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KP Club Members,

Well it's Fall Y'all! We had a great pumpkin carving session and Halloween event. We now start looking towards Thanksgiving and Christmas. Keep an eye on the social calendar for different events that will be coming up. We also would like anyone that is interested in joining the board to submit their name. Sarah is also looking for someone to take over the Crier. All of us on the board enjoy our time, but would like to have more involvement from the community.

Look forward to seeing everyone around the neighborhood.

Sincerely,
Sean Sparkman, President

NOVEMBER RECEPTION SUNDAY, NOV. 17, 5-8:00

HEADLINE NEWS! Kingspoint's own Mary Kate Galke has agreed to perform from 6-8:00 at our reception. Some will recognize her as our neighborhood yoga instructor, but she is also a singer and guitar player with the local band, Joe's Day Off. Band leader Joe Duggan has agreed to join her. They play all our favorites from Beatles to Carol King, and their renditions of "Crazy" (Patsy Cline), "What a Wonderful World", and "Stand By Me" can transport us back in time. The reception will run from 5-8:00 and feature a full buffet. This is an event for all Kingspoint Club adult members ("adult" not to be confused with maturity level). Cost: \$5 per person. Bar donations encouraged.

KINGPOINT CLUB HALLOWEEN PARTY
OCTOBER 31ST 5:00 TO 6:00 PM
AT THE CLUBHOUSE
PLEASE BRING A SIDE TO SHARE. BYOB.
TRICK OR TREATING WILL START AT 6:00PM

The Kingspoint Club, Inc. oversees our community's recreational property on Northpoint Drive. This waterfront site includes a beautiful clubhouse, neighborhood pool, picnic area, dock, and a children's play area. The KP Club operates the pool and clubhouse and organizes neighborhood social events for members. Membership in the Club is optional for residents, and includes use of the pool, boat ramp and dock. Members may also rent the clubhouse for social events. Membership is required to attend some Club sponsored social events. Non-residents may also pay annual dues to use the pool and the clubhouse. For more information or to join, contact Gina Flango, ginaflango@gmail.com.

KINGSPPOINT WOMEN'S CLUB

The original program scheduled for November has been changed.

Laura Kinsman of **Williamsburg Estate Services** will present a short program on how her business may help you clear out excess items, downsize or help you plan a move. Laura has a great team that can assist whatever your needs might be.

Please join us on Tuesday, November 12 at 10:00 a.m. at the Kingspoint Clubhouse. Even though you may not be a member but, may have an interest in this topic, we would love to have you join us. The program will start at 10:30 a.m. All new neighbors and friends are invited with refreshments served. Look forward to seeing you! Jo & Joyce.

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY COMING SOON

Kingspoint's first Little Free Library is coming soon to 103 Southpoint Drive! The mission of the non-profit Little Free Library movement is to "inspire a love of reading, build community and spark creativity by fostering neighborhood book exchanges around the world." Neighbors are encouraged to take a book, share a book, and leave a book. If you see one you would like to read, take it! When you're finished, you may pass it on or return it and take another. You may also leave books at the Little Free Library (just make sure there's room inside). If you'd like, include a note in the books you leave to tell others that you've read it and what you thought. The library will include books for both children and adults. Because of this, we would ask two things: 1) Please accompany your children on their first visit to the library and show them how to use it, and 2) Be aware as you leave books that children may have access to them, so choose what to share with that in mind. Jim Beers constructed the library, and Lisa Smith will be its steward. If you have questions about the LFL or ideas for improvement, please give her a call at 220-0007. You may also find more information at the website: LittleFreeLibrary.org. A ribbon cutting is being planned to celebrate the library's opening and an announcement will be sent when a date has been chosen.

KINGSPPOINT CALENDAR

November 4, 11, 18, 25

Mondays, 9am-12pm

Bridge Group. All club members are invited to join us for bridge at the clubhouse on Monday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon. It's a friendly low-stress environment. It doesn't matter if it's been years since you last played and you think your skills are a little "rusty." Sign up and give it a try. Start your week off having a fun time with your neighbors! Call Jean Migneault 757-220-0036 cell 757-293-8575, or e-mail her at jmigneault@cox.net, no later than Friday if you would like to play the following Monday. We fill tables in the order that players sign-up.

November 9

Kingspoint Clubhouse Clean-up Day

November 9, 9-10am

Beginners Yoga at the clubhouse. Please join MaryKate Galke for free beginners yoga for club members on the second Saturday of the month. Bring your own yoga mat/blocks or a donation so that equipment may be purchased.

November 12, 10am

Women's Club Meeting at the clubhouse.

November 17, 5-8pm

Kingspoint Club Reception at the clubhouse.

