

Kingspoint Crier

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LETTER FROM THE KP PRESIDENTS

Hello everyone!

We hope that you are doing well and enjoying the beautiful fall weather. Many thanks to our Social Committee for planning two wonderful events in October. Our annual Campout on the Green was a great success. Families were able to roast marshmallows over our fire pit and watch a movie on our new projector and screen! The weather was perfect and several families enjoyed spending the night in their tents. Thank you to everyone who participated! We are excited to announce that our annual Halloween party is back and fast approaching. Please join us! (See below for important details about the evening.)

Please note the following announcements regarding the pool, upcoming activities, board openings, the boat rack, the clubhouse, memberships, and dues:

Pool Contract Negotiations: The board met with Continental Pools to address concerns with the 2023 pool contract. **Next year's proposal has risen considerably and we asked for an option to lower the proposed costs.** The board emailed members to explain further. The email includes a survey for members to complete. The board will analyze and discuss members' responses before choosing a contract for the 2023 pool season. Other options for 2023 vary significantly, so be sure you complete your survey to have your voice heard. **The board must sign and return the 2023 pool contract to Continental Pools by 10/31/22.**

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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.

KINGSPPOINT CALENDAR

October 31st

Pre-trick-or-Treat Halloween Party

4:30-6pm at KP Clubhouse

October 31st

Halloween Trick-or-Treating

6-8pm at Kingspoint Neighborhood

November 16th

Woman's Club Fall Salad Luncheon

noon at KP clubhouse

November 19th

Fall Clean-up Day

2-5pm at KP Clubhouse

December 11th

Annual Luminary Night

5-8pm at Kingspoint Neighborhood; Rain date:
December 12th

January 17th

Kingspoint Club Annual Stockholder Meeting

7pm at KP Clubhouse

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Upcoming Activities: Mark your calendars and join us!!

1. **Halloween:** Please note that we will **NOT** be setting-up tables throughout the neighborhood this year. Please join the KP Social Committee for a **Pre-Trick-or-Treat Halloween Party** at the KP Clubhouse on **Monday, October 31st 4:30-6pm**. Trick-or-treating will follow from 6-8pm this year. The committee will provide hot dogs, traditional chili, vegetarian chili

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and pulled pork as a main course. **Members are asked to please bring a side to share.** We're hoping the trick-or-treaters get plenty of sweet treats after the party!

BYOB Best adult and kid costume wins a prize!!! Help our generous & hard-working Social Committee by signing up at the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040E4DABAB2FABF58-kphalloween>.

2. **Fall Clean-Up Day:** Our annual fall clean-up day for the Clubhouse grounds is scheduled for **Saturday, November 19, 2-5pm**. (Please note that this **date has been changed since the last newsletter** was published.) We will have a list of projects needing attention as we get closer to the date. **Parents, please let your students know that we are offering service hours for their participation!**
3. **Luminary Night:** Save the date for **Kingspoint's Annual Luminary Night on Sunday, December 11th, from 5-8pm**. (Our rain date will be Monday, December 12th.)

More information will be distributed in November, including the order forms that will be due by Sunday, December 4, 2022.

4. **The Kingspoint Club Annual Stockholder Meeting:** The Kingspoint Club Annual Stockholder Meeting will be held the evening of January 17th, at 7pm. Please put this important date on your calendar and plan to attend. Discussions at this meeting are incredibly valuable and help set priorities for the upcoming year. We will discuss important changes to our pool contract and address changes to the budget. When it comes to club operations, your ideas, suggestions, thoughts, and concerns are extremely valuable. A good turn-out at this meeting is important because we want to hear from each of you.

2023 Kingspoint Club Board: We are currently looking for nominations to the Kingspoint Club Board. Please let us know if you are interested in joining the Board in 2023! **The chairpersons of our Facilities and Membership Committees will be stepping down after contributing years of service.** The Kingspoint Board is an incredible way to get involved in our community. We value diverse insights and perspectives as we strive to ensure successful Kingspoint Club operations in the future. We will announce the slate of officers in November of 2022. Voting will take place at our annual meeting on January 17th, 2023, at 7pm. **If you would like to learn more, please reach out to us at kppresidents@gmail.com.**

The KP Boat Rack: The canoe/kayak racks have been extremely popular this year, and we will be doing another lottery for the 2023 calendar year. Lottery Forms will be sent out to all club members and the drawing will take place at the Annual Meeting in January. A reminder that having a boat spot in 2022, does not guarantee you a spot in 2023. All boat spots are based on the lottery system, and you will need to enter the 2023 Lottery. Also, if you have not paid your fees for 2022, you will not be eligible for the lottery. Please contact KP Treasurer, Jim Gravgaard, if you need to pay your 2022 boat fees. Forms for the boat lottery will be emailed in December.

