

Kingspoint Crier

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LETTER FROM THE KP PRESIDENTS

We hope that everyone is enjoying the cooler weather that has rolled in the past week. It is now officially autumn! With this time of year, we know many of you are even busier than normal navigating back-to-school routines on top of all the other COVID-19 impacts throughout our community. It is hard!! But everyone is doing a great job, and all of us continue to find ways of staying connected, supportive, and positive.

The Kingspoint Club is wrapping up another (albeit interesting) successful summer at the pool and clubhouse. **Thank you** to everyone for being so understanding of our limitations, alternative pool hours, and approach to ensuring a safe pool environment! And **thank you** to Dave Stanhope, our Facilities Chair, for putting in so much hard work and time to make the pool operation possible this year! We were also glad that we were able to extend limited pool hours through September (Dog swim in early October!!). Looking forward, the Club Social Committee is exploring what type of events might be possible throughout this Fall.

Also, please remember that 4th Quarter dues (for those paying quarterly) are due on October 1st. Thank you to everyone for paying promptly, especially throughout this year where regular income from non-resident pool memberships and clubhouse rentals are lower than normal. The Board has worked extremely hard to limit expenses while maximizing revenue across a number of budget areas. We will provide a full rundown at this winter's annual stockholder meeting.

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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 and pool 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.

Letter from the Presidents

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There have also been a number of new families moving into Kingspoint throughout this summer and early fall. If you have a new neighbor, please let them know about all the perks of Kingspoint Club Membership! As always, we are happy to answer any questions new members may have.

Sincerely,
Sarah Huber and JD Reeves
Co-Presidents, Kingspoint Club

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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Real Estate Updates for September

100 Crown Point Rd.	SOLD	\$362,000
105 Crestwood Drive	SOLD	\$595,000
140 Kingspoint Drive	SOLD	\$759,000
104 Glenwood Drive	Under Contract	\$274,900
103 Black Oak Drive	Under Contract	\$485,000
109 Archers Hope	Under Contract	\$579,000
Road		
206 Southpoint Road	For Sale	\$585,000

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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

Publishing in the Crier

If you have an event to share with the Kingspoint community or some news to report that you would like to see posted in the Kingspoint Crier, please send your contributions to kpcrier@gmail.com before the 20th of the month. The editors reserve the right to refuse and edit any submissions.

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Kingspoint Neighborhood Association News

We are pleased to welcome David Miller as a **Member at Large on the Kingspoint Neighborhood Association Board**. David, and his wife Wendy, have lived in James City County for more than 30 years, but moved to their Kingspoint home on College Creek in 2017. They are both deeply involved with the greater community, and David has been working with neighbors and county staff on the College Creek marina proposal. We are extremely fortunate that they are willing to work with the KPNA on this and other matters.

The Neighborhood Association will launch its fall membership campaign in early October this year. 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 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.

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Briefly, if you haven't already made a plan to vote in November, you will find the information and contacts you need on the KPNA website. It takes no more than five minutes to visit the registrar's website and request a ballot through the mail, if that is what you want.

Early absentee voting began on September 18 at the Recreation Center on Longhill Road and continues through October 31. If you are already registered to vote in JCC, you only need show up with your ID to vote early at the Rec Center. Neighbors who receive ballots in the mail may return those to the Registrar's Office drop box at the Rec Center, instead of mailing them back.

We find ourselves in the midst of another election season where most of us have strong opinions. It is our Kingspoint tradition to **abstain from displaying political signs** on our properties, right of ways or at our community's entrance. We all want to maintain our beautiful, peaceful community free from politics. See the **covenants page in your Directory** for more details about displaying signs.

Please note the separate article about **National Night Out** on October 6, when police vehicles will drive



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through our community with lights and sirens on to greet neighbors. You are invited to come out and wave to them to thank officers for their work on our behalf. Our JCC police and the DEA will sponsor a [Drug Takeback Program](#) on **Saturday October 24 from 10:00 AM – 2 PM** at the Law Enforcement Center on Opportunity Way. Officers will collect potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs for destruction.

We appreciate those neighbors who have spruced up their yards for fall. This is such a good time of year for planting, renewing mulch, for cutting back weeds and pruning out dead wood. We keep our community looking fresh and appealing when we each do our part at home. Many thanks to everyone sharing bright planters on your porch and festive wreathes on your doors. *Your efforts are always noticed and enjoyed!*

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.

If you have a new family near you, please let us know so we can visit with a copy of the Kingspoint Directory. Contact Secretary Kenita Hill if you need to make changes to your listing in the Kingspoint Directory.

Remember to visit [our KPNA website](#) for news, useful community links, and regular updates on matters affecting our neighborhood.

