

# CROWN PRINTS

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## MASTER GARDENER EVENTS ARE BACK VIA ZOOM!

Join us online for a **FREE gardening talk** on January 26 via Zoom. This informative presentation will be given by a member of the Howard County Master Gardeners.

Pre-registration is required by January 25.  
Please email [Events@VillageofKC.org](mailto:Events@VillageofKC.org)  
to receive the Zoom link.



**January 26 @ 7-8pm**  
**Growing Fruit Trees**

**& Small Fruits in Your Garden**

This talk presents a general overview of fruit trees and small fruit. It includes cultural requirements, pruning tips, pest concerns, pollination, and soil preparation. Tips on growing strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, grapes and blueberries will be presented.

*Save the date* for the next two talks:

**February 23** - Getting Your Garden Ready for Spring

**March 23** - Raising Monarch Butterflies  
in the Home Garden

## Snow Shovelers Needed



Throughout the winter months, residents are often looking for people willing to do snow shoveling. We keep a list of local snow shovelers

that we pass along to our residents.

**Are you interested in being put on the list that we give out?**

If so, please call 410-381-9600 or email  
[Info@VillageofKC.org](mailto:Info@VillageofKC.org) for details.

At Amherst House we also maintain lists of Babysitters, Odd Jobs and Recommended Contractors. Email [Info@VillageofKC.org](mailto:Info@VillageofKC.org) for your copy today.

### NEIGHBORHOOD SNOW SHOVELERS

Aaron Lovegrove  
**410-361-1186**

Edwin Pineda  
**301-573-7722**

Eric Buarque  
**410-440-9463**

## AMHERST HOUSE



Our staff is available by appointment for HOA Document sales and notary services. You can reach Amherst House staff by calling **410-381-9600** and leaving a message; we will return your call as soon as possible. You can also send an email to: [Kings@VillageofKC.org](mailto:Kings@VillageofKC.org)



## HOLIDAY SCHEDULES AMHERST HOUSE CLOSED



Amherst House will be closed for the holidays. The offices will be closed from December 24-January 2. We will reopen on January 4, 2020 @ 9am.

### SLIDE SCHEDULE: TRASH & RECYCLING

Both Christmas and New Year's weeks are on a "slide" schedule. All trash, recycling and yard trim collections scheduled those weeks will "slide" and be made one day later that week. Alpha Ridge Landfill will be closed on December 25<sup>th</sup> and January 1<sup>st</sup>.

## RECYCLE HOLIDAY TREES



Prepare your tree for recycling by removing all ornaments, garlands, lights, tinsel, plastic bags, or any other artificial materials. You can recycle your tree on your normal recycling day through January 16. Trees will not be collected on trash days.

Questions? Visit:

**[HowardCountyRecycles.org](http://HowardCountyRecycles.org)**

## TELL HoCo



Help report non-emergency issues to Howard County from a smartphone, tablet or computer! Use the **Tell HoCo mobile app** to report issues pertaining to potholes, signs, graffiti, sidewalks, roadways, parks, trees, sewers or water. For visual support, you can upload photos as well.

**M&T Bank** M&T Bank in the Kings Contrivance Village Center has closed until further notice. The ATMs are still available.

## FREE PUBLIC WiFi

Thanks to CARES Act funding, Howard County Government provides free public WiFi at the following locations:


**Columbia:** Blandair Regional Park; Columbia Lakefront; Long Reach Village Center; Fire Station 14 parking lot

**Ellicott City:** Historic Ellicott City Main Street and Lot D; George Howard Building, in the front courtyard near the entrance to the building; Kiwanis Wallace Park, near the back fields


**Clarksville:** Clarksville Commons; Middle Patuxent Environmental Area, in the parking lot off Trotter Rd

## SNOW CLEAN-UP

**Don't forget to clear your sidewalk after a snowstorm—it's the law.**

 "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).*

**Do not park on streets, especially on or around cul-de-sacs.**

 Make snow removal easy for highway crews: park your vehicles in driveways. This also allows police and firefighters to respond quickly to public safety tasks.