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The Kingspoint Neighborhood Association has served the Kingspoint community since 1975 in matters large and small. All property owners and renters in our neighborhood are eligible for membership. The Association's volunteers quietly maintain our beautiful entrance; publish our community directory; communicate with county and state government and agencies on the neighborhood's behalf; and facilitate communication within the neighborhood, and with the Kingspoint Club, Inc., on issues of mutual interest.

We have finally been blessed with some rain and cooler weather, and our record hot summer is passing into another beautiful autumn. If you've not yet had a chance to walk around our neighborhood and enjoy the many creative fall and Halloween decorations, please take time to walk or drive through the community soon.

There are pumpkins and cobwebs, pots of bright flowers and festive displays on every street. What fun for children of all ages as we look forward to 'Trick or Treating' at the end of October. **Trick-or-treat hours** in James City County are from **6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, October 31**, for children 12 and under. If your children will participate, you might find these **safety tips provided by our JCC Police** useful.

Let's keep everyone's safety in mind by leaving our street lights burning on Halloween night to light the way for families out trick-or-treating. Since many of us have long, dark driveways, **we might consider sitting outside near the street if the weather is nice, and visiting with our neighbors while greeting Trick or Treaters.**

We appreciate the support of everyone who has already responded to our 2019 membership drive for the Kingspoint Neighborhood Association. Your contributions allow us to continue the work we do for the community.

Our Treasurer, Brandy Belue, will accept 2019-20 dues and contributions through the end of the year. It is only through everyone's contributions and support that we move forward together as a community.

You may notice that we have removed the remaining Juniper near our neighborhood entrance and replaced it with an additional Yaupon holly, which will eventually grow to screen the utility box behind it. **Many thanks to Ann Hobson for her continuing work with our front entrance renovation and maintenance projects.**

Please remember to vote on Tuesday, November 5, between 6 AM and 7 PM at **Laurel Lane Elementary School at 112 Laurel Lane**. This is an important election and we all need to participate.

Our member of the Board of Supervisors, Dr. John McGlennon, stands for re-election this year and is opposed in his race. Since the Board has been very active lately, and their decisions make a tremendous difference in our community and our daily lives, please take time to inform yourself, make wise choices, and **vote this year.**

We may expect visits to Kingspoint from political candidates or their representatives between now and the election. This offers us an opportunity to ask the candidates questions, express our views and offer words of appreciation for their public service. If you don't wish to engage, *don't answer the door*. But if you are open to discussing local issues, you might find these visits useful. Dr. McGlennon has informed us that he expects to make these visits in Kingspoint, personally, and looks forward to greeting neighbors.

It is **our Kingspoint tradition to abstain from displaying political signs** on our properties, right of ways or at our community's entrance. This helps us to maintain peaceful and neighborly relationships

even when we have differing political views. No advertising signs should ever be displayed in our yards (with the exception of real estate signs), to maintain the natural beauty and peacefulness of our community.

See the **Covenants page in your Directory** for more details about displaying signs. Our Kingspoint Covenants are legally binding and go along with our deeds. We all appreciate the cooperation of neighbors in this joint effort.

Please visit **our KPNA website** for news and useful community links, regular updates and **a link to the digital Crier**. Many thanks to **our webmistress, Sophia Sokolowsky** for her terrific work keeping our website up to date.

FYI. Our local police, working in cooperation with the DEA, will sponsor a **Drug Take Back Initiative** on Saturday, **October 26 from 10 AM to 2 PM** at the Law Enforcement Center on Opportunity Way, just off of Rt. 60 near Harris Teeter. Residents may anonymously turn in expired or unused solid dosage prescription drugs.

Turning unwanted prescription drugs in for proper disposal helps keep them out of our septic systems, waterways and landfills, and insures they won't be found and misused by others. Proper disposal of prescription medication saves lives. **Find details about this free. program here.**

Neighbors over 55 and caregivers might enjoy the **Live Well Expo on November 1** at the JCC Rec Center on Longhill Road. This annual event offers **free preventative health screenings, vaccinations, free medication checks with local pharmacists**, and lots of information about community services available to make life better for our senior neighbors. Go early, as these services are only available between 8:30 AM and 11:30 AM.

*Elizabeth McCoy e.mccoy105@gmail.com
for the Kingspoint Neighborhood Association Board*

NOTES FROM NEIGHBORS

Numerous Kingspoint neighbors continue to report problems with deer on neighborhood streets and in their yards this month. Herds of a dozen or more deer are seen on some Kingspoint streets.

Deer eat both native vegetation and landscaping, bring ticks and diseases into our yards and interfere with neighbors' normal use of their property. Deer also present a safety hazard to drivers, bikers, and neighbors out walking their dogs.

