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## FAMILY FUN BINGO

NOVEMBER 17

7:30-9:00PM @ AMHERST HOUSE



Family Fun Bingo is back! Join us at Amherst House on Friday, November 17th from 7:30-9:00pm for a night of fun and prizes! Bingo cards are six for \$1, drinks are \$.75 and snacks are free. No need to register, just bring your family and friends and come in for an evening of entertainment! Hope we see you there!



## SANTA CLAUS IS ON HIS WAY!



TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW

### LUNCH WITH SANTA

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 11:30AM-1:00PM  
AMHERST HOUSE

Enjoy pizza lunch, a craft and cookie decorating  
Plus, take a photo with Santa!

\$5.50 CA assessed/\$6.00 non-assessed

### COOKIES WITH SANTA

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2:00PM-3:30PM  
AMHERST HOUSE

Enjoy making a craft, decorating cookies  
and taking a photo with Santa!

\$4.00 CA assessed/\$4.50 non-assessed

**Purchase your tickets at Amherst House  
today - these events sell out every year!**

*Everyone attending must have a ticket except infants.*

## AMHERST HOUSE CLOSED



Amherst House will close at 7PM on Wednesday, November 22nd and will remain closed through Saturday, November 25th for the Thanksgiving holiday. We will reopen at 9AM on Monday, November 27th.

## HOLIDAY SLIDE SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving week is on a "slide" schedule. All trash, recycling and yard trim collections scheduled on or after Thanksgiving will "slide" and be made one day later that week. Alpha Ridge Landfill will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

## STAY FIT THIS FALL CLASSES @ AMHERST HOUSE

### PILATES WITH PROPS

ALL LEVELS

MONDAYS 6:45-7:45PM

Please bring a resistance band.

6-week session: 11/6-12/11

CA \$96, Non-CA \$102

### ZUMBA

Please bring water  
& a towel.

Women only.

SATURDAYS 10:15-11:15AM

6-week session: 10/14-11/18

CA \$48, Non-CA \$54

THURSDAYS 6:45-7:45PM

5-week session: 10/12-11/16 (no class 11/9)

CA \$40, Non-CA \$45



## LOOKING FOR SPACE TO TEACH A CLASS OR HOLD A SEMINAR?



Amherst House is available daytime and evenings and may be the perfect place for you and your students. Call 410-381-9600 for info. Liability insurance may be required.



## PLEASE REMEMBER...

Raking or blowing leaves into the street is illegal as they clog storm drains and pollute our waterways. Please put your leaves in paper bags (**plastic bags are no longer accepted**) or reusable containers and put them out for pick up on recycle day. Thanks!

**RECEIVE THE CROWN PRINTS BY EMAIL! To have your newsletter delivered to your inbox, send a request with your name and email address to [kingscontrivance@columbiavillages.org](mailto:kingscontrivance@columbiavillages.org).**

## VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Every year, Kings Contrivance Community Association accepts nominations for *Volunteer of the Year*. This year we honor Mr. Ed Gordon. Ed is the member of the Resident Architectural Committee with the longest tenure — he has currently served more than 12 years; as well as serving several years in the 80s! He has also been Chair of the RAC for the past two years, always impressing residents with his efficiency and fairness. Ed also volunteered to serve as the Election Committee Chair in 2017. Congratulations and thank you for being our Volunteer of the Year!



KCCA Board Chair  
Barb Seely with  
Mr. Ed Gordon.

## LOAN PROGRAM FOR COUNTY HOMEOWNERS

Howard County has announced a new County-funded rehab program for existing county homes. The Reinvest\*Renovate\*Restore program provides low-interest loans to make necessary home improvements, such as a new roof, and cosmetic updates, such as hardwood floors. This program helps address outstanding maintenance and repair items while protecting and enhancing property values. You must be a homeowner in Howard County and live in the home as your primary residence. Household income may not exceed 80% of Howard County Area Median Income adjusted for family size. For more info, call 410-313-3508.

## PRESUBMISSION COMMUNITY MEETING

**HAMMOND HIGH SCHOOL: ROOM 104  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30 @ 6:00PM**

A community meeting will be held at Hammond High School regarding the property at 7290 Kindler Road. The plan calls for a subdivision consisting of three single family detached buildable lots. This meeting will allow you to ask questions and express any concerns regarding the development. If you are unable to attend but would like to receive information, please email: [JohnH@fcc-eng.com](mailto:JohnH@fcc-eng.com).

