, garage door, deck stain
- 4604 Learned Sage—roof
- 5367 Tarkington—light
- 4633 Learned Sage—storm door
- 4128 Red Bandana—deck
- 5355 Chase Lions—windows with aluminum wrapped trim
- 4926 Columbia Rd #3—windows
- 4904 Columbia Rd #4—windows
- 4600 Morning Ride—roof, shed, gutters, downspout

Approved as an exception

- 4511 Speedwell—woodpile

Approved with conditions

- 4226 Dancing Sunbeam—raised garden beds

Denied

- 4709 Rams Horn—hardscaped rear yard

Application Deadlines and Meeting Dates

7p.m. Deadline	Review Date
Oct 3	Oct 18
Oct 17	Nov 1
Oct 31	Nov 15
Nov 14	Dec 6
Dec 5	Dec 20
Dec 19	Jan 3

**Remember to
apply
for exterior alterations**

Holiday Decorations

It's that time of year. In the Village guidelines, residents may begin to decorate 21 days before the holiday and residents must remove decorations 21 days after the holiday. This includes holiday wreaths.

For our new residents, Halloween Trick or Treating occurs on Halloween Day. Halloween is on Tuesday, October 31, 2023.

That means, Halloween decorations may be put up for display the second week of October.

Trash and Recycling Cans



Do not store trash/recycling cans at the front of the house. These cans need to be stored in an area that is out of sight. If you want to build an enclosure for your cans, please submit an exterior alteration application for this exterior alteration. Dimensions, materials, and the location on the property are just a few items we require. Please contact the Covenant Advisor, Anne McKissick, at 410-730-4005 or by email at amckissick@dorseyssearch.org. She would be happy to answer your questions and help guide you through the process. In recent months, this has become the number 1 complaint in the Village.



Santa Events:

Our Santa events are geared towards children 10 years and younger. To ensure that children get to visit with Santa, we ask that you limit it to 2 adults per family when purchasing tickets. Santa loves to see everyone, but Santa loves to hear and visit with the children the most. Don't forget to write a letter. We'll have a mailbox available for your Santa mail. The Elves love when Santa reads the letters to them. It is one of their favorite moments of the day. Ticket sales will begin on Tuesday, October 31 at the Village Office/Linden Hall (4765 Dorsey Hall Drive, Ellicott City) Please remember to bring your ID.

Storytime with Santa

Friday, December 8 from 6—8pm at Linden Hall

This event is open to guests outside of Dorsey's Search.

Cost:

CA Lien paying resident—\$5/person

Non-CA lien guests—\$8/person

Catered Chick fil A dinner designed by Santa to be kid friendly. Santa ordered salad so adults and children can be good role models for eating their greens. Last, but not least, cookies for dessert. Don't forget to bring your camera for those special moments with Santa.

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 9 from 8—11am at Linden Hall

This event is **only** for our Dorsey's Search residents.

Cost:

\$5/person

A catered hot breakfast that residents of the North Pole would be envious of. Don't like hot food? There will be cereal for you. You will not be disappointed by this fabulous spread. Don't forget to bring your camera to catch those special moments with Santa.

For both of these Santa events, we ask guests to be punctual. Santa has a busy Saturday schedule. Food will be served at the beginning of the event. Food is not out for the entirety of the event. No food is allowed to be removed from the premises. Residents may only purchase tickets for one Santa event. Tickets are non-refundable and non-transferable. Please call the Village office if you cannot attend. We will have a wait list if the events are sold out.

Upcoming Events

Holiday Open House/Dinner

on Saturday, December 16 from 6–9pm at Linden Hall

Dorsey's Search Residents ONLY! Must be 21 years and older.

PLEASE BRING ID WITH YOU WHEN SIGNING UP FOR TICKETS.

The Village office is located at 4765 Dorsey Hall Drive, Ellicott City.

Ticket distribution will begin on Tuesday, November 7 at Linden Hall during our operating hours (see page 2 Office Hours).

