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LETTER FROM THE KP PRESIDENTS

Happy 2021 everyone! We hope that this issue of the Crier finds you feeling well, staying safe, and being hopeful for the new year. We recently sent out a 2020 Annual Report to Kingspoint Club members that summarizes the Club's past year along with a Google poll that allows you to vote on this year's Kingspoint Board and Budget (by February 1st). We would normally hold our annual stockholders meeting around this time of year, which, unfortunately, is not currently possible due to COVID-19 gathering restrictions. We will miss seeing you all and hearing the annual stockholder meeting discussions, but we hope the Annual Report provides a taste of the content we would normally share. Please let us know if you have any questions, and we are open to individuals joining our monthly Board meeting on February 8th for discussion of specific issues. Let us know by emailing kppresidents@gmail.com.

We are also still in need of a Clubhouse Coordinator, as Ruth Ann is stepping down. She has been fantastic in this role, so we all owe her many thanks for her time, care, and attention to the Clubhouse! The rest of the Board is returning for 2021 and we all look forward to the day when we can restart the many social activities at the Clubhouse. Hopefully that day is coming soon!

We continue to see new neighbors move in around Kingspoint. It is a little tougher than normal to reach out to meet and greet new faces, but we are sure that folks will wave, greet, and say welcome in whatever way they can.

We are excited about the new year and all that it will bring! Best wishes everyone, and we will see you soon!

Sarah Huber and J.D. Reeves
Co-Presidents, Kingspoint Club

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.

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, tracp@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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Notes from Neighbors

Please watch out for pets, children and walkers when turning into neighborhood side streets. Many of our side streets are cul de sacs where neighbors may be out walking a pet or watching children play. You can't always see who is out and about while making the turn, so please proceed slowly, and with caution.

When walking or biking near sunrise or dusk, kindly wear bright colored clothing, reflectors or carry a flashlight to help drivers see you. There have been some close calls lately when neighbors didn't see pedestrians in the street.

Help When It Snows

We plan to compile a list of neighbors willing to help others clear snow from their porches, steps, walkways and cars again this winter. We aren't asking for volunteer labor here, as those needing assistance are willing to pay for help with clearing snow and spreading salt. We hope this will interest teens and young adults wanting a little extra paid work.



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If you are willing to help neighbors in future snow events, please contact Denise Koch at dwkoch3@gmail.com. Denise will make the list available in the event of snow. If you need help when it snows, please reach out to Denise and she will try to match you with a neighbor who can help.

We request everyone's cooperation in keeping parked cars off of our Kingspoint streets when it snows. We always hope that VDOT will spread sand and plow our community, and they will do a better job for us all if they don't have to work around parked cars.

Information About Our County's Covid Metrics and Vaccine Availability

James City County's leadership remains acutely aware of the challenges this past year has presented for county residents, our concerns with the increased spread of the virus and our interest in receiving the vaccination against it.

Beginning last Thursday, the county is publishing Pa 4 PM daily update of key metrics comparing developments in JCC with developments in our Peninsula Health District as a whole, and with the VDH state totals. This includes the number of individuals infected with the virus, number of hospitalizations and death, testing data, the number of vaccine doses given and the number of residents who are fully vaccinated. Currently, our percent of positivity is above the Virginia average as a whole.

There is a wealth of information in this daily up-

date along with several links to additional information.

James City County released a statement that we will move to vaccination priority group 1b on January 22. A mass vaccination site has been established at the Colonial Williamsburg Visitor Center, but it is not yet open to the general public. Teachers and other county and city front line employees are the first to receive vaccines there. Once that group has been vaccinated, links will come available on the VDH site (link above) for other residents to begin scheduling vaccination appointments, based on their priority group. This process may take another week or two, depending on the availability of the vaccine. If you follow this link to the VDH, you'll find a brief survey to help anyone determine whether they fall into a particular priority group.

To register to receive JCC news releases to your email, including these daily updates, please send an email to renee.dallman@jamescitycountyva.gov or text 757-272-3337. County staff will enter the email into the system and you will receive a confirmation email. It is important that you click the link in the confirmation email to complete the registration



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Real Estate Updates for December & January!

Happy New Year!

Inventory is still extremely low,
let me know if you are interested in selling.
I have several Buyers interested in Kingspoint.

115 Kingspoint Drive	SOLD	\$385,000
206 Southpoint Drive	SOLD	\$535,000
202 Woodbine Drive	Under Contract	\$425,000
108 Northpoint Drive	For Sale	\$479,000

Thank you for all your business & Referrals!
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Kingspoint Neighborhood Association News

We hope you and your family enjoyed the beautiful holiday decorations throughout Kingspoint as much as we did this year. **Many thanks to everyone who brought light into the winter darkness** and shared your festive spirit with neighbors throughout the holidays.

