

# Kings Park Gazette

**A PUBLICATION OF KINGS PARK CIVIC ASSOCIATION**

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## 50th ANNIVERSARY 4th OF JULY PARADE

*by Jim Sobecke*



This year's 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade also celebrated the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Kings Park community. In recognition, participants received a commemorative medal (see photo) marking this occasion. The parade participation medal may become a KPCA tradition.

The parade was larger this year with more adult marchers, children, decorated bikes and wagons, and several classic vehicles participating in the Kings Park annual celebration of the nation's birthday.

The Fairfax County's West Springfield District Police provided support for the parade and traffic control. Fairfax County Fire and Rescue's Burke Volunteer Fire Station provided an Engine, Rescue Squad and Ambulance to ride in the parade.

At the Kings Park Elementary School starting point the Kings Park Civic Association provided the marchers number tags to help the judges along the parade route select "The Best" in 10 categories for presentation of a commemorative trophy at the picnic that followed. This was the first time that the KPCA sought to recognize the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade as a keystone event for the community and its residents.

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### KPCA Calendar of Events

- September 25 **KPINES** Brunch At Army Navy Country Club 10:00am RSVP to Susan.Metcalf@verizon.net See Page 6 for details
- September 27 **Book Club** "The Ninth: Beethoven and the World in 1824" by Harvey Sachs RSVP to 703-978-1072
- October 3 **Youth Committee** 3:00pm, call Susan Metcalf for more information 703-503-0176
- October 11 **KPCA Board Meeting** 7:00-9:00 Braddock Hall KP Library
- October 20 **KPCA Community Meeting** 7:30-9:00 Kings Park Elementary School
- October 25 **Book Club** "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society" by Schaffer and Barrows) RSVP to 703-978-1072

See page 13 for a complete calendar of KPCA events

***From the President:***

Neighbors!

August ended with quite a shake! And September should have gotten our attention. Nationally September is Emergency Preparedness month.

Where were you and what were your first thoughts when the earthquake hit on August 27th? Generally, the Northern Virginia area was very fortunate that the earthquake damage was minimal, but it should have been a wake-up call for everyone. Do you have a **communications plan**? Many people did not, so they found that the cellular system quickly overloaded - even texting was slow. Everyone was concerned with *immediately* knowing the status of their spouse, children, and other family members.

And your friends and family outside the area were probably trying to call you also. A communications plan would minimize the cross communications attempts and provide an efficient status reporting system.

And then there was Hurricane Irene. There was plenty of warning. Did you check your **survival kit** - flashlights and batteries, bottled water, food, etc.? Did you huddle on the ground floor, away from windows, when the heavy wind and rain went on for hours?

As I write this, we are recovering from the "great flood" that again showed that too many people are not prepared. Were you affected by congested and blocked roads? Does your family have a rendezvous place (and communications plan) in case you get separated or forced to evacuate your residence?

Everyone should have a working knowledge of Emergency Preparedness. There is all kinds of information available - Ready.gov is the first stop. We have a folder on the Kings Park Civic Association website. I am going to make Emergency Preparedness one of the targets for the Civic Association this year. You might like to know that Kings Park has more trained CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) residents than anywhere else in the county. After recent incidents, Fairfax County is going to re-emphasize the preparedness of our communities. You will be seeing and hearing more about what citizens can do when the first responders are overwhelmed and you may have to rely on your own preparedness to cope and survive for many hours - even days.

On a brighter note - most everyone now knows that the gas service infrastructure in our community is being upgraded. What you have seen is only the first phase. In the next two months (weather permitting) there will be more extensive digging and replacement of some of the main gas lines (32,000 feet I was told). Be aware, drive carefully, and watch for some unavoidable delays and construction equipment. We will have more information at our September KPCA meeting.

The Civic Association is planning many events for the coming year. We welcome your participation as a helper (no effort is too small) or just a recipient of the fun, food, and entertainment. This is your Association - we represent you and want to know what's on your mind. We prefer compliments but if you see something that needs someone's attention please let us know.

If you have any questions for me or the Board and Committee, you will find our telephone numbers and e-mail addresses on the KPCA Website.

Respectfully,

Jim Sobecke

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## NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

*by Marie Cullerton*

This was the third year in a row that Kings Park participated in the National Night Out Program. The purpose of the program is to promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in our fight for a safer nation.

