



Kingspoint Crier

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KP Club Members,

This Fall the KP Club will be busy. We are working with the pool company to winterize the pool and do some minor repairs. We are also looking forward to the construction of a gazebo on the pool deck in honor of Benson Dexter. More information regarding a dedication will be coming soon.

This Fall we have several social events planned including a family campout on the green, Pumpkin Carving and a Halloween Party in October, the Fall Reception in November, and our luminary fundraiser in December.

We are also looking for nominations for officers for next year. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone in the neighborhood please contact me at kppresidents@gmail.com. The club functions because of time dedicated by volunteers, so please consider helping out and running for an officer position.

Finally, at the end of the year, Sarah Huber will be stepping down as the editor of the Kingspoint Crier. If you would like to volunteer to edit the Crier, please contact Sarah Huber at kpcrier@gmail.com for details.

Sincerely,
Sean Sparkman, President



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 Kingspoint Women's Club will meet at the Kingspoint Clubhouse on Tuesday, Oct. 8 at 10:00 a.m. Coffee and cold beverages will be served.

The program "Helping Hands" will be a brainstorming session led by Joyce Houff to discuss how we may more effectively help our neighbors in need. All ideas are welcome! The Women's Club includes women from the Kingspoint community from "Past & Present" and we welcome all new residents to join us for this important conversation. We look forward to seeing you in October!

KINGSPPOINT CLUB CAMPOUT

With the cooler evenings upon us, fall must be coming! Join your neighbors for a movie and camping on the KP Club green this Saturday, September 28th. We will cook up hot dogs, have lemonade (and beer for the adults), and have a camp fire.

After sunset (about 7:00 pm) we will show a family-friendly movie - The Incredibles 2 - on the big screen under the stars (or in the clubhouse if the weather doesn't cooperate. As of now, though, it is looking great!). Bring your own tent and spend the night!

Hope to see you all there!

SAVE THE DATE: FALL RECEPTION

November reception alert: The club will be holding its annual reception for all adult members **Sunday, November 17, 4-7:00pm**. Details will come later, but mark the date



KINGSPPOINT CALENDAR

September 28-29

Kingspoint Club Campout on the green.

October 7, 14, 21, 28

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.

October 8, 10 am

Kingspoint Women's Club meets at the Clubhouse

October 12, 9am-10am

Beginners Yoga. 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.

October 27, 2pm

Kingspoint Club Pumpkin Carving

October 31, 5-6pm

Halloween Party at clubhouse.



KINGSPPOINT PLANT OF THE MONTH: AUTUMN FERN



If you want a tough, evergreen fern that will thrive in shade to partial sun, growing a bit better each year, consider autumn fern, *Dryopteris erythrosora* 'Brilliance.' This medium green, elegant Asian fern produces copper colored

fiddle heads and copper new fronds from spring through fall. It will grow to about 2' tall and wide after several years, but won't sent out runner and spread.

Most ferns hold no attraction for deer or rabbits, and there are several good evergreen ferns that hold their place throughout the winter, shrugging off ice and snow. *Dryopteris* species are some of the best. Find them at most garden centers in spring and fall for a reasonable price.

Hardy in Zones 5-8, these beautiful ferns require little care. Plant them in good soil and mulch with compost, pine straw or bark. Water during dry spells for the first year or two as the roots establish. Cut away older, ragged fronds each spring as new growth begins to unfurl.

These ferns aren't poisonous and aren't a danger to pets or wildlife. They are useful to prevent erosion and can be planted 2' apart to form a soft foundation planting, low hedge or on a slope as ground cover. Plant autumn ferns with confidence that they will survive and thrive in our neighborhood.

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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

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!

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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.

former Treasurer have been invaluable as we navigated through our entrance renovation and other revitalization projects. Kirsten joined us in summer 2015 and served as Treasurer until last year, when she helped Brandy Belue transition into that role. Please join us in thanking Kirsten for her years of service in our community.

We are always happy to welcome neighbors who want to work with us on various projects.

Please reach out to any Board member if you or a family member can volunteer. We have an ongoing list of neighbors with chainsaws and rakes, willing to help clear fallen trees during and after storms. Please send me an email if you can help and aren't yet on our Chainsaw Gang list.

Rumors circulate from time to time that someone is planning an AirBnB or other business enterprise in Kingspoint.

Please know that our neighborhood is zoned R1 Residential, and businesses aren't allowed in the community without first obtaining a Special Use permit from the Board of Supervisors. At this time, our representative, John McGlennon, and our Zoning enforcement staff are working to protect neighborhoods so that these types of businesses aren't allowed. This is for the peace and security of the entire neighborhood.

Let's all remember to watch out for the children and give school buses plenty of room in the mornings and afternoons. We need to remain mindful that drivers can see the children, other traffic, as families gather to wait for the bus. *Working together*, everyone can get to work and school on time, *safely*.

KINGSPPOINT NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION NEWS

Late September and early October can feel like such a relief as temperatures cool, fall activities are underway, and another school year has begun. We see signs of autumn everywhere around us and begin to plan for the fun of holidays just ahead.

