



Bowling Brook Farms...

Annual Meetings and the Homeowner

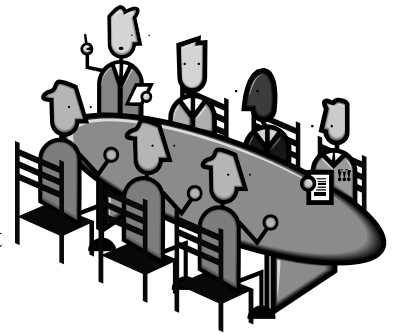
What are annual meetings all about? The purpose of an annual meeting is for the homeowners in a community to select members of the community to serve as their "elected officials" or Board members.

The election of Directors is one power reserved solely for the owners in the community. If you ever ask yourself what you can do to correct a problem or change a policy, the answer is vote for your Board representatives at the Annual Meeting.

Prior to the annual meeting, a "call for nominations" is mailed to all homeowners. This notice makes owners aware that there will be an opening/s on the Board. It requests all interested parties to submit a statement of candidacy detailing their goals for the association. The association's bylaws then require that a "notice of annual meeting & proxy" be mailed to each owner prior to the meeting, which states the names of candidates and the procedures for election.

At the annual meeting, a quorum must be obtained before the meeting can be called to order. The association's bylaws state what percentage of owners must be represented either in person or by proxy (on paper) to obtain the quorum. Once quorum is obtained, the meeting is called to order and the election can take place.

Not only is the election held at annual meetings, but typically an association representative will summarize what the association has accomplished in the last year and what the goals are for the coming year. Guest speakers occasionally are invited to attend to discuss issues that may affect the community.



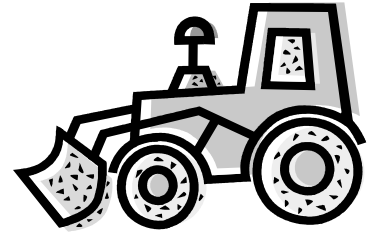
YOUR ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL MEETING IS JANUARY 18, 2012. Please make plans to attend, participate and play an active role in the governance of your community.



Autumn is a wonderful time of renewed energy. School is in, so please be watchful of the children and enjoy this special time of year. Don't let an accident take away the good memories.

Bowling Brook Farms Association, Inc.

Snow Services Fact Sheet



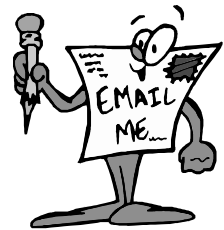
Homeowners are responsible for shoveling the leadwalks and the common area sidewalks in front of their homes.

The association is responsible for clearing sidewalks that parallel the main roads of Knights Bridge, Horsham Drive, Gorman Road, Stephens Road and the asphalt path between Fens Hollow and Horsham Drive. In addition, the association will clear sidewalks on each court from the main road up to the first home in each court. Snow clearing will start within 12 hours of the end of the snowfall only when snow reaches 4" or more.

Howard County plows all of the streets (main roads first, neighborhood roads to follow; one truck route may take 12-18 hours). You may contact Howard County at 410-313-7450 regarding snow removal or visit their website www.co.ho.md.us to follow their 'snow plow tracker.' Parking spaces will only be plowed by the association when the snow depth is 12" or more.

E-MAIL ADDRESS SIGN UP FORM

Name: _____
Address: _____
E-Mail: _____



Have you joined the Bowling Brook Farms E-mail Notification List? The e-mail notification list is used to keep you updated on upcoming community events, important scheduled and emergency utility shut downs and other community information.

Your e-mail address will not be displayed or distributed to anyone and will be used solely for the purpose of notification about events relating to Bowling Brook. If you wish to be included on our list, please fill out the above information and fax to 301-596-2082 or email your information to kbrown@cviinc.com. Thank you!



Important Information from Howard County Department of Public Works

Dear Residents

This is a reminder that Howard County now collects **curbside bulk trash!** To schedule a pickup, residents should call **410-313-6444**. Acceptable bulk items include mattresses, box springs, wooden furniture, chairs and sofas. Residents are limited to 4 bulk items per collection day. Once scheduled, bulk items will be collected on your regular trash day. Please note that bulk item collection will also slide for holidays that affect curbside collections. For additional details and a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items, please visit www.HowardCountyMD.gov/bulk.htm.

For items that include at least 20% metal, residents should call **410-313-6444** and request a special **metal pick-up**. Metal collection is not picked up by the trash or recycling contractors. Please note that in order to increase route efficiency, Howard County cannot schedule a pick-up for less than 10 pounds of metal. All Howard County residents can also recycle scrap metal at the Alpha Ridge Landfill (2350 Marriottsville Rd., Marriottsville, MD 21104).

Bulk plastic items such as playhouses & play sets (disassembled), totes, sheds (disassembled), lawn furniture and coolers can also be recycled. Place these items at the curb on your regular recycling day. These items do not need to be scheduled. Unlimited amounts of recycling will be accepted. Bulk plastic items can also be taken to the Alpha Ridge Landfill for recycling.

Please remember that Howard County has discontinued the previous Community Cleanup program for this more convenient, curbside collection method.

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Disclaimer: "Neither the association nor CVI endorse these contractors or guarantee their workmanship. These contractors are provided only for your convenience. Any bill incurred by the homeowner will be the responsibility of the homeowner. All arrangements are strictly between the homeowner and the contractor."