The Clubhouse: Need to host a meeting? A birthday? A baby shower? A graduation? A retirement? A book club? A work function? The KP Clubhouse wants to host your next event! The Clubhouse can be rented by both members and non-members. (All stockholder members get one free 1/2 day rental each year **and** all Club members get reduced rental rates.) Spread the word that our wonderful facility is available for rent and has the best rates in town. The clubhouse has wonderful views and great amenities. The KP Clubhouse calendar and rental forms can be found on the [Kingspoint Club Website](#). Please call Denise Koch (757-870-0900) or email kpclubrentals@gmail.com for more details.

Resident Memberships: Please check to make sure your household is up-to-date on your membership.

1. All members must be in good standing to use the pool and clubhouse.
2. **Quarterly paying members should have no more than \$150 left on their balance.**
3. **The last quarterly payment of \$150 was due on October 1, 2022.**
4. Contact the Treasurer, Jim Gravgaard, if you need additional information. (JimGravgaard@gmail.com or KPWilliamsburg@gmail.com)

2022 Kingspoint Club Dues: Is your household in good standing for the 2022 season? Did you remember to send in your third quarter payment in July? The last quarterly payment will be due on October 1, 2022.

1. Payments must be paid in full OR on a quarterly schedule: 10/1 — \$150.
2. The KP Club accepts cash, checks, and electronic payments.
3. Make checks payable to Kingspoint Club Inc.
4. Mail Cash/checks to Kingspoint Club Inc., PO Box 365, Williamsburg, VA 23187
5. Send electronic payment through the email we have on file. Once you receive your electronic invoice, please make your payment online.
 - (a) Electronic invoices were emailed from our KP Club QuickBooks account (received

from Kingspoint Club, Inc., or quick-books@notification.intuit.com).

- (b) Open the Kingspoint Club Electronic Invoice Email and select Review and pay.
- (c) Select the Edit amount icon to edit the Payment Amount.
- (d) Enter the partial amount.
- (e) Complete the rest of the fields and select Pay.
- (f) The Treasurer will be emailing the final round of electronic invoices on **September 30, 2022**.
- (g) Email KPPresidents@gmail.com or the Treasurer, KPWilliamsburg@gmail.com, if you have questions about the Quickbooks process or you would like to receive a paper invoice in the 2022 season.

Thank you,

Sarah Huber and Kim Lavach
Co-Presidents, Kingspoint Club

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Post-Halloween

We love to see young children enjoying Halloween traditions. Please help our neighbors who live near school bus stops maintain the streets and right of ways clear of debris from candy wrappers that sometimes appear afterwards. Thank you for your help

Kingspoint Women's Club

The Kingspoint Women's Club next gathering will be a **Fall Salad Luncheon** on Tuesday, November 16 at 12:00 noon. Members are asked to bring a soup, vegetable, salad or dessert item to be shared. More details will follow via email to all members.

Tuesday, February 15 will be our **Movie & Box Lunch** at the KP Clubhouse at 12:00 noon. Again, more information will follow for that event.

The final gathering will be a **Wine Reception** will all members invited to bring an appetizer for 12. It will be held on Sunday, April 10 at the KP Clubhouse from 5:00pm to 7:00pm.

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!

Save the Date!

THE WILLIAMSBURG GARDEN CLUB PRESENTS

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10:30 a.m. | Tuesday | November 15, 2022
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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, tracp@yahoo.com

FYI: Options for Autumn Leaf Clean-up

It is that time of year when leaves float on every strong breeze, covering our walks and driveway just hours after we last cleaned them. The many different species of trees in our community almost guarantee that we will have a long season of managing fallen leaves. We have several options for what to do with them all.

Nature designed leaves to trap carbon, nitrogen and other elements and compounds in the air during the summer, allowing these nutrients to return to the soil as

leaves decompose during the winter. It is an elegant recycling operation to build the soil and naturally fertilize the trees. Deciduous trees are critically important for filtering and sequestering carbon, carbon monoxide and other 'greenhouse gasses' from the air we breathe, even as they replenish our oxygen supply.

Even if we don't want to leave downfallen leaves on lawns and flower beds, we can still make use of them by simply chopping them up with the lawn mower or composting them in out of the way areas of our properties. Whether you have a bagging mower that allows you to gather the chopped leaves and then spread them as mulch, or whether you just leave them where they fall as you mow the grass, leaves can be appreciated as 'free fertilizer.' Not only do they enrich the soil, but they also protect bare soil from erosion during fall and winter rains.

If these solutions aren't practical for your situation, **county residents may drop off leaves free of charge** at the **Jolly Pond Convenience Center**, 1204 Jolly Pond Road, daily between 7am-5pm during these dates: Between Nov. 12-20 and Jan. 7-15. Leaves dropped off by residents will only be accepted in clear bags no larger than lawn or leaf-size (40 gallons or less). Outside of these dates, residents must by 'coupons' to drop off yard waste.

