



How We Communicate

Via our Website

Association news, documents and event schedules are posted at: www.kingsgate1.org

Via Email

Our website has instructions for signing up to receive periodic KG1&2 email broadcasts.

Via Yahoo Groups

Informal neighborhood postings, comments and City of Kirkland updates are shared via Yahoo: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Kingsgate_Community/

Via the Newsletter

Our newsletter is hand-delivered to all KG1&2 households twice a year.

Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting provides an in-person forum to discuss neighborhood issues.

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With Thanksgiving and the holidays fast approaching, we sincerely wish you and yours a joyous season and the gift of time to celebrate with family and friends.

Team Jack Carnival Raises \$5K

By Kingsgate Neighbors Care Committee

We may now be part of the new City of Kirkland, but one thing hasn't changed ... Kingsgate 1&2 continues to live up to its reputation as a caring community. On Saturday, September 24th we came together and hosted the TEAM JACK Carnival at the Kingsgate 1 & 2 park to benefit pediatric brain tumor research. Our inspiration? A teenage neighbor who has been fighting (and winning!) the battle himself.

Local school principals, teachers and teens were sent to the bottom of an icy cold dunk tank! A hundred treats were won at the Cake Walk. The Juanita High pep band got us movin' and groovin' and the Little Caesar's mascot boogied with the best of us. It was a wonderful day for all involved.

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Holiday Lights Contest

For those of you new to the neighborhood, every year the Homeowners Association sponsors a holiday decorating contest with **cash prizes**. Both renters and homeowners qualify. Judging is based on originality, theme, creativity, and overall presentation. Sorry: recent winners are disqualified to give others a chance to

shine. If you would like to help us select this year's winners, meet at **7pm** at the **Picnic Shelter** on **Saturday Dec 17th**. It will be a fun evening for young and old alike. You can also submit nominees to Kathy Kimbell by email (see Contact list on page 6). A special thank-you goes out to Kathy for continuing this fun tradition!

Annual Meeting: February 13, 2012

The Annual Meeting for the Kingsgate 1&2 Homeowners Association will be held on **Monday, Feb 13th**, at **7PM** at **Our Redeemer Church** on the corner of 116th Ave and NE 140th. Come join your neighbors for a review of the past year's accomplishments, a summary of our finances and an open

discussion of our plans for 2012.

The annual meeting is an opportunity to provide input to your volunteer Board of Directors and learn how you can get involved. We strongly encourage all homeowners and residents of Kingsgate 1&2 to attend!

President's Message

Dear Neighbor,

Are you new to the neighborhood and want to get more involved? Do you want to meet more of your neighbors? Do you have ideas about how to make Kingsgate even better than it already is? If you answered yes, or even maybe, to any of these questions then you should join the association's Board of Trustees. We are actively seeking new members to fill a few open positions. Please give me a call or send an email if you are interested.

Speaking of email, it is a great way to keep up with what is going on in Kingsgate I&II. If you haven't done so already, please go to our website and sign up for the newsletter email list. Go to our neighborhood website (www.kingsgate1.org), scroll down to the bottom of the page, and follow the directions. In addition to getting electronic copies of future newsletters, you will also get periodic updates from me on topics that could affect you or our neighborhood. Updates include information about the pool such as the extension of the pool season we had this summer, warnings such as the notice about the coyote recently spotted in our neighborhood, and relevant notices from the City of Kirkland. It really is the best way to stay informed about Kingsgate I&II.

If you're more into social networking, there is also a Yahoo Group separate from the Homeowners Association. You can join that group and interact directly with your neighbors by posting requests and comments.

I'll close by saying how lucky we are to live in such a great neighborhood. The park and pool are such wonderful assets of this association that have brought us together in community and friendship. Our Kingsgate Cares Committee has done a tremendous job again this year of reaching out to neighbors who have suffered a hardship, and our Activities Committee continued to plan and execute great neighborhood events. I encourage all of you to get involved in the neighborhood by joining one of these groups. You can donate as little or as much of your time and energy as you have available. Whether joining a committee or serving on the Board, these are all volunteer activities. The more people who help, the quicker things get done!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered this year. Let's keep up the great work in 2012!

Sincerely,

John Pabst Jr.

President, Kingsgate 1&2 Homeowners Association



Raking is free exercise and keeps the neighborhood looking good! Please keep storm drains clear of debris, and prune bushes, shrubs and trees away from sidewalks and utility meters.