Besides helping to make our neighborhoods safer, it's a good excuse to have a street party. People are generally so busy that they don't often see or get to talk with their friends and neighbors. Five block captains on Thames St., Derby Court, and Lancashire Dr, Salisbury Ct and parts of Southampton hosted a dessert and lemonade party.



Many neighbors said they were looking forward to the event, since they enjoyed last years get together so much. About 50 adults and children attended the event.

No one was more excited than the kids. The West Springfield Police and the Burke Fire Departments came by with a police car, ambulance, and fire truck. The kids were all over the vehicles, laughing and yelling as they played police and fireman and they especially enjoyed taking turns being the sick person.

There was a lot of camaraderie amongst the neighbors and with the Police and Fire Personnel. It was great to have this neighborhood interaction and support from our local first defenders.

We asked each participating block to write a paragraph to describe their NNO event and provide any pictures they have. Thank you to everyone who hosted and who attended.

### **“Block 31” Party**

*by Joe and Cheron Rhodes*

Several households met for dinner on Joe and Cheron Rhodes' backyard deck and porch for hamburgers and hot dogs. The neighbors brought sides and desserts to fill out the summer menu – everything was delicious. It was nice to see our neighbors that are usually busy with daily activities, gather together on this occasion. Everyone spent the time visiting and eating. The kids ran around the yard playing hide 'n seek and tag.

### **Avon Court**

*by Don Labetti*

On a warm and drizzly August evening, the three veteran and two new families of Avon Court didn't let a little weather stop them as they gathered to celebrate their good fortune to have each other as KP neighbors. Seven children ages 8 -13, three dogs, a couple of barbeque grills, good food, and a camping tent made for a lively, and at times cozy and damp, good time. Thanks to Mark and Michelle for the grilling and the tent, to Anita for pulling it together, and to the Avon Court families for taking the time to renew and begin good neighborhood relations.

### **Kings Park Drive**

*by Carol Greer*

For National Night Out, Terry and Mark Leking and Carol and Curt Greer hosted a dessert and lemonade party for residents of the 5500 and 5600 block of Kings Park Drive. 20 neighbors of all ages attended, including a new baby. Everyone enjoyed learning more about one another and of course, enjoyed the yummy desserts.

**Eastbourne Drive**

*by Joe Camacho*

On August 2, neighbors came for s'mores, lemonade, fun, and camaraderie during Eastbourne Drive and Ramsey Court's National Night Out hosted by Joe Camacho, Susan Metcalf, and Kayleen Fitzgerald. Friends learned and re-learned the art of making s'mores over a fire pit while catching up with neighborhood news. Fairfax County Police Officers joined the neighbors and a spirit of partnership between citizens and Police Officers was renewed

**One Block's Celebration of National Night Out**

*by Ana Kreiensieck*

About twenty five Cromwell and Picadilly neighbors joined each other, some having previously met, some meeting each other for the first time to observe this year's National Night Out on August 2nd. Enjoying apple pie and vanilla ice cream, the adults talked while the kids played a variety of games in the yard. Along with the usual "How long have you lived here?" and "What do you do?", neighbors talked about their houses, the blizzards of the past two winters, the recent damage in the neighborhood from a severe summer thunderstorm, and some the traditions of living in Kings Park like the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and the community potluck. National Night Out is an annual event designed to bring people outside just for one evening to meet and build a sense of community with each other and with local law enforcement. On this night, the police were called away before stopping by but this block party was still a success in bringing neighbors together and building our sense of neighborhood spirit.



### **KPINES**

Do you like to eat out? Would you enjoy getting to know your Kings Park neighbors better? If the answer is yes, join us for KPINES, Kings Parkers In Need of Eating Somewhere. We usually meet quarterly for Sunday Brunch at a local restaurant and occasional for lunch. Everyone is welcome and we have a great time. We'd love you have you join us.

Sunday, September 25 we will meet at the Army Navy Country Club for brunch at 10:00am at 3315 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA.

If you have any restaurant suggestions, let us know. Please RSVP to Susan Metcalf by the Friday September 23 at 703-503-0176 or Susan.Metcalf@verizon.net. If you would like to be placed on an email list to be reminded a few days before a scheduled lunch/brunch, email Susan Metcalf at Susan.Metcalf@verizon.net with "KPINES" in the subject line.

