

# Kala Pointer

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## President's Message The Response of Grace and Generosity

Joe Englander

We have all been affected in various ways by the disaster of the global pandemic. Our world view and appreciation for our interconnected lives have risen to a new level. Who ever heard of social distancing or thought we would be *required* to put on a mask before going into a bank?! For some of us, fortunately, the effects have only reached into levels of boredom, mind-numbing amounts of Netflix and modification of social habits — but for others, the economic effects have been disastrous.

For those KPOA members who find themselves under extraordinary financial pressure and needing the help of a grace period before paying the second half of their assessments, the Board of Directors has decided to waive the penalties and interest that would normally accrue on late payments. We hope that this will give time for things to get to whatever the new normal will be and that your financial situation will be better. This new arrangement is a grace period, not a forgiveness; your assessments are still due in full, but now the deadline is the end of 2020. This arrangement is for those who truly need it; if you haven't been severely impacted, please pay on time because we need to keep Kala Point operating. If you are unable to pay by the May 15 deadline, you won't be charged anything additional as long as you make your payments by the end of 2020.

One really good quality that the disaster has shown is the generosity of many Kala Point members. When the need for Personal Protection Equipment masks in Jefferson County was announced, some of us stepped up without hesitation. More than 450 surgical and N95 masks were

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*The glory of gardening: hands in the dirt, head in the sun, heart with nature. — Alfred Austin*

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Deadline for the June 2020 issue of the Kala Pointer is May 19.

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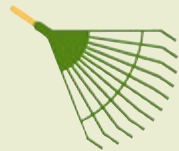
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## What Happened at the April Board Meeting?

[Dale Moses, KPOA Board Secretary](#)

Your KPOA Board of Directors met by telephone conference call at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, due to the coronavirus pandemic. All nine Board members were online and there were at least six audience members who spoke up to say they were present. Board meeting documents were available prior to the meeting on the [KPOA website](#) (see Board Meeting Files under the Members menu).

Items from this Board tele-meeting included:

- No inputs from the audience at the beginning of the call
- A discussion of the eight correspondence items that were sent to the Board this past month:
  - » Donna Colwell regarding Seattleites escaping to the timeshares
  - » Janet Polley regarding Cassandra voting
  - » Tim Twiford regarding essential occupations during shutdown
  - » Louise Tragard regarding the use of pickleball courts during shutdown
  - » Ronnie Graeme regarding employee compensation during shutdown
  - » Pamela Scharaga regarding neighbor's dog and neighbors
  - » Caroline McNulty regarding gratuities for clubhouse classes
  - » Michael Machette regarding landscape soliciting
- Passed a motion to annually review recurring uses of the clubhouse
- Review by the General Manager of recent activities, including virus reactions (closing facilities, paying employees, allowing RVs in driveways for temporary living, limited facility maintenance, limited office manning) and starting the paving of Pinecrest Drive
- Passed a motion to not charge fees for late assessments; an email is being sent to all owners
- Passed a proposed resolution for the summer vote on changing our CC&Rs on budgeting
- Discussed status of Board candidates for the summer election (three candidates likely)

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The Kala Point community is a common-interest residential homeowner association (HOA). When purchasing or building within Kala Point, homeowners agree to follow the HOA's governing documents, which include: Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions of Record (CC&Rs); Rules and Regulations; Bylaws; and detailed Administrative Policies and Procedures (APPs). APPs are Board-enacted rules. The protective umbrella of these governing documents works in the best interest of all homeowners ensuring higher standards of neighborhood appearance and enhancing the collective value of the homes.

## Board Meeting, Continued from page 2

- Discussed urgent need for a replacement CFO as John Oliveira departs the Board in July
- Committee reports were presented including the ad hoc committee on pets and the ad hoc committee on pedestrian safety. No specific recommendations yet from either committee as they both do more research.
- Inputs from members before adjourning included Caroline McNulty on clubhouse use, Rita Hopkins on being present today, and Anne Englander on coronavirus emails

We adjourned at 3:12 p.m. If you would like to learn more about this Board meeting, feel free to listen to the recording of the meeting (available from the office) or send an [email to the Board](#) on a specific topic. ♦

## President's Message, Continued from page 1

contributed to East Jefferson Fire and Rescue. And then Kala Point became a mini garment district. Joy Winfrey, along with many other men and women, made and gave away face coverings to anyone who needed one. Remarkable. Truly, a stitch in time saves nine (lives).

