



# KINGSWOOD HOA

Summer 2021

## Newsletter

We all love summer. Spending more time with the family, soaking up the sun, and grilling are some of the best times. Hopefully, everyone is enjoying their summer and finding creative ways to stay cool and comfortable.

Considering the circumstances, our community yard sale in June was successful. There were lots of vehicles scouring the neighborhood for treasures. Hopefully, several were able to make a buck or two.

The Independence Day parade was a success! It was especially nice to resume some normalcy after the year we've all had. It was wonderful to have residents come together to celebrate our nation's independence. For all who helped organize the event, "Thank you!"

**Annual Meeting:** Our annual meeting will be held in the field next to the pond on Sunday 9/19/21. Due to the current health climate, the HOA will not be serving food. Feel free to bring refreshments for you and your family. Do bring a chair. People can arrive anytime after 1:00PM to socialize. The business session will be from 2:00-3:00PM. Be sure to check our FaceBook page and website for updates. Please plan on attending. There are a few vacancies on the HOA board. Those interested in serving should reach out via email to Gary Esterle (garyesterle@twc.com) prior to the annual meeting.

**Bluegrass Water:** In early August, the KY Public Service Commission (psc.ky.gov) approved Bluegrass Water's rate increase to our sewer waste water treatment system. It appears that Bluegrass Water was denied the large increase. However, the rates will be increasing, but the amount of that increase remains unclear.

**Pets:** Several residents have encountered aggressive pets during walks, bike rides, and jogs. There have also been instances of excessive barking. Please remember that it is the owner's responsibility to restrain pets, plus it is kind.

**Recreation Area Signage:** In an effort to curtail non-resident use of the recreation area, new "No Trespassing" signs have been erected in the pond area. Only the wooded area around the pond has common access. The mowed areas are inaccessible due to private ownership.

**Trash Collection:** For those interested in saving money, the board has negotiated a neighborhood collection rate with Rumpke that is considerably less expensive than most competitors. If interested, please reach out to Rumpke informing them that you reside within Kingswood ([www.rumpke.com](http://www.rumpke.com)) and would like to take advantage of the savings.

**Non-neighbor Solicitors:** For those interested in limiting non-neighbor solicitation. The US Supreme Court has ruled that traveling salespeople have a Constitutional First Amendment right to be there by upholding their right to free speech for commercial purposes. States, and even local municipalities, including HOAs, are not allowed to create laws or regulations prohibiting them. In Kentucky, soliciting is only allowed between 9AM and 30 minutes before the official sunset time on Mon-Sat. It is not allowed on Sundays, or on national holidays.

While door-to-door soliciting may fall under the constitutional rule of law, effective ways to deter or even stop a solicitor from knocking on your door are by posting "No Soliciting" signs or "no trespassing" signs conspicuously on your property. By posting these signs, you are exercising your legal right to refuse uninvited solicitors and convey your request not to be disturbed. For those who may be interested in limiting solicitors, individual action is necessary. Amazon has many decorative sign options from which to choose, should anyone be interested.

**Connecting:** At [www.kingswoodhoa.net](http://www.kingswoodhoa.net), everyone can find helpful information regarding restrictions, previous newsletters, and board contact info. Our private Facebook page, Kingswood HOA, keeps us all up to date. Please consider joining if you have not already done so.