Voting

Do you have questions about how to vote this November? All Kingspoint neighbors are encouraged to plan ahead now, so that you are able to participate in this historic election while protecting your own health and well-being:

First, check to make sure that you are registered and that your information is correct. [View your registration status](#) and make updates to your voter record if your information has changed.

Your choices:

1. Polling places will be open on election day, as usual, for those who wish to vote in person.
2. **Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, The County's Registrar encourages all James City County Voters to Vote from Home by absentee ballot.** Your options for obtaining an application or making your request:

- If you have a Virginia issued DMV ID, complete an absentee application online. Follow the prompts for requesting an absentee ballot. Please note the instructions regarding **social distancing** for your selections when choosing an absentee option and absentee reason.
- Or print, complete and sign a [paper absentee application](#). Return by mail to: JCC Office of Elections and Voter Registration, 5300 Palmer Lane, Williamsburg, VA 23188, by fax at 757-259-4945, or by scanned attachment email: vote@jamescitycountyva.gov. You are required to ensure the completed application reaches this office.
- Or call 757-259-4949 and request an absentee ballot application be mailed to you.

Ballots will be mailed out after September 18.

3. You may vote **Absentee IN PERSON** between September 18 and November 3 between 8 AM and 5 PM at the JCC Recreation Center, 5301 Longhill Road, Williamsburg Virginia 23188.

Many thanks to Denise Koch for supplying [this information from The Virginia Department of Elections](#). Find information specific to JCC [here](#).



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The College Creek Marina Project Update

The Wetlands Board unanimously approved a small part of the proposed Waltrip marina project, to build a bulkhead along College Creek adjacent to his existing boat ramp, at their meeting on September 9, 2020. County staff and the Board claimed an extremely narrow strip of land, only 20 square feet, as their area of jurisdiction.

The Wetlands Board acknowledged that the Virginia Marine Resources Commission and the Army Corps of Engineers have jurisdiction over the remainder of the proposed project. That said, all of the tremendous research and impassioned arguments presented by Kingspoint neighbors have already been passed along to the VMRC. Mr. Jeff Madden of the VMRC attended the hearing, spoke with Kingspoint neighbors in attendance, and has already been in communication with the working group of neighbors united in blocking this project.

Many thanks to each and every neighbor who left a voice message, which was played during the meeting; sent an email, which became a part of the project package as a protest to the project; and especially to those who showed up in person and spoke before the Wetlands Board. Each and every neighbor made important contributions to the conversation.

We will need everyone who is able to show up at the next hearing, which will be before the VMRC. That hearing has not yet been scheduled, and won't be, until Mr. Waltrip and his contractor produce some additional documentation, according to Mr. Madden. With the 13 protests to the project provided by Kingspoint neighbors in hand, Mr. Madden tells me that he is already working to address those issues, before scheduling a hearing.

New Neighbors, Welcome!

Please extend a warm hand of friendship to our newest neighbors as they find their way around the community

Holly and Rikk Panzera have moved into their new home at **100 Crownpoint Drive**.

Hello all! Rikk & I moved into 100 Crownpoint Road August 28th along with Archer, our Great Dane puppy, weighing in at 120 pounds! We are excited to begin our next adventure in wonderful Williamsburg. Kingspoint felt perfect for us the moment we first drove through!

We originally hailed from the Catskills in New York. We moved to the quaint little town of Sewickley, PA just north of Pittsburgh 30 years ago, where we raised our two daughters. Our daughter Alexis now lives in Virginia Beach with her Navy husband and our granddaughters, Emmalyn (8) and Isabella (5). You will see them here frequently – feel free to stop by and say “Hello.”

Rikk is a retired chef instructor, who loves mountain biking, music, and wood-working. I am a semi-retired nurse consultant, quilter and ... perhaps, now, I will learn to play the piano!

In the past two weeks, we have experienced the warmth of our new neighbors. We look forward to continuing to meet people and becoming an integral part of the Kingspoint neighborhood!

Warm regards,
Holly & Rikk Panzera

Feeding Deer Prohibited in JCC September 1- January 4

Effective September 1st each year it is 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.

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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.**”

Advertising Policy

The advertising policy for the Kingspoint Crier is as follows: business related ads are \$10/ edition for a business card (\$100/yr); \$25/ edition for quarter page (\$260/yr); \$50/ edition for half page (\$525/yr). We can provide an invoice if necessary. The space will be limited to a reasonable size to be determined by the Crier editors and space constraints of each edition; small ads of one, or two sentences, from residents and non-resident club members are free as a community service; non-profit and children’s ads are also free.

Neighborhood Ads

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