Equally remarkable and generous was the funding of several emergency breathing suction units for EJFR. Many praiseworthy KPOA members provided contributions to the nonexistent, phantom Potato Bake even without the traditional compensation of half a baked potato with all the fixin's. Hopefully these emergency units will never have to be used in Kala Point.

Although their generosity of spirit apparently hasn't had to be tested, members of the Emergency Preparedness Committee organized themselves to provide grocery and essentials shopping for neighbors who were quarantining themselves out of caution or necessity. Without this kind of "outside" help, those who have to stay "inside" never could. Neighbors helping neighbors to keep from spreading the virus to neighbors.

Our healthcare workers and others who continue to go to work every day are doing their part to help us get through this disaster. Do your part: maintain your distance and stay home so we can all get together on another day. ♦



## How Have You Spent Your Time During the Pandemic?

This period, which may come to be known as the Great Pause, is unlike any other time in history. How are you spending your time?

Some people are trying out Zoom for the first time and connecting with friends, colleagues and family. Others are binge-watching Netflix. And some (like me) are using the time to paint some rooms and get after that yard project they've been putting off for far too long.

If you have a "COVID-19 project," please share it with us. There are no wrong answers!

Email your answers to [yourkalapoint@kalapoint.org](mailto:yourkalapoint@kalapoint.org) and we'll feature them in the next issue. Thank you!

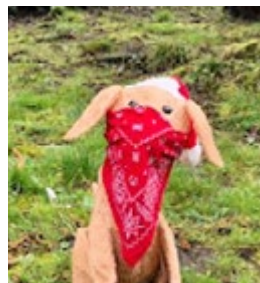
*The world has turned upside down. Old folks are sneaking out of the house, and their kids are yelling at them to stay indoors.*

## COVID-19 Resources

### Need information?

Check out our websites for feature articles and links to authoritative coronavirus information from national, state, county and local sources:

- **Kala Point website** ([kalapoint.org](http://kalapoint.org))
- **EPC website** ([epc.kalapoint.org](http://epc.kalapoint.org))



Angela George

### Need help?

If you are ill or at high risk and need assistance, please reach out to your block captain.\* The Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) is coordinating volunteers to check on neighbors and pickup/deliver food and necessary supplies.

### Hotlines:

- **Jefferson Healthcare Nurse Consult:** 360.344.3094, every day, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Washington State Department of Health:** 1.800.525.0127, then press #

\* Don't know your block captain? Log in to [kalapoint.org](http://kalapoint.org) for the list, or contact Anne Englander at [anne.englander@gmail.com](mailto:anne.englander@gmail.com), 360.316.9339. ♦



## Help Wanted

Seeking a Kala Point member to serve as CFO. General Management experience desirable. Responsibilities include management and administration of the Association's financial matters. Compensation: the self-satisfaction of having a well-run HOA.

### A Letter From KPOA's CFO

I have served as your Chief Financial Officer for eight years. After the end of this board term in July, I will not make myself available for re-election by the Board of Directors. A suggestion was made that I put together a "job description" for the position of Chief Financial Officer. The job description is well documented on page 12 of [APP II-5](#), a couple of places in the [Bylaws](#) and [APP VII, Finance Committee](#). If you are interested, you should read and understand these documents, but don't let them scare you off. It is not really that complicated.

It might be more useful to provide prospective candidates with a brief description of how I spend my time as CFO. As the Chair of the Finance Committee, you would conduct the monthly meeting. Generally,

our meetings last about an hour, with a couple of hours spent in preparation.

On a weekly basis, the CFO reviews all expenditures as part of the check-signing process. While any of our four officers are approved as check signers, more than 90 percent of checks are signed by the CFO.

You will also supervise the preparation of the annual budget for presentation to the Board of Directors. The CFO attends all Board Meetings but need not be an elected member of the Board. The CFO prepares a letter to the membership annually reporting on the financial state of KPOA as well as a letter summarizing the budget proposed for the coming year.

So, what kind of skills and experience do I think are most valuable for a CFO? General management experience in business or government is key. A logical, structured, decision-making process that is data driven is of great value. The CFO, like any of our officers, should be computer literate; an understanding of software tools like Excel is essential. You should know your way around a balance sheet, as well as income and expense statements. You should be willing to question and challenge policies and procedures that have financial implications.

Most importantly, I believe that a CFO has a duty to keep assessments as low as possible while maintaining the quality of our amenities and our members' property values. If you are interested or would like to discuss this further, please feel free to give me a call. ♦

**John Oliveira**

KPOA Chief Financial Officer  
360.774.0439



Kala Point Lagoon • Angela George

## Kala Point Raised \$4,250 for EJFR — Thank You!

Anne Englander, EPC Chair

Our deepest thanks to everyone who donated so generously to East Jefferson Fire Rescue (EJFR) during our recent fundraising drive. Even in the absence of our traditional Potato Bake/Chili event to honor EJFR, you helped raise \$4,250 — more than any previous year’s contributions! EJFR will use the funds to purchase portable suction units that are utilized for patient airway management.



