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VILLAGE ELECTION DAYS

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

5-7PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

9AM-1PM



Come to Amherst House and cast your vote in the Kings Contrivance Village Election. There are five residents running for three board seats: **Bruce Altschuler, Jeff Richmond, Fred Niziol, Melissa Hogle** and **Lilah Haxton**. We must have a quorum of 68 votes to validate the election.

The 68th voter wins a KC Polo shirt!

Absentee Ballots must be cast by 9PM TONIGHT, April 26, at Amherst House

KIDS VOTE TOO!



Children under 18 residing in the village are encouraged to vote as well! Young voters will vote to decide which animal the Kings Contrivance Community Association will adopt from the Maryland Zoo. Encouraging kids to participate instills in them a sense of civic pride.

WILLS AND ESTATES FRIDAY, MAY 11 @ 10AM AMHERST HOUSE



Join us at Amherst House as Chief Judge of the Orphan's Court for Howard County and former KC Village Manager, Anne Dodd, gives a presentation about wills and estates in Maryland and about the Orphan's Court. The Orphan's Court is a probate court; come learn why the court is so named, what constitutes a legal will, how estates are administered and what to do if a loved one dies. There will be a question and answer period. This is a **Free presentation** but reservations are required; call 410-381-9600 to register. Coffee and snacks will be served.

ELECTION DAY ACTIVITIES SATURDAY, APRIL 28



COMMUNITY FLEA MARKET AND BOOK EXCHANGE

Amherst House Parking Lot, 9AM-NOON

Find some Election Day Bargains! Our KC Flea Market will take place in the Amherst House parking lot on Saturday, April 28th during Village Elections. Participate in the Book Exchange! Take a book/leave a book. Maximum 10 books may be left. The rain date is May 5, 2018.



FREE VEHICLE ID ETCHING & WATCH YOUR CAR PROGRAM

Amherst House, 9AM-NOON

Be sure to participate in the HoCo Police Dept.'s Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etching program. You can also register for the Watch Your Car program which allows officers to stop your car between 1 & 5am to verify that the owner is driving.



COLUMBIA CLEANS DAY 10AM-1PM

Join us as we pick up litter in the open space and along major roads in our village. Registration begins at 10AM at Amherst House. Refreshments will be served. Safety vests, bags, and rubber gloves will be provided. Community service certificates will be available.



KC POLO SHIRTS & FLEECE JACKETS FOR SALE!


Got Village Pride? Show it off! Purchase an Adult Polo Shirt (gray or purple) for \$15 or a Purple Fleece Jacket (men's or ladies') for \$33. Look for the table on Election Day at Amherst House.




VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Here's your chance to nominate a Kings Contrivance resident who has done an outstanding job improving life in Kings Contrivance. Nomination forms are available at Amherst House.

CROWN PRINTS UPDATE

 There will be FOUR issues of the *Crown Prints* in 2018 that will not be printed—they will be **Electronic Issues only** (May 24, June 28, November 22 & December 27). To ensure you don't miss an issue, be sure to sign up to have the *Crown Prints* delivered directly to your inbox! Send an email with your request to:

KingsContrivance@ColumbiaVillages.org


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 To place an ad or for more info, please call Amherst House at 410-381-9600.

— ✨ — THANK YOU! — ✨ —

Forty-seven residents enjoyed a fun evening of games, wine and cheese at Ladies' Night Bingo. Thanks to the following Kings Contrivance Village Merchants for their generous donations. Your support helps to make our community events successful!

- * **Kings Contrivance Jewelers**
- * **Kings Contrivance Liquor & Smoke Shop**
- * **Corner Stable**
- * **Trattoria E Pizzeria**
- * **Harris Teeter**

Thanks also to our fabulous BINGO caller—Kings Contrivance resident **Ed Gardocki!**

Our semi-annual shredding event was also a huge success with residents shredding **over 4,000 pounds** of paper! Thanks to KC Board Member Fred Niziol for volunteering at our shredding event! Look for the next one in the fall.

BUGS THAT BITE "HOW TO COMBAT MOSQUITOES & TICKS" TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2018 7-8PM @ AMHERST HOUSE



Are you concerned about mosquitoes and ticks in your neighborhood? The Columbia Association and Kings Contrivance are hosting a workshop at Amherst House called "Bugs that Bite: How to Combat Mosquitoes and Ticks this Summer." Learn about ticks in the area, tick prevention techniques, and how to spot the symptoms of Lyme disease. You will also learn some interesting facts about mosquitoes and how to combat mosquito breeding in your neighborhood. Registration is required for this **free presentation**; please call 410-381-9600.

YOUR YARD-YOUR WATERSHED

Spruce Up Your Yard & Protect Our Streams!