We appreciate the many neighbors who have spruced up their yards for fall. We keep our community looking fresh and appealing when we each do our part at home. Many thanks to everyone sharing bright planters, pumpkins on porches and festive wreathes on doors. *Your efforts are always noticed and enjoyed!*

We will soon plant more daffodils at our neighborhood entrance. If you're tempted to plant a bag or two of daffodil bulbs yourself this year, remember that the bulbs and their roots discourage voles and deer never graze their leaves or flowers. Every part of a Narcissus is poisonous and so animals stay away from them. Our community looks so beautiful each spring as flowers burst into bloom all over Kingspoint.

The Neighborhood Association will launch its fall membership campaign in late September. Please watch for an updated KPNA brochure and consider supporting the work we do in Kingspoint. We depend on volunteer effort and voluntary contributions from neighbors to keep up our initiatives on behalf of all Kingspoint residents.

We are very, very sorry that Board member Kirsten Kellogg is rotating off of the Neighborhood Association Board this month. Kirsten's leadership and contributions as

We continue to have traffic incidents in Kingspoint and near misses. We all need to pause at intersections and expect the unexpected.

Some streets in our community have been having difficulty with overflowing ditches after heavy rains. Please have a look at the drainage around your property to make sure that water is moving freely through your drainways.

We've heard of property damage occurring where water backs up in spots, and of water pooling on some of our streets. It may be necessary to clear some weeds or tall grasses or move some fallen limbs so water can flow freely down to the creeks and lakes. **Let's work together to fix this for everyone's benefit.**

We have been very fortunate that this season's tropical storms have remained off our coast. We have another two months of hurricane season and need to keep our families prepared should a storm head this way. Most of Kingspoint doesn't fall into an evacuation zone, though some waterfront addresses fall into Zone C.

If you, or anyone in your family might need special help during or after an evacuation or other weather emergency, consider signing up for county's special needs registry. This service allows our emergency services to know who may need special assistance due to mobility or other health issues.

James City County wants to help anyone with special or functional needs develop a plan so they will be prepared to survive for an extended period of time with the possible loss of electricity, water, communication, food and medical resources. Contact coordinator Barbara Watson, at **757-259-3100** for more information.

Our Neighborhood Association volunteers continue work at our entrance. **Thanks to Chris Bonday and Tom Mahone** for their hard work to keep our entrance mowed, trimmed and neat, and to **Ann Hobson** for her work with our new trees and shrubs.

It is our Kingspoint tradition to **abstain from displaying political signs** on our properties, right of ways or at our community's entrance. See the **covenants page in your Directory** for more details about displaying signs.

Please visit **our KPNA website** <https://kingspointneighborhood.wordpress.com/news-2/> 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.

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

NOTES FROM NEIGHBORS

Kingspoint Covenants. Neighbors appreciate their sleep, and it seems that we have a rooster or two living in the neighborhood again, crowing before sunrise. We also have a flock of hens wandering around near Crownpoint Road, visiting in neighbors' yards.

Kingspoint Covenant # 5 (see the back of your Directory) is clear that neighbors agree not to keep poultry in Kingspoint. All homeowners agreed to this covenant at their closing and need to respect this neighborhood agreement now. There shouldn't be any hens or roosters living in Kingspoint.

Neighborhood Dogs. A reminder to please clean up after your dog when walking through the neighborhood. All dog waste should be removed from the roadsides.

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Effective September 1st it will be illegal to feed deer statewide in Virginia. This coincides with deer hunting season. Feeding deer during hunting season is considered 'baiting,' whether the individual feeding them hunts or not. The annual prohibition runs through the first Saturday in January in most of the state, including James City County and the City of Williamsburg.

Problems with feeding deer: *"Feeding deer can unnaturally increase deer populations and damage natural habitats, increase the likelihood for disease transmission, increase human-deer conflicts such as deer/vehicle collisions, and diminish the wild nature of deer. Fed deer are often emboldened to seek human foods, leading them into conflict with people. Feeding deer leads to the prolonged crowding of animals in a small area, resulting in more direct animal to animal contact, contamination of feeding sites, and greater risk of disease transmission."* VA Dept. of Game and Inland Fisheries

Report Wildlife Violations: "It is clear that the negative consequences of feeding deer outweigh the benefits. 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.**"

Numerous Kingspoint neighbors have reported problems with deer on neighborhood streets and in their yards this summer. Deer eat both natural vegetation and landscaping, leave excrement behind, bring ticks into our yards and in some cases, interfere with neighbors' normal use of their property.

Numerous serious, infectious illnesses are vectored by ticks, including Lyme disease and Anaplasmosis. **Neighbors across Kingspoint have contracted these diseases from tick bites in their own yards.** Treatment is often long and costly, and the effects of Lyme disease can become a chronic, life-long problem.



What you can do to protect your family:

1. Never put out food for deer or other mammalian wildlife, which attracts a variety of animals to our community.
2. Use repellents to limit deer traffic on your property. A granular, organic fertilizer called 'Milorganite' is commonly used to repel deer. Broadcast Milorganite around the perimeter of your property to form a barrier, and around specific landscape plants or parts of your property (like walkways) you want to protect. Renew the application every 4-6 weeks for continual control. There are other more expensive spray and granular products to repel deer and other wildlife, some of which need to be reapplied after every rain.
3. Trim weeds and tall grasses growing near the street where walkers may need to step off the pavement.
4. Check yourself and family members for ticks. Follow CDC guidelines to protect yourself from insect bites.
5. Become familiar with the symptoms of tick-borne illnesses and seek medical attention promptly. Timely treatment is very important.



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