We’ve received several messages from EJFR thanking Kala Point for these donations, including this from Chief Walkowski:

**“The suction units that will be purchased with the donations will be extremely valuable....Please convey our sincere appreciation to the residents of Kala Point for their continued support during these challenging times and do not hesitate to let me know if there is anything we can do for you!”**

The first responders of EJFR continue to serve our community with care, skill and professionalism. We join EJFR in thanking you, Kala Point, for this wonderful outpouring of support. ♦

### Orca Sighting

During one of their “social distance marathon walks,” Scott Rovanner and Tracy Wirta reported seeing an orca on March 19 as they sat at a picnic table at Fort Townsend State Park beach. They were able to take a photo, but it was too grainy to reproduce here. If you see any orcas, please send in your photos. ♦



All Quiet in PT • Bob Segui

### Send In Your Photos!

Do you have any images that showcase the character of Kala Point? New images that highlight the natural setting, facilities and people of Kala Point are needed for the KPOA website ([kalapoint.org](http://kalapoint.org)).

You won’t be compensated for your submission, but you will receive a photo credit.

Please submit your original full-resolution photos in jpeg format to [photos@kalapoint.org](mailto:photos@kalapoint.org). (Please send one photo at a time to avoid going over email size limits.) Thank you! ♦

## May Holidays *Suzanne Eggleston*

Since covering local events seems futile during the pandemic, this month's column instead focuses on a sampling of May's known and unknown holidays listed on the [nationaltoday.com](http://nationaltoday.com) site.

### May 1

May Day

### May 3

National Paranormal Day

### May 5

Cinco de Mayo

### May 6

International No Diet Day  
National Nurses' Day

### May 9

National Moscato Day  
World Migratory Bird Day



### May 10

Mother's Day  
National Clean Your Room Day

### May 12

National Limerick Day

### May 13

Fair Trade Day  
International Hummus Day  
National Apple Pie Day

### May 15

International Day of Families  
National Chocolate Chip Day  
National Pizza Party Day

### May 17

National Walnut Day

### May 19

National Endangered Species Day

## The Humorous, the Ironic and the Challenging

This is the first time in history we can save the human race by lying in front of the TV and doing nothing. Let's not screw it up!

\*

In one week, we've seen how healthcare workers, truck drivers and grocery store employees are more important than NBA players, actors and the supposedly famous.

\*

Hey creative community! Just a reminder that Shakespeare was quarantined for the plague when he wrote "King Lear." No pressure.

\*

Definition of irony: gas under two dollars a gallon and no place to go.

\*

Home schooling going well — two students suspended for fighting, one teacher fired for drinking on the job! ♦

# May Holidays

**May 20**  
National Be a Millionaire Day

**May 22**  
International Day for Biological Diversity  
National Maritime Day

**May 23**  
National Taffy Day

**May 24**  
National Brother's Day  
National Scavenger Hunt Day



**May 25**  
Memorial Day  
National Wine Day

**May 26**  
National Paper Airplane Day

**May 28**  
National Hamburger Day

**May 30**  
National Mint Julep Day

**May 31**  
World No Tobacco Day ♦

QUARANTINE DAY 20:  
TODAY, I MELTED AN  
ICE CUBE WITH MY  
MIND JUST BY STARING  
AT IT. IT TOOK A LOT  
LONGER THAN I  
THOUGHT IT WOULD.



Tiny World • Angela George

## Recurring Kala Point Clubhouse Events

These events are canceled due to our precautions for the COVID-19 virus.