Many thanks to Sarah Huber and Eric Hilton and their Kingspoint Club team for their efforts to organize our Kingspoint Luminary Night celebration on December 13. Brandy Belue and her team set out luminarias at the entrance that were donated by the Kingspoint Club. We hope you had the opportunity to walk or drive around our neighborhood to enjoy the beauty of it all. There was tremendous participation throughout the community. It is always magical to see a winter evening transformed by holiday lights.

Yuko Sato constructed the stunning evergreen holiday arrangements on our sign again this year. We all appreciate her talents and willingness to continue this beautiful Kingspoint tradition. We appreciate the **Deal family, who donated greenery** from their garden for the arrangements and **Ann Hobson, David and Wendy Miller who decorated trees and shrubs at our entrance with white lights.** **Chris Bonday**

blew away the leaves and tidied up the grass. We all enjoyed the beauty resulting from this terrific teamwork!

Neighborhood Association volunteers will be repairing street signs and sprucing up the entrance over the next few weeks. Watch for new lighting and mulch at the entrance and new street signs where needed. If there is a street sign that you know of which needs repair, **please send me a note.** We plan to paint the posts once the weather warms in the spring.

Although we have enjoyed a mild January, long-time Williamsburg residents know that snowy weather may still find us in February or March. **We request everyone's cooperation in keeping Kingspoint streets free of parked cars when it snows.** We always hope that VDOT will spread sand and plow our community, and they will do a better job for us all if they don't have to work around parked cars.

James City County will recycle your cut Christmas tree for free through the end of January at any of their convenience center locations. **The centers are located at 117 Tewning Road, 1204 Jolly Pond Road, and 185 Industrial Boulevard.** No coupon is required, but the tree must be cleaned of decorations.

Kenita Hill is finishing up revisions to our **2021 Kingspoint Neighborhood Directory**, which we plan to distribute by early March. **Please look over your own listing in the 2020 Directory and contact her by Feb. 13 with corrections to your personal information.** If you have a new family near you, please let us know so we can visit with a copy of the Kingspoint Directory and include them in the 2021 listings. We publish the Directory in hard copy, and distribute only to neighborhood residents, to protect neighbors' privacy.

Many, many thanks to everyone who responded to our 2020 membership appeal for the Kingspoint Neighborhood Association. Your contributions allow us to continue the work we do for the community. Anyone who still wishes to make a membership contribution may drop it off to our Treasurer, Brandy Belue, at 205 Southpoint Drive.

We always welcome new volunteers. If you have time to share, please reach out to me, or any member of the KPNA Board, and tell us how you would like to help. We have several volunteer positions to fill in the coming months.

Please visit our KPNA website for news and useful community links, regular updates and a link to the digital Crier.

Best wishes to all for a happy and joyous new year, from your Kingspoint Neighborhood Association!

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New Neighbors

Kingspoint has welcomed several new families in recent months. We invite any new neighbor who hasn't been properly greeted and introduced to kindly reach out and let us know you are here. Please extend a warm hand of friendship to our newest neighbors as they find their way around the community.

Michael and Amanda Imboden 104 Glenwood Drive We are Michael, Amanda, Evin (1 year old son), and Shadow (5 year old poodle). We moved to Kingspoint in October and have been absolutely loving our time here. We are a military family and we moved to Virginia in the fall of 2019 from Washington State. Michael works at Fort Eustis and I am a stay-at-home mom and part-time student. We have thoroughly enjoyed our puppy play time down at the club house every morning at 8 and look forward to meeting more neighbors as social distancing allows.

Joe and Katherine Bailey 106 Glenwood Drive We are Joe and Katherine Bailey. We are a little late to the party because we moved into the neighborhood the last week of March - just as the world was shutting down due to the pandemic. We have spent the past seven years living on Duke of Gloucester Street in Colonial Williamsburg. Joe works in Development for Colonial Williamsburg. Katherine works for William & Mary Law School and does contract work for CW. We have five kids. Alexandra is 18, Senet is 12, Thaine is 11, and Flynn is 7. In May, we welcomed Aurelia whom you may have seen wandering the neighborhood with us since going for walks is her favorite activity. It had been a long-running joke in the family that we would only move out of the Historic Area if we moved to Kingspoint and, well, here we are. Our interests are many and ever evolving with the varying ages of the children, but, right now, we are focused on working from home, virtual learning for 12th, 6th, 5th, and 2nd grade, and taking

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care of the new baby. We are very much looking forward to getting through the pandemic and getting to know our lovely neighbors.

