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WOULD YOU LIKE TO RUN FOR THE KC VILLAGE BOARD?

 Anyone who is interested in running for one of four Village Board seats or for the Columbia Council Rep seat (each is a two-year term) **must complete a nomination petition**. The petitions will be available through email, on our website or through a scheduled pick-up at Amherst House. Petitions will be available March 1st - March 21st and must be returned by 5:00pm on March 21st.

- ◇ An optional Candidate Statement (up to 150 words) may be submitted by March 25th.
- ◇ If the election is contested, a **Candidate's Night** will be held via Zoom on April 7 at 7:00pm.
- ◇ Elections will be held at Amherst House on April 23rd & 24th, 2021.

For a nomination petition or more information, please contact Beverley Meyers at 410-381-9600 or email Kings@VillageofKC.org.

 Absentee ballots will be available in the April 8th issue of the Crown Prints and at Amherst House. Absentee ballots must be returned to Amherst House by 9pm on April 22.

AMHERST HOUSE



While our staff continues to work remotely, we are still available for many services including **SOCIAL & BUSINESS RENTALS**. Call today for a tour of our beautiful facility! **NOTARY** services are also available by appointment. 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.

Visit our website VILLAGEofKC.org for many resources, as well as covenant information, such as:

- ⇒ Architectural Guidelines
- ⇒ Exterior Alteration Application
- ⇒ Letter of Compliance Request
- ⇒ Schedule of Village Board & RAC meetings
- ⇒ Who Do I Contact? Phone List
- ⇒ Information on Social and Business rentals

To obtain HOA DOCS, call or email:

410-381-9600 or Covenants@VillageofKC.org

CROWN PRINTS UPDATE



Look for printed issues of the Crown Prints distributed in the Columbia Flier on **April 8 & April 22**

Never miss an issue! Read every issue of the Crown Prints on our website **VillageofKC.org** or have it delivered straight to your inbox by requesting to be added to our email distribution list. Email your request to:

Kings@VillageofKC.org



**KEEP UP ON VILLAGE HAPPENINGS
FOLLOW KCCA ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

◆ **TWITTER:** @VillageofKC

◆ **FACEBOOK:** Kings Contrivance Village

◆ **WEB:** VillageofKC.org

MASTER GARDENER EVENT VIA ZOOM

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

Please email Events@VillageofKC.org by March 22 to register and receive the Zoom link.



**March 23 @ 7-8pm
Raising Monarch Butterflies
in the Home Garden**

This Power Point presentation demonstrates how the home gardener can identify signs of the emerging life cycle of the Monarch Butterfly at home. Using the most advantageous plantings, garden locations, and easily-accessible equipment, the novice can enjoy interaction with this glorious specimen of the pollinator world.

SAVE THE DATE



◇ **Columbia Cleans Day: May 1**

Help keep our neighborhood clean by picking up trash in the village. Supplies provided.

◇ **Free Shredding for KC Residents: May 15**
In the Amherst House parking lot from 10am-1pm.

COVID VACCINE INFORMATION

For the latest information on the virus and to make an appointment, call:

1-855-MDGOVAX (1-855-634-6829)
or visit:

<https://coronavirus.maryland.gov/>

This will give you links to many sites currently vaccinating in our area, including the health department, pharmacies, hospitals and medical facilities. You can also express interest in receiving the vaccine when it's available for your category by visiting some of the sites and completing their registration forms. When it's your turn and vaccine is available, they will send you an email with a link to make an appointment. At the current time, vaccine is limited and appointments fill up quickly, so check your email frequently. For those without email, you can also call 211 or Howard County Health Department at 410-313-6284.

CAN YOU HELP?

Sign up for the Medical Reserve Corp for both medical and non medical volunteers to assist with vaccine distribution. Email our Howard County contact at lawilliams@howardcountymd.gov

For more information visit

www.smartrecruiters.com/lab/marylandmednow/

STAY INFORMED - HERE'S HOW

Ball Bulletin - <https://www.howardcountymd.gov/Branches/County-Executive/Newsletter>

Weekly Howard County Health Dept e-newsletter SIGN UP here: <https://bit.ly/2DcrNea>

Howard County General Hospital e-Wellness Matters SIGN UP here: <https://bit.ly/2ESRPn7>

Monthly HCLHC Digest SIGN UP here: <https://bit.ly/2QEo24j>

CA FY 2022 BUDGET APPROVED

During the Board Meeting on February 25, Columbia Association's Board of Directors approved the organization's Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 budget. FY 2022 covers the period from May 1, 2021, to April 30, 2022.