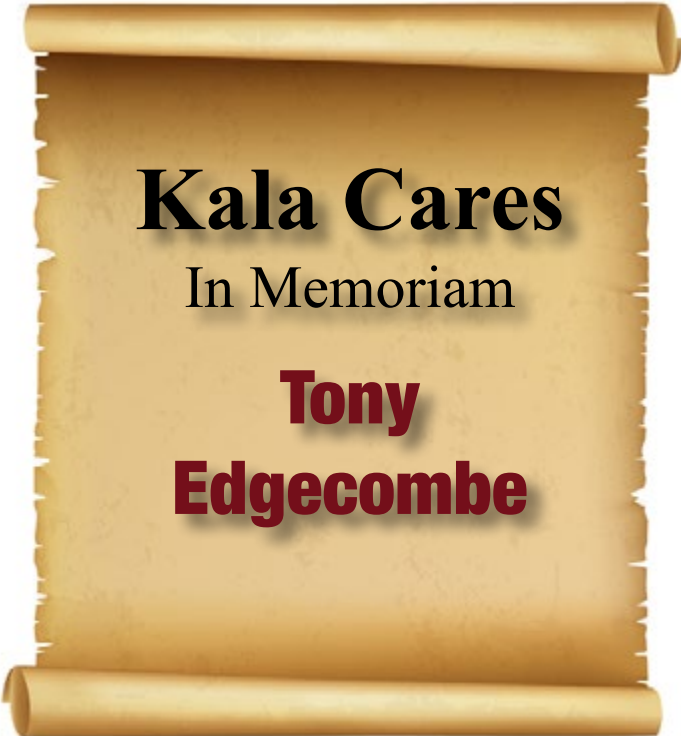
The May Board meeting will take place via teleconference. Contact the office for information on how to join.

**Board Meeting:** Second Tuesdays at 1 p.m.

**Bridge:** Mondays at 11 a.m.

**Exercise Class:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. Bring hand weights. If interested in attending, call AJ Laverty, 360.379.6386

**Tai Chat:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9–10 a.m. 24-form Tai Chi with breaks for chatting. All are welcome. Libby Nordlund, 425.273.4933, [eanordlund@aol.com](mailto:eanordlund@aol.com). ♦



## Letters to the Editor

### A Call to Reassess Priorities and Reconsider Cassandra

I am sharing my comment as “food for thought” and, hopefully, a call for action.

If there is any example that illustrates the need for a project such as Cassandra, I hope we will agree that our current global health pandemic would qualify hands down. If we think that empty shelves, staying at home and refraining from socializing are cramping our lives now, multiply that by a factor of 1,000 in catastrophic events closer to home, be it fire, high-magnitude earthquake or potentially tsunami where even driving to a store or for any type of help could be out of the question.

Yes, each us individually should, and many of us will, ensure our personal preparedness per the EPC guidelines. But let’s also be wise and take the current situation as a teachable moment for us to be forward-thinking and prepare not only to meet our own personal needs but also those of our overall community here at Kala Point should a catastrophic emergency arise. Perspective is key to assessing the

importance and viability of any action. In the past weeks and months, we have been given a glimpse of what a serious event can do to impact various aspects of our lives. Do we ignore that and elect to be short-sighted and get hung up on the \$6 or so a month increase in our dues to invest in a Cassandra project type of “security” vs. putting that in perspective and taking action in preparing for what might one day become an event more serious than the situation with this virus?

Let’s take care of it at the front end to avoid having to deal with it at the back end and risk being caught off-guard. With the bulk of the research and work already in place by EPC, I strongly urge all of us members and residents to reassess our priorities and the wisdom to champion the re-upping of the Cassandra Project before it’s too late. Shoulda’, coulda’ woulda’ do not a strategic plan make, especially in the context of what might very well be a matter of life and death.

*Rita Hopkins*  
Bluffs Drive

### It’s Not Too Early to Help the Homeless Through Next Winter

Last winter was mild, but homeless folks who can’t access the shelters and must live outside needed lots of support to get through it alive. This coming winter could be much worse, with the usual risks of weather made worse by the effects of the pandemic.

Last winter I distributed small things among the homeless who live in camps in the forests — mylar blankets, ponchos and emergency sleeping bags, socks, handwarmers, rubber boots, footwarmers, etc. What these people really need is all of the above, *plus* decent heavy rainproof coats, good boots, fleeces, winter sleeping bags, and general winter gear.

If you have any of those items (used or new, men’s or women’s) that are in good shape, email me at [daedelstein2@gmail.com](mailto:daedelstein2@gmail.com) or call 206.769.9563. I will come get them and see that they get to people who will need them very badly next fall and winter.

*Doug Edelstein*  
Park Place Court ♦





## Poetry Page

### 3 Haikus

*Tim Twiford*

Morning sun shines low,  
down my narrow, tree-lined street;  
falls light, at my feet.

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Bobcat in my yard.  
Bronze, lean, muscled, unafraid.  
Sees me, calmly leaves.

\*

Kala Points eastward:  
an Indian now so armed  
stands by quietly.

### betweentheears.crud

*Dan Coffman*

It's a legacy system —  
the software installed  
inside my head.