Tips from Gail Holm, our CA Watershed Advisory Rep

- ⇒ Replace some of your lawn with native plants. Native plants beautify your property and absorb more water than turf does. You slow runoff and cut down on mowing time!
- ⇒ Install a rain barrel to catch water from your roof; use this water on your lawn and flower beds. Attend a free Rain Barrel Giveaway & Workshop at Alpha Ridge Landfill on May 5 from 9-11am. Please check with Amherst House for approval for installing rain barrels.



Do you know in which watershed you live? Kings Contrivance has two: Little Patuxent and Middle Patuxent. Your property drains into one of these rivers; find out which one at the following link:

LiveGreenHoward.com/green/water-resources/watersheds-rivers-streams



JUNE 5 from 7:15-8:15PM @ AMHERST HOUSE: Join us for a **free CPR class** to review Hands-Only CPR and AED training. Bring the whole family! Call Amherst House to sign up: 410-381-9600. *Sponsored by Howard County Dept. of Fire & Rescue.*

SPRING CLASSES



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Bring water & a towel. Women only.
THURSDAYS 6:45-7:45PM
SATURDAYS 10:15-11:15AM



AMHERST HOUSE

RESTORATIVE YOGA

Bring a mat.
MONDAYS 5:30-6:30PM

PILATES WITH MAT

All levels. Bring a mat.
MONDAYS 6:45-7:45PM



COVENANT CORNER

The Resident Architectural Committee meets the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month at 7:30PM. You are welcome to attend. Please be sure to submit applications by **Monday, April 30th at 9:00PM for the May 9th meeting.**

RAC REVIEW MARCH 14, 2018

APPROVED

7888 Red Jacket Way	Fence
7656 Sweet Hours Way	Lattice screen
9455 Keepsake Way	Fence, lighting
8804 Stonebrook Lane	Lighting
7546 Red Cravat Court	Addition, deck
9463 Clocktower Lane	Deck
9625 Sea Shadow	Lighting
9406 Clocktower Lane	Driveway
10099 Cape Ann Drive	Window

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7656 Sweet Hours Way	Propane tank
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RAC REVIEW MARCH 28, 2018

APPROVED

9475 Clocktower Lane	Fence
7341 Eden Brook Drive	Lighting
8912 Skyrock Court	Window
9726 Early Spring Way	Shed
7484 Weather Worn Way	Porch, railing, shed
7635 Sweet Hours Way	Lighting, security camera
7311 Silent Bird Court	Landscaping, walkways
7876 Red Jacket Way	Play equipment, shed
9323 Wild Grass Court	Fence
9417 Book Row	Patio, walkway
7534 Summer Leave Lane	Lighting
7513 Waterlily Way	Tree removal



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.

- ◆ The Board meeting scheduled for March 21st was cancelled so residents could attend the Hearing Exam. Meeting. The April 4th meeting was cancelled due to lack of agenda items.

Upcoming Agenda Item

May 3: Approval of Election Results and Election of Board Officers

RAC REVIEW MARCH 28, 2018 CON'T

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7484 Weather Worn Way	Driveway, patio
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RAC REVIEW APRIL 11, 2018

APPROVED

7484 Weather Worn Way	Driveway, patio
10118 Cape Ann Drive	Fence
10122 Cape Ann Drive	Fence
9028 Moving Water Lane	Landscaping
9829 Rainleaf Court	Fence
9865 Softwater Way	Deck, patio, shed
9785 Early Spring Way	Color change, storm door, deck
9323 Wild Grass Court	Patios, landscaping
9722 Early Spring Way	Fence
9517 Red Apple Lane	Patios, landscaping
9503 Gray Mouse Way	Color change: roof
7327 Kindler Road	Siding

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6756 Flapjack Lane	Fence
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Mission statement: The association represents the community of Kings Contrivance by advocating for residents, enforcing covenants, and building a sense of community.

Staff/Village Office

Beverley Meyers, Village Manager
 Laura Parrish, Covenant Advisor
 Patty Hricko, Head Facility Assistant
 Julie Steffanoff, Head Facility Assistant
 Luz Elena Borrero, Events & Info Coordinator
 Erika Cheney, Operations Coordinator

Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday	9AM—9PM
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Saturday	10AM—1PM

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CVS	410-381-1660	Master Barber	410-290-6960
Exxon	410-381-5577	McDonald's	410-381-7938
Glamour Salon	410-381-3242	Rita's Ices	443-864-5509
Harris Teeter	410-290-5902	State Farm Insurance	410-381-7386
Kings Cobbler	410-381-9690	Subway	410-290-7730
K.C. Cleaners	410-290-6909	Trattoria E Pizzeria	410-381-1255
K.C. Formal Wear	410-381-0619	The UPS Store	410-290-6900
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