

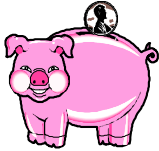
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The Twice-Monthly Newsletter of the Village of Kings Contrivance



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

ELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED

Village elections are fast approaching and we need volunteers to serve on the Election Committee. Committee members oversee the voting process to include issuing, receiving and counting the ballots cast on election days. This year's elections will be held on Friday, April 23 from 5 to 7 pm and Saturday, April 24 from 9 am to 1 pm.

Elections this year will fill village board seats. If you are interested in running for office, please contact Anne Brinker at (410) 381-9600



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.



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 - Vegetable Gardening and March 25 - Invasive Non Natives.

The Kings Contrivance Community Association has a new website! Find information on board meetings, covenant guidelines, special events, classes, tot lots, community resources, and much more at www.kingscontrivancecommunityassociation.org

LEADERSHIP HOWARD COUNTY FOR HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORES

Leadership U is recruiting current high school sophomores for next year's class. Leadership Howard County, the premier program in preparing and inspiring leaders for Howard County, will be hosting two information sessions about Leadership U. Students gain leadership skills while creating and implementing a group community service project. Information sessions are on February 2 and 11, 7:00pm - 8:30pm at the Faulkner Ridge Center, 10598 Marble Faun Lane, Columbia. Applications are due March 12, 2010.

For more information visit their website www.leadershiphc.org or contact Diane Freedman at dfreedman@leadershiphc.org.

DONATE BLOOD

You are invited to share the gift of life by donating blood. A community blood drive will be held on Saturday, January 30 (7:30am-12:30pm) at the Owen Brown Interfaith Center, 7246 Cradlerock Way (behind Sunoco and McDonald's). Come join the fun, spend an hour with us, and save three lives.

To make your appointment to donate or to volunteer to help, contact Pat Fort at (410)381-4546 or blooddrive@uucolumbia.net.

Warm Someone's Heart
this Winter
Donate Blood!



MAKING DREAMS COME TRUE FOR SENIORS & YOU

In hopes of inspiring one million people to volunteer with participating organizations, such as **Neighbor Ride**, Disney is celebrating volunteers' good works by giving each of them a 1-day, 1-theme park ticket to the Disneyland® Resort or Walt Disney World® Resort, free. There's no better time to help make dreams of continued independence come true for the seniors **Neighbor Ride** serves and let Disney make a few magical dreams come true for you!

Neighbor Ride is a volunteer-based nonprofit dedicated to decreasing isolation and helping Howard County's older residents remain active and independent by providing transportation for health care appointments, cultural and social activities, community volunteering, fitness and educational classes, religious services and other personal needs, such as shopping and business appointments. Extremely flexible and rewarding daytime, evening and weekend volunteer opportunities are available. Volunteer drivers may choose to provide rides that both fit their schedules and are convenient to their homes and daily routines. Parent volunteers are welcome to bring their children along for a wonderful intergenerational experience. For more information contact Rosemary Noble volunteer@neighborride.org or Colleen Konstanzer community@neighborride.org at (410) 884-7433.

To volunteer with **Neighbor Ride** and participate in the Disney Give a Day initiative, pre-register at:

http://disneyarks.disney.go.com/disneyarks/en_US/WhatWillYouCelebrate/index?name=-

There's still time to sign up for our winter class sessions!

Wee Friends Parent & Child

Elsie M. Brown School of the Arts Dance Classes

Baton Classes, Pilates and Yoga.

Call us today for more information (410) 381 9600.



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

Sewing machines provided for class.

**ROOTS OF HOWARD COUNTY
IN CELEBRATION OF
AFRICAN AMERICAN
HISTORY
PRESENTS
"WOMEN OF DISTINCTION"**

Sunday, February 21, 2010

3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

FREE

(no snow date)

Historic Oakland 5430 Vantage Point Road

3:00 to 4:00pm

Visit the The Howard County Center of African American Culture, see a display of the "Images of Freedom" poster entries created by Howard County students. Enjoy musical entertainment by the Ellington-Adderley Jazz Ensemble.

4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

The program will feature a panel of "Women of Distinction".

Scheduled speakers include

**Diane Brown (Columnist, Patuxent Publishing),
Wylene Burch**

**(Director, Howard County Center
of African American Culture),
Alice P. Clark**

**(Judge, District Court of Maryland),
Dottie Moore**

(former Head, Community Action Council).

**Malynda Madzel, who has served on various
community boards and foundations, will serve
as discussion facilitator.**

Light refreshments will be served

**Co-sponsored by the Villages of Columbia, The
Columbia Association and The Howard County
Center of African American Culture**

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.

At the board meeting held January 6, the board

- heard regular reports
- discussed CA's management contract
- voted to change payroll processing company

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

UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

March 3 - Review of community survey on Huntington Deli and Mart selling beers and wine



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, February 2, 2010 at 9 p.m. for the meeting on Wednesday, February 10.

RAC REVIEW January 13, 2010

APPROVED

9731 Softwater Way	Deck Railing Replacement
8892 Stonebrook Lane	Propane Tank
9705 Early Spring Way	Deck
8062 Prelude Lane	Tree Removal

APPROVED WITH PROVISIONS

9412 White Spring Way Play Equipment

WITHDRAWN

9840 Rainleaf Court Color Change

Staff/Village Office

Anne Brinker, Village Manager
Stephanie Moore, Covenant Advisor
Beverley Meyers, Events and Info. Coordinator
Jill Bartos, Operations Coordinator
Aimee Jennings, Bookkeeper
Julie Steffanoff, Head Facility Assistant

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Monday - Thursday	9am - 9pm
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Saturday	10am - 1pm

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