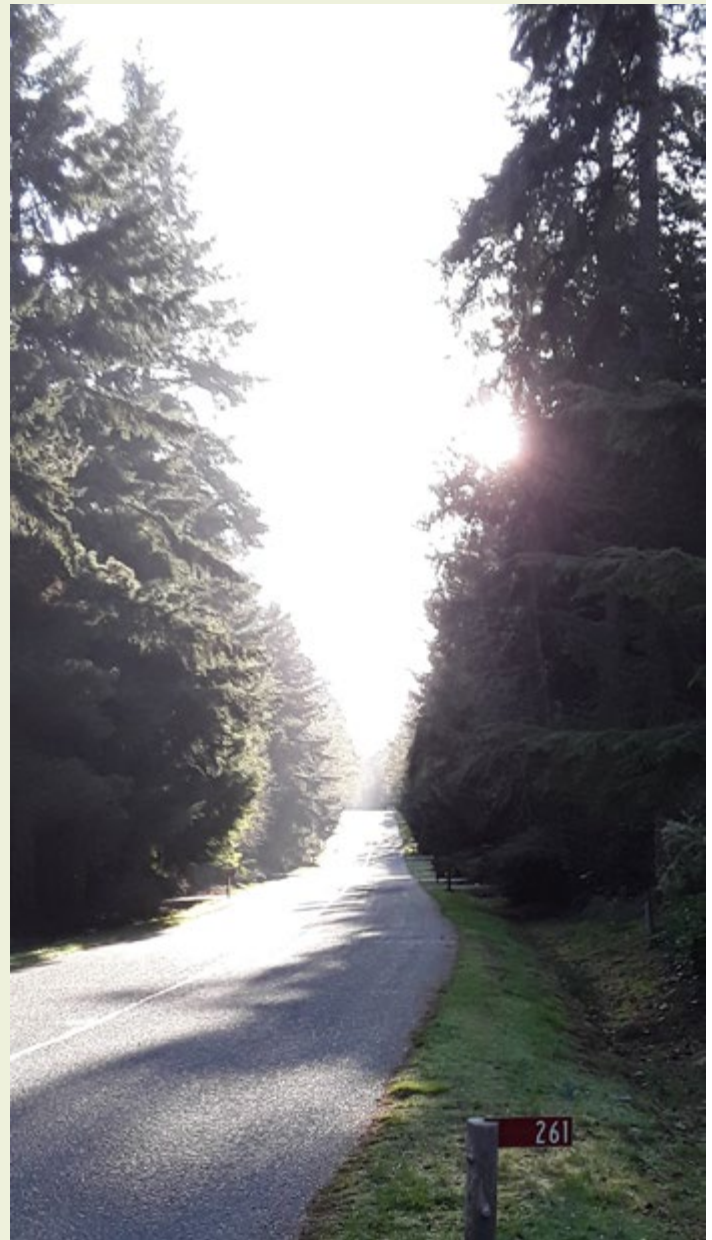
At times it's glitchy,  
the best word to say  
might be lost or delayed.

I enter a room,  
wonder what do I want here?  
Then I remember, I want a pen.

Projects help to focus my mind —  
gardening, woodcraft, writing and more  
keep my brain functions running their best.

Last winter I remodeled a room.  
The room smiles  
when I walk in.

*This poem originally ran in the April issue. The author asked that we run it again, slightly modified and in a different format. — the Editors ♦*



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**A society grows great  
when old men plant  
trees whose shade  
they know they shall  
never sit in.**

~ Greek proverb

# Kala Lily's

## Kala Lily's May Gardening Tips

*Diane Solvik and Marilyn Berry*

The gardening season is upon us and our gardens are growing like mad! Wait until mid-month to set out tender annuals such as begonias, coleus and tomatoes. Using a product such as Quick Start or Vitamin B1 Plant Starter will reduce the transplant shock and the annuals won't be set back. This is good for all plants, trees and shrubs you plant. Use the starter in addition to a good fertilizer.

Prune azaleas, rhododendrons, lilacs, forsythias and other early-blooming shrubs after they bloom. Spring-blooming clematis should be pruned as soon as the bloom fades. This give plants time to set flower buds for next spring's blooms. Summer-blooming clematis should not be pruned until early next year. Dan Hinkley passed a tip for clematis: when planting, put one stick of blackboard chalk into each hole, and they will have a good supply of sweetened soil for their lifetimes.



Feed almost everything in your garden this month. Feed potted plants and hanging baskets every two weeks all summer as the nutrients get washed away.

Here are tips for deadheading to coax more blooms.

