



Easter Egg Hunt

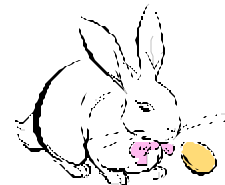
All are invited to come to the Park Saturday April 7th to witness the Annual Kingsgate 1&2 Easter Egg Hunt. Actual egg hunting is open to children age 2—12 only. There will be **five age groups** vying for nearly 1000 plastic eggs. Each age group will also get to search for a carefully-hidden Golden Egg. If you find one, turn it in for a special surprise!

Egg Hunters: Be ready to go at 10AM, rain or shine.

Our new Activities director, Rita Brown is in need of assistants, so if you would like to

help, please call her at 823-9205 or email: activities@kingsgate1.org

Volunteers are needed to stuff and hide eggs, hand out goodies, and loosely supervise the egg-hunters. Event set-up begins at 9AM. Help us make this spring tradition fun for all!



Neighborhood News

Annexation of Kingsgate into Kirkland is moving forward slowly. The City completed a long-term fiscal analysis of the costs of annexation in December, and has been busy conducting neighborhood meetings around the city to collect residents' input and concerns about annexing our neighborhood, Upper Finn Hill and Juanita. The most recent public forum was held March 1st. Kirkland residents have expressed concern about the costs associated with annexation.

According to a article published in the Feb-24 edition of the Seattle Times, the tax incentives offered for annexation may offset the costs. The City will hold a special study session on March 27 that may include a decision on whether to petition King County for

a vote of the residents in the potential annexation areas (that's us!). Such a vote would not likely occur until late 2008. For the latest information from the City, go to: www.ci.kirkland.wa.us/annexation You can also sign-up to receive email updates at this website.

Totem Lake Mall

On Jan-17, 2006 the City Council approved a development agreement with Developer Diversified Realty. The City is now awaiting the submittal of a Design Review application for Phase I of the project, consisting of the redevelopment of the Lower Mall and street improvements to 120th Ave NE.

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Did You Know:
 You can reserve the Picnic Shelter and Ballfield for your own private party! Reservations accepted beginning May 1st



Did You Know:
 You can reserve the pool for your own private party! Reservations accepted beginning May 1st



Remember:
 Children under 12 must be supervised at all times by a parent or adult guardian!

Park & Pool Guidelines, Reservation Info

Our pool and park are the most valuable physical assets of our community. To maintain these facilities in good condition, to keep them safe for those who use it, and to be considerate of adjacent homeowners, rules and guidelines are needed. The Board updated these last year, and added a new form (available from the Park Directors) for reserving the picnic area or pool for private parties. A synopsis of our Park and Pool rules follows. For the complete text, contact the Park Director or visit our website.

- The pool and park are **private facilities**, use of which is limited to members in good standing, their immediate families and guests. Members are responsible for the conduct of their families and guests.
- Park hours are **6AM to 10PM** unless a scheduled activity has been approved by the Board of Trustees. Unapproved after-hours activities are subject to prosecution by King County Police under trespass laws.
- Conduct of a criminal or disorderly nature, including abusive language, or conduct that restricts the enjoyment of others using the park or of neighbors adjacent to the park is prohibited. Please alert the Park Director.
- The park, or portions of it (picnic area, ball field, tennis court), can be reserved by members for private parties. Guests must be accompanied by a member at all times. The children's play area may not be reserved.
- Malicious damage or the destruction of common property will result in suspension, plus homeowner liability to reimburse the Association for damages, plus possible criminal prosecution.

Picnic Area Reservations may be made by submitting a **reservation form** to the Park Director. Park parties are limited to 75 people. In addition to the covered picnic area, parties may use the ball field and/or one tennis court. A maximum of eight guests at park parties may use the pool during scheduled hours of pool operation. (Regular guest fees apply: \$1 per guest). Children under 8 years of age must be accompanied by adults. **A refundable \$50 deposit is required with all park reservations** and is due seven (7) days prior to the party date. The deposit check will be returned only if all the required clean-up procedures are followed. Cancellations are allowed, but please contact the Park Director as early as possible.

Pool Reservations made be made by submitting a **reservation form** to the Park Director. The pool may be reserved for private parties and gatherings **before and after normal hours** of operation, subject to the following conditions: (a) The member reserving the pool must be in good standing; (b) The member reserving the pool **must be present** at all times during the function; and (c) Pool reservations are limited to a **maximum** of two (2) weekend days per lot, per year.

Fees: A refundable deposit of \$30 is required for all pool reservations and is due seven (7) days prior to the rental date. Except for inclement weather, cancellations received with less than 24 hours notice may result in the forfeiture of your deposit. The rental fee is \$30 / hr for two lifeguards. Groups of 50 or more will require a third lifeguard at an additional charge of \$15/hr.

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In casino-related news, companion bills HB1477 and SB5558 are in work related to card rooms. Unless modified, they contain a clause that would allow a casino annexed into a city with a ban to remain open for 18 more months. You may wish to contact your 45th District legislators about the issue.

