

KC KIDS ON THE HUNT



Briar S. shares a hug and a pose with the Easter Bunny during the annual KC holiday egg hunt, held March 24 at the playground and featuring about 1,100 hidden eggs! Many thanks to Joelle Harvey for organizing the event, to her collection of volunteer egg stuffers and hiders, and to the many neighborhood families who participated. *(Photo courtesy of Joelle Harvey)*

KC swim team info night on deck

In one of the surest signs that summer is on the horizon, it's time to talk about our neighborhood swim team.

The Kingston Chase Fighters swim team will host an Information Night from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., on Tuesday, April 23, at the clubhouse.

Stop in to ask questions, try on team suits for size, meet coaches and more. There will also be an ice cream truck on hand to sweeten the deal.

For those who are already "all in," look for details on registration and the season schedule to be available toward the end of this month. After that, it won't be long before the din of whistles, horns and energetic cheers fill the Saturday morning neighborhood air.

Brewfest on tap for Saturday, April 13

It's almost time for Brewfest!

Kingston Chase will host its ale-nual beer and meats extravaganza 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday April 13, at the pool parking lot.

The KC Social Committee is looking for any neighborhood brewmasters or masters of grilling and smoking meats to contribute to the event.

Spring into ... errr ... spring with a children's bounce house, chit chats and, of course, food and drink. Bring a pot luck item to share. The event is free, and intended for KC residents only.

For more info, contact KC Social Chair Ken Bonicky at kchoasocial@gmail.com.

Kingston Chase Home Owners Association

Board Meeting Minutes of March 11, 2024

1. Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 7:33 p.m.

Board members present: Jack McDonald, Kelly Herb, Steve Kapushoc, Deke Smith, Joe Seeger, Jen Baez, Mike Klinker, Todd Waldrop, Philip Hadwin, and Erin Sager

Other Attendees: Dominic Toto, Melissa Cooper, and Suzanne Hediger.

2. Secretary's Report

February Minutes approved.

3. Treasurer's Report:

As of 2/29/2024:

- Checking Balance: \$97,780.74
- CD Balance: \$176,242.44
- 2024 Dues Payments Recorded: 0 of 537.
- 2024 Herndon Crossing Pool Fees Received: 0.
- 2024 Disclosure Fees Received: 2.

4. Member Business

Concerns were noted about the 2024 Assessment Letter being received late by some residents.

5. Committee Reports

- A. ARC: Met on 3/5/24. Six requests approved. Six new members have been approved to join the committee.
- B. Buildings and Maintenance: N/A
- C. Landscape: Conducted maintenance near the stream area to meet Chesapeake Watershed requirements.
- D. Neighborhood Watch: N/A
- E. Newsletter: The March Crier went out on time. There is a new email to submit items to the Crier editors. KingstonChaseCrier@gmail.com.
- F. Pool: Annual pool maintenance is underway. Pool rules were approved by the Board.

Kingston Chase Meetings

Architectural Review Committee

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 2

Board of Directors

7:30 p.m. Monday, April 8

Meetings are held in the clubhouse, with the option to join virtually via Zoom.

New Crier Address

Need to reach the Crier staff to share about neighborhood happenings? We have a new email address! Contact KingstonChaseCrier@gmail.com.

- G. Social: BrewFest 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. April 13. There will be a moon bounce for the kids at Brewfest.
- H. Swim Team: New swim team board members have been elected. Look for communication about a kick-off meeting.
- I. Tennis: The locks have been sprayed with WD-40.
- J. Welcome: N/A

6. Old Business:

- A. Declaration Revision: Vote status: 349 of 537 (65%) of the needed 403 (76%)
- B. Playgroup lead still needed.

7. New Business:

- A. The info@kchoa.org email is currently experiencing difficulties.
- B. The Board has renewed the insurance policy until 2027.

8. Executive session: N/A

Adjourn: 8:32 p.m.

Architectural Review Committee

The ARC met in person and virtually on March 5 to review the following applications:

Lot	Approved
146	Solar Panels
321	Roof replacement
325	Roof replacement
446	New driveway (only driveway can be replaced, pavers need to remain as is)
524	Replace siding and front door
529	Fence painting

We would like the board to consider new members to the ARC. Current members are Scott Mabry, Buzz Rider, Clyde McCarter, Sudeb Basu, and Andrea Ennis. Proposed new members are Arlene Aiello, Bonne Arnold, Art Coleman, Jeanie Feltz, and Mark and Rose Malatesta.

The next ARC meeting will be **7:30 p.m. April 2** at the KC Clubhouse. The meeting will be held in person as well as an option to join via Zoom. 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, PO Box 332, Herndon, VA 20172. Applications will be reviewed at the monthly meeting and must be approved before work begins. For questions, Email kchoa.arc@gmail.com.

ARC Corner

Welcome to the many new families who have joined the Kingston Chase community. For your reference, and for anyone else interested in a refresher, the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) would like to provide a quick review of the most commonly received applications and questions. For the complete ARC Guidelines, please visit www.kchoa.org/architectural-review-committee.

Sidewalk Maintenance

Who is responsible for sidewalk maintenance?

The structure of our sidewalks is county property, and cracked or broken concrete should be reported to the county by calling 703-877-2800. However, maintenance of all edges and seams are the homeowner's responsibility. If plant growth is appearing in sidewalk seams or cracks in front of your property, please remove it promptly to continue to keep the neighborhood safe and clean. These unexpected grassy humps trip walkers, joggers, and tricycle riders as well as cause structural problems when the roots spread under the concrete.

