



Kingswood Civic Association

November 2010

MEETING DATES

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

GUEST SPEAKERS:
Major Robert Liberati
(Commander of District 1),
Lt. Decker, our COPS Officer
Luis Machicote, and Chris
Mendoza, our Property &
Housing Code Inspector

Trinity Moravian Church
Fellowship Hall
7011 Good Luck Road

REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

Board Meeting:
Thursday, November 18, 2010
7:30 PM
Board Meetings are open to all residents of the
Kingswood Community

NOTE: The November and December
Board Meetings have been moved to the
3rd Thursday due to the Thanksgiving
and Christmas holidays.

KCA Awards Night

Our Awards Night was held on Thursday, October 14th. Everyone was happy to see our KCA Past President, George Saunders and his wife, who came to join us in congratulating all of the deserving award recipients. Mr. Saunders currently lives in another city, but happily, maintains a home here in Kingswood, as well.

Special guests included Thomas Meyer and Councilman Eric Olson, who assisted in presenting the awards.

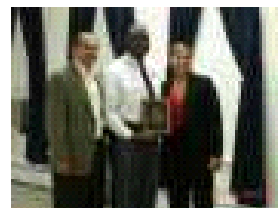
Recipients of the plaques and certificates were:

Chief Roberto Hylton -
Special Recognition
Award Plaque

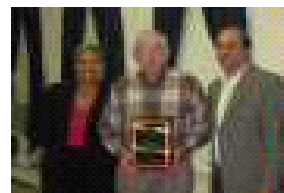
Bob Brown – the Robert
Rowe Community Service
Award Plaque

Special Recognition
Award Certificates were
presented to:
Donald Cooke,
Ike Humphries,
Earl Martin,
Robert Nicholson,
Pamela Pecku, and
John Sloan.

Additional photos can be
viewed on the KCA website.



Chief Roberto Hylton
receiving award from
Councilman Eric Olson & 1st
VP Lauren Gordon



Bob Brown receiving award
from Councilman Eric Olson &
1st VP Lauren Gordon



Points Of Interest:

- * November 1—All Saints Day
- * November 2—Election Day
- * November 7—Daylight Savings Time ENDS
- * November 11—Veterans/Armistice Day
- * November 25—Thanksgiving Day



Crime in our Neighborhood

During the past six (6) months, several of our neighbors have recently had their homes and vehicles burglarized and President Muhammad once again is encouraging all who can to invest in some form of a

home security system. Our new Community Officer, Cristian Mendoza-Munoz, 301-883-6042 is also available to provide suggestions on how to keep your home secure.



Crime article, continued

Recent Crime Activity in Kingswood:

- Home Assault (neighbor held at gun point) Group Home on Trexler Road
- Home Burglary and Break In on Trexler Road
- Resident's vehicle stolen in front of the home on Nashville Road
- Resident's vehicle stolen in front of the home on Elbrook Court
- Resident SUV tires and rims stolen

'twice' within 1 week on Lamont Drive.

- Resident SUV tires and rims stolen on Nashville Road
- Resident vehicle (SUV) vandalized on Trexler Road
- KCA meeting signs were removed from Good Luck Road and are still missing

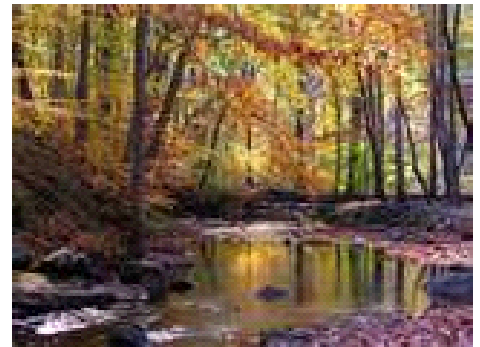
The incidents will be discussed in detail at the November 11th General Meeting.



Still Creek Clean Up

President Hakim Muhammad is planning to put together a group of Kingswood volunteers, along with the Park Service, who would be interested in helping to clean up and maintain Still Creek that runs along Nashville Road.

Details will be announced at the November 11th meeting.



Neighborhood Watch/Block Captain Programs

President Muhammad and Lee Smith are working on developing criteria and plans for upgrading our Neighborhood Watch Program and the functions of our 'invaluable' Block Captain Team.



Block Captains/Coordinators Meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM. However, the next meeting will be announced at the November 11th meeting.

ALL BLOCK CAPTAINS and COORDINATORS are requested to attend.

Neighborhood Watch Walks

4th Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM.

The next walk will be held on **Saturday, November 27th.**

Please arrive early enough so that the walk can begin promptly at 10:00 AM.

Neighborhood Watch Chairpersons:

John Sloan, 301-552-8448

Alvin Hurd, 301-552-3570

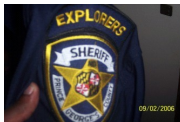
Walks will begin at the corner of Trexler and Nashville Roads.



Youth Corner

ATTENTION KCA Youth

Here is a great program you may find of interest:



The Prince George's County Sheriff's

Office Explorer Program

The program invites Prince George's youths ages 14 to 20 to help deputy sheriffs with routine duties, including fingerprinting children for identification cards at community events and posting eviction notices. The program has become a national model. The program operates on a military

model, with young explorers starting as privates and working up to captain. They have weekend and summer duties, including directing traffic and assisting with parking for events, such as Marlborough Day and the Boy Scouts Camporee.