The brunches are a fun time and a great way to meet or reconnect with your neighbors. If you need a ride or wish to carpool, let Susan know so she can arrange for a ride for you. Otherwise, we will meet everyone at the respective brunch restaurants.

### **VOLUNTEER NIGHT DANCING & DESSERT**

*by Marie Cullerton*



Another year has rolled around and it's time to honor our many volunteers who help out in Kings Park by volunteering their time. It may be distributing the Gazette, beautifying the neighborhood by pulling weeds or cleaning storm drains, performing Neighborhood Watch duties, helping out at the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and Picnic or the Potluck Dinner. Kings Park is very fortunate to have so many individuals who give their time and effort to make our Community what it is. So come out and meet your neighbors, hear some music, dance and enjoy refreshments. Everyone is welcome. You don't have to be a volunteer to join the fun.

Hopefully we will have Rob, Rob and Rob entertain us again this year!

So join us at Kings Park Elementary School on Thursday night, November 17 at 7:00 for a fun filled evening. We will have a very short Civic Association Meeting at 7PM followed by the Volunteer Night festivities.

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The judges had a difficult time selecting the *Best Marcher, Best Walker, Best Bicycle, Best Wagon, Best 3-4 Wheeler, Best Pet, Best Music, Best Vehicle, Best of Show, Most Patriotic, and Best Theme* trophy winners from the hundreds that participated. We were negligent in not getting the names of all those who won in each category.

There weren't any marching musicians (the Jazz ensemble in 2010) or marching group (Bolivian Dancers in 2009) in the parade this year. That was something that we had hoped for. Only the KPCA Sound Truck near the end of the parade provided the necessary patriotic music. The *Best Music* trophy was presented to the Kings Park Community Band that entertained the crowd with patriotic music at the end of the parade route in the Kings Park Park picnic area.

Next year there will be an open invitation to anyone with any degree of musical talent to *toot their horn* or *beat a drum* to liven up the marchers and entertain the residents along the parade route. Any neighbors want to enter as a precision *lawnmower* marching unit?

The 4th of July Parade Committee thanks all who participated in the parade, and a special appreciation to the volunteers that marshaled the starting point, and the judges for their support. Next year we hope to start our planning earlier (April) and promote the trophy and commemorative medal aspects of the parade.

**COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOUR HELP!**  
**A GLORIOUS 4TH OF JULY!**

*by Marie Cullerton*

Thanks to the many volunteers who planned the event and worked so hard at the celebration of the birth of our country. It was a huge success due to your work. A grateful thank you goes out to all those who volunteered.

Walter and Bibiana Beardsley, Terry and Bev Boschert, Rita Botting, Kathy Cameron, Charlie and Susan Cappa, Henry and Marie Cullerton, Joe and Rita Faudale, Kayleen Fitzgerald, Catriona Gogan, Helen Gesiotto, Curt and Carol Greer, Paul Hoffman, Gary Klinger, Mark and Terry Leking, Ken and Susan Malmberg, Susan Metcalf, Betty Osborn, Robert and Liz Rivera, Cheron Rhodes, Jim and Betty Sobecke, Tony and Patra Tonsgr, Roy Warner, Rick and Trish Zwimbaum.

According to one resident It's much more fun to volunteer and be part of the event than to sit and watch. I am sure that most volunteers feel the same way. Thank you!



## KPCA YOUTH COMMITTEE

by Susan Metcalf

The Kings Park Youth committee is meeting October 2, 3:00pm at 5523 Eastbourne Drive to start planning for this year. We'd love to have any interested kids in grades 7-12 join us. Last year's activities included a Halloween food drive, yard raking, helping at the holiday party and pot luck dinner, and a spring festival. Please contact Susan Metcalf at 703-503-0176 or Nancy Worfolk at 703-764-1979 for more information.

### A TIME TO REMEMBER; A TIME TO PREPARE

#### **September is National Preparedness Month**

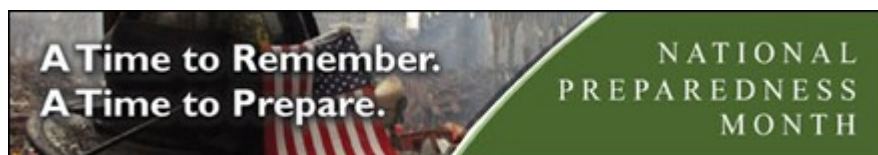
This September marks the 10-year anniversary of the tragic terrorist attacks of 9/11 that included a jet airplane crashing into the Pentagon on Virginia soil, killing 125 military and civilian workers and all 64 people on the plane.

