

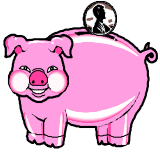
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# PRINTS

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The Twice-Monthly Newsletter of the Village of Kings Contrivance



## FAMILY FUN BINGO FRIDAY JANUARY 29 7:30 -9:00p.m.

Join us for an evening of Family Fun Bingo at Amherst House. 8 cards for \$1, sodas 50 cents, snacks are free!



Photos with Santa now available for pick up at Amherst House

Thank you to board member, Fred Niziol and residents Judy Milke and Laurence Meyers for volunteering during our annual Lunch with Santa event.



## FIRST TIME MOMS/DADS PLAYGROUP

**TUESDAYS 10:00a.m. - Noon  
Jan 19 - Feb 23**

Looking to meet some new friends in the neighborhood? Just had a baby? Join us for our first time moms/dads playgroup. Free to Kings Contrivance residents. \$1 per 6 week session for all others. Call to register your attendance.



## CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS

Cell Phones for Soldiers collects *USED* cellphones (working or not) and sells them to a company that refurbishes them. For collecting phones, Cell Phones for Soldiers receives money from the refurbishing company and (along with partner AT&T, who provides the phone cards at greatly reduced rates) buys phone cards and sends them, free of charge, to soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan. There is a collection box at Amherst House if you would like to donate your old phone and give the precious opportunity for soldiers to call their loved ones back home.



## FREE GARDENING SEMINAR GROWING AND MAINTAINING A FESCUE LAWN

**Thursday, January 28 7:00p.m. at Amherst House**

Master Gardeners from the Howard County Cooperative Extension Service will cover topics including soil preparation and testing, choosing correct seed, fertilizers, watering, mowing, thatch, weed and disease control. A beautiful lawn will be yours without adding to pollution of the Chesapeake Bay. Please register your attendance in advance for this free talk.

Mark your calendars for our next free gardening seminars this Winter on March 4 and March 25.

Master Gardener programs will also be offered at two other Columbia Villages. On January 19 at 7:30p.m., Hickory Ridge Community Association will offer a free talk called The History of Gardening and How to use it in your own landscaping. To sign up for this talk please call Hickory Ridge at 410 730 7327. On January 26 at 7p.m., Town Center Community Association will offer a free talk on gardening in small spaces. Please call Town Center at 410 730 4744 to register.



## WINTER IS HERE... Need someone to shovel snow?



The following people have placed their names on our snow shovelers list:  
Eric Buarque 410 465 0868 410 440 9463 Mike Friend 410 290 9728  
Harry Hearn 888 951 3948 Brad Humpert 301 497 6122 Michael Johnson 443 864 5790  
If you'd like your name added to the list, please give us a call today.

## CLASSES AT AMHERST HOUSE

**10% discount for those living on CA assessed property**

Register for classes at Amherst House. Payment by Cash or Check only.

### Wee Friends Parent and Child Classes. Additional Materials fee paid at 1st class.

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|--------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
| M 10:00-11:00 a.m. | 2-3yrs.        | 1/11 - 3/22 | \$122/8wks  |
| T 9:30-10:30 a.m.  | 2-3yrs.        | 1/12 - 3/23 | \$165/11wks |
| T 10:40-11:40 a.m. | 20mos.-2.5yrs. | 1/12 - 3/23 | \$165/11wks |
| W 9:30-10:15 a.m.  | 14-21mos.      | 1/13 - 3/24 | \$132/11wks |
| W 10:30-11:30 a.m. | 20mos.-2.5yrs. | 1/13 - 3/24 | \$165/11wks |
| W 1:15-2:15 p.m.   | 2-3yrs.        | 1/13 - 3/24 | \$165/11wks |

### Princess Pre-Ballet

W 10:00 - 10:45a.m. 3-5yrs 1/13 - 2/17 \$60/6wks

### Baton Classes

M 4:45 - 5:45p.m. 5-18yrs. Beginner Twirlers 2/1-3/28 \$140/8wks  
W 4:45 - 5:45p.m. 5-18yrs. Intermediate Twirlers 2/1-3/28 \$140/8wks