**Where to go for more snow information:**

- ♦ Bureau of Highways: 410-313-7450
- ♦ Bureau of Utilities: 410-313-4900
- ♦ Bureau of Environ. Services: 410-313-6444
- ♦ County: **HowardCountyMD.gov**
- ♦ State: **Chart.Maryland.gov**
- ♦ County Snow Tracker:

**HoCoSnowPlowTracker.org**

## COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL

CAC provides Howard County residents with Food & Housing Assistance, Early Childhood Education and Energy & Weatherization Assistance.

To donate, please visit: **cac-hc.org**


If you need assistance, call: **410-313-6440**

## FOOD BANK DONATIONS

CAC provides food to county residents in need from the Howard County Food Bank located at **9385 Gerwig Lane** in Columbia. Food donations can be dropped off in the collection bin at 9385 Gerwig Lane. Monetary donations can be made on the CAC website listed above.

For Food Bank info, call: **410-313-6185**

## NEED HELP WITH HOME REPAIRS?

 **Rebuilding Together Howard County** was formed to mobilize volunteers and to provide free home repairs to low-income families in Howard County. The program is committed to improving the lives of the elderly, individuals with disabilities, veterans, families with children and all Howard County homeowners who have worked hard but can no longer afford to keep up with repairs. For more info or to apply, call 410-381-3338 or visit:

**RebuildingTogetherHowardCounty.org**

Rebuilding Together is always in need of  
**Skilled Trades**  
**Professional Volunteers.**

*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  
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Luz Elena Borrero, Events & Info Coordinator  
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### **Office Hours:**

⇒ **by appointment only**

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### Expert Handyman Services

#### DEER REMEDIATION

Landscaping - Carpentry  
Decks - Gutters - Fences  
Paint - Trees - Power Wash  
Chimneys - Patios

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**MIKE**  
410-290-9728

### IN SEARCH OF OCCASIONAL PRIVATE OFFICE SPACE?

Need a small quiet space to work alone or with a few coworkers? KCCA has you covered! The Amherst House conference room is *perfect for your needs*. There is room to social distance while working together in person rather than on video conference.

**Low daily rates! Hourly rates start at \$25!**

For more info, please call 410-381-9600 or email:

Kings@VillageofKC.org



### CA OPEN SPACE ISSUES? QUESTIONS?



If you have questions or concerns about CA Open Space, contact Columbia Association Open Space directly. Call **410-312-6330** or email:

**Open.Space@Columbia  
Association.org**

⇒ You can report issues in Open Space such as trees across a CA pathway or problems with a tot lot.

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# New Hope Lutheran Church



**Celebrate the True Meaning of the Season!**

## Christmas Eve – December 24

Our Christmas Eve service will be available on YouTube beginning at noon, Christmas Eve, however we encourage you to join us at 7pm. It is our hope that, at the end of the service, we will gather -- in our homes, on our porches, with candles lit, to sing *Silent Night* together as a community.

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King's Cobbler ..... 410-381-9690  
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Master Barber ..... 410-290-6960  
McDonald's ..... 410-381-7938  
Rita's Ice..... 443-864-5509  
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## CA ARCHIVES NOW ONLINE!



CA has launched a brand new [Columbia Maryland Archives website](http://ColumbiaMarylandArchives.org) where you can search through artifacts from the comfort of your home. The CA Archives maintains the primary resource of history for this special place we call home.

## CABLE BOX REPAIR

Do you see outdoor cable boxes in your neighborhood in need of repair? Report them to the HoCo Cable Administrator: **410-313-3318.**

## TEXT-TO-911



Residents and visitors in Howard County can now text **911** in an emergency in the event you are unable to place a phone call.

### HOW IT WORKS

1. Enter 911 in the "TO" field of a new message
2. Your first message should include location of the emergency and type of service needed
3. Follow instructions by the operator