



Here's What's Happening at OBBCA in October!

- The Village Board and the Executive Architectural Committee (EAC) are beginning their annual review of the Owen Brown Architectural Guidelines. Residents can submit any proposed change and/or addition to the Guidelines. Submissions should be emailed to manager@owenbrownvillage.org. Visit our [linktr.ee](https://linktr.ee/owenbrownvillage) to view the current guidelines.
- OBBCA board members will hold a Casual Meet-up with Cider and Donuts on Saturday, October 18 from 9:30-10:30am. Meet at the Lake Elkhorn Gazebo to chat with members about what's going on in OB.
- Also on Saturday, October 18 is the OB CARES adopt a spot. Meet by the trail on Leafy Green at 9am.
- We are excited for our two School's Out events- Pumpkin Painting on October 17 and Lego Classes on October 20.
- If you missed our HOA 101 Workshop in May, please come on October 28. Learn all the necessary covenant knowledge on being a homeowner in Owen Brown.
- We know that you love Owen Brown so much, we decided to do a photo contest. Selected photos will be used in a 2026 Owen Brown Calendar. We hope to see your beautiful pictures around Owen Brown. Submit by October 31!
- We look forward to seeing you at one of our events. To register visit <https://linktr.ee/owenbrownvillage>.

School's out, so let's
celebrate!
Come for the treats,
stay to trick out
some pumpkins!

PUMPKIN PAINTING

Friday
October 17th
1pm



Registration Opens
October 1st

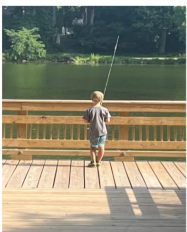


This is a free event, however a ticket is required to
paint a pumpkin.
Limited to OB Residents.

LOVE
WHERE
YOU
LIVE



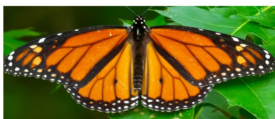
SO DO
WE!



We're making a
calendar to
celebrate
Owen Brown,
and we need your
help!



Submit your
favorite photo
of what you love
about living
here - the
people, places,
and moments
that make it
special.



All submissions
due by
Oct 31st

Selected photo
winners will be
featured in our
2026
Owen Brown
Community
Calendar!

<https://linktr.ee/owenbrownvillage>

MONDAY OCTOBER 20TH AT THE OWEN BROWN COMMUNITY CENTER

SCHOOL'S OUT

WITH



Join us for workshops full of hands-on
LEGO® learning and play.

EXPLORE HABITATS & POLLINATION 10AM-NOON



Workshops for ages 6-12

Registration
Required

\$5 per child
Each Class

Each Workshop Requires
Registration
Limited to Owen Brown
Residents
All Children Must be
Accompanied by an Adult

\$5 per child
Each Class



Registration
Required

REDESIGN & PROTECT FROM WIND 1-3PM

Workshops for ages 6-12

6800 Cradlerock Way

410.381.0202



Upcoming Dates at OBBCA

OB RAC Meeting	October 8, 7:30 pm
OB Board Meeting	October 14, 7 pm
Pumpkin Painting at OBCC	October 17, 1pm
OB Casual Meet-up w/Board	October 18, 9:30am
OB Cares Adopt a Spot	October 18, 9am
School's Out Lego Workshops	October 20, 10am, 1pm
OB Work Session	October 21, 7 pm
OB RAC Meeting	October 22, 7:30pm
HOA 101	October 28, 7pm
OB Board Meeting	November 4, 7pm
OB Casual Meet-up w/Board	November 8, 9:30am
Candles with Candy	November 12, 6:30-8pm
OB Fall Shrub Giveaway	November 15, 9am-noon

Owen Brown Community Association, Inc.

