

OBserver

Official newsletter of the
Owen Brown Community Association



Virtual Holiday Paint Night

Wednesday, November 18th

6:00pm-8:00pm



Enjoy painting Rudolph from the comfort
of your own home! \$15 per person.
All supplies included. Virtually lead by
Pinot's Palette.

Registration required, space limited. All items needed for event will be
available for pick up at our community center beginning November 14th

Please call 410-381-0202 or email manager@owenbrownvillage.org to
reserve your spot.

CA TO BEGIN DREDGING PROJECT

The Columbia Association has begun the dredging project of Lake Elkhorn's forebay area. The project is expected to take five months, requiring a detour of the pathway from Dasher Court to Sylvan Dell (see map below) for the entire duration. If you have any questions, please contact John McHugh at 410.312.6330 or John.McHugh@columbiaassociation.org.

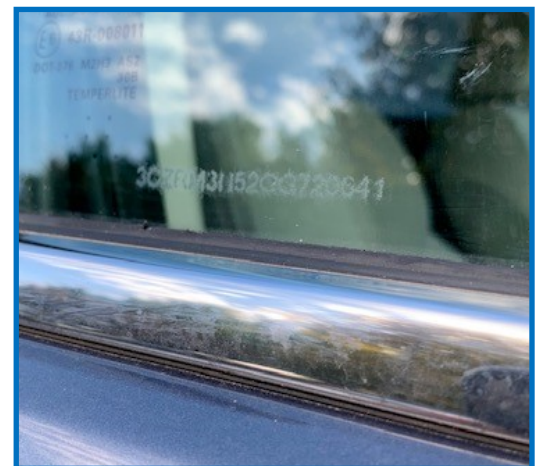


VIN ETCHING COMING TO OWEN BROWN COMMUNITY CENTER

The Howard County Police Department will be at the Owen Brown Community Center on Saturday, **November 7** from **9 am to 12 pm** to offer **FREE** VIN Etching to your vehicle.

HCPD will engrave your car's VIN on all major pieces of glass. It is a highly effective theft deterrent and assists in returning a stolen vehicle to its rightful owner.

This event will take place in the Center's parking lot at 6800 Cradlerock Way. No reservations required. Just show up!



OB DATES TO REMEMBER

OB Board Meeting (Wed.)	Nov. 4, 7pm
VIN Etching	Nov. 7, 9am-12
OB RAC Meeting	Nov. 11, 7:30pm
Virtual Paint Night	Nov. 18, 6-8pm
OB Board Meeting	Dec. 1, 7pm
OB RAC Meeting	Dec. 9, 7:30pm
OB Board Meeting	Jan. 5, 7pm
OB RAC Meeting	Jan. 13, 7:30pm

OWEN BROWN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC.

Office Hours

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

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OBCA BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

from the desk of Board Chair, Michael Golibersuch

Our October meeting was held via zoom on the 6th. Howard County Police Officer James Bossi, who serves as our community resource officer, took time out of his schedule to attend the meeting and provide an update on the unfortunate attack that occurred along Cradlerock earlier in September. He also listened to village concerns regarding drag racing occurring on local roads and dirt bikes/ATVs using local pathways. Two residents also attended the meeting to express concerns about trash accumulating along Cradlerock as well as concerns about damage that trash and delivery trucks often cause when driving over cul-de-sac islands. Residents can help avoid damage to cul-de-sacs by not parking on the street near the islands and are encouraged to report any damage to the cul-de-sacs using the county's "Tell HoCo" app.

During the meeting the board made a minor update to our employee manual. We also agreed to make the best of a bad situation and will be painting and reflooring portions of the community center while it has low utilization due to the pandemic.

Finally, the board sent a letter to the county's transportation and police departments expressing concerns about the speeding on Cradlerock and Homesun. The police department was responsive and will be stepping up speed enforcement in the near future; the county's transportation department responded but was not helpful.

FARMER'S MARKET OPEN THRU NOVEMBER 19

The Farm Stand that sets up every
Thursday from noon to 6 pm in the
parking lot of the East Columbia



Library will have its last day of the season on November 19. Last chance until next summer!



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CA FOCUSES ON MAINTAINING VALUES OF COMMUNITY, FINANCIAL STABILITY, STEWARDSHIP AND TRUST

From the desk of Andy Stack, OBCA Columbia Council Representative

The CA Board of Directors will receive an update on plans for Merriweather Park/Symphony Woods from the Inner Arbor Trust Board of Directors on Monday November 2nd (virtual meeting). For the past several months, an Inner Arbor Trust committee has been reviewing existing plans for the park and looking at various options. Several CA Board and staff members have been part of this committee. The presentation will be public. Regarding Symphony Woods, the new pathway from Little Patuxent Parkway to the Chrysalis is open. The new pathway joins an existing pathway which allows access to the new Merriweather development behind Merriweather Post Pavilion. At a later date, the new pathway will have lights installed to allow nighttime access.

The search for a new CA President/CEO has begun. As you may remember, current CA President/CEO Milton Matthews will be stepping down on May 1, 2021 after serving seven years in the position. A search firm has been hired

to lead the effort and a timeline is under development. Stay tuned for additional details as they become available.

On October 10th the CA Board decided to hold a mini-retreat. In a spirit of cooperation and collaboration, the CA Board decided to carve out some time to take a deep look at their own individual values and their perceived values for CA. It has been a difficult year and the financial indications tell us that difficult decisions will continue to need to be made. The CA Board wanted to improve its cooperation / collaboration as it faces these difficult decisions. As a Board, we decided four values are most important: Community, Financial Stability, Stewardship, and Trust. The Board will keep these values in mind as the year goes forward.

Dredging of the forebay area of Lake Elkhorn is scheduled to begin at the end of October/beginning of November, depending on the weather.



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