In observing the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001, we honor the memory of those who were lost by making sure we are ready to respond to all types of disasters and emergencies. There is no better time for Virginians to get ready for emergencies than September, which is National Preparedness Month.

Those who are prepared for emergencies recover faster and can help others who also may be affected. Every family and business can take just a few simple steps to prepare and protect your family and your assets:

- ***Make an emergency plan.*** In a recent survey, just 15% of Virginia respondents had a written family emergency plan. This may be the single most important thing you can do for your family. Plan in advance what you will do in an emergency and how you will get in touch with each other. Write it down. *Get a family emergency plan worksheet at [www.ReadyVirginia.gov](http://www.ReadyVirginia.gov)*
- ***Store at least a three-day supply of water and food.*** The rule of thumb is to store one gallon of water per person per day. That is enough for drinking, cooking and personal hygiene. Be sure to have canned and packaged food on hand that does not need electricity to store or prepare, in case the power is out.
- ***Get a battery-powered and/or hand-crank radio.*** To stay informed if the power is out, you'll need a radio to hear instructions from local officials. Make sure you have extra batteries, and choose one with a NOAA Weather Band so you'll get weather information direct from the National Weather Service.

This September: a time to remember; a time to prepare. Honor the past by being ready for whatever the future may hold. For more, go to [www.ReadyVirginia.gov](http://www.ReadyVirginia.gov).



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**TREASURER’S NOTES**

*by Henry Cullerton*

The Kings Park Civic Association’s budget year ended on July 31, 2011.

We had a very successful year, and provided many diverse services and programs to our community. For example, one highlight, was the celebration of the Kings Park Community 50th Anniversary. We celebrated this milestone event in conjunction with our annual Potluck Dinner. A booklet titled “Kings Park Through the Years 1961-2011” was prepared and delivered to each KP household. The Beautification Committee also had a major undertaking, in conjunction with an Eagle Scout project and Boy Scouts from Troop 50, to redo the nubs lining Southampton Drive.

We are now in the process of developing a new budget for 1 Aug 2011 - 31 July 2012. Membership dues, along with advertising revenue from the KP Gazette and Directory, provide most of the revenue for our day-to-day expenses. These are some of the programs, activities and events we have planned for this year:

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|---|----------------------------|
| Community Potluck Dinner  | July 4th Picnic and Parade |
| Volunteer Night, Dancing and Dessert                            | Children’s Holiday Party   |
| Adult Holiday Party   | Neighborhood Watch Patrol  |
| Seniors’ luncheon   | Community Clean-up Day     |
| Community Yard Sale   | National Night Out Events  |
| Printing and delivery of the annual KP Directory                |                            |
| Printing and delivery of the KP Gazette every two months        |                            |
| Landscaping and Beautification of the common and entrance areas |                            |

These programs and services are only possible because of the generosity and volunteer spirit of the community. The KPCA Board thanks everyone for their financial and volunteer support and looks forward to another successful year.

A copy of the final KPCA Budget and Expense Statement for August 1, 2010 - July 31, 2011 will be put on our web site [www.kings-park.org](http://www.kings-park.org).

A copy of the new budget will also be placed on the web site once it has been approved by the KP Board and then presented at the 15 September KPCA General Membership meeting.

**KPCA 5th ANNUAL POT LUCK DINNER**

It’s not too early to mark your calendar for the 5th Annual Pot Luck Dinner Saturday March 24, 2012 at Lake Braddock High School. The past 4 dinners have been a great success and much fun has been had by all. Marie Cullerton (and Henry!) has graciously agreed to be our Chairperson again this year. Please contact her at 703-426-4904 to volunteer. Hope to see you there.

**50th ANNIVERSARY EDITION KINGS PARK DIRECTORY 2011**

The Kings Park Directory is being delivered with this issue of the Gazette. The directory is being delivered to every Kings Park home, but includes only the paid KPCA members of 2011. If you joined this year and paid your membership dues, we thank you. If you did not join this year, we urge you to join in 2012. Your membership dues funds all the wonderful programs that make Kings Park so great. All paid members in 2012 will be included in the 2012 directory.

**NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS**

*by Liz Rivera*

We are sad to have said good-bye to the Beatty family (Tim, Heather, Michael, Annabelle and Lucy) at 5220 Kings Park Drive but we are very happy to welcome the Hasson family to the Kings Park neighborhood. Derek, Meghan and John moved here in May from Arlington, VA, and were joined shortly thereafter by baby Jay, born on July 29th. Jay is cute and healthy and we are so glad to have such nice neighbors!

**PARLIAMENT POOL COMPLETES ANOTHER SEASON**

*by Tony Wann*

Parliament Pool will close its doors for the season on Labor Day. It's been another great summer and I hope everyone was able to take advantage of this gem of a pool that we are so fortunate to have here in the Kings Park subdivision. From opening day prep to the Swim & Dive Teams to the July 4<sup>th</sup> Open House to the many other activities offered by the pool, the Pool Board, Pool Staff, Swim/Dive Booster Board, and numerous volunteers all did an incredible job of making this year a success. Without the dedicated efforts of this group of people, there is no way the pool would have been able to open its doors, accomplish what it did, and create a summer to remember. So hats off to everyone who helped make it all happen!

If you missed out on all the fun this year, there is always next year to look forward to. Keep in mind that Parliament Pool offers members a relaxing oasis right here in the heart of the Kings Park neighborhood. The pool sits in a perfect location, with a balance of shade trees and open space. So whether you want to lounge in the sun or just relax in the shade with a magazine or book, there's a spot just for you. With terrific activities for kids and adults alike, you can get away from it all without ever leaving town. Here are 10 reasons why you should join next year: Clean Facility, Great Value, Professional Staff, Friendly Atmosphere, Swim & Dive Team, Adult Socials, Adult Lap Lane, Free Wi-Fi, Poker Night, Ladies Night.

Information about the pool can be found at [www.parliament-pool.com](http://www.parliament-pool.com).

For those who took advantage of the pool this year, the Pool Board solicits your feedback if you have any suggestions or comments. Feel free to submit them through the pool website listed above (click on the "Contact" tab). Additionally, if anyone is interested in serving on the Pool Board or one of the board's committees, please let us know. We have a variety of areas where we could use help. It is only through the dedicated efforts of volunteers that the pool is able to exist, so please give this serious consideration. Have a wonderful off-season!

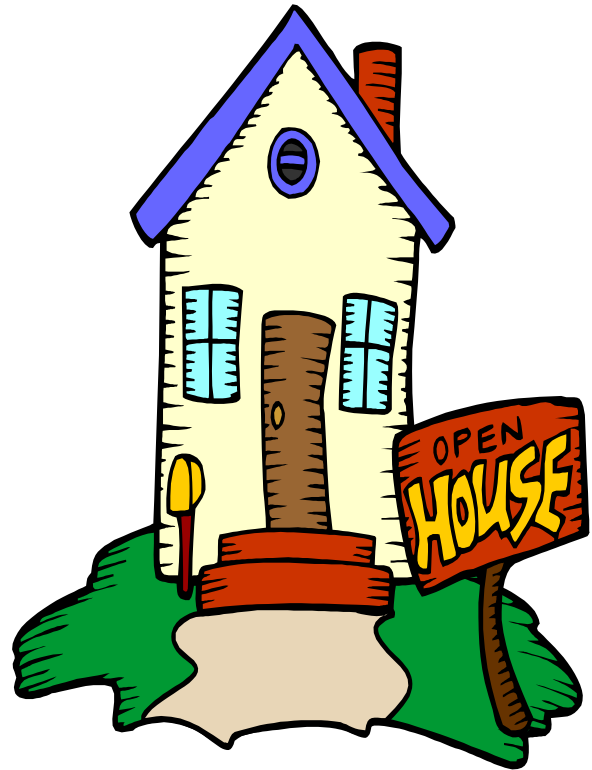
## Real Estate Corner

### Active Listings

| Model | Address            | List Price |
|-------|--------------------|------------|
| KING  | 8943 BURKE LAKE RD | \$364,888  |
| KING  | 8718 KENILWORTH DR | \$429,900  |
| QUEEN | 5503 AVON CT       | \$392,600  |
| QUEEN | 5609 ROLLING RD    | \$418,000  |
| QUEEN | 8412 DERBY CT S    | \$435,000  |
| QUEEN | 5507 ROLLING RD    | \$449,900  |