### Elsie M. Brown School of the Arts

**Mon and Sat classes 7wks \$88, Wed Class 9wks \$113**

**Drop In CA \$12, Non CA \$15 Jan 4 -Mar 6**

M 5:00 - 5:45pm Creative Movement 2-6yrs.  
M 6:00 - 7:00pm Ballet/Modern 7-11yrs.  
M 7:00 - 8:00pm Hip Hop 7-11yrs.  
M 7:00 - 8:00pm Modern/Jazz 12-16yrs.  
W 4:00 - 5:00pm Ballet 12-16yrs.  
W 5:00 - 6:00pm Ballet 7-11yrs.  
Sa 10:00 - 10:45am Ballet & Tap 4-6yrs.  
Sa 10:45 - 11:30am Mommy and Me Dance 2-6yrs.

### Pilates - Drop In \$15

Intermediate/Advanced Pilates on the Ball  
M 7:15 - 8:15p.m. 1/4 - 3/8 \$112/8wks  
Beginners Mat Pilates  
Sa 10:15 - 11:15a.m. 1/2 - 3/13 \$112/8wks

### Yoga -Drop In \$16 1st Class Free for New Students

W 6:30 - 7:45p.m. 1/6 - 2/10 \$78/6wks



**NEW CLASS**

**Basic Sewing 101**

**Thursdays 6:30 - 8:30pm**

**Feb 4-25**

**CA \$180 Non CA \$200**

**Materials Fee \$25  
paid at first class**



## COVENANT CORNER

The Resident Architectural Committee usually meets the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month at 7:30 p.m. The next deadline is Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 9 p.m. for the meeting on Wednesday, January 27.

## OFFICE CLOSED

The village office will be closed Saturday, January 16 and Monday, January 18 Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

We will reopen on Tuesday January 19 at 9a.m.

## CHILD CARE & PRESCHOOL INFORMATION FAIR

Children on Board, Howard County's annual Preschool/Child Care Information Fair, will be held at Ten's Oaks Ballroom located at 5000 Signal Bell Lane in Clarksville on Saturday, January 23 from 9a.m. to 1p.m. Admission is free for this "one stop shop" for all the information you need to choose a preschool or child care. Attendees are asked to bring a nonperishable food item to donate to the Howard County Food Bank.



For more information call (410) 313 1940.

## BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

If you have concerns you would like the Village Board to address, attend a board meeting. They are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at Amherst House. Due to the timing of the newsletter, Board Highlights will return in the next issue.

Please stop by Amherst House if you would like to review a copy of the proposed CA FY11 and FY12 Operating and Capital Budgets.

## TRACK HOWARD COUNTY SNOWPLOWS

During a snowstorm, Howard County residents can check the progress of the County's snow removal vehicles by clicking on the "snowflake" icon on the County's homepage at [www.howardcountymd.gov](http://www.howardcountymd.gov) and viewing the snow tracker map. The snow tracker map shows the current location of snow plow vehicles, roads that have been treated, whether roads were plowed or salted, and the location of roads still to be treated. Residents can also receive updated recorded information on road conditions by calling Howard County's Citizen Information Hotline at (410) 313-2900.

To assist highway crews during a storm, residents with driveways are asked to park there and leave streets and cul-de-sacs clear whenever possible so snow removal vehicles can do their jobs quickly and public safety vehicles will have easier access in emergencies.

"It is the duty and obligation of the owner of property abutting a sidewalk in a public right of way to remove snow from the sidewalk within 48 hours after the snow has fallen." Howard County code, Section 18.402(h)

### Staff/Village Office

Anne Brinker, Village Manager  
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Beverley Meyers, Events and Info. Coordinator  
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Aimee Jennings, Bookkeeper  
Julie Steffanoff, Head Facility Assistant

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