Please remember to never put out food for deer or other mammalian wildlife, which attracts a variety of animals to our community. **It is a violation of state law to feed deer between September 1 and early January**, as it is considered 'baiting.'

If anyone sees or suspects someone of illegally feeding deer during this time period, please report it to **DGIF's Wildlife Crime Line at 1-800-237-5712.**

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**Plant of the Month:
*Camellia sasanqua***

What a delight to see bright flowers open on our evergreen *Camellia* shrubs during autumn, just as the rest of the

garden fades and we prepare for winter. You may have noticed neighbors' *Camellias* blooming in October through January and wondered about these beautiful rose-like flowers in shades of red, pink and white.

A relative of the tea plant, autumn blooming Asian *Camellias* are hardy in Zones 6b-9. Like the spring blooming *Camellia japonica*, they prefer moist, acidic soil. Fall blooming *Camellias* will tolerate full to partial sun, under the dappled shade of larger trees. They may be used as specimen plants, hedges, in mixed borders, or as large foundation shrubs. Different cultivars will grow to different proportions, and many will grow into small trees, if left unpruned.

Camellias keep their glossy green leaves year-round, adding structure and screening in the garden throughout the year. Pollinators appreciate this source of nectar when little else is in bloom, and birds find shelter in their branches.

Many varieties are available now at local nurseries. You can choose from several different colors and flower forms, finding a cultivar that will meet your needs for mature shape and size. Varieties like *C. 'Yuletide'* are especially prized for their red flowers each December.

Newly planted shrubs will need protection from deer for the first few years. Deer may graze both leaves and flower buds, but the shrub will generally survive. Use deer fencing, Milorganite, or repellent sprays to protect *Camellias* as they establish. Some fungal diseases can infect *Camellias*, but good air circulation and care will prevent disease problems. Insect damage is rare.

Plant *Camellia sasanqua* shrubs with confidence that they will survive and thrive in our neighborhood, rewarding you with decades of beautiful late autumn flowers.

FYI LEAF DISPOSAL

James City County residents **may drop off leaves in clear leaf sized bags free of charge** Nov. 11-24, 2019 and Jan. 6-19, 2020 at the Jolly Pond Convenience Center, 1204 Jolly Pond Road. The Convenience Center is open daily from 7 a.m.-5 p.m. *Resident may also pick up bagged leaves*, at no charge, to use for personal composting. At the Jolly Pond Convenience Center.

There will be one round of curbside leaf collection, scheduled for December 2-6 in our voting district. Leaves must be in clear plastic bags (40 gallons or less). Bagged leaves should be left curbside by 8 a.m. on the first day of collection in each district. Each street will be collected one time only. Bulky materials such as brush and tree limbs cannot be accepted.

Leaves may also be shredded and left in place or used as mulch. This helps improve our clay soil, protects shrubs and perennials from frost heave, and helps prevent erosion. Burning isn't permitted in residential areas of James City County.

FACEBOOK PAGE

Kingspoint neighborhood has its own Facebook page to add info, photos, items for sale, invite neighbors to a last minute movie or bbq, post last minute updates for swim meets, cancellations, etc. This page is a "Closed Group", so you will have to "request" to be added (this prevents just anyone from joining the group and posting spam). But all residents are encouraged to request an invite!

Here is how you do this:

Type in the following URL address <https://www.facebook.com/groups/211852015632122/> . It will say it's a closed group, and then in the upper right corner, under the photo, you click on 'JOIN GROUP'. The Admin for the group will approve all KP residents!

LITTLE DOLPHINS

Looking to connect with other parents in the neighborhood? Consider joining the "Little Dolphins" Facebook page. It's a network of parents in the neighborhood with kids ranging from babies to teenagers. (Just search for "Little Dolphins Kingspoint" on Facebook). It's a nice way to meet parents in the neighborhood with similarly aged kids. If you aren't on Facebook, or if you are having problems joining the group, email Tracy Sohoni, tracep@yahoo.com

NEIGHBORHOOD ADS

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Carolyn Clinton is available for baby sitting and pet sitting. 757-903-7777.

Twins John and Catherine Clinton are also available for baby sitting and pet sitting. John also mows lawns. Call their mother Susan Clinton @ 757-903-7205.

Buck Stove for Sale

Buck Stove for sale \$250. Wood burning stove with blower. 32" wide in front, 26" wide in back, 24" deep, 25" high, interior is 15" deep and 24" wide. This is a chimney insert. Has a blower. Really puts out the heat. Call Mary Grogan at 258-5861.



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110 Overlook Dr.	For Sale	\$499,950
109 Archers Hope Ct.	For Sale	\$629,000
101 Northpoint Dr.	Under Contract	\$285,000
106 Glenwood Dr.	Under Contract	\$337,500
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