

"It All Began Here!"- Wilde Lake e-News May 29, 2020

Wilde Lake Village Board Meeting June 1, 2020

This is a virtual meeting via Zoom

[Click here for agenda](#) If you are interested in participating, contact wlca@wildelake.org

A Message from Nancy McCord, Wilde Lake Representative to CA Board of Directors

Hi All,

As most of you are aware, I write Nancy's Notes after each open Columbia Association Board Meeting.

This is a special communique to the community.

As everyone is well-aware, the economy has tanked due to Covid19. CA, like many other such organizations and governments are suffering in similar fashion. CA has furloughed 90% of its staff. Senior staff has taken a 50% pay-cut. Programs are not opening as we'd hoped. CA's income for FY-2021 is projected to be reduced by 30%. This means reductions in services.

CA Funds:

When CA had to close its facilities, CA suspended collection of monthly Sports & Fitness membership fees and fees for programs it could not offer such as School Age Services. Since mid-March, CA facilities have been closed resulting in a loss of over \$5M in income. On a monthly basis, CA normally receives between \$2.5M and \$3M in income. Not having this income creates major difficulty for CA. Although this income has stopped, certain expenses continue and must be paid. CA has tried very hard to reduce expenses. It is not just CA who is experiencing income loss; so are the Villages. The Community Centers have been closed which eliminates rental income which the Villages normally collect. To cover expenses CA normally uses a line of credit. However, the line of credit does need to be paid off (usually in July/August when funds from the Annual Charge begin arriving). So far, CA has used about \$10.5 million from the line of credit. CA is trying to minimize this debt. CA also provides funding to the 10 villages which has had to be reduced. The villages too have significantly cut their budgets.

The majority of CA's funding is from the Annual Charge. For this fiscal year, CA estimates that the Annual Charge will bring in about \$40M. This is less than originally budgeted, but understandable given the economic conditions affecting both people and businesses. Funds from the Annual Charge will be needed to pay off the line of credit. The funds from the Annual Charge aren't going to cover all the expenses, so income from memberships and fees will be needed. However, given the unclear timeline for reopening facilities and the restrictions which will be imposed, CA does not expect to see significant income from memberships and fees until fall, at the earliest. CA needs to keep a very tight rein on expenses until the income situation starts to improve.

Pools: Although work on a couple of outdoor pools occurred, it is highly unlikely, at this time, that pools will open this summer. There is much cost involved in operating a pool including the cost of hiring, training, and paying life guards. Given CA's financial situation and the timing of when income will come into CA, it looks like CA will not have the funds this summer to pay those costs.

Tennis: CA has opened two outdoor tennis clubs (Wilde Lake and Owen Brown), but only for singles play. The clay court at Hobbits Glen isn't open due to work that is needed to be done there and the cost. Given CA's financial situation and the timing of when income will come into CA, it looks like CA will not have the funds this summer to pay those costs. I personally apologize for the lack of communication from CA about the current circumstances. It seems everyone thought that someone else at CA was going to do this.

But the layoffs have significantly impacted CA's ability to provide services including communication.

I hope this finds everyone well, and safe. Please understand that while we want everything open as soon as possible we need to:

1. Abide by the rules governing openings and
2. We are working to keep everyone safe and healthy and
3. Address CA's fiscal situation.

Warmly,
Nancy McCord
Wilde Lake Representative to the Columbia Association Board of Directors

**On Friday, May 29th, at 7:00 a.m.,
Howard County will reopen the following:**



Retailers in Howard County may open at 50% of maximum occupancy. Retailers are still encouraged to use curbside pick-up whenever possible.



Barbers and hair salons may open at 50% of maximum occupancy including staff. Businesses must continue to operate by appointment only. Staff and clients must wear masks.



Religious institutions may hold outdoor services of up to 250 people, as long as all participants can maintain appropriate physical distancing of 6 feet. Indoor services are still limited to a maximum of 10 people.



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**For additional information, please visit
howardcountymd.gov/coronavirus**

RENT & EVICTION GUIDANCE!

If you're a resident of a rental property, Maryland has temporarily prohibited evictions of tenants suffering loss of income due to COVID-19.

If you have experienced any of the following, please be sure to keep documentation to verify should your landlord take action against you for unpaid rent:

- * Job loss
- * Reduction in hours
- * Closure of place of employment
- * Loss of child care

For additional information and resources, please call the Howard County Office of Consumer Protection at 410-313-6420.



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<https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Coronavirus>



Town Center Community Association Seeking Village Manager

Town Center Community Association (TCCA) in Columbia is seeking a Village Manager to manage all Village operations including Historic Oakland. This is a great opportunity to have a substantial impact on the community!

The Village Manager will manage all operations, programs, and activities of the Village. This person will manage the annual Village budget, supervise employees, and serve as board liaison. The mission of TCCA is to encourage and support the highest quality of life possible in our community, by promoting responsibility and engagement, creating unity and a sense of community throughout our neighborhoods, fostering a sense of security, advocating for the interests of Town Center, and cultivating appreciation for the uniqueness of Town Center, an urban community in a suburban setting. For a complete Job Description visit the homepage of www.ColumbiaTownCenter.org.

Please send a resume and cover letter stating why you are the best person to lead TCCA to Resume@ColumbiaTownCenter.org.



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Thursday, June 11, 2020

& Thursday, June 25, 2020

11AM-4PM

5440 Old Tucker Row

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May is
Mental Health
Awareness
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Each newsletter during the month of May a practical tool that everyone can use to improve your mental health and increase resiliency will be shared. To learn more about MH Awareness month, go to [MHA](#)

Kindness and your health

Kindness increases happiness, improves relationships and provides moments of human connection. Practicing acts of well-being can strengthen your immune system, as well as help with stress. A recent study suggests that performing acts of kindness towards our close family, friends, colleagues, acquaintances, ourselves - and even observing acts of kindness - can have equally positive effects on our happiness.

Tips to spread kindness include:

- connecting and sharing a moment with someone
- doing a good deed
- being kind to yourself
- be nice at home

2020 HOWARD COUNTY FARMERS' MARKET SCHEDULE



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**Howard County Library
Charles E. Miller Branch**
9421 Frederick Road, Ellicott City
May 6 – November 4
Wednesdays | 2:00 – 6:00 PM
Drive Thru Only

**Howard County Library
East Columbia Branch**
6600 Cradlerock Way, Columbia
May 14 – November 4
Thursdays | 12:00 – 6:00 PM
Drive Thru Only

Clarksville Commons
12264-12276 Clarksville Pike, Clarksville
May 9 – November 7
Saturdays | 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM
Drive Thru Only

Farmers' Market @ Maple Lawn
7405 Maple Lawn Blvd., Fulton
May 16 – November 7
Saturdays | 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Drive Thru & Pick Up Booth

Oakland Mills Village Center
5851 Robert Oliver Place, Columbia
May 10 – November 8
Sundays | 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Pick Up Booth Only

For updates, please visit:
bit.ly/HoCoFM_2020

*Note: Pick up booths will be stationed 12 ft apart; buyers are urged to continue physical distancing by maintaining 6 ft apart while waiting in line to retrieve their order. Please remember to wear a face covering or mask.



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Wilde Lake Village Center Stores Open for Business

[Click here](#) to see the list of Wilde Lake Village Center stores that are operating during the coronavirus pandemic

PLEASE NOTE: SLAYTON HOUSE WILL REMAIN CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. You may contact staff members by email. Please check the website for contact information.