Howard County Trash Services in Bowling Brook Farms

REGULAR HOUSEHOLD TRASH is picked up on Tuesdays (except for Birkenhead Court, which is picked up on Wednesdays). Please review AND remember the following guidelines regarding regular household trash disposal:

- Each household is limited to four (4) items not exceeding forty (40) pounds. The four items can include cans, bags or bundles (bundles must be less than four feet (4') in length and 1" in diameter).

PROHIBITED ITEMS ARE:

- Liquids such as wet paint and motor oil
 - Hazardous, toxic or flammable materials
 - Bulk items (appliances, carpets, mattresses, or large equipment or furniture)
 - Car parts – tires, wheels or batteries
- It is also important to note that during the period April 1 – December 31 when yard trimming recycling is available (see below), grass, leaves and light brush WILL NOT be accepted for pickup on regular trash day.
 - Trash or recycling containers should not be placed out prior to 7:00 p.m. the day before collection and must be removed and stored in the rear yard after pick-up, out of public view the day of collection.
 - Trash should be placed in “group” trash areas at curb islands for pickup.
 - Trash can be put out for pickup in reusable metal or tough plastic containers with handles and watertight fitting lids or in HEAVY GAUGE plastic bags that are securely tied. NOTE: Cleanup of the common collection areas should be shared by all. The trash that is spilled and/or spread by animals or wind is the responsibility of each resident that uses the “group” trash areas.



BULK TRASH – Household bulk items such as appliances, carpets, mattresses, large equipment, furniture, etc. are the responsibility of each homeowner to dispose of. Homeowner can call for curbside pick-up at 410-313-6444 or these items can be dropped off at the Alpha Ridge Landfill Residents' Convenience Center. Monday-Saturday 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE – Household hazardous waste consists of wet paint, motor oil, household chemicals or cleaners, toxic or flammable materials, car parts (i.e., tires, wheels or batteries), medical waste, coals, ashes, soil, rocks, ammunition, explosives or firearms. These items can also be dropped off at the Alpha Ridge Landfill Residents' Convenience Center on Saturdays from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

For details on recycling or more information regarding the above information, visit the Howard County Website at www.co.ho.md.us or call 410-313-SORT.

MOST IMPORTANTLY – IF THE COUNTY DOES NOT PICK UP YOUR GARBAGE OR RECYCLING, IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO FIND AN ALTERNATE METHOD OF DISPOSAL. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT OUT FOR THE NEXT PICKUP. (Remember, the County will not remove your items if it is not being properly disposed.)

ALSO NOTE: The large dumpsters located at the apartments are NOT for Bowling Brook Farms' use. These are the property of the apartment complex. The apartments may hire patrols for their property and will follow through with any violations of illegal dumping or trespassing.

A-OK (Assist Our Kids) Mentoring -Tutoring Inc.

Contributes to the success of Howard County students by recruiting and training community volunteers who serve as mentor -tutors in participating Howard County public schools, during and after school hours.

Why Mentoring Tutoring?

Young people want adult support and guidance.

Many students need assistance with school work.

The role of extended families and close communities has declined.

Many students can use more ongoing attention from caring adults

What is a Mentor?

A wise and trusted friend and guide

A patient, good listener

A developer of talent encouraging the student to think, to problem solve, to make good choices, to try new things

A source of encouragement -helping the student to recognize and use his/her strengths, to accept challenges, to dream

Who are the children?

Students who:

want to succeed.

can benefit from increased adult attention

may be behind in academic skills.

may need to improve self-control.

What is Expected of a Volunteer?

Commitment for one school year, 1 hour/week,same dayand time.

Dependability, flexibility, friendliness, and an encouraging attitude.

Notification of the school counselor if there is a suspicion the student may be in danger.

What You Can Expect from the School?

A match with a student or small group.

Information about school procedures and resources.

Limited information about the student, because of privacy of educational records.

Assistance in working with the student.

What You Can Expect from A-OK

Guidance about interacting with the student, or if there are other questions or concerns.

Training opportunities and meetings with other mentor -tutors.

Continuing contacts.

For more information:

Email: aokmentor@gmail.com Call: Chaya Kaplan 410-730-6030 OR Rea Goldfinger 410-730-3850

A Note from Tower Federal Credit Union

JOIN TOWER FEDERAL CREDIT UNION

Reward yourself with savings, value and superior service

All Bowling Brook Farms Association members are eligible to join Tower Federal Credit Union. Because Tower is member-owned with no stockholders to pay, members have the advantages of lower loan rates and no or low fee services. And Tower still has FREE checking with no monthly fee or service charges and no minimum balance requirement after a \$10 opening deposit.

RENOVATE AT A LOW RATE WITH A TOWER HOME EQUITY LINE OF CREDIT

A home equity line of credit gives you cash on hand as you need it to tackle home renovations when you're ready to do them. At today's **2.75 APR***, Tower's home equity line of credit is one of the **lowest rates you'll find anywhere**. With a HELOC, there are no closing costs, points or origination fees. And you may get tax deductible savings. Check with a tax advisor. Visit towerfcu.org, apply for Tower membership and then apply for a home equity line of credit, safely and securely online, too.

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**Variable rates as of September 1, 2011 and subject to change quarterly. Maximum APR is 18%. Available in all states except Texas. Other restrictions may apply. The 2.75% rate is for up to 80% Loan-To-Value line of credit.*

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