

Reach Out

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@LRCA_Stonehouse



'Long Reach Community Association'



Join the Village Board

Are you interested in learning more about your community and working with your neighbors on Village issues?

The Long Reach Village Board is seeking two Long Reach Village members to fill two vacant seats.

Visit longreach.org for additional details and to download an application or call 410-730-8113 to pick up an application.

Next *Reach Out* publication - June 28, 2024



Stonehouse Closure

Stonehouse will be closed on Monday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day.

2024 VILLAGE ELECTION RESULTS

Total number of votes - 147

LONG REACH BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Rick McCray —146

Rick McCray was elected to the Long Reach Board of Directors for a two-year term ending April 30, 2026.



Join the Long Reach Residential Architectural Committee

Joining the Resident Architectural Committee (RAC) is a great way to learn about the village. The purpose of the RAC is to maintain the superior design and planning standards as reflected in the Long Reach Village Covenants and Architectural Guidelines. The RAC approves residents' requests for exterior changes to their homes or an in-home business.

The Committee meets every other Wednesday. For more information, email info@longreach.org or call the village office at 410-730-8113.



Sustainable Landscaping Tour: Saturday, June 1st 10am-12pm

Long Reach CARES invites you to its **2024 Sustainable Landscaping Tour**. This self guided tour will feature areas in the Jeffers Hill neighborhood of Long Reach that have employed sustainable landscaping practices.

Learn about lowering our impact on the environment with rain barrels, rain gardens, lawn reduction and more! Discover beautiful and exciting native plants and meet fellow enthusiasts. Also, learn about our blue bird nest box trail.

The event is FREE, but pre-registration is required. The rain date is Sunday, June 2, 10am-12pm.

Register online at [LRCA.eventbrite.com](https://lrca.eventbrite.com)
Questions? Email CARES@longreach.org

Village Office Move

Stonehouse is currently undergoing building renovations through Fall 2024. During this time, the village office has temporarily moved to office space located in the Long Reach Village Center.

The office is open by appointment only. Our phone number, mailing address, and email addresses remain unchanged. Thank you for your understanding.



Save the Date!

The Long Reach Hooked On Fishing event is scheduled for **Wednesday, July 31st**.

More details will be in the June *Reach Out* and our weekly e-newsletters.

Long Reach Village Board Members

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Lillian Norris-Holmes	lillianholmes8@gmail.com
Reginald Avery, CA Rep	waialua1@icloud.com

Village Board Highlights

- ✓ Met with the County who presented the sole proposal for the village center
- ✓ Approved 15-Day Letters for 8901 Footed Ridge and 9254 Hobnail Court
- ✓ Met with CA Aquatics Director for outdoor pool update
- ✓ Approved the LRCA 3rd Quarter Financials

Visit longreach.org for meeting dates and meeting minutes



Village Center Redevelopment

Want to know what is happening with the Long Reach Village Center? Ask the County!

The RFP, presentations, and updates about the Village Center may be found at: howardcountymd.gov/planning-zoning/long-reach-rising

Or email the county to have your questions answered—
longreach@howardcountymd.gov

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Stonehouse • Office Hours • Services

Stonehouse is open by appointment only Monday through Friday, 9am-4pm. Village services, including Letter of Compliance requests, resale document sales, and the processing of Exterior Alteration Applications, are currently available. Please contact our staff for assistance or to schedule an appointment. Visit longreach.org or call 410-730-8113.

Upcoming Board Meetings*

Stonehouse at 7:30pm

June 18

Upcoming RAC Meetings *

Online via Zoom

May 29, June 12 & 26

* Visit longreach.org for information on any meeting changes

CA Representative Comments

By Reginald Avery • waialua1@icloud.com

Greetings my fellow Long Reach residents. As your representative to the Board of Directors of the Columbia Association, I welcome you to the beginning of a new Board year. I want to share with you, what new changes, promises and adventures the Board will be tackling. First, and foremost, the Board has hired a new President/CEO for CA, Mr. Shawn MacInnes. Shawn steps into his new position on June 17th and begins his term as President. I ask if you should see him, please greet and welcome him and his family to our community. He will be visiting Long Reach and other Villages as he settles into his new job, please say hello. Secondly, this new Board year will see the Board further discussing the budget and with Shawn onboard, that means, we will have the opportunity to hear from him what his new budget priorities will be which discussed and considered. One of the newest and most exciting budget items that several Board members wish to explore centers around our pools and how we operate each one. Several of us Board Members, desire to find a way to more efficiently operate our pools without decreasing the number that we currently operate, and while not increasing the operational cost. We are studying how and why Reston is able to operate pools at a lower cost than CA is currently able to do. All in all, we really want to explore various options to find ways to operate our budget more effectively and reduce the overall assessment cost to residents. And third, we will be defining what it means to protect and preserve our Open Space to include maintaining pathways, improving play areas/tot lots and to plan on better use and stewardship of our streams, ponds and forest. As always as your representative please contact me if you have concerns.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Long Reach Outdoor Pool Schedules