### Under Contract Listings

| Model  | Address            | List Price |
|--------|--------------------|------------|
| DUKE   | 8425 THAMES ST     | \$350,000  |
| KING   | 8926 VICTORIA RD   | \$459,000  |
| PRINCE | 8607 THAMES ST     | \$300,000  |
| PRINCE | 8808 KENILWORTH DR | \$369,000  |
| QUEEN  | 5526 CALLANDER DR  | \$335,000  |



### Sold

| Model  | Address             | List Price | Sold Price | Subsidy (Seller's Credit to Buyer) | Final Sold Price | Final Price Reduction/Increase | Date Closed |
|--------|---------------------|------------|------------|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| KING   | 8615 VICTORIA RD    | \$459,000  | \$457,000  | \$12,000                           | \$445,000        | \$14,000                       | 08/30/11    |
| DUKE   | 5206 SOUTHAMPTON DR | \$350,000  | \$350,000  | \$0                                | \$350,000        | \$0                            | 07/26/11    |
| DUKE   | 5609 EASTBOURNE DR  | \$372,000  | \$370,000  | \$14,930                           | \$355,070        | \$16,930                       | 07/13/11    |
| DUKE   | 8820 TRAFALGAR CT   | \$399,900  | \$395,000  | \$7,800                            | \$387,200        | \$12,700                       | 08/18/11    |
| DUKE   | 8715 CLYDESDALE RD  | \$459,888  | \$455,000  | \$11,000                           | \$444,000        | \$15,888                       | 07/28/11    |
| PRINCE | 5529 SOUTHAMPTON DR | \$395,900  | \$380,000  | \$0                                | \$380,000        | \$15,900                       | 07/15/11    |
| PRINCE | 8506 PARLIAMENT DR  | \$465,000  | \$452,500  | \$0                                | \$452,500        | \$12,500                       | 07/28/11    |
| PRINCE | 5515 YORKSHIRE ST   | \$467,500  | \$467,500  | \$6,000                            | \$461,500        | \$6,000                        | 08/05/11    |
| QUEEN  | 5521 CALLANDER DR   | \$399,900  | \$407,000  | \$0                                | \$407,000        | -\$7,100                       | 07/18/11    |
| QUEEN  | 8600 VICTORIA RD    | \$474,000  | \$470,000  | \$0                                | \$470,000        | \$4,000                        | 07/19/11    |

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**SENIOR CORNER****Dementia Care Givers Support Groups**

The Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke now offers three support groups open to anyone who wants to be of service to a friend or relative with a dementia disorder. Learn and share with others experiencing similar challenges. The groups meet at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Rd., Fairfax: (1) 2nd Tuesday of each month, 12:00-1:30 p.m.; (2) 4th Tuesday of each month, 12:00-1:30 p.m.; and (3) beginning September 21st, 3rd Wednesday of each month, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Before attending, contact facilitator Eileen Thompson at 703-451-8626 or eileen.thompson1@gmail.com. See also [www.fairfax-burkesc.org](http://www.fairfax-burkesc.org).

**Older Adults Shape Up Mentally and Physically with the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke**

Join the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke (SCFB) for its fall session of *Adventures In Learning*. This program is open to all adults age 50 or better. Registrants bring a bag lunch and stay for a full day of classes/activities and socializing, or pick and choose the classes that interest them the most. Mondays, September 26 through October 31, 9:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Rd., Fairfax; cost \$30.00. Class schedule and registration forms will be available on-line starting August 30 at [www.fairfax-burkesc.org](http://www.fairfax-burkesc.org) or by calling the SCFB office at 703-323-4788.

The Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke is a volunteer organization dedicated to supporting and enriching the lives of older adults in the Fairfax-Burke community. We appreciate your support.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE****Passion for Community**

Nancy Spaulding a retired first grade teacher from Kings Park Elementary School is now a volunteer in a non-profit called Passion For Community. One of the programs under P4C is called "Spring" and it reaches out to the community's underserved residents by providing practical household items, furniture, small appliances and baby equipment to people in crisis. This program currently works with Fairfax County Public School social workers, a variety of shelters, and local service organizations devoted to caring for those in need and helping them in their quest for self sufficiency.

