

# Kingston Chase Crier

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#### Gravestone Returned to Orrison Family Cemetery

By Roger Claff, 1600 Permit Court

Sometime during the week of July 12, a gravestone was anonymously returned to the old Orrison Family Cemetery on Permit Court. The gravestone was wrapped in plastic wrap with a note saying the stone had been removed for safekeeping at the time the homes on Permit Court were being built. The homes there were built in the mid-1970s. The gravestone is significantly weathered, and though faint signs of inscriptions can be seen, the inscriptions are not legible.

This stone marker belongs in this Cemetery. It was removed to protect from being lost or damage when the construction of homes. Many years went by and I found it in my garage. I'm returning the stone marker with the date that looks like 1882? to it's home. This is the stone resting place God Bless.



The anonymous note (left) explaining the return of a Permit Court gravestone that has been in safekeeping since the construction of nearby homes.

Kingston Chase stands on landed owned by Joseph Orrison during the Civil War, and the Orrison Family Cemetery remains on an island in the center of Permit Court. In 2016, Eagle Scout Tucker Phillips, of 1602 Permit Court, carried out his Eagle Scout leadership service project to restore the Orrison Family Cemetery. His project was to clean the cemetery markers, clear brush, prepare a grid map of the cemetery, and prepare a research paper on the Orrison family. Further details of Tucker's project, photos, the grid map, and the research paper can be found at the following link: <a href="https://www.kchoa.org/news-articles/2016/10/4/permit-court-cemetery-restoration?rq=eagle">https://www.kchoa.org/news-articles/2016/10/4/permit-court-cemetery-restoration?rq=eagle</a>

Mary Lipsey of the Fairfax County Cemetery Preservation Association was the project's sponsor and was notified about the return of the gravestone. Ms. Lipsey was delighted to refer the finding to county Historical Records Center employees who will look into it further.

This is not the first return of a marker to the cemetery; a Great Falls realtor stumbled on the marker for Little Ray Whaley and saw to its return. The return of Little Ray's stone is documented in the research paper. The research paper is a fascinating account of the history of Kingston Chase and early Herndon. Updates will be forthcoming, if additional information is received from the county.

#### Swimming Pool Update

By Deke Smith

The Kingston Chase pool remains one of the few swimming pools in the area open this summer. The Swim Team just completed their season with the red/black intrasquad All Star/Championship Meet. A truly amazing feat in these times! We appreciate the support and cooperation of our neighbors, elected Board, and NV Pools, our management company. The pool remains open with three reserved lap lanes for swimming and water walking along with four 2-hour periods for a free swim a day with a half-hour for disinfecting of all communal surfaces between each block of time. All are invited to take advantage of the pool, but please reserve your time and activity on-line on the KCHOA web site, sign a waiver, wear a mask as much as possible, and social distance. Working together, we can remain open while being a healthy place to have fun and exercise in these difficult times.

### Surprise Visitors at the Pool





Some uninvited "friends" were caught hanging out poolside one morning before Swim Team practice. A big shout out to the Swim Team coaches for getting the pool cleaned up!

Tucker Phillips at the time of his Eagle Scout research project.

#### Kingston Chase Home Owners Association Board Meeting Minutes of July 13, 2020



#### Call to Order

- Board President Andrew Cassell called the virtual meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
- Two Board members were present in clubhouse, as required per lawyers: Andy Cassell and Jack McDonald.
- Board members present via Zoom conference: Jen Baez, Chris Buley, Rosemary Buley, Mike Klinker, and Deke Smith.
- Others present: Marsha Cassell, Administrative Assistant; Shannon McClain, Swim Team; Natalia Speer, homeowner; and Greg Zynes, homeowner.

**Secretary's Report** – June Minutes were approved as published in July *Crier*.

Treasurer's Report – There is \$168,616 in checking and \$242,501 in CDs.

**Member Business - None** 

#### **Committee Reports**

ARC – No report.

Buildings and Maintenance – Gutters at the clubhouse need to be cleaned.

<u>Landscape</u> – There is a broken fence that needs to be fixed. Trimming has been completed. A Cut Above, our grass cutting service, was a little behind in June/early July due to extensive rains. Typically, they are on a 12-14 day cut rotation.

<u>Conservation Corps</u> – The club will install a small wood fence in the butterfly garden to help control the leaning flowers.

Neighborhood Watch - No report.

Newsletter – No report.

<u>Playgroup</u> – No report.

<u>Pool</u> – There are 434 people who have signed COVID waivers for pool use this summer. The season is going well. When we entered Phase 3, the pool attempted to have free swim cap at 75, plus the 3 lap swimming lanes, however, the free swim number was dropped to 50 as that was more manageable to achieve social distancing. There were a few times the pool actually hit the 50 maximum capacity.

<u>Social</u> – Residents are really missing the usual Kingston Chase social events. However, for the foreseeable future all normally scheduled events are canceled due to COVID.

<u>Swim Team</u> – Swim Team had a mini swim meet amongst themselves on July 11. The final meet will take place on July 25. <u>Tennis</u> – The Board is looking to have the tennis court resurfaced in the fall and pickleball lines added at that time. The gate at the court also needs to be looked at.

Welcome - No report.

