

Hawthorne Community Newsletter

Hawthorne Civic Association
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Serving Hawthorne, Kingston Park,

Kingsway, Waters Watch and Whitethorn

Next HCA Meeting

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 1st, 2009
Hawthorne Elementary Recreation Room

Thought of the Month

The Ultimate Tragedy is not the
Brutality of the Bad People but the
Silence of the Good People

It's HCA Membership Drive Time



If you are new to the neighborhood, we welcome you and invite you to become a part of HCA. If you are already a member we remind you that it's time to renew your membership.

To join HCA or renew your membership attend the December meeting or send a \$15 donation to:

HCA Membership, 2210 Graythorn Rd.,
Baltimore MD 21220

Season's Greetings



Hawthorne Elementary PTA Meetings

Hawthorne Elementary School will hold PTA general meetings at the school on the following dates:

Tuesday January 12th at 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday March 23rd at 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday May 11th at 6:30 p.m.

Kingston Park Tot Park Light to Return

Discussions between the HCA and the Department of Parks and Recreation have proved fruitful. After investigation, P&R found that during the latest upgrade of the Tot Park, BGE removed the security light and failed to replace it. P&R has notified BGE to replace the light.

'Tis the Season to Say Thanks and Wish a Happy Holiday to our HCA Volunteers

The Hawthorne Civic Association would like to thank all the volunteers who step up and do their part to keep Hawthorne a Great Place to Live.

Our thanks to the adults, students, children and business people who volunteered for or assisted in the success of Dumpster Day, Bein' Green Day, the annual Yard Sale and Flea Market, Block Watch volunteers, HCA Park and Pathway maintenance crews, "My Block" street cleaners, and those who help the elderly and handicapped with transportation, yard maintenance and trash removal. Our appreciation is extended to the Principal, all the staff and teachers of Hawthorne Elementary School and the PTA. Appreciation is also given to our corporate partners, Lockheed Martin, and all their sub contractors who volunteer for the annual "Bein Green" waterfront/park clean-up. Mars, Food Lion, Shoppers super markets and Independent Drug are always on our most appreciated list.

May all our volunteers have a safe and merry holiday season and HCA hopes to see more of the community on our appreciation list in 2010.

Kingston Rd/MD 150 Intersection Discussions Continue

State Delegate Pat McDonough and representatives of the State Highway Administration have discussed our concern about the hazardous traffic condition at the Kingston Road/150 intersection. Engineers from SHA are going to survey the traffic patterns at that intersection and recommend a solution. HCA has been advised this may take several months to complete.

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H & R Block Tax Advisors to Visit HCA!



Representatives of the local H&R Block office will again visit the HCA meeting with valuable advice and information for the upcoming 2009 tax reporting season. The community is invited to take advantage of this brief seminar on tax preparation and reporting.

Disposal of Most Household Electronics Banned and Residents Urged to Recycle

Beginning October 23, 2009, it became illegal in Baltimore County for residents to dispose of most household electronics as trash or risk a \$100 fine. Residents must not place electronics out for trash or recycling collection. Electronics may be dropped off at the three county recycle/trash centers. Residents may drop off unwanted electronics year-round at the:

Eastern Sanitary Landfill Solid Waste Management Facility, located off the 11400 block of Pulaski Highway (Monday - Saturday, 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

Baltimore County Resource Recovery Facility, located on Drop-Off Drive, off Warren Road, between Beaver Dam Road and York Road (Monday - Saturday, 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.); and



The Fuel Fund of Maryland Helps Those in Need

The Fuel Fund helps keep families safe, warm, cool and their homes well lit by helping them pay their energy bills. They assist seniors, those with disabilities existing on fixed incomes, families existing on minimum wage and families weathering hardships like job loss or medical emergencies. If you need or know someone in need of assistance call:

The Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP)
Baltimore County Dept. of Social Services
(410) 853-3385

Social Services Helps the Homeless

Information, assistance and emergency shelter for homeless men, women and families is available on week days at 410-853-3300 ext. 2 and week-ends and after hours at 410-583-9398. The winter months are coming and those less fortunate will need shelter and assistance. If you know of someone in need, please pass on this information. Thank You.

Are You A Hawthorne OddFellow?



The Hawthorne Branch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, is an organization whose purpose is giving aid to those in need and pursuing a variety of civic and philanthropic efforts on a local, national and international level. The Hawthorne Branch, which predates the present community, is located at the intersection of Kingston and Sunnyside Roads. The group invites all of Hawthorne to visit them on Saturday nights to enjoy Bluegrass bands and music. Openings for new members and Board Officials are also available. The hall is also available for rental for most occasions. Call Margaret Norman at 410-574-1514 for more information.

Check Out the Fall Colors on the Hawthorne Trail and Community Waterfront Parks

Check out the falls colors of the varied kinds of trees in Dark Head and Hawthorne Parks. You'll love the view and the exercise will help make you healthy.

Hawthorne Park
@ Midthorn and Whitethorn Way

Dark Head Park
@ Graythorn and Dark Head Rds.



Important Phone Numbers

Police/Emergency	911
Drug Hotline	410- 687- 4040
BG&E Emergency	1-888-778-2222 (Free Call)
Code Enforcement	410-887-8099
Water Problems	410-396-5352
Substance Abuse	410-887-3828
Trash/Recycling	410-887-2000
Animal Complaints	410-887-5961
Tax Assessments	410-512-4905
<u>All County Agencies Info</u>	<u>– 410-887-0000</u>
http://baltimorecountymd.gov/Contact_Us/index.html	