Tickets go fast, so make sure you place a reminder on your calendar. This event is always a Village favorite. We will take waitlist reservations if the event is sold out. If you have tickets and cannot attend, Do Not give it to a neighbor, please return the ticket to the office. Names on the waitlist will be called in order.



Senior Holiday Luncheon

on Wednesday, December 13 at noon

specifically for our 60+ years old residents

Please bring ID with you when signing up.

Ticket sign up/purchases begin **Wednesday, November 8** at Linden Hall (4765 Dorsey Hall Drive, Ellicott City)

Ticket prices: CA Lien paying property—Free
Non-CA lien property—\$3

This is a great opportunity to bring a friend or make a friend.

Turkey dinner and the fixins. Two kinds of pie, soft drinks, coffee, and tea all included.

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. Family or Children's events must have an adult accompanying a child. Tickets may still be available when the newsletter is being printed, but may be sold out before you receive your issue. Please feel free to call us to see if there are still tickets available. Thank you.



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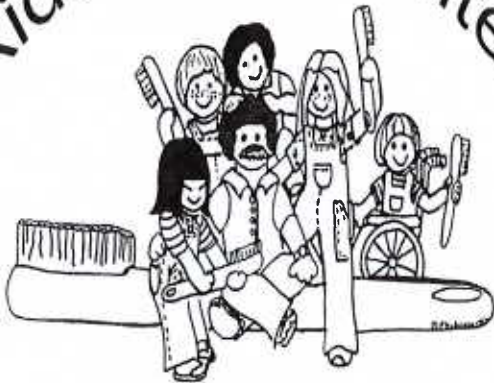
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Traffic Engineering Division...This division is responsible for traffic signals, streetlight installation, street signs, and traffic calming and safety. 410-313-2430.

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>

Seeking Newsletter Carriers for Next Year

Seeking school aged students to deliver village newsletters. The Village would like to place your name on the waitlist. Please submit your name, email address, and phone number to

Nancy Meredith at
nmeredith@dorseysearch.org or call at
410-730-4005.

Her office hours are Monday—Friday
8am – 3pm

Dorsey Hall Garden Club

Submitted by Joan Oliver

October is a glorious month. The pinks, blues and reds of summer have faded. The Asters and Goldenrod are waning, and now it is all shades of orange, red and piercing yellow that remain. But there is so much more to consider in the fall garden. Seeds are paramount this time of year and your garden is full of an array of seeds and pods that hide among the brown stocks and reeds. Although they are not as glitzy as their summer floral counterparts, they offer a variety of fascinating little packets designed to ensure their future. Anise hyssop seedheads have bracts that resemble snakeskin. The Milkweed pods have a casing that when opened reveal a gossamer cloud that is sent far and wide by the wind. Daisy seeds are tiny, Marigolds are flat and cylindrical, Calendula seeds are curved and look like small snails and Nasturtium resemble tiny pebbles. Some, like the bedeviled Thistle, you should remove at first sight to keep them from spreading but you can harvest your favorites and replant them in the spring in other areas. The New York Botanical Garden website has information on collecting, cleaning, drying and storing seeds. So, look closely in your garden this fall and discover the world of seeds. You never know what you'll find.

Events around Howard County:

October 19 @ 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

[A World of Discovery with Nancy Lawson: Uncovering How Plants & Animals Communicate](#)
Mt Pleasant 10520 Old Frederick Road, Woodstock, MD, United States

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.

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.



Leaves

DO NOT DUMP, RAKE, or BLOW leaves into gutters or storm drains.

This may cause localized flooding which may damage property.

Please feel free to mulch your leaves or use them in your compost bin.

Please remember to apply for your compost bin.

