The Kingswood Civic Association Newsletter

Kingswood Civic Association PO Box 1313 Lanham, Maryland 20706 www.neighborhoodlink.com/lanham/kingswood

February 2010

MEETING DATES

General Membership Meeting: Thursday, February 11, 2010 7:30 PM

Trinity Moravian Church Fellowship Hall 7011 Good Luck Road New Carrollton, MD

All residents are encouraged to attend. Membership in the KCA is not required.

(Residents can become dues-paying members at the door.)

Board Meeting: Thursday, February 25, 2010 7:30 PM Board Meetings are open to all residents of the Kingswood Community

KCA ELECTION of OFFICERS

The Kingswood Civic Association will begin its annual election process at the February 11th meeting.

<u>It is crucial that EVERY member attend this meeting</u> to discuss these upcoming elections. Every voice must be heard!

Taken from the KCA Bylaws:

ARTICLE IV - OFFICERS

<u>Page 2 of 5</u>

Section 1. Officers

The elected officers of the Association shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer. Any member of the Association in good standing shall be eligible to hold office. Section 2. Term of Office

The officers of the Association shall serve for a term of two years. They shall begin their term immediately following the conclusion of the General Meeting at which their election is reported.

KCA officers are <u>elected</u> each year by a vote of the general membership. Board members are <u>appointed</u> for a two-year term.

Please visit our website to view a copy of the full text of the KCA Bylaws.

February 1--National Freedom Day

February 2 --Groundhog Day/Candlemas

February 10—Chinese New Year

February 14—Valentine's Day/Lunar New Year

February 15—Eastern Orthodox Lent Begins/Presidents' Day Observed

February 16—Fat Tuesday/Mardi Gras

February 17—Ash Wednesday

February 28--Purim

Community News and Information

A Belated Thank You Acknowledgement

A very special THANK YOU is extended to all of our members who have contributed their valuable time, energy, expertise, and monetary donations to the KCA, along with paying their dues in 2009. You are truly a dedicated group of volunteers who aid in keeping the KCA a viable and worthwhile organization.

KCA President Hakim Muhammad

<u>Condolences are extended to our faithful and long time member</u> <u>- Mr. Jim Kehoe -</u>

and his family, in the passing of his loving wife LIZ.

All who knew her will miss her presence.

Thank You To My Neighbors

It has been a wonderful experience for me to have such kind help from neighbors and friends in the past weeks. Thank you so much for your time and thoughts. Waking up on Sunday morning, on a snowy day, and finding all walks and my car cleared of the white snow, was so heartening. This neighborhood family, as Hakim so often notes, is a special thing. We are fortunate to have it. Evelyn Hirrel

Gratitude is also extended to all the good neighbors in Kingwood who helped their neighbors by shoveling driveways and sidewalks following the recent snowstorms.

* * * * *

Justin Ross' Invitation to the 5th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration. On Monday, January 18th, at the Miller Senate Office Building in Annapolis, residents of District 22 came together to celebrate the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The celebration was well attended by Kingswood residents. The bus was 95% full. Members from the Riverdale Civic Association also joined us on the bus. The highlight of the ceremony was the surprise appearance of special guests Governor Martin O'Malley and Lt. Governor Anthony Brown. Guest hosts on the program were Sen. Paul Pinsky, Delegates Anne Healey and Tawanna Gaines, Justin Ross, and Rushern Baker, candidate for Prince George's County Executive. Guests had the opportunity to share a meal, get acquainted with one another, meet their legislators and enjoy songs coming from the Hyattsville Middle School vocal group.

Delegate Justin Ross Scholarship

High school seniors and undergraduate/graduate students are encouraged to apply for the Justin Ross Scholarship. Last year over \$34,000 was awarded to residents of District 22! To apply for the Justin Ross Scholarship please visit http://www.justinross.us/scholarship/ All application materials must be submitted no later than April 30,

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>Community Police Officer:</u> Officer PFC Michael Bassaro will begin his Block-by-Block meetings with Kingswood residents next week.

Block Captains and Coordinators Meetings:

Block Captain Chairman--Reggie Ellison, 301-552-4745. Meetings have been temporarily cancelled.