**Delphinium:** After the first flower spike finishes, cut it back to the base to encourage new spikes to form for a late summer bloom. **Shasta daisies and branching perennials:** After a top flower fades, cut the stem back to a side blossom bud or leaf; when no buds remain, cut the stem down to the base.

This month, plant summer-blooming bulbs such as dahlias, gladiolus, agapanthus, cannas and calla lilies. Add fish bone meal or a 5-10-10 fertilizer for improved flower production. Do not water dahlias until first shoots appear to prevent tuber rot. Once the plants are growing, water them deeply once a week and fertilize them every



other week. Keep spent flowers pruned off. Pinch the top three inches from fall-blooming asters and mums to make the plants bushier. The Brits say pinch your mum on Mother's Day, and the Americans give them another pinch on July 4th. Two pinches will help them bloom in the fall and be healthy, bushy plants.

To maintain a healthy lawn, keep it mowed to a height of two to two and a half inches. This will shade the ground, keeping the roots cool and preventing moisture loss. In late spring, fertilize the lawn with a high-nitrogen fertilizer. Water your lawn deeply and infrequently to encourage deep roots. One inch per week will keep it green during periods of drought. This month is a good time to overseed your entire lawn or just touch up the bare spots. Whether or not you aerate first, be sure to fertilize and cover the seed with one-eighth to one-quarter inch of compost to help keep the seed warm and moist until it germinates, and hide the seed from the birds. The first of May is one of four times a year recommended to apply fertilizer to your lawn. The other three times recommended to fertilize are mid-June, mid-September and around November 25.

A great tip for killing weeds is to spray white vinegar directly on them. You can also add a squirt of dish soap to the vinegar to make it stick to the weed surface; it works best on a sunny day. An organic and inexpensive method to keep the deer out of the garden is to break eight or nine eggs into the blender and add a little water, mix, then put the mixture into a pump sprayer. Add water to the one-gallon mark, add a bit of dish soap and spray on plants that deer like. Start this early and you won't be on their path since your garden tastes nasty — maybe your neighbor's will taste better!

Keep your suet feeders filled. Many parenting birds will bring their young near the feeder to feed.

You will be very busy this month. Don't forget to weed and enjoy the nice weather. ♦

(Top) Japanese magnolia,  
(Middle) "Horizon  
Monarch" rhododendron,  
(Right) Red (possibly  
"Taurus") rhododendron •  
*Marilyn Berry*



# Through The Lens



Northern Harrier on Baycliff • *Ron Gentry*

Bald Eagle Pair at  
Kala Point Spit  
• *Scott Rovnpera*



Your photos are needed  
for the KPOA website!  
Submit your original  
full-resolution photos in  
jpeg format to [photos@  
kalapoint.org](mailto:photos@kalapoint.org).



Lagoon Hunter • *Angela George*



Great Blue Heron • *Bob Segui*

# Through The Lens



Birthday Sunrise • *Char Quandt*



Tiny Home • *Angela George*



Arboreal Creature? • *Suzanne Eggleston*

# Through The Lens



Antarctica Sculpture Garden • *Ron Gentry*



Mystery Bay • *Bob Segui*



Rowing Respite at Mystery Bay • *Bob Eggleston*

# Through The Lens



Clear Day • *Suzanne Eggleston*



Demanding Rufous Customer • *Suzanne Eggleston*



Morning Has Broken • *Bob Segui*

# Committee Reports

## Architectural

*March 19, Highlights from meetings at various outdoor site locations*

- Project Summary of 15 projects: two completed; 13 ongoing and two new

## Old Business

- Discussed “escalating lighting issue”; chair to write article for *Kala Pointer*. (See April issue)
- Discussed resignation of a Committee member
- Discussed compliance issues/notifications:
  - » Lot 349: non-approved screen
  - » Lot 382: temporary electrical meter post
  - » Lot 397: exposed heat pump
  - » Lot 450: exposed fencing

## New Business

- Lot 78: approved new home construction
- Lot 412: approved new home construction
- Lot 116: approved new color to repaint house
- Lot 90: approved new color to repaint house
- Lot 168: approved (after the fact) new garage doors



## Grounds

*See article on [Page 16](#).*

## Internal Control

*No meeting on March 18, 2020*

## Emergency Preparedness

Mark Miller, EPC’s Block Captain Team Lead, attends daily teleconference meetings with Jefferson County Department of Public Health (DPH) and Department of Emergency Management (DEM) to discuss the current status of the coronavirus (COVID-19) in Jefferson County. To help keep us current on new developments and reliable sources of information, Mark is sending periodic email blasts to Kala Point residents summarizing what is going on at the county and local levels. This information is being posted on our websites.