#### **Old Business**

- Declaration Revision status: 222 of 537 votes received (41%). We need 403 to pass the proposed changes. The Board is having discussions to host a town call over Zoom to discuss the revisions for those homeowners who are possibly on the fence or just want to ask for more clarification. More details will follow at a later date.
- The Board is making plans to contact the owner of the video game that is in the pool house and see if they want it.

There was no Executive Session.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Submitted by Marsha Cassell, Administrative Assistant

The Board of Directors meet the second Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. All homeowners and residents are invited to attend. Please e-mail items for the agenda to info@kchoa.org a week prior to the scheduled meeting.



#### Kingston Chase Meetings

Architectural Review Committee Tuesday, August 4, 7:30 p.m.

Board of Directors Monday, August 11, 7:30 p.m.

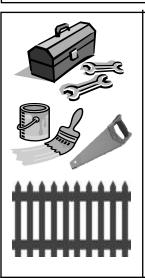
In accordance with CDC Guidelines at this time, the meetings will be held virtually.



#### Tennis Court

To obtain the combination for the lock to the tennis court, please call Alex Fletcher at 703-435-2638.

No bicycles, skateboards, rollerblades, or wheels of any kind – and no dogs – are allowed on the tennis court surface inside the enclosed fence. Please remove trash and lock the gate when finished.



#### Architectural Review Committee

The Architectural Review Committee met virtually on July 7 to review the following applications:

- <u>Lot</u> <u>Approved</u>
- 123 Replace gutters.
- 145 Install sump pump.
- 151 Front door and shutter change.
- 198 New porch and walkway.
- Hand railings. Deck replacement and extension. Driveway widening to edge of garage.
- 407 Install solar panels on roof.
- 448 Refinish deck.
- 449A Front walkway and back patio.
- Replace fence.
- 524 Replace roof.

A water-proof bin will be placed at the clubhouse entrance on August 4, in case some are not able to submit applications electronically.

The next ARC meeting will be **Tuesday, August 4.** In accordance with CDC Guidelines at this time, the meeting will be held virtually. ARC Guidelines, the application form and what to submit can be found at <a href="www.kchoa.org/architectural-review-committee">www.kchoa.org/architectural-review-committee</a>. Applications can be submitted in person (there will be a water-proof drop box at the clubhouse from 7:30-8:00 p.m.), by e-mail to <a href="kchoa.arc@gmail.com">kchoa.arc@gmail.com</a> (preferred), or by mail to KCHOA ARC, PO Box 332, Herndon, VA 20172. Applications will be reviewed at the monthly meeting and must be approved before work begins. If you have any questions, please email <a href="kchoa.arc@gmail.com">kchoa.arc@gmail.com</a>.



With the summer heat, exterior work and landscaping can be very grueling and the ARC greatly appreciates all the work our homeowners have done to keep our neighborhood and homes looking great! When performing exterior maintenance, please be mindful of trees and shrubs that may be on your property but hang over your neighbor's property or the sidewalk. Landscaping should not protrude into the sidewalk at all and trees should not hang below 7 feet over the sidewalk when wet. These guidelines also apply to shrubbery and trees that may hang over a neighbor's yard or common areas.

The next ARC meeting will be **Tuesday, August 4.** In accordance with CDC guidelines it will be held virtually. Please try to send applications ahead of time to <a href="kchoa.arc@gmail.com">kchoa.arc@gmail.com</a> or KCHOA ARC, P.O. Box 332, Herndon, VA 20172. Alternatively, a water-proof bin will be placed at the clubhouse entrance on July 7 for applications to be dropped off.

## Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch is a Kingston Chase committee of residents that monitors reports of vandalism, theft, or criminal activity in the neighborhood and surrounding communities. All are asked to serve as the eyes and ears of the neighborhood, keeping a lookout for unusual or suspicious activity. When in doubt, please e-mail Neighborhood Watch and, if appropriate, call the Fairfax Police non-emergency number at **703-691-2131** or **911** in the case of an emergency. Contact **Pete Banks**, Neighborhood Watch Chairman, via e-mail at kchoa.watch@gmail.com or call 703-209-3004 to report any incidents.

## Herndon Sales Stats (20170)

(Through June 30)

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# Welcome to the Neighborhood!



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If you are new to Kingston Chase and have not yet received a welcome packet, please send an e-mail to info@kchoa.org and someone will see that you get one. Please fill out and return the database sheet in order to receive KCHOA correspondence.





In most instances, and for many people, e-mail is preferred over phone calls.

#### Seller's Packet

When selling your Kingston Chase home, you or your real estate agent must purchase a Seller's Packet for closing. For more information or to obtain a copy, send an e-mail to info@kchoa.org. The packet is \$125 and must be submitted at closing.

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New Baby? Is there a new addition to your family? If so, the Welcome Committee has a special gift for you. Please e-mail info@kchoa.org with your stork information and an HOA representative will deliver your gift and announce the happy news in the Crier.

### Kingston Chase Home Owners Association

#### **Board of Directors\***

'21	President	Andrew Cassell	703-468-1782	me@andrewcassell.com
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<sup>\*</sup> Board terms are for three consecutive years and expire on December 31st of the year noted.

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To discuss any questions or concerns, please contact the relevant Club or Committee Chairperson. Homeowners are welcome at the monthly Board meetings held the second Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the clubhouse adjacent to the pool.

# The deadline for the September issue of the *Kingston Chase Crier* is August 15.

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9	10 Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	Deadline - Sept. Crier  22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

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