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New Year's Resolutions

ost people make a list of New Year's Resolutions that include taking up a new hobby, spending more quality time with family, spending less time watching TV or staring at a cell phone or computer screen, and the predictable good-intentions to lose weight and exercise more.

This year, the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) asks that residents make a consistent effort to store their trash cans and recycling containers in a location that is not visible to the street. With every day in Kingston Chase being a "trash day" of some sort (yard debris, household garbage, and recycling), residents must be diligent to remove their trash containers from in front of their house. As a general rule, please do not bring trash cans or recycling bins to the curb earlier than the evening before your trash collection day(s) and remove them soon after the trash or recycling has been taken.

Kingston Chase has a number of trash removal companies that serve our neighborhood, and we appreciate the timeliness and thoroughness of their service, but all must do their part to help keep the neighborhood trash <u>and</u> trash can free!

Please e-mail the ARC at kchoa.arc@gmail.com if you have any questions or if you have difficulty adhering to this HOA Guideline.

Additionally, an ARC Application Form that addresses anticipated exterior changes and improvements is included on page 6. These ARC application submissions are requested by the ARC to be received before the Friday prior to the monthly meeting. Please keep this deadline in mind as you plan your exterior home projects. E-mail the ARC with any questions at any time.

Thank you and Happy New Year to all.



Kingston Chase Snow Removal

In the event of measurable snowfall to the neighborhood, the tennis court, pool, and clubhouse sidewalks and parking lots will be plowed within 3 to 5 days of the snowfall, provided freezing conditions do not interfere with its removal.

Annual HOA Dues Assessment Letters to be Mailed February 1

The Kingston Chase Home Owners Association annual dues assessment letters will be mailed on February 1. Dues in the amount of \$381 are due by Friday, April 1. Just like last year there is an option of paying dues online, but this method of payment includes a \$14.29 credit card processing fee. Dues are payable by check (\$381), with no additional fees.

Visit the link below if you would like to pay by credit card: https://www.kchoa.org/purchases-available/annual-dues-fees

Anyone with questions about the annual assessment, the 2022 KCHOA Budget, or anyone who fails to receive an invoice letter in a timely manner is asked to please e-mail info@kchoa.org.



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Children's Corner

Children's Corner is comprised of neighborhood moms and their young children who meet to share play time fun, creative activities, learning experiences, fieldtrips, and an occasional night out without the kids. Contact Kristine Covey via e-mail at kingstonchaseplaygroup@gmail.com for details regarding the following upcoming scheduled events:

January 8 10:00 a.m. February 12 10:00 a.m. March 12 10:00 a.m.

Also, please join the Children's Corner WhatsApp group by e-mailing kingstonchaseplaygroup@gmail.com or join its Facebook group (Kingston Chase Playgroup). Welcome to Playgroup!

Kingston Chase Home Owners Association Board Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2021



Call to Order

- Board President Andrew Cassell called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.
- Board members present: Jen Baez, Chris Buley, Rosemary Buley, Steve Kapushoc, Mike Klinker, Jack McDonald, Joe Seeger, Deke Smith, and Todd Waldrop.
- Others present: Marsha Cassell, Administrative Assistant; Kristine Covey, Playgroup Committee Chair; and Debbie Greenberg, Chuck Grimes, Philip Hadwin, and Kelly Herb, homeowers.

Secretary's Report – October and November Minutes approved as published in the respective *Crier* newsletters.

Treasurer's Report – As of November 30: Checking balance was \$96,893; CD balance was \$261,731; 2021 Dues payments recorded was 535 of 537 home lots; 2021 Herndon Crossing pool fees received was 7; and 2021 Disclosure Packet fees received was 21.

Member Business - None.

Committee Reports

ARC – Two requests were approved at the ARC meeting on December 7.

Buildings and Maintenance - Two missing hard-wired smoke alarms in the clubhouse were ordered and are to be installed.

<u>Landscape</u> – Remaining leaves on common grounds will be cleared.

Conservation Corps – No report.

Neighborhood Watch - No report.

Newsletter – Editor to transition in 2022.

Playgroup – Cookie decorating event was held in November. Playgroup members are creating a What's App group chat.

Pool – Winter work is beginning.

<u>Social</u> –Santa Drive through the neighborhood went well. 2022 social calendars were attached to the candy that was handed out. Swim Team – No report.

Tennis – Cracks forming on the tennis court. The Board is checking into our contract for the work done this year.

Welcome - No report.

Old Business

- 300 of 537 (56%) of Kingston Chase lots have voted in favor of the Declaration Revision. 403 votes (75%) are needed for it to pass.
- The Board is investigating the use a key fob system to re-key the clubhouse.
- Electronic voting on HOA business is now allowed in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Board is working with KCHOA lawyers to create written procedures for electronic participation.
- Applications have been received for the open administrative positions, with interviews being scheduled.