Kala Point First Aid team has donated 450 surgical masks to EJFR first responders; these were excess supplies the team acquired at no cost from Providence Hospital last year. EPC First Aid will retain the remaining cache of supplies for emergency use in Kala Point.

Mark has collected N95 masks donated by Kala Point residents to go to healthcare workers and has located 462 dispenser bottles for hand sanitizer usage.

Residents who can sew are asked to sew face masks (for community use; not for healthcare workers) which can be dropped off at library book-drop locations. There are also no-sew mask making options — see [article on the EPC website](#).

EPC block captains have communicated with their zone residents personally or via email or letters. Block captains play a pivotal “backstop” role in facilitating two-way communication and helping arrange assistance for Kala Point residents.

Both the [Kala Point website](#) and the [EPC website](#) contain feature articles and links to authoritative coronavirus information from national, state, county and local sources. Anne Englander recommends that members check the EPC and KP websites regularly for updates.

Anne also reported that more than 20 volunteers have signed up to provide shopping for those quarantined at home; the most updated version will be posted on the [EPC website](#) (EPC member access required). All EPC members, especially block captains, are encouraged to use this list in helping match these volunteers with residents who need help with shopping/necessary errands (those who are ill, quarantined, at high risk).

Anne reported on grocery stores that are facilitating non-contact pre-ordering and pickup/delivery for high-risk customers. The list includes Chimacum Corner Farmstand and Safeway.

The Department of Emergency Management urges residents to be rigorous in practicing social distancing and other protocols, to reduce the number of JeffCo residents who will contact the virus. The key message: stay at home, make no unnecessary trips, keep your distance from others, and observe all sanitation/hygiene protocols.

## Publications

*April 6, Zoom Meeting highlights*

- Discussed providing content for the KPOA website to be incorporated over 2020 as budgetary constraints allow
- Discussed tracking of paid advertisers for the newsletters, along with details (size, duration, etc.) of each ad
- Committees are doing a good job submitting brief, but informative committee reports for the newsletter
- Next meeting will be May 4

# Committee Reports

## Responsible Dog Owner

*April 14, Meeting highlights*

- To gather more data, the committee will begin a monitoring program by asking residents to report threatening dog behavior to the Grounds Committee for investigation. The reports must have substantiated proof, either through witnesses, photos or multiple complaints.
- One member knows of four aggressive dogs that have been observed in Kala Point displaying what would constitute threatening dog behavior.
- Another member believes that KPOA should follow **Jefferson County ordinances (6.07)**. County ordinances apply on the common area and on private property.
- Most members believe that we need to communicate with other dog owners when walking the beach.
- The Chair wondered if the beach area should be segregated for off-leash on one side of the pier and leashed on the other side.
- The Chair suggests that the “intent” of **Article II, Section C** should be rewritten. ♦

## Grounds Committee Objectives April 2020 Report

*Scott Rovanpera*

The Grounds Committee has been resurrected and its mission is to monitor the Common Areas and its amenities to ensure that the beauty, safety and serenity are maintained for the benefit of all residents. In addition, the Grounds Committee will monitor individually owned properties for upkeep and regulation compliance. In order to fully understand the enforcement responsibilities of the committee, we reviewed the three documents that define our mission:

Master Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions of Record (CC&R); Rules & Regulations (R&R); and the Grounds Committee Administrative Policy & Procedures (APP).



Below are the highlights of the Land Use and Appearance section in **Rules & Regulations** that the Grounds Committee refers to when enforcing the care and appearance of individual lots and the Common Areas.

Rules & Regs	Area of Responsibility or Enforcement
<b>Article II Section A.1</b>	All garbage cans should be placed out of sight from the street along with yard tools and equipment. Piles of bark, mulch and gravel for landscaping purposes must not remain in sight from the street for extended periods without being actively used or consumed.
<b>Article II Section A.4</b>	Only single-family residences, whether for owner or tenant occupancy, are permitted. Single Family includes immediate family, legal dependents, foster children and domestic partners. No residential lot shall be utilized for industrial or commercial purposes.
<b>Article II Section A.5</b>	Outdoor burning, including propane weed-burning torches, on Common Areas and Covered Property (all of Kala Point) is prohibited at all times except for charcoal or gas cooking grills in the two designated beach areas (gazebo and playground grilling area) and on private property. All cooking fires must be completely extinguished prior to leaving the beach area. No fires are allowed on the beach at any time.
<b>Article II Section A.6.c</b>	There shall be no dumping of trash, grass clippings, brush or other material on or over the high bank Common Areas B. ♦



## Get To Know Your Neighbors *Marilyn Berry*

### Kevin and Sue Gale

*Kala Point Drive*

Celebrating their 37th anniversary this year, Kevin and Sue are two active individuals. Kevin has always loved fishing and continues to enjoy that activity along with crabbing and shell fishing. He began running for exercise in 2012 and found that he really enjoyed distance running such that he's completed 10 marathons, including the Boston marathon in 2015 and 2016.