Neighborhood Watch Walks:

2nd Wednesdays at 7:00 PM and 4th Saturdays at 10:00 AM: Weather Permitting

February 10 February 27 March 10 March 27

Neighborhood Watch Chairpersons--John Sloan, 301-552-8448 and Alvin Hurd, 301-552-3570

Walks will begin at the corner of Trexler and Nashville Roads.

KCA Annual Yard Sale: Yard sales will resume on **Saturday, April 17, 2010, 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM**. Held in the front parking lot of Lamont Elementary School (7101 Good Luck Road). Sheila Reed and Sheila Jenkins are the primary contacts for the yard sale. The fee to participate is \$15.00 if you furnish your own table. There will be an additional \$5.00 fee, if we furnish the table.

ALL VENDORS NEED TO BE SET UP BY 8:00 AM.

We encourage the ENTIRE KINGSWOOD COMMUNITY to come out and SUPPORT this event.

Future Yard Sale Dates are: Saturdays from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM on May 15 and June 19.

* * * * *

SICK and SHUT-IN

Please remember our sick and shut-in members and our bereaved families with your calls, visits and most of all your prayers!

Our members may be shut-in but our prayers and concerns will keep them from being shut out!!!

Our Prayers Go Out To All Those on the Road to Recovery

* * * * *

Block Captain Contacts:

Chairman: Reggie Ellison 301-552-4745 pastorronneal@hotmail.com

Area 1 Coordinator: Andrea DeJarnette
Area 2 Coordinator Jonathan Jackson
Area 3 Coordinator Sheila Reed
301-552-2806
301-552-5383

Kingswood Civic Association Officers, Board Members, Committee Chairs:

President:Hakim Muhammad301-345-1788Vice President:Hank Shackelford301-345-3578Treasurer:Creavery Lloyd301-552-1219

Recording Secretary:
Corresponding Secretary:
Board Member:
Board Member:
Board Member:
Board Member:
Board Member:
Student Board Member:
Evan Reynolds

Block Captain Chair: Reggie Ellison 301-552-4745

Email Coordinator: Lauren Gordon

Hospitality Chairs: Lauren Gordon and Julie McCullough Membership Chairs: Sheila Reid and Reggie Ellison

Neighborhood Watch Chairs: Alvin Hurd, 301-552-3570 and John Sloan, 301-552-8448

Newsletter Editor (Acting): Creavery Lloyd 301-552-1219 **Program Planning Chair: VACANT Property Maintenance Chair:** Isaac Humphries 301-552-1241 **Recreation Committee Chair:** Bob Bowman 240-582-6062 **Youth Coordinator:** Ann Wiseman **Assistant Youth Coordinator: VACANT** Webmaster: Jeff Thornton **Welcoming Committee Chairs:** Lauren Gordon Julie McCullough and **DUES! DUES! DUES!** A Friendly Reminder: PLEASE REMEMBER to PAY YOUR DUES. **Support Your KCA Today!** The KCA represents a diverse population, with differing backgrounds and viewpoints. Its mission is to foster a better and safe community. But, we need your membership, participation, and involvement on committees to ensure that the KCA will be fully responsive to the Kingswood community. If you have any concerns or ideas for the civic association, any resources/skills that you would like to provide, and if you are interested in assisting with community events, we welcome your comments and suggestions. (cut on dotted line and return with payment) **MEMBERSHIP and VOLUNTEER FORM** Kingswood Civic Association P.O. Box 1313 Lanham, MD 20706 **Membership Term:** January – December of current year Please make check payable to the Kingswood Civic Association. Mail to the above address or deliver to your Block Captain. PLEASE PRINT: First Name(s) _____ Last Name ____ Address _____ Telephone Number(s) Email Address _____ Civic Association New Membership Civic Association Renewal <u>or</u> Dues per Household/per year: \$10.00 Check #: _____ Cash_____ **Donation to the Kingswood Civic Association:** Check #: _____ Cash_____

> If you wish to verify your payment of dues or donation, please contact: Creavery Lloyd, KCA Treasurer at 301-552-1219 or via email at cylloyd40@juno.com

Please consider volunteering for one or more of the following Committees and check your preference(s):

Block Captain

Membership

Neighborhood Watch

_____Hospitality

Program Planning

Recreation

Welcoming

Property Maintenance