Office Hours

Monday-Friday	9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Saturday	9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

Village Office Staff

Ilana Sambuco-Paul	Village Manager
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Village Board Members

Brad Butler	Board Chair
Linda Ortiz-Byrd	Board Vice-chair
Mae Beale	Board Member
Adil Ahmed	Board Member
Vacant	Board Member
Michael Golibersuch	CA Board Rep.



Owen Brown
Love Where You Live

OBBCA

Chat with members of our board &
CA Representative

CIDER & DONUT Meet-up

SATURDAY OCTOBER 18TH
9:30-10:30
LAKE ELKHORN GAZEBO



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HOA 101

The OBBCA Covenant Advisor will provide information on everything from architectural guidelines to applications and more! Great for residents who are just starting out in the HOA community or those in need of a refresher.



**OCTOBER 28TH
7PM**



WHO DO I CALL?

Learn the differences between Howard County Government, Columbia Association and Individual HOA's



CAN I...?

Get a better understanding of our Architectural Guidelines and how to apply for those changes.



PLEASE REGISTER

Scan the QR Code to register or visit
<https://linktr.ee/owenbrownvillage>



Owen Brown

CARES

Community Action and Resources
for Environmental Stewardship

Love Where You Live



Adopt-A-SPOT

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18
9 AM to Noon

Meet at the Leafy Screen
Adopt-A-Spot



Located down the trail from the mailbox on Leafy Screen

Work will include removing invasive stilt grass as well as other invasive vines and weeds. CA will provide the tools and plants.

Dress appropriately, closed toe shoes, bring your gloves and water. There is poison ivy around, so wear long sleeves and pants.

Interested in joining us or have any questions
contact: Linda Ortiz-Byrd @
Linda96ort@gmail.com



OBBCA Board Position OPEN

Love Where You Live

The Owen Brown Village Board is seeking qualified and dedicated individuals to serve on the Association's Board of Directors. If you are an Owen Brown owner or resident interested in contributing to the future of our community, we encourage you to attend two board meetings to learn more about the role and responsibilities.

Meetings are the first and third Tuesday of the month at the Owen Brown Community Center

Interested residents should email their letter of interest to the village manager.

manager@owenbrownvillage.org

Owen Brown Board Bulletin, *from the desk of Board Chair, Brad Butler*

Happy Fall — I've enjoyed walking my kids to school in the beautiful weather lately, and watching the leaves turn.

The OBCA board had a busy month in September. We closed two architectural violation cases with the Columbia Association, approved our Q1 financials, and began planning our fall agenda to include architectural guideline updates, input to the CA and Howard County budgets, and negotiating an updated grant sharing formula with the other villages. You may recall in earlier updates that OBCA receives a much smaller per-capita grant from CA than most other villages - we hope to address that disparity through this update.

We also heard from the CA Capital Projects team and the CA Climate & Sustainability Committee. The Climate and Sustainability Committee provided some recommendations around resident communication and emergency preparedness, which you will see reflected in our social media messaging over time. These recommendations are based on a comprehensive Vulnerability Assessment prepared for CA in 2021, which is good reading if you are interested in understanding what risks CA is working to mitigate.

Columbia Association and Howard County, and BGE each have quite a bit planned for Owen Brown in the coming months. CA will be replacing the bridge/boardwalk at the east/upstream end of Lake Elkhorn this winter and replacing much of the signage around the lake this fall. The upgrades look amazing! Howard County will begin construction on Cradlerock Park behind the East Columbia Library, replacing the three multi-use fields there now with two higher quality fields, a playground, a basketball court, and other landscaping. Con-

struction on the first phase of pedestrian safety improvements on Cradlerock Way and a multi-use path along Dobbin Rd are in final design and planned to start in the Spring.

BGE is beginning public engagement on a project to add a circuit to the power line easement that runs roughly north/south through Long Reach, Owen Brown, and Kings Contrivance, including the paths/wetlands at the east/upstream end of Lake Elkhorn. If you live along the power line easement off Malindy Circle, Dasher Court, Angelina Circle, Hickory Limb, or Carved Stone, or if you use the pathways around that end of the lake regularly, this project will be important for you to follow. You may see survey work happening soon, but construction is likely more than a year away. OBCA and CA have met with BGE twice already and provided some input. They will continue to have public meetings. You can find more information by searching "BGE tri-county transmission upgrade."