Block Watch Program

If you are interested in participating in a Block Watch program, please contact Rita Brown at 823-9205 or email her at: activities@kingsgate1.org



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Clip 'n' Save: Upcoming Events in Kingsgate 1 & 2



You asked for it, here it is! Clip out this article and stick it on your fridge!

April 7 Easter Egg Hunt 10AM in the Park. Ages 2—12 only, please. We need volunteers for this event! Call Rita Brown if you can help.

April 14 Gardening Work Day Help us move some old plants, plant new ones, trim hedges, and weed. Bring gloves, shovels, clippers, and other garden tools. Four hours earns you a \$50 rebate check (one per household).

May Pool Work Days Help us paint the Pool House interior and apply non-slip floor coating. Four hours earns you a \$50 rebate check (one per household). Call Dwight Yoder to sign-up.

May 19 Clean-Up Day Help us spruce up the Pool and Park for the season. Four hours earns you a \$50 rebate check (one per household)!

May 26 * Pool opens *****

June 9 Kingsgate Mega Garage Sale includes Kingsgate 3&4, will be advertised in Seattle papers. Lots of shoppers!

July 7 Kingsgate Day 4:00—10PM Fun in the park, dinner by the pool. We need volunteers to supervise the Inflatables. Call Rita Brown to assist.

Sept 9 * Pool closes ***** (depends on the weather and lifeguard availability)

Check the website and Pool House signboard for updates!

New Method for Subscribing / Unsubscribing to Email Lists

Subscribing and unsubscribing to our e-mail lists has changed. There are two e-mail lists, one for general news and electronic distribution of the newsletter, and one for the Kingsgate Royals Swim Team.

To subscribe to a list, click on <http://lists.kingsgate1.org/mailman/listinfo> and follow the instructions there. When you subscribe, you will receive a confirmation message indicating that you are subscribed to the list, as well as instructions for how to unsubscribe; it's a good idea to save these confirmation messages for later reference.

To unsubscribe from a list, use the link provided in the email you received when you subscribed, or just go to the same link above and follow the instructions there.

Who's Who on the Kingsgate Highlands (1&2) Homeowners Association Board

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email Address</u>
President	John Pabst Jr.	823-2490	president@kingsgate1.org
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Treasurer	Kathy Kimbell	820-4789	treasurer@kingsgate1.org
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Swim Team Liaison	Judy Field	821-0523	fieldjudy1@msn.com
Covenants	Your Name Here!		
Activities	Rita Brown	823-9205	activities@kingsgate1.org
Communications	Roger Clarke-Johnson	821-7499	news@kingsgate1.org

You're invited to serve on the Board or help with various neighborhood activities! If **you** would like to help in any way, please let us know. More people means less work and more fun.

Board Bulletin Board Time to get those dues in! Split them into three payments if you like, or contact Kathy Kimbell if you need to make other arrangements. We want to work with you! Our dues are modest, compared to other HOA's, and keep the Park and Pool looking good, which boosts your property value. Board policy is to file liens on all homeowners with dues owing for more than one year when no payment arrangements have been made. **About RVs** It is a covenant violation to leave an RV or trailer parked beyond the front face of your house. We make exceptions for visiting guests during the summer months, but for just a few days at a time. If you've had an RV, boat or trailer docked in your driveway for months, it's time to move it into off-premises storage. **And please: scoop your pet's poop.** Your neighbors will thank you!

The Royals Swim Team Wants Your Children!

By Deanna Crowe, Kingsgate Royals Swim Team President

Calling all swimmers! We are getting ready for the 2007 summer swim team and WE WANT YOU! We are encouraging all Kingsgate 1&2 homeowners with children or grandchildren between the ages of 5 and 17 to consider joining. Swimming proficiency is desired, but our excellent coaches will be happy to teach your children, no matter what their skill level. Please contact us NOW if you are interested in having your children or grandchildren join the team. Official registration begins in April, and we would like to get a general idea as soon as possible regarding how many neighborhood kids are interested in swimming with us this year.

If you have questions or want to sign-up, please call **Kay Simpson (820-0376)** or send an email to: Royals@kingsgate1.org. For Royals news and info: <http://royals.kingsgate1.org/royals.htm>. The Royals Swim Team has provided great memories for many Kingsgate kids, but just in case you're still on the fence about joining:

Top 10 Reasons to Join the Kingsgate Royals:

10. A challenge for kids at their own level and ability
9. Fun, supportive, and encouraging environment
8. Physical activity provides strength, conditioning
7. Awards and recognition
6. Learn discipline and teamwork
5. Improve swimming skills and build confidence
4. Build friendships
3. Strengthen neighborhood ties
2. Swim Meets are a great family activity

And the number 1 reason to join the Kingsgate Royals Swim Team Hey, Donut Friday, Flapjack Friday, a possible lollipop twice a week, ribbons, trip to Wild Waves, Big Buddies, not to mention the adoration of cheering fans...need we go on? Last year's team advanced to the championships, and we look forward to another great team this year! **Come join us!**



Clean-Up Day is when we all get the Pool and Park ready for summer.