

Hawthorne Community Newsletter

Hawthorne Civic Association

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Kingsway, Waters Watch and Whitethorn

Next HCA Meeting

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 4th, 2010

Hawthorne Elementary Recreation Room

Hawthorne Info-Fair



The Hawthorne annual Info-Fair was a total success with participating hospitals, medical, pharmaceutical, financial, home owners, computer, senior programs,

county/state services, Hawthorne Elementary educational technologies and free health screening and blood pressure testing providing our community a chance to gain information and ask questions about a wealth of public assistance questions.

The HCA would like to thank all the participants and volunteers who made the event a big success.

United States
**Census
2010**
IT'S IN OUR HANDS

Census 2010 is Coming Door to Door in Hawthorne

Beginning in May 2010, the U.S. Census Bureau will be canvassing Hawthorne to count the number of our community residents who did

not return their 2010 Census forms.

Hawthorne was one of the several "Undercounted" communities in Baltimore County resulting in the loss of Federal Funds. The 2010 Census will help communities receive more than \$400 billion in federal funds each year for things like hospitals, schools, senior centers, job training, bridges, tunnels and other-public works projects and emergency services.

The data collected by the census also helps determine the number of seats your state has in the U.S. House of Representatives.

If you did not return your Census questionnaire, you will receive a visit from a census taker, who will ask you the questions from the form.

Note: "Any personal data you provide is protected under federal law"...

Join the HCA!



If you are new to the neighborhood, we welcome you and invite you to become a part of HCA. If you are a member, we remind you that it is time to renew your membership.

To join HCA or renew your membership attend this month's HCA meeting or send a **\$5.00** donation to:

HCA Membership, 2210 Graythorn Rd.,
Baltimore MD 21220

Bein' Green Day



Hawthorne Bein' Green Saturday joins the celebration of World Earth Day by cleaning up its shores and creek.

On Saturday, April 24th, in celebration of the 40th Anniversary of World Earth Day, residents of the Hawthorne community, employees of Lockheed Martin and their support contractors, local school students and their parents joined volunteers from Baltimore County agencies to clean up the waterfront areas of Dark Head Park, Hawthorne-Midthorn Park and all of Cow Pens Creek. Their efforts removed over 1,000 lbs of trash, debris and junk from the parks and Cow Pens Creek. Bein' Green is a yearly effort by the HCA in a partnership with The Maryland Project Clean Stream project.

The Hawthorne community is built on a peninsula that is surrounded on three sides by Middle River and Dark Head Cove.

Each year, Bein' Green removes trash and debris that is discarded, thrown, floats into or is dumped into Cow Pens Creek, around the fishing pier and the shoreline of our waterfront parks.

HCA and the community appreciate the efforts and devotion that these volunteers give each year to cleaning up our community and the Middle River watershed.

Visit Our Website, www.Hawthornecivic.org

Thought of the Month

Spring is here, time for a new beginning.
Let's start by working together to
improve our community.

Springtime is Code Enforcement Time

All during the year Baltimore County Code Inspectors respond to residents and community association concerns. They also do spot checks in cooperation with the Departments of Public Works and Health checking on building code violations, unsanitary conditions, rodent control, trash receptacle use, derelict vehicles and unauthorized construction or home improvement. The beginning of warm weather is the beginning of not only their efforts but also the entire neighborhood making an effort to remove unsightly, unhealthy and unwanted trash, debris and clutter.

A complete summary of the Code Enforcement program is found on the web at www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/permits/pdmfaq/pdmfaq_cdenfo.html.

If you wish to enter a complaint you may do so directly on the web at; www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Contact/codecomplaint/ or by calling 410-887-3352 or 410-887-8099

Send letters to:
Department of Permits & Development
Management
111 W. Chesapeake Avenue, Room 213
Towson, MD 21204

To check on a complaint call either 410-887-3351, 410-887-3352, 410-887-8099. Send faxes to Code Enforcement Department at 410-887-2824.

If you wish the Civic Association to pass on your complaint, contact us by using the "Contact Us" link at the HCA website;
www.Hawthornecivic.org.

County Single Stream Recycling



Single stream recycling means that paper, bottles, and cans may be combined in the same container to be placed out for collection each week. Residents will be able to recycle more items than before. Residents should have received their personal Recycle Calendar, showing the pick-up dates for recycle and trash. To receive your copy call 410-887-2000.



Discussion on "Dog Park"

HCA has received several questions over the winter months and quite a few at the recent Info-Fair in reference to a Community Dog Park. The answer to that question is "Yes". The HCA is presently researching the possibility of converting the old tennis court, next to the basketball court in Hawthorne Park to a "Dog Park". The court is enclosed by a tall fence and the surface is covered with asphalt. Early discussions have begun between the Department of Community Conservation, Recreation and Parks and the HCA. No commitment has been made by the county and the approval process may be a lengthy one however, if approved, Hawthorne would have the first county approved "Dog Park" in Baltimore County.

Lockheed Martin Clean-up Update and Discussion

On Thursday, May 20, representatives from the Lockheed Martin Corporation, environmental engineers and abatement removal specialists will present an update of the Volunteer Remediation Projects now in progress at the Lockheed Martin property, the Martin State Airport and the surrounding waterways and communities such as Hawthorne.

The update will provide an assessment of the sampling of the areas, the results of those tests and remedial technologies used in the removal of the contaminants and the schedule of those removals.

The update is being held at the Middle River Vol. Fire Hall, Wilson Pt. Road on Thursday, May 20 beginning at 7:30 p.m. HCA suggests that residents of Hawthorne attend the meeting since Cow Pens Creek, Dark Head cove and the eastern part of the Hawthorne community is greatly affected by the clean up program.

Important Phone Numbers & Websites

Police/Emergency	911
Drug Hotline	410- 687- 4040
BG&E Emergency	1-888-778-2222 (Free Call)
Code Enforcement	410-887-8099
Water Problems	410-396-5352
Disabilities	410-887-3580
Substance Abuse	410-887-3828
Trash/Recycling	410-887-2000
Animal Complaints	410-887-5961
Tax Assessments	410-512-4905
<u>All County Agencies Info</u> – 410-887-0000	
http://baltimorecountymd.gov/Contact_Us/index.html	