



# Kingswood Civic Association

December 2010

## MEETING DATES

General Membership  
Meeting:  
Thursday,  
December 9, 2010  
7:30 PM

## HOLIDAY PARTY MEETING

Please come and enjoy a  
light holiday feast being  
served following the  
meeting.

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Trinity Moravian Church  
Fellowship Hall  
7011 Good Luck Road  
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Board Meeting:  
Thursday,  
December 16, 2010

## Support for Chief Roberto Hylton

Many Kingswood members are Supporting President Hakim Muhammad's desire to keep our neighborhood safe by being committed to supporting Chief Hylton in his efforts to clean up corruption in his police department and for his continued support of Kingswood and the COPs program.

PLEASE read the Monday, November 29th edition of the Washington Post (Metro) story on Chief Roberto Hylton and the police department.

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2010/11/28/AR2010112804028.html>

A 'special' meeting was called on Thursday, December 2nd. A number of civic leaders and organizations from across Prince George's County and the media were in attendance.

This was a very critical meeting in support of our Chief remaining in office.

An excerpt from the Washington Post article:  
**Pr. George's police woes wider than U.S. probe**

... Prince George's Police Chief Roberto L. Hylton said the figures show that he has been aggressive in disciplining employees who misstep - punishing wrongdoers harshly and speaking with reporters candidly. He did not have precise numbers but said the 46 cases marked an increase over previous years ... The effort seems to have won him broad community support, although it might have cost him points inside the department.

"If people want to ... say that I'm not a good chief because I'm holding people accountable for misconduct and trying to eradicate the bad seeds out of this police department, I'll take that as a badge of honor," Hylton said. "I'm not backing down from that whatsoever."

## Dates Of Interest:

- \* December 2—Hanukkah begins
- \* December 7—Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- \* December 7—Islamic New Year
- \* December 21—Winter begins
- \* December 25—Christmas Day
- \* December 26—Kwanzaa begins



## Crime in our Neighborhood

Auto theft is on the rise in PG County and in the Kingswood neighborhood. Several of our neighbors have had their cars vandalized or stolen. One neighbor was accosted at gunpoint in his driveway.

Our Community Officers, Cristian Mendoza-Munoz,

301-883-6042 and Luis Machiote, 301-699-2950 are available to provide suggestions on how to keep your home secure.



## Crime article, continued

Some tips to keep you home safe:

- invest in automatic flood lights
- keep shrubbery trimmed so as not to block windows/doors
- lock all doors/windows in your home and vehicles
- stay aware of your surroundings (darkness comes early this time of year)
- do not argue or fight with a thief/mugger—it's hard to give up your valuables, but they can be

replaced. CAN YOU?

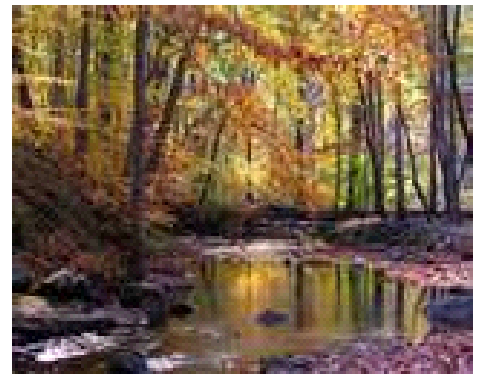
The incidents and results of the Dec. 2 meeting will be discussed in detail at the December 9<sup>th</sup> General Meeting.



## 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 to be announced at the December 9th 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. Next Meeting date TBA.

**ALL BLOCK CAPTAINS and COORDINATORS are requested to attend.**

## Neighborhood Watch Walks

4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM.

The next walk will be held on **Saturday, December 18th**

**(a change due to the 4th Saturday being Christmas Day).**

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

**STUDENTJOBS**  
"BUILDING AMERICA'S FUTURE"

Governmentwide Hiring Programs for Students – Current students who are primarily interested in part-time or seasonal work should consider the Student Temporary Employment Program (STEP), the Student Career Experience Program (SCEP), or various internships, summer jobs, and volunteer experiences. Individuals interested in starting a Federal career may be interested in SCEP, the Federal Career Intern Program,

or the Presidential Management Fellows Program (graduate students). Search student jobs at: <http://www.usajobs.gov/studentjobs/>

Students—your career in the Federal Government starts here! We offer valuable job experience, training opportunities, excellent benefits, and opportunity for advancement. Whether you are student in high school, college, or graduate school seeking work experience or you are about to graduate and begin your career, consider Federal service!  
**APPLY TODAY!**



**Kwanzaa Kinara Candles**

**Happy Holidays**



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**7:30 PM**

**Light holiday refreshments**  
**will be served.**

**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  
**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** *Lauren Gordon* 301-552-4365  
**2<sup>nd</sup> 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*  
**Membership Chairs:** *Sheila Reid*  
*VACANT*

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

## More Community News and Information



### Bereavement/Sick and Shut In:

The holiday season is a difficult time for anyone who has recently lost a loved one or is facing health challenges. The family gatherings, social functions, memories and responsibilities during this time of year may impact your sense of grief, loss, and despair. If you find yourself overwhelmed, during this holiday season, please know that your neighbors are here to lend a shoulder or helping hand.

**Please keep all Kingswood families in your prayers.**



### November 50/50 Raffle Winner:

**Lee Smith**

(who graciously returned his winnings to KCA. Thank you, Lee.)



### Trinity Moravian Church

**\New pastor, Reverend Tam-mie Ringer, was installed on November 21st. We look forward to meeting and working with her and her family in the near future. Come to the Kingswood holiday gathering and say hello and welcome to Rev. Ringer.**



### 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 of 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.**





is a KCA program which calls upon our residents to periodically assist with Community Clean ups, and other activities that go on within our Wonderful KCA Community.

If you received an email a few days ago, you are eligible. 😊 For those reading this newsletter, you too are eligible to help. If you are available to join us for our next Helping Hands cleanup (TBA), please contact Mr. Donald Cooke (Community Manager) at 301-522-9591.

Saturday mornings from 10am - 12pm

Please inform Mr. Cooke of other neighbors that may also be in need of this service.



*Helping Hands Work Together  
To Keep KCA Beautiful!*

Special thanks are extended to Bob Brown, Donald Cooke, Trevor and Lauren Gordon, Alan James, Sheila Jenkins, and Paul Moore, who have volunteered to assist with Saturday's yard clean up for our neighbor on Terra Alta Drive.



**The Officers of the Kingswood Civic Association  
would like to extend  
holiday greetings to all Kingswood residents.**

**May you have a beautiful Holiday  
wrapped in warmth  
touched with wonder  
and filled with love.**

**May you have the gift of faith,  
the blessing of hope,  
and the peace of His love  
at Christmas time and always.**

**May the happiness and good cheer  
of the holiday season be yours  
throughout the New Year.**