New Business

- The 2022 KCHOA Budget was approved.
- Election: With 36 ballots received, two incumbent Board members were re-elected, Andrew Cassell and Joe Seeger, and the Board welcomes Kelly Herb as a member.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 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 participate. Please e-mail items for the agenda to info@kchoa.org a week prior to the scheduled meeting. The Board is currently conducting meetings online due to the pandemic. Zoom information is e-mailed to those who are signed up to receive announcements from the HOA. To join that mailing list, please send an e-mail to info@kchoa.org.



Kingston Chase Meetings

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

Board of Directors Monday, January 10, 7:30 p.m.

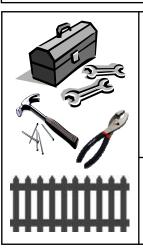
In accordance with CDC Guidelines at this time, the meetings have the option to join virtually via Zoom.



Tennis/Pickleball Court

To obtain the combination for the lock to the court, please text or e-mail Alex Fletcher at 703-582-8382 or kchoa.tennis@gmail.com, respectively.

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



Architectural Review Committee

The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) met on December 7 to review the following applications:

<u>Lot</u> <u>Approved</u>

449E Patio improvements/replacement.

Front porch replacement.

The next ARC meeting will be **Tuesday, January 4.** ARC Guidelines, the application form and what to submit can be found at www.kchoa.org/architectural-review-committee. Applications can be submitted by e-mail to kchoa.arc@gmail.com (preferred) or by mail to KCHOA ARC, P.O. Box 332, Herndon, VA 20172. Applications are reviewed at the monthly meeting.

ARC corner

Let it Snow, Let it Snow, Let it Snow

Tis the season for ... SNOW! What does this mean for you? Let's review. Pipe stems and sidewalks are each homeowner's responsibility to keep clear of snow and ice. Keeping sidewalks clear is critical to both the safety and convenience of dog walkers, joggers, and children and families walking or biking to school. Please remember when clearing driveways to also clear the sidewalk to each end of the property line. Clearing front access to the mailbox is also the homeowner's responsibility.

The roads throughout Kingston Chase are plowed by the Virginia Department of Transportation, which operates on its own schedule for treating roads and removing snow. This service is funded by Fairfax County taxes and is not the responsibility of the Kingston Chase HOA (no portion of homeowner dues goes toward street plowing). The Kingston Chase parking lots at the pool and tennis court are cleared within three to five days of snowfall. The ARC hopes this was helpful information and wishes "happy snow days" to all.

The next ARC meeting will be **Tuesday, January 4**. The ARC hopes to be able to hold the meeting in the clubhouse (with the option to join via Zoom). ARC Guidelines, application form, and information that must be included in the application is found at www.kchoa.org/architectural-review-committee. Applications can be submitted by e-mail to kchoa.arc@gmail.com (preferred) or by mail to KCHOA ARC, P.O. 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 e-mail kchoa.arc@gmail.com.



Neighborhood Watch

Neighborhood Watch is a Kingston Chase committee of residents that specifically watch for and monitor reports of vandalism, theft, or criminal activity within the neighborhood and surrounding communities. Everyone is asked to serve as the eyes and ears of the neighborhood, always keeping watch for unusual or suspicious activity. When in doubt, please e-mail Neighborhood Watch and, if appropriate, call the Fairfax County Police non-emergency number at 703-691-2131 or 911 in an emergency.

Contact **Pete Banks**, Neighborhood Watch Chairperson, via e-mail at kchoa.watch@gmail.com or call/text his cell phone at 703-209-3004 to report any incidents.

Residents should be vigilant and in the habit of locking doors, windows, garage doors, and outdoor vehicles as a precaution against vandalism, unlawful entry, and theft.

If you would like to be included on the Neighborhood Watch e-mail distribution list that relays alerts to residents of Neighborhood Watch information and/or activity, please send an e-mail to kchoa.watch@gmail.com.

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Kingston Chase Homeowners Association Architectural Review Committee P.O. Box 332 Herndon, VA 20172 **Application Form** Name: Date: Address: Lot No.: Cell: Phone: E-mail: Subject of Request: Details of Request: **Estimated Start Date:** Completion Date: If project has not started within in twelve (12) months after date of ARC approval, this application becomes void and a new application must be submitted for ARC approval. Permission is hereby granted for members of the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) or KCHOA Board Members to enter onto my property to make reasonable inspection of proposed construction locations and

Note – If the request involves changes to outside property, i.e., fences, storage sheds, patios, decks, etc., a copy of the surveyed house plat must be included showing location of request drawn to scale. If there is no plat, the request will be returned. See ARC Guidelines for details.

inspect again after project has been completed.

Owner's Signature: _

Welcome to the Neighborhood!



Rahul & Bhakti Joshi 12830 Fantasia Drive

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.

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 costs \$145 and is required at closing.



Kingston Chase Home Owners Association

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ARC application submissions are requested by the Friday prior to the monthly meeting.						1 Happy New Year!
2	3	4 ARC Meeting 7:30 p.m.	5	6	7	8 Playgroup 10:00 a.m.
9	10 Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	11	12	13	14	15
						Deadline - Feb. Crier
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

The Kingston Chase calendar can be viewed online at the following link: https://teamup.com/ks33de6e4f1115101c