Pools Open Saturday, May 25th

Jeffers Hill—410-730-1220

Closed Thursdays

Kendall Ridge—410-730-5292

Closed Tuesdays

Locust Park—410-730-5621

Closed on Fridays

Phelps Luck—410-730-5765

Closed on Wednesdays

CA residents have the opportunity to visit CA's 23 outdoor pools for free on the second Sunday of each month: June 9, July 14, and August 11. Residents of CA-assessed property must have a Columbia Card to receive access. CA is also offering each Columbia Cardholder household four passes to use at any of the outdoor pools! Restrictions apply. To obtain a Columbia card, please contact CA's Customer Care Team at 410-730-1801 or email CMSC@ColumbiaAssociation.org.

Community Clean-Ups —Enjoy a "trashy hour" with your friends and neighbors! Long Reach CARES (Community Action and Resources for Environmental Stewardship) will be hosting a "Trashy Hour" (trash clean-up day) on **Sunday, May 19, 9-10am**. Volunteers who would like to attend will meet at Kendall Ridge Pool (8245 Tamar Dr). Families welcome. Email cares@longreach.org for more details.

Chrysalis Events —Located in downtown Columbia and home to the Chrysalis amphitheater, Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods offers various events and cultural experiences throughout the warmer months. Many are free and family-friendly. Visit innerarbortrust.org to learn more.

Tell HoCo—Report water main breaks, broken street signs, street tree concerns, & more on the County's mobile app and website **Tell HoCo**. The county will then assign to the responsible department. Download the TellHoCoApp on your mobile phone or visit howardcountymd.gov/Tell-HoCo

HoCo Farmers Markets—Enjoy fresh local produce at several locations throughout Howard County, including Oakland Mills Village Center on Sundays, 9am-1pm. For a complete listing, visit hceda.org/farm-agriculture/locations/farmers-markets

Free Summer Concerts at Centennial Park —Bring a blanket and a picnic while enjoying the musical sounds of summer. Concerts are Wednesday Nights starting at 7pm. Tentative 2024 Dates are July 10, 17, 24, 31, and August 7. Concerts are free & for all ages. Visit howardcountymd.gov/summerconcerts to learn more.



The Columbia Festival of the Arts returns to the Downtown Columbia Lakefront with its FREE LakeFest Weekend featuring three days of live music, an invitational fine arts & crafts show, kids' entertainment and crafts, a variety of activities for all ages, and fabulous festival food fare.

visit columbiafestival.org for complete details



Yard Maintenance Reminder

Now that the weather is warmer, and we all begin to spend more time outdoors, please keep up with yard maintenance, including mowing grass and weeding.

And don't forget your cul-de-sac circle, which is the responsibility of the homeowners whose driveways surround and open onto the cul-de-sac. Remember that if you have a county-owned strip of grass abutting the sidewalk in front of your house, Howard County Code requires you to keep that grassy strip mowed too.



Selling your home?

Letter of Compliance

If you are putting your home on the market, you may request a Letter of Compliance from the Long Reach Village Office. A Letter of Compliance, though not required by law, is recommended and a useful tool to have when selling your home. It assures anyone interested in buying your property that when the Letter was issued there were no Covenant violations on the property at the time of inspection. This is important as they will become responsible for any violations after closing.

We recommend requesting a Letter of Compliance at least 60 days before settlement. For more information, including the request form, visit longreach.org or call 410-730-8113.



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Long Reach Pool Party



The Best Summer Event in the Village!

SAVE THE DATE!

Registration Opens
Monday, June 3rd

Monday, July 1
Kendall Ridge Pool
6 - 8:30pm

★ Games ★ DJ ★ Pizza ★ Swimming ★

In order to pickup tickets you must:

- Sign up in person—Appointment only. Call 410-730-8113 to make an appointment.
- Only pick up tickets for immediate family (max 7 tickets). One adult for every three children under the age of 18 required.
- Be 18 years or older.
- Present your ID with a Long Reach address.
- Bring an unexpired non-perishable food item for each ticket.



Party With The Neighbors!

FREE Block Party Kits for Long Reach residents are **available May 28—Labor Day** & include a \$50 gift card to help with party food and supplies!

A limited number of gift cards are still available on a first come, first served basis. Learn more at longreach.org



LRCA Cul de Sac Landscaping Grants

Long Reach Community Association could provide you funds, up to \$200 if your plan is approved, for the purchase of plant materials. To be eligible, you must live on a county-dedicated road with a cul de sac island. You and your neighbors must agree to develop, plant and maintain the landscaping plan.

The grants are limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications are available at longreach.org.