Thank you to everyone who attended the ice cream social — we had a great turn-out! Our upcoming monthly board chair & CA rep meet-ups will be on October 18th and November 8th. Keep an eye on our social media for details. In November, we plan to combine this meet-up with a volunteer event to remove some invasive plants around the Lake Elkhorn boat ramp. I hope you'll join!

Lastly — The OBCA Board of Directors has an open seat. If you're interested in participating roughly twice a month, steering the community association's strategy and operations, and advocating on behalf of your neighbors, please attend a meeting to find out what it's like. We would love to have you!



Your place to find friendly reminders regarding property maintenance

Who do I contact?

Living in Columbia can sometimes be confusing when it comes to knowing who to contact. Most services that we rely on within our community are provided through Howard County government. Columbia Association oversees most of the pathways, lakes, play areas, pools and athletic facilities. Owen Brown Community Association enforces exterior property covenants on individual homes and businesses within the village.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the **Columbia Association Open Space areas**, you can contact CA Open Space directly by calling 410-312-6330 or by emailing Open.Space@ColumbiaAssociation.org.

Tell Hoco is a way for anyone in Howard County to report non-emergency issues while on-the-go, such as water main breaks, potholes, etc. Download the TellHoCoApp to your mobile phone or visit howardcountymd.gov/tell-hoco.

OWEN BROWN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

PICK UP
SATURDAY
NOV 15TH
9AM-NOON

FALL SHRUB GIVEAWAY

CLOSE OUT THE GARDENING SEASON WITH A TREE OR SHRUB! TREES SHOULD BE PICKED UP SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15TH. DEADLINE FOR REGISTERING IS OCTOBER 26TH.

AMERICAN BEAUTYBERRY

ELDERBERRY

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TO QUALIFY FOR A TREE/SHRUB, YOU MUST BE THE OWNER OF A PROPERTY WITHIN THE OWEN BROWN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION AND AGREE TO PLANTING AT THE REGISTERED ADDRESS. EACH ADDRESS IS ELIGIBLE FOR 1 GIVEAWAY PER YEAR.

Questions? events@owenbrownvillage.org or 410.381.0202

AMERICAN BEAUTYBERRY

Registration Opens

October 1st

Wed November 12th

6:30-8pm



On Sale Sept 8th

Candle Making Class

The Candle Making Experience!

\$25
per person

Pour a little magic and warmth into your own handmade candles.

Limited to Owen Brown Residents

6800 Cradlerock Way
410.381.0202

Owen Brown Community Association
6800 Cradlerock Way, Columbia, MD 21045



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2025 FALL CLASSES & EVENTS



Register today! From tots to active adults, we have events and programs that are perfect for you and your child. Choose from exciting morning, afternoon and evening activities that fit your schedule.

410-313-7275 | HowardCountyMD.gov/rap

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Recreation & Parks



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Owen Brown
Community
Association

BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY EVENTS NOW!

Whether you are hosting a Holiday Party, Work Celebration or Friendsgiving, we have a room for you.



Rental Information

rentals@owenbrownvillage.org

6800 Cradlerock Way
Columbia, MD 21045
410.381.0202

Rental Rates

Dasher Green 70 (64 seated guests)
Mon-Fri 5 hrs, \$600. Add'l hrs \$105.
Sat-Sun 5 hrs, \$650. Add'l hrs \$115.
Hopewell 100 (96 seated guests)
Mon-Fri 5 hrs, \$650. Add'l hrs \$115.
Sat-Sun 5 hrs, \$700. Add'l hrs \$125.
Business Meetings 25 (seated guests)
Mon-Fri \$50 per hour