Earn Money Next Summer: Be a Lifeguard!

Applications for lifeguard positions will be taken beginning in January 2012. Watch our website for links to the application form and check out the Spring newsletter for more information about our lifeguard program. In the meantime, please contact our Pool Manager, Jeanette Stevens (info on page 6), if you have any questions.

Network with the Kingsgate 1&2 Yahoo Group

Is social networking your thing? Need a sitter? Want to read and share current events in our neighborhood, and get updates from Kirkland as the results of annexation unfold? Join this on-line forum:

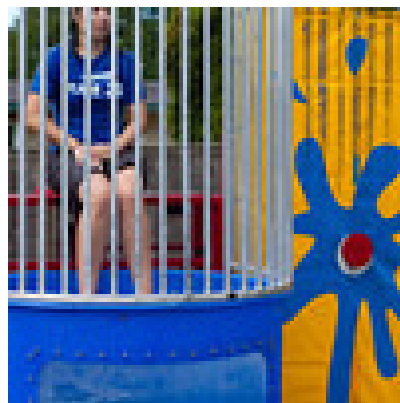
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Neighbors and friends rallied, organized and created a wide variety of carnival games: Walk the Plank, Lollipop Lions, Feed the Elephant, Fishing Booth, Dino Dig, and Pterodactyl Toss. Honor Society students from Kamiakin Junior High and Juanita High School volunteered to work the booths, and Boy Scouts flipped burgers for the throng of people who attended. Job's Daughters helped by scooping snow cones. What a great day!

The result?

A \$5,690 donation to a most worthy cause ... in honor of a young man who has shown amazing courage as he faces the challenge of cancer, chemo, radiation and rehab. Keep it up, Kingsgate!!!



Neighborhood News Articles Welcome

We invite you to submit comments, suggestions, news items, or short articles about newsworthy neighbors for publication. The Kingsgater newsletter is published twice a year, and neighborhood email updates are sent out as appropriate during the year. Submit your newsy tidbits and articles by email k1news@kingsgate1.org or by regular mail to: Roger Clarke-Johnson, Kingsgate 1&2 HOA, PO Box 512, Kirkland, WA, 98083.

Kingsgate Day 2011: Yee-haw!

By Stephanie Taylor and Twyla Baird, Activities Directors



Our annual member celebration was held on July 22, and the "Western Hoedown" was enjoyed by a record number of neighbors and friends.

The theme was apparent as children wearing cowboy hats and bandanas mounted horses and ponies and circled the grassy area of the park. On the other side of the park, Rita Brown led the Field Games, which were enjoyed by all. For those wanting quieter activities, crafts were available in the picnic shelter. Some adorable cowboy necklaces were sported that day!

Back by popular demand: BINGO! Members crowded around our veteran Bingo callers, Mark Taylor and Eric Baird. Young and old enjoyed the suspense and won dozens of prizes. Thank you to the Association and our generous neighbors for supplying the great Bingo prizes. The Grand Prize was four box seats to a Mariner game (with parking!).

Your own Board members plus long-time neighbors, Omar and Judy Field, served up a wonderful "Chuck Wagon Barbecue" dinner, complete with pulled pork and beef sandwiches, chili, salads and watermelon. Dessert was apple pie, chocolate cake and ice cream. Yum! Drink service and bartending was provided by the Trautman and Stubb families. They did a fantastic job keeping the drinks cold and flowing!

No Kingsgate Day would be complete without live music and, once again, Chris Taylor and his Band performed during the dinner service. We also had a guest band, "Blue Shoes," who play a few songs. What talented people we have in our neighborhood!

Following dinner the Pool Games resumed with our Head Guards, Claire Mortimer and Raelynn Bass, leading the games and challenges. It is always exciting to see who has the biggest splash from their cannonball! Watching ALL the Kingsgate Pool lifeguards get involved in the games and play with our kids in the pool was a special moment. Pool Manager, Janette Stevens, once again expertly organized the pool staff to make this a safe and fun event for all the swimmers.

The evening continued with "DJ Flash" (aka Chris Taylor) spinning our old favorites and some new tunes as well, plus a light show! Kids and adults danced and swam together, enjoying the warm summer evening.

Thank you to all the families who helped set up (Steve and Nora Ryan among others) and clean up (including all of the Lifeguard staff). It is difficult to name everybody who helped, but THANK YOU!! We could not have had such a memorable event without you.