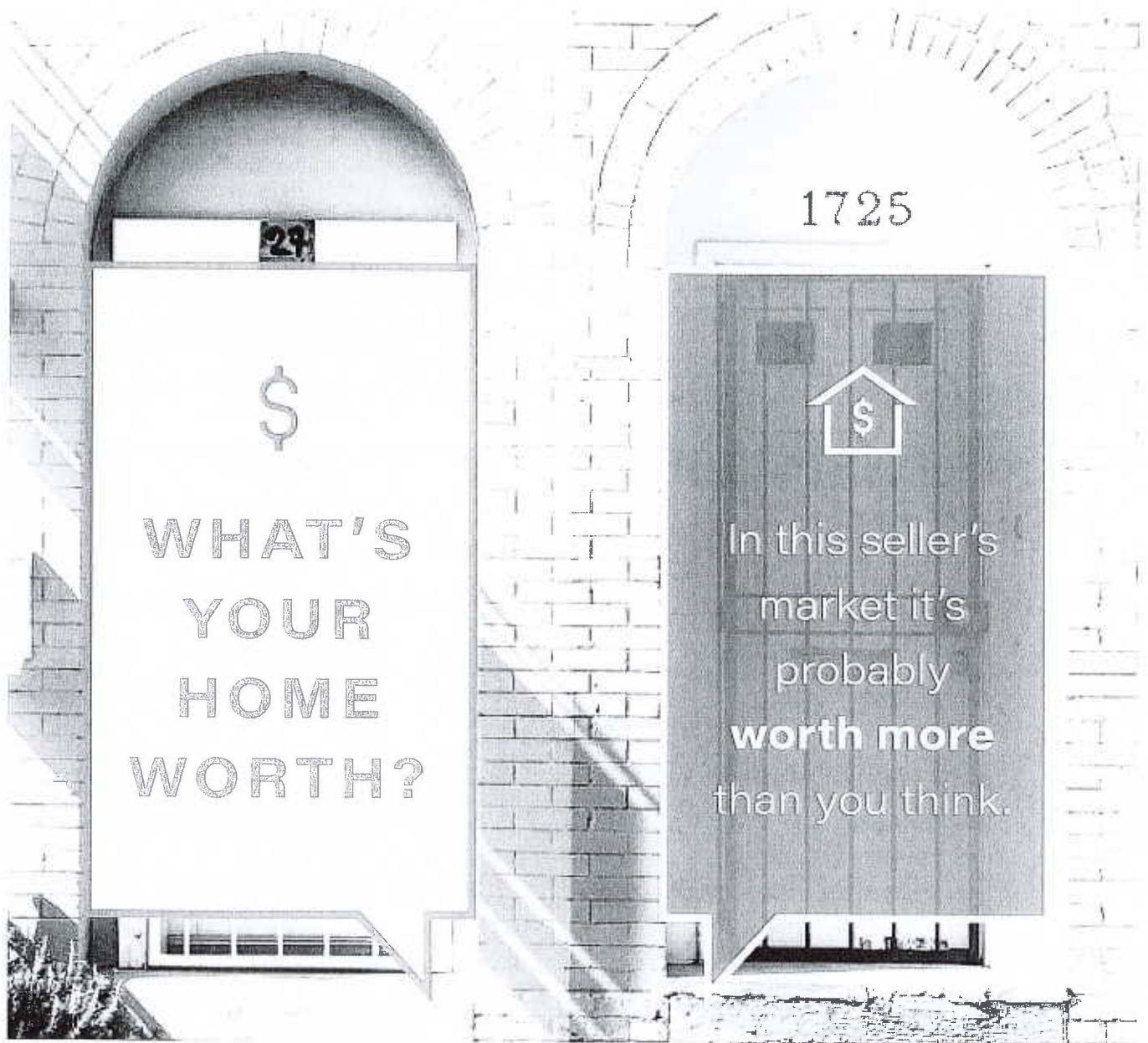
A thick layer of fallen leaves on your lawn/ground will smother grass.

If you have a lawn, it must be maintained as seasonally appropriate.

There is a Howard County noise ordinance. Daytime hours are from 7am—10pm. If you have a complaint about noise, due to time or loudness, please contact the Howard County Police Department at **410-313-2200**. This is their non-emergency number. You may also file a report online.

www.howardcountymd.gov/police

Any questions about applying for compost bins or any type of landscaping change, please contact Anne McKissick. Phone number, 410-730-4005 or by email amckissick@dorseyssearch.org



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