Requirements for the program are as follows:

- Has passed the 8th grade
- No major criminal records
- Maintain at least a 2.3 GPA
- Be able to attend bi-weekly Wednesday meetings
- able to arrange transportation to

the weekly meetings or events.

--Someone who has the desire to learn and be dedicated & loyal to the Explorer program.

Call Prince George's County Explorer Coordinator, Community Services Division at 301-909-7126.



November 2nd County Elections

*KCA extends congratulations to
all the winners of these elections.*

Email:
kingswood.civic.association@gmail.com

We're on the web:
[www.neighborhoodlink.com/
lanham/kingswood](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/lanham/kingswood)

Block Captain Contacts:

Chairman: VACANT

Area 1 Coordinator: Andrea DeJarnette
301-552-4475

Area 2 Coordinator: Jonathan Jackson
301-552-2806

Area 3 Coordinator: Sheila Reid
301-552-5383

Kingswood Civic Association Officers, Board Members, Committee Chairs:

President: *Hakim Muhammad* 301-345-1788
1st Vice President: *Lauren Gordon* 301-552-4365
2nd Vice President: *Sheila Reid* 301-552-5383
Treasurer: *Creavery Lloyd* 301-552-1219
Recording Secretary: *Ronald Jacobs*
Corresponding Secretary: *Evelyn Hirrel*

Board Member: *Isaac Humphries*
Board Member: *Kellee Humphries*
Student Board Member: *Evan Reynolds*

Email Coordinator: *Lauren Gordon*
Hospitality Chairs: *Lauren Gordon*
Julie McCullough
Sheila Reid
VACANT

Membership Chairs: *Creavery Lloyd* 301-552-1219
VACANT
Newsletter Editor (Acting): *Donald Cooke* 301-552-9591
Program Planning Chair: *Bob Bowman* 301-552-3405
Property Maintenance Chair: *Ann Wiseman*
Recreation Committee Chair: VACANT
Youth Coordinator: *Jeff Thornton*
Assistant Youth Coordinator: *Lauren Gordon*
Webmaster: *Julie McCullough*
Welcoming Committee Chairs:

More Community News and Information



Bereavement/Sick and Shut In:

KCA extends sincere sympathy to The 2nd VP Sheila Reid and her family on the loss of her dear mother, Mrs. Sarah Payne.

Our thoughts and prayers for a speedy and healthy recovery continue to be extended to: Evelyn Hirrel, Penny Hurd, Hakim Muhammad, Ed Rupert, Hank Shackelford, Evonne Sloan, Cecile Spigel, and Harold Schlemmer.

Please keep these families, our KCA President Hakim Muhammad, and all Kingswood families in your prayers.

50/50 Raffle: Was not played at this meeting. The Awards ceremony took precedence.



Trinity Moravian Church

will have a new pastor installed, Reverend Tammie Ringer, who will also be a resident and neighbor on Trexler Road, right in the 'heart' of the Kingswood community. We will welcome and introduce her to the Kingswood family on November 11th.

Other Vacant Positions To Be Filled:

--Bilingual English-Hispanic Volunteer
(for appointment to the KCA Board)

--Assistant Grant Proposal Writer

--Newsletter Editor

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Your help is needed! Please pay your household dues today!

If you have a desire to see the Association continue to grow and become a strong viable entity in this community, please consider joining one of the committees listed on the next page.

MEMBERSHIP and VOLUNTEER FORM

The form can be found on the KCA website. If you do not have access to the Web, please contact your Block Captain or you may pay your membership dues at the monthly meeting.

Our success depends totally on the involvement of ALL citizens of Kingswood.

--Please support your KCA Today--

In addition to your annual \$10.00 per household dues, please consider making a donation.

Open Letter to Kingswood Residents

(printed with permission of KCA Officers)

Dear Kingswood Neighbor,

Did you know that we have around 700 occupied homes in Kingswood, yet in the last few years less than 10% of our of dedicated households consistently attend the monthly meetings, participate in activities, and pay the ridiculously low household dues of \$10.00 per year.

It is very disheartening to those dedicated few to learn that so many of our Kingswood community appear to have so little concern, by their non-action. We are reaching out to all to assist in striving for, and maintaining, a clean, safe, and respectable Kingswood community that everyone can be proud to call home.

What can be done to spawn concern and interest in what KCA is attempting to do to get residents (parents & youth) involved? Most recently it was found to be extremely disappointing to (1) learn that only one student had enough interest to attend the youth meeting that was held on Thursday, October 14, and although the subject was not of particular interest to her, she sat attentively and respectfully though the entire presentation and (2) that only a handful of residents took the time to come out and honor their fellow neighbors during the Awards ceremony.

Members, including Ann Wiseman, put a lot of time and effort into preparing for the evening's events, including providing food and drink, and quite frankly, in was very disheartening to everyone that so few residents were in attendance.

It is understood that we all have busy lives, with work, family, school, church, and so forth, but this is OUR community—and some concern and thought should be given to it as well.

We would greatly appreciate a response to this note, so please feel free to contact any of our Officers*, if you have a particular concern about Kingswood that you wish to share. We are here to help. WILL YOU?

Respectfully yours,
A Concerned Neighbor

*Officers' names and phone numbers are listed in the Newsletter.