It is apparent why we all continue to live in Kingsgate or pay to be guest members: This is a special community and we always have a great time together. Do you have Ideas for next year's Kingsgate Day? Theme ideas? Do you have items that you could donate that would make great BINGO prizes? Would you like to help organize or work this event? If you would like to get involved in any way in next year's Kingsgate Day event, please email our Activities Directors, Stephanie and Twyla. We would love to hear from you!

Bits 'n' Pieces

New Barbeque Grills

After many years of cooking up countless hamburgers and hot dogs, the park BBQ grills have been retired. Just after Labor Day, a new concrete pad was poured and two new BBQ grills were installed. Our park maintenance man Mike Hickey prepared the area by removing the old grills and asphalt pad, and neighbor Steve McGee of SC Services Inc. donated the labor to build the pad form, pour the concrete and install the free-standing grills. The new grills were christened by community members at a recent park gathering, including HOA president John Pabst as seen here. The new grills are larger and wider than the old ones, swivel around, and allow you to adjust the grill height to achieve the perfect burger or dog. Kingsgate picnickers: rejoice! And remember: please dispose of your ashes, even if it means coming back the next day to do it, when the ashes have cooled.



New Pet Waste Station

In partnership with the City of Kirkland, a new pet waste station will be installed at the park in the coming weeks. The station will have a dispenser of waste bags for use by pet owners. Just a reminder to those members using the park for pet activities: please pick up after your pet! Garbage cans will be located near the pet waste station. Thanks to neighbor Yvonne Hill for bringing this program to our attention.

Pool House Gets New Roof and Gutters

Maintenance of our pool and pool house is one of the highest priorities of the Homeowners Association. The roof shingles and gutter system had reached the end of its useful life, so the Board initiated a project to re-roof the pool house. Five highly-rated roofing contractors were invited to submit quotes. B&J Roofing was selected as the best value and awarded the job. The scope of work involves:

1. Removing the old shingles and gutters.
2. Removing all 3/8" plywood and replacing it with 1/2" plywood.
3. Removing the "built-in" gutter framing and installing new fascia boards.
4. Installing new 30-year algae resistant roofing shingles (Weathered Wood color).
5. Installing all new roof accessory flashings as needed.
6. New continuous aluminum gutters and downspouts.
7. New power ventilation fan

The work is scheduled to be completed by the end of October. A big **thank you** goes out to the neighbors who helped do some of the hardware installation and electrical work to reduce the overall cost to the Association. The new roof and gutters will help protect one of our biggest neighborhood assets for years to come.

Stay Informed!

Email is an great way to learn about neighborhood activities. An electronic version of this newsletter is broadcast to everybody who has signed up, and we also send occasional emails to update you on current events in our Kingsgate 1&2 neighborhood. Subscribing and unsubscribing takes just a few minutes. Find out how at the bottom of our homepage:

www.kingsgate1.org

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Kingsgate Highlands (1&2) Homeowners Association: Board Contacts

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If you would like to help with any neighborhood activities, or serve on the Board, please let us know!

Kingsgate Neighbors Care Committee

The Kingsgate Neighbors Care Committee has been busy providing comfort and support throughout Kingsgate I and II this year. Special thanks go out to all the volunteers who continue this much-appreciated work. If you know of house-bound neighbor or would like to bake, deliver cards or help in any other way to spread cheer throughout our community to neighbors in need, please contact Cassandra or Judy (info above).

Summer Tennis Camps a Hit

Players young and old kept the tennis courts hopping again this summer. Coach Bill Ginthner returned to teach our 5th summer of Kids tennis camps. Classes were held in July and August for two different age groups: 6-8 year olds and 9-12 year olds. We added a series of classes in late August-early September for middle school age girls interested in playing tennis at Kamiakin. Watch for notification in the Spring newsletter and on our website regarding sign-ups for our 2012 tennis camps. Reservations will not be accepted in advance.

Bill also continued teaching our 4th season of Ladies tennis classes. These classes begin the last week of June and continue through mid-August. Due to the increased interest, a second instructor, Pauline Thompson, was added to teach on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Tuesday class was for beginners, and the Thursday class was for intermediate players. Spots in the Tues/Thurs classes will be available next summer. Look for more information in the Spring newsletter and on our website. What a great way to stay in shape!