The strip of grass between the sidewalk and street (where mailboxes enter the ground) is also each homeowner's responsibility to keep mowed and edged. Any landscaping around the mailbox should be kept neat and should not protrude into the sidewalk, over the curb, or obstruct the front of the mailbox in any way.

Applications: Any change to the exterior of the house or property (front, back or sides) requires an ARC application before work begins. The only exceptions are landscaping and lawn ornaments less than two feet tall. When applying, please include with the application the house plot and details, and pictures of the colors and materials to be used in the project.

Fences: All fences require an application. Kingston Chase allows board-on-board fences with no overlapping boards, estate fences and picket fences. Stockade fences are not allowed and will not be approved.

Sheds: All sheds require an application. Sheds may not be more than 8.5 feet tall at their peak and must have an area of 160 square feet or less. Homeowners are encouraged to choose shed designs and colors that match the house and are in keeping with the earth tones found throughout the neighborhood.

Driveway Extensions: Driveway extensions require an ARC application and are considered on a case-by-case basis. They are rarely approved. Driveways cannot extend past the edge of the garage and Fairfax County does not allow any alteration to the apron, the piece of concrete or asphalt that connects the road, the sidewalk, and the driveway.

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HS THEATRE

See 'Fiddler' at Herndon High

Herndon High School Theatre will present its spring musical production — Fiddler on the Roof — from May 3-5 at the high school.

Several Kingston Chase residents will feature prominently in the show's cast.

Shows are scheduled for Friday, May 3 at 7 p.m., Saturday, May 4 at 2 and at 7 p.m., and Sunday, May 5 at 2 p.m.

For more information, check out the theatre department's website at <https://herndonadrama.org/>.

CRASH ON BUILDERS



An SUV crashed through a post-and-rail fence and impacted a tree at the corner of Builders Road and Sadlers Wells Drive on the afternoon of March 5. While the intersection is heavily traveled by Clearview Elementary students on school days, this incident occurred on Virginia's presidential primary election day, when there was no school. Such incidents may be rare in the neighborhood, but serve as a reminder to be safe and vigilant on our streets at all times. (Photo by Nick Rudnev)

WHO TO CALL

Watch out for wayward water

Lefrak Court residents were impacted by a water main break multiple times in the last week of March. While these issues were ultimately resolved, residents should know what to do if a break happens on their street.

Main breaks can be caused by any number of factors, including severe weather, pipe corrosion, soil conditions, age, ground movement, or impact from heavy equipment.

Should you witness what you believe to be a water main problem in the neighborhood, call Fairfax Water at 703-698-5613, or TTY 711.



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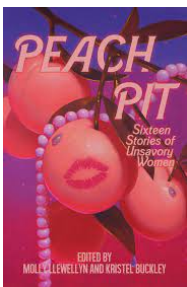
KC BOOK CLUB

Group shares picks for April-June

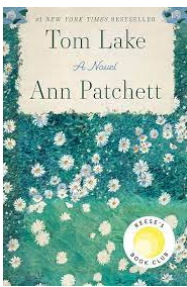
Attention neighborhood readers, the Kingston Chase Book Club announced picks for the next few months.

This month, they're reading "Horse" by Geraldine Brooks.

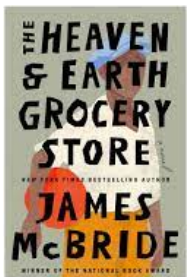
Looking ahead:



April: "Peach Pit: Sixteen Stories of Unsavory Women" by Molly Llewellyn (Editor) and Kristel Buckley (Editor)



May: "Tom Lake" by Ann Patchett



June: "The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store" by James McBride

The books have been added to our Goodreads Group "Kingston Chase Book Club."

To view and edit the Goodreads Group, you need to view Goodreads in your browser and not the app on your phone.

Please feel free to suggest additional books for the 2nd half of the year

Meetings are 7:30 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month.

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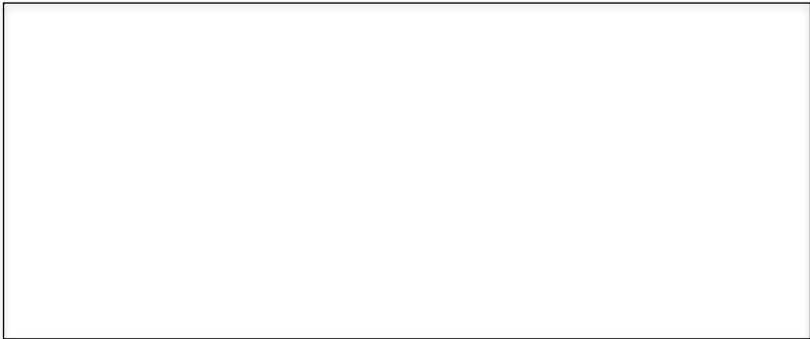
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7	8 Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.	9	10	11	12	13 BrewFest 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
14	15	16	17	18 Book Club 7:30 p.m.	19 May Crier Deadline	20 Parks & Stream Cleanup Town of Herndon 8 a.m. to noon
21	22	23 Swim Team interest meeting 5:30 p.m.	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				