Tim and Jessica Lindstrom 109 Archers Hope Road Tim and Jessica Lindstrom recently moved to Kingspoint from Rappahannock County, where Jessica had served as Head of Wakefield Country Day School for eight years and retired last June after a 40+ year career in education as teacher, counselor, and administrator. Tim grew up in Michigan and is a graduate of the University of Virginia Law School and currently works as an attorney with a national practice dealing with conservation easements. Jessica grew up in California and received her degrees from Smith College and Indiana University and studied at the University of Hamburg, Germany. Tim and Jessica have one son, who recently graduated from William & Mary Law School and is serving as a judicial clerk in Vermont; and one daughter, who is a junior at Vassar College in New York. The Lindstroms have a mixed lab named Dodger and a Russian Blue cat named Dickens. They enjoy sailing and keep a boat on the Chesapeake.

Tara Peters, and her 3 year-old daughter Molly, recently moved to the Kingspoint neighborhood. She plans to permanently live with her mother Jamie Peters on Cove Rd, and is happy to live down the street from her sister and Molly's cousins. Tara moved here from Chicago, Illinois.

Lisa and Don Garber 115 Kingspoint Drive Don and Lisa Garber had secret crushes on each other in high school but didn't get together until 40+ years later. They each have two children from previous marriages, all adults: Don has daughter Rebecca and son Joshua, Lisa has daughters Lacy and Lindsay. They heartily enjoy being grandparents to Emma, Gracie, Zachary, Lark and Eleanor, although Eleanor is the only local one.

Lisa is old enough to have had several careers: journalist for a 400,000+ circulation daily and Sunday newspaper; high school English, Drama, Journalism, and Speech teacher; Hampton History Museum employee; currently a self-employed pet-sitter and dog-walker. Lisa is an alumna of Bucknell University and did graduate work at various universities and St. Edmund's Hall, Oxford University, UK, where she was housed in a building from the 1300s. As a child of a corporate dad she lived in numerous places as he was often transferred. She wishes she had paid attention to her mother's mad skills at making a move seem effortless. She volunteers for a variety of organizations. Lisa collects books, weird antiques, and a bunch of other things. If she thinks about exercise,

she takes a nap. She enjoys peeping through antique shops and dancing. Her husband most definitely does not.

Don is a scientist at NASA Langley Research Center. He earned his undergraduate degree at William & Mary and has a Masters Degree from Virginia Tech, and did other graduate study at several universities. Aside from a six year adolescent stint in New Jersey where he met Lisa, Don is a Virginia native, a descendant of the Ball and Washington families through his mother. His paternal grandfather was the late Rev. Dr. John H. Garber, pastor of Hampton Baptist Church in Hampton for nearly 40 years. Don also collects books (especially history and science fiction), is a voracious reader, enjoys cooking, discovering good wines, great steaks, hiking, biking, canoeing, birdwatching and being PopPop and Papa Don to the shared grandchildren. His wife says he has a magnificent baritone singing voice and plays the recorder, but both activities are firmly reserved for family only.

The two new dogs in the neighborhood are border terriers Dickens and Dora. You will surely hear them before you meet them. They are lively, adorable, loving dogs who think every two-legged and four-legged is a friend they haven't met yet. This sometimes causes consternation. We apologize in advance.

Old Friends

Long time residents Lewis and Winnie and Bryant, formerly of Woodbine Court, moved to The Landing some months ago. Recently, they moved again to Kentucky to live near their daughter. They agreed to share their new address so that friends may keep in touch:

Winnie and Lewis Bryant
2700 Man o War Blvd.
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Lexington, Ky 40515

Your Photographs in the KP Crier?

It is always great to see beautiful pictures of our neighborhood. If you want your photos featured in the Kingspoint Crier, then please send them to kpcrier@gmail.com. We cannot guarantee that every photograph will be featured, and we reserve the right to crop and rescale the photographs to limit the file size of the Crier.

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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Pet Sitting

Haley Elton offers dog walking and pet sitting services. Available daily. Contact her managing agent, Norman Elton, at 757-293-8346.

Baby Sitting and Pet Sitting

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.

Dog walker/pet sitter

Hi my name is Lexi and I am a responsible 13 year old available to walk, play, and feed your dogs and take care of other pets. I have two dogs (one that is especially strong), cat, and fish and am experienced in taking care of them, including taking an obedience class with my new puppy. Reasonable rates. Call or text my mom Jen Stanhope for more info: 804-815-0241

Lawn Mowing

My name is Evan Blinn. I am a Kingspoint resident, and I would be happy to mow your lawn either once or twice weekly. My fees will vary for each size lawn, but my rates start at \$20/week, but that rate varies depending on the size of the lawn. If you would like me to use a weed eater to trim the sides of your lawn, that is an extra fee of \$10-15/week, depending on the amount of weed eating required. I would be happy to meet with you before getting started to work out a reasonable price for your lawn,

whether it is front, back, or both. I also have experience with snakes, and can identify snakes on your property to let you know what type of snake it is. I can also remove non-venomous snakes humanely from your garage, attic, or yard. I look forward to doing business with you. I can be contacted via email at ejblinn07@gmail.com or (757) 920-5696.

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