## MASTER GARDENER EVENTS SAVE THE DATE



Stay busy this winter! Amherst House will be hosting three **free gardening talks** presented by the Howard County Master Gardeners. Seminars will be held in January, February, and March. Look for more details in upcoming issues of the Crown Prints.

## HALLOWEEN HAPPENINGS

The laughter of over 500 trick-or-treaters of all ages filled Amherst House as they enjoyed free shows with Daisy the Clown. Costumed kids also braved the haunted house in the village courtyard and trick-or-treated at each village merchant. Make it a tradition; be sure to join us next year!



## OUR FALL CLEAN UP & SHREDDING DAY WAS A SUCCESS!

Fifteen residents came out to help clean up and beautify our village. They collected *20 bags* of trash! **Thank you** to our fantastic volunteers!

We were pleased to see 131 residents take advantage of our free shredding and recycling event. 4680 pounds of paper were shredded! Look for our next shredding and recycle event in the spring.



## ROBINSON NATURE CENTER HOLIDAY FUN

Check out all of the exciting activities available at Robinson Nature Center this holiday season, from evenings in the NatureSphere to Wreath Making Workshops to an afternoon of "Reindeer Games." For more information, please call 410-313-0400 or visit:

**[HowardCountyMD.gov/Robinson](http://HowardCountyMD.gov/Robinson)**





## VILLAGE BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

If you have concerns you would like the Village Board to address, attend a Board meeting. Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM.



## COVENANT CORNER

The Resident Architectural Committee meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7:30PM. You are welcome to attend.

### RAC REVIEW OCTOBER 25, 2017

#### APPROVED

9994 Cape Ann Drive	Rain garden
7881 Savage Guilford Road	Hot tub, privacy screen
9401 White Spring Way	Tree removal
7920 Red Jacket Way	Color change (siding), front door
6708 Bushranger Path	Landscaping
7909 Red Jacket Way	Solar collectors
7454 First League	Patio

#### DENIED

7454 First League	Compost pile
10070 Quantrell Row	Color change (front door)

### RAC MEETING SCHEDULE

There will be only **one RAC meeting** in December. Submit applications by December 4th for the **December 13th meeting**.

## POLICE IMPLEMENT "TRANSACTION SAFE PLACE"



With online sale sites becoming more and more popular, the Howard County Police Department is offering community members places to facilitate exchanges as safely as possible. Designated parking spaces, marked with yellow signs, are available for this purpose at:

- ⇒ Northern District Station (3410 Court House Drive, Ellicott City)
- ⇒ Southern District Station (11226 Scaggsville Road, Laurel)
- ⇒ Community Outreach (10471 Little Patuxent Parkway, Columbia)

The lobbies of all police stations in Howard County are available for use as meetup spots.

Please use common sense when buying, selling and meeting people whom you do not know. Howard County Police offer the following tips for a safer sale:

- ⇒ Don't agree to meet anyone who refuses to do so at a police station or other public location.
- ⇒ NEVER use your home as a meeting location.
- ⇒ Arrange sales during daylight hours only and don't go to the meeting location alone.
- ⇒ Insist on using cash instead of personal check.

*Mission statement: The association represents the community of Kings Contrivance by advocating for residents, enforcing covenants, and building a sense of community.*

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Monday—Thursday 9AM—9PM  
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  - \*Steps \*Senior Living Remodel  
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- MIKE 410-290-9728**



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### LEAF REMOVAL

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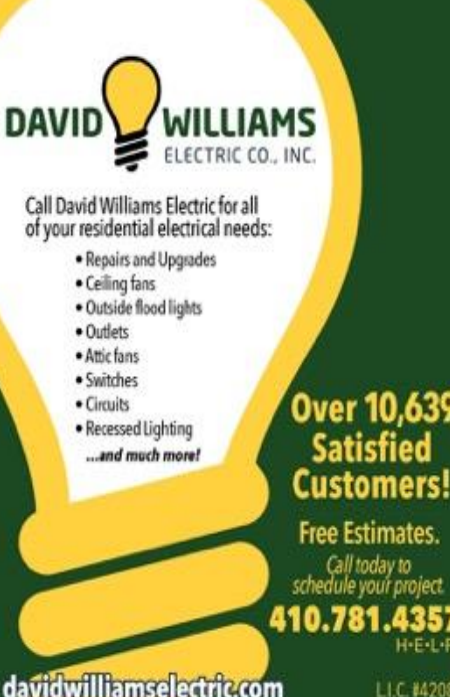
### FALL CLEANUP

Refresh the look of your house.

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