Gardening has always been a huge interest of Kevin's and learning what and how to grow here is



exciting. He also likes baking/cooking, beer brewing, hiking, mushrooming, foraging, playing guitar and dog walking.

On the other hand, Sue has always loved sewing and has in recent years focused upon quilting. She's active with the local Surface Design Association, which is a group of people who share a love for fiber art. Additionally, she became a volunteer at Jefferson County Library shortly after moving here; each Saturday she does book pulls for online reservations.

Road and trail cycling are enjoyed by both. Sue has been a cyclist for many years and is a member of a Sequim women's cycling group called Women on Wheels. The group typically gets together twice a week to ride different routes. She and Kevin meet up

each year with riding friends from California for organized rides.

Sue was born outside of Chicago but grew up mostly in England, as her father was in the military. Just after high school, her family moved to Sacramento. Kevin was born in Butte, Montana, but spent early years in Grangeville, Idaho. His family moved to California in 1967. The couple met in 1981 and lived in Sacramento for almost 25 years, then moved to Redding, California, in 1993. They moved to Port Townsend in 2017 after retiring.

Kevin and Sue have one son, Sean, who teaches English in Japan, where he lives with his wife, Sarah. They love walking their Scottish terrier, Brody — of course, it's twice a day, not many exceptions. Brody was adopted when he was six years old and now, he's 11 — a great dog!

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Kevin retired after 25 years of service from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. His career was centered in fisheries habitat improvement, implementing projects such as screening of agricultural water diversions, barrier/dam removal, constructing fishways, water efficiency and riparian/in-stream habitat restoration.

Sue retired after 27 years of service from the State of California, most recently working as a program analyst for the Department of Transportation. During her career she worked in various positions for the State including the Department of Justice, State Treasurer's Office, and Auditor General's Office.

How did they end up in Kala Point? While visiting this area and the San Juan Islands on a family vacation nearly 20 years ago, they were taken by the beauty of the region. They also loved the cultural emphasis and small community feel of Port Townsend. Upon retiring, they looked for a home here, but at the time, the market was super tight. To be honest, their decision to move to Kala Point was based upon finding a suitable home which was not already under contract. The beauty of the neighborhood, along with access to the park and beach sealed the deal.

## Get To Know Your Neighbors

### Pamela Thompson & Tim Twiford

*Pinecrest Drive*

Pamela arrived in Kala Point first. She was born in Great Falls, Montana, raised in Denver, lived in San Francisco for 10 years, and then lived in the Bay Area for a total of 28 years. Following a cruise from Seattle to Alaska in May 2013, she fell in love with the area. That July, Pamela returned to Port Townsend with a former boyfriend who had cousins who lived here. At that time, she was looking to buy in the Bay Area, but got priced out so she bought a home here instead in 2014.

Pamela states, “That was one of the best decisions I’ve ever made! I love the natural beauty and quietness here. I’ve always felt like I was a country girl at heart, since I spent my first two years of life on my grandfather’s wheat farm outside a small town in Montana. I call Kala Point my enchanted forest.”

Tim arrived in Kala Point later. He was born in Eureka, California, and raised in Seattle’s Greenlake area. Tim and his now ex-wife raised twin daughters in Kirkland. After the divorce, Tim sold his home in Kirkland in 2017 and moved to a few different places he thought would be fun. Pamela and Tim met through an online dating site.

Tim says, “I came over to visit her and ‘boom,’ in many ways! I fell for her and Port Townsend.” He

moved to Uptown in October 2018 and subsequently to Kala Point with Pamela — and Daisy, a dappled, black and tan mini dachshund — in June 2019.

Until his early 30s, Tim was a musician: a drummer. When he got married, he had to get a “real” job and tripped across a sales position in a brand-new industry:

wireless phones. His career was spent there, most of it working for a global manufacturer of the infrastructure that goes into cell sites to make everything work. He was fortunate to travel the western U.S. and visit places he wouldn’t have otherwise.

After he retired in 2014, Tim landed his dream job as a Suite Concierge for the Seattle Mariners during the season. He gave up the job last year when the commute to and