Some major points from the approved FY 2022 budget include:

- No increase in the annual charge rate or cap
- Reopening 15 of our neighborhood pools
- Ceasing operations of Haven on the Lake
- Fall 2021: before & after school care at 20 schools
- Return of international & multicultural programs



CA OUTDOOR POOLS SUMMER 2021 UPDATE



CA Aquatics will **open 15 outdoor neighborhood pools this summer!** In Kings Contrivance, Huntington and Dickinson pools will open; Macgill's Common pool will not open this season. The Columbia Neighborhood Swim League will run this summer.

The outdoor pool experience will be a little different this year compared to years past. Here are some things you can do to start preparing for a safe and fun summer swim season.

- ◇ You will have to make a reservation to use the pools. Make sure your Spectrum NG account with CA is up to date with your current contact information, especially email. Online reservations will be an important way to enforce county and state capacity restrictions. Don't have an account? Contact CA Member Service Center at 410-730-1801.
- ◇ Check your membership and Columbia Card status. A Columbia Card is for non member residents residing on CA-Assessed property. It allows for reduced pay-as-you-go admission and program fees. Members and Columbia Card holders will get the opportunity to book time slots at their neighborhood pool in advance. If you're interested in membership information or a Columbia Card, talk to a Facility Membership team member at your favorite CA location or call 410-730-1801.
- ◇ Take advantage of CA's indoor aquatics facilities while you wait for summer to arrive. These pools follow strict health guidelines and sanitation practices, so it's a great way to safely get out of the house (and familiarize yourself with the online reservation system).
- ◇ Sign up for the CA Swim newsletter so everyone is in the loop with the latest pool information. You can also follow CA Swim on Facebook and Twitter for updates.

Check back with ColumbiaAssociation.org/Pools for more details on the 2021 outdoor pool season

CA continues to adjust health and safety measures based on local, state and national mandates related to COVID-19. The details and the rules are being finalized and could change as we get closer to Memorial Day weekend.

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**DETAILS
COMING
SOON!**
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SUMMER 2021 CA CAMPS

Look for info and updates at:
ColumbiaAssociation.org

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COVENANT CORNER

The Resident Architectural Committee meets via Zoom on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM. Please be sure to submit applications by Tuesday, March 16th at 10AM for the March 24th meeting. You can find the application on our website: **VillageofKC.org** under the Covenants tab. You can drop your completed Exterior Alteration application (no neighbor signatures are needed at this time) in the secure mailbox hanging on the front of Amherst House or email it to: **Covenants@VillageofKC.org**

RAC REVIEW FEBRUARY 24, 2021

APPROVED

9518 Sweet Grass Ridge	Patio, screened porch
9309 Spring Water Path	Siding, trim
7631 Moon Portrait Way	Awning, patio, gazebo

To those neighbors listed above, we thank you for complying with the architectural process, improving your homes and helping to keep Kings Contrivance looking beautiful.

RENTAL PROPERTIES



Howard County requires the licensing of any rental unit and inspection of the premises. A rental unit is a dwelling in Howard County which is not occupied solely by the owner or the owner's immediate family. A license is required if more than one boarder, roomer or renter occupies the dwelling with the owner. This requirement applies whether or not rent money changes hands.



VILLAGE BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

If you have concerns you would like the Village Board to address, attend a Board meeting. Board Meetings are held on the first and third Wednesday of each month at 7:30PM. At this time meetings are held via Zoom. Contact us for an invitation or to receive the agenda by email.

YARD WASTE RECYCLING



Curbside yard waste collection will resume March 29th. Remember that all residents now have *plastic bag free* collection. Yard trim materials must be put in paper bags or reusable containers. Branches may be bundled with sturdy string and bundles cannot be more than 40" in length and 18" in diameter. For more info visit:

HowardCountyRecycles.org

Broken recycling bin? Call 410-313-6444 for free repair or replacement.

SPRING CLEANING?



Are you considering making changes to the outside of your home? Any changes in style, color or material require approval. Items such as basketball poles, play equipment and trampolines also require approval. **Please submit an application for approval** to Amherst House. The Exterior Alteration application, as well as the Kings Contrivance Guidelines can be found in the Covenants section of our web site:

VILLAGEofKC.org.

Questions? Call 410-381-9600 or email Covenants@VillageofKC.org.

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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All services are available on our YouTube channel on the date(s)/time(s) listed above (or for later viewing as desired)

EASTER SUNDAY
 APRIL 4—OUR EASTER SERVICE WILL BE AVAILABLE ON OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL BEGINNING AT 9:00 AM

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CA OPEN SPACE

If you have questions or concerns about CA Open Space, contact Columbia Association Open Space directly by calling **410-312-6330** or by emailing: **Open.Space@ColumbiaAssociation.org**

You can report issues such as trees across a CA pathway or tot lot problems.