Some members of the Kings Park community have already given a helping hand to Spring by donating used furniture. Spring has already served over 100 families this year and with your help we can assist many more. If you have furniture you would like to get rid of Spring will come and pick it up for you. Just call New Life Christian Church at 703-222-8836 to schedule a furniture donation pick up.

Items Spring does not pick up are beds, headboards, China cabinets, and large wall units.

Items that Spring is desperate for are kitchen items, dining tables with chairs, dressers, and couches.

**ECHO, Inc.**

ECHO, Inc, the community-based social services organization that provides emergency services to Kings Park and other Springfield residents, is looking for volunteers to form an informal group of advisors who are knowledgeable of small- to medium-scale computer networking and data security issues. For more information, please contact [echoadmin@verizon.net](mailto:echoadmin@verizon.net).

**Teens Invited to Explore Policing**

Teens and their parents are invited to an informational meeting on Monday, September 26, at the Massey Building, 4100 Chain Bridge Road, Fairfax to learn more about Fairfax County Police Explorer Post #1742. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. and will be held in the A level conference room. Free parking is available at a public parking garage on Page Avenue. More information can be found at [www.post1742.org](http://www.post1742.org) or Ted Arnn at 703-246-4488.

**Kings Park Civic Association  
Calendar of Events Sept 2011 - July 2012**



**September 2011**

- Sept 13 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- Sept 15 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting, Kings Glen Elementary School
- Sept 25 at 10:00am - KPINES Community Brunch at the Army Navy Country Club, 3315 Old Lee Highway Fairfax, VA RSVP to Susan Metcalf at Susan.Metcalf@verizon.net
- Sept 27 at 7:30pm - Book Club Meeting (*The Ninth: Beethoven and the World in 1824* by Harvey Sachs)

**October 2011**

- Oct 2 at 3:00pm - Youth Committee Meeting call Susan Metcalf for more details, 703-503-0176
- Oct 11 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- Oct 20 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting, Kings Park Elementary School
- Oct 25 at 7:30pm - Book Club Meeting (*The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society* by Shaffer and Barrows)

**November 2011**

- Nov 8 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Location to be determined
- Nov 17 at 7:00pm - KPCA Community Meeting and Volunteer Appreciation Night Kings Park Elementary School
- Nov 22 at 7:30pm - Book Club Meeting (*The Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest* by Stieg Larsson)

**December 2011**

- Dec 2 at 7:00pm - Children's Holiday Party, Kings Park Elementary School, 7:00pm
- Dec 6 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- Dec 15 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting and Adult Holiday Party, Kings Park Elementary School
- Dec 18 - Holiday Decorating Contest of Kings Park Homes
- Dec 27 at 7:30pm Book Club Meeting (*The Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand)

**January 2012**

- Registration begins - KPCA Potluck Dinner; RSVP Marie Cullerton at marie@cullerton.com or 703-426-4904
- Jan 10 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- Jan 19 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting, Kings Park Elementary School

**February 2012**

- Feb 7 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- Feb 16 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting, Kings Park Elementary School

**March 2012**

- Registration continues for Potluck Dinner; RSVP Marie Cullerton at marie@cullerton.com or 703-426-4904 by **March 19**
- March 6 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- March 15 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting, Kings Park Elementary School
- March 24 at 5:00pm - KP Community Potluck Dinner, Lake Braddock Secondary School

**April 2012**

- April 10 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- April 19 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting, Kings Park Elementary School
- Date to be determined - Earth Day Storm Drain Clean-up
- April 28 - Community Yard Sale #1, 8:00am-12noon

**May 2012**

- May 5 - Community Yard Sale #2, 8:00am-12noon
- May 8 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- May 17 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting, Kings Park Elementary School
- Dates to be determined - Spring Clean-up Day and Seniors Luncheon, Hunan West, Kings Park Shopping Ctr

**June 2012**

- June 12 at 7:00pm - KPCA Board Meeting, Braddock Hall, Kings Park Library
- June 21 at 7:30pm - KPCA Community Meeting and Board Election Kings Park Elementary School

**July 2012**

- July 4 at 12 noon - Fourth of July Parade and Picnic at Kings Park Park