The County will provide one round of curbside leaf collection. **Leaves will be picked up in Kingspoint December 9-15.** Leaves must be bagged in clear bags and left at the curb by 8 AM on the first day of collection. No other yard debris, such as downfall limbs, will be collected.

Leaf burning isn't permitted in our area. County staff ask that we all take care to keep leaves out of the drainage culverts, so they don't end up in our neighborhood lakes. If you have a county-maintained drain around your property, please help to keep it clear of leaves and other debris.



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FYI: Feeding Deer Prohibited in JCC Sept. 1- Jan. 4

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.**”



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Kingspoint Neighborhood Association News

Autumn feels like such a relief after a hot, dry summer. I trust you are enjoying the cooler weather, the fragrance of woodsmoke, and the beauty of our neighborhood trees as they change to their autumn colors. Our peak color is still a week or two away, but it is always a pleasure to go ‘leaf peeping’ on the Colonial Parkway and through the neighborhood.

Many thanks to neighbors helping to set the mood for Halloween with your wonderful decorations. If you have not yet had a chance to walk around our neighborhood and enjoy the many creative autumn 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.

Halloween Trick-or-Treating will commence on Monday, October 31 from 6-8pm throughout our county. **The Kingspoint Club’s Social Committee has organized a Halloween party for members at the clubhouse.** There are no plans in the works for candy tables throughout the neighborhood, as we have done the last two years. If that system worked well for you and your close neighbors, you might want to coordinate your efforts to greet children visiting your street.

Please **remember to have the little ones carry lights and wear colors easily seen after dark.** All neighbors can assist by leaving their streetlights burning to make it brighter and safer for those out celebrating. **Neighbors who aren't participating in Halloween should leave their porch lights off.**

Circle K Landscapers finally finished repairing all the areas of excavation in our neighborhood. They are finished, and Dominion is finished with their work on the cable. This is good news for us all. I'm sure you've noticed the work that JCSA has been doing at our pumping station to improve our sewer service. We generally don't need to give the utilities much thought, but we will benefit from these upgrades in the years to come.

Many, many thanks to everyone who helped with the clean-up after our recent storms. Lots of our neighborhood trees took a major hit and we lost some venerable trees that have grown here since before our community was built. It required tremendous teamwork to open up streets, free driveways, and move logs and branches. A huge "Thank you!" to everyone on our Chainsaw Gang, and to everyone else, who reached out to help neighbors in need.

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 will need some help spreading mulch at the entrance, and we have an ongoing list of neighbors with chainsaws and rakes, willing to help clear fallen trees during and after storms. Please send an email to kpwebmistress@gmail.com, if you can help.

Our membership drive is delayed a bit this year because we are working on the transition to a new Treasurer. Please watch for email news on this soon, and a KPNA membership packet by early November.

Please make your plans now to vote on or before November 8. This is an important mid-term election, and your vote is very important. Our neighborhood votes at Laurel Lane Elementary School. If you haven't already made a plan to vote, you will find the information and contacts you need on the [JCC Office of Election's website](#).

The Office of Elections has moved to 4095 Ironbound Road. This is behind the Courthouse, between Monticello Avenue and Ironbound Road. If you are already registered to vote in JCC, you only need show up with your ID to vote early.

You may also **request a ballot through the mail** at vote.elections.virginia.gov/VoterInformation. Note your reason for voting at home as "social distancing". Request a ballot to be mailed to you by Friday, October 28. Completed ballots can be mailed to the Office of Elections on Ironbound Road, or ballots may be dropped off in person. Find complete details [online](#) about voting this November. New neighbors may be interested in this [map of voting districts and precincts](#).

Many of us have strong political opinions, particularly during election season. **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 any signs in our community.

This is the perfect time of year to plant trees, shrubs, bulbs and perennials. Planting in the fall allows plants to get a good start on growing new roots before next summer's heat. If you lost some trees this year, please consider planting some new trees, with safety in mind, of course. Many of our favorite flowering trees, like dogwoods, redbuds, crape myrtles, Camellias and red buckeye won't get tall enough to endanger your home.

If you have space and want to replace a native oak, maple, or beech tree lost in a storm, you might enjoy the articles, [Growing Indigenous Trees from Seeds](#) and [From History and Legends to My Own Front Yard: The Beautiful Oak](#), both new on the JCCW Master Gardener website this month. You'll find a wide variety of garden articles and other useful information on the [Master Gardener website](#). Our neighborhood was completely wooded before it was developed, and we can easily replace trees lost over the years with seedlings from our neighborhood trees.

Many thanks to Ann Hobson, Chris Bonday, Tom Mahone and those working with them as they spruce up our neighborhood entrance and keep the grass cut and shrubs watered throughout the summer.

We want to welcome all new neighbors and bring them a current Kingspoint Directory. Mary Haines is visiting new neighbors, **so please contact her when new neighbors arrive near you.**

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

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; the editors will not run any articles that overly or covertly target specific demographics or neighbors.

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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.

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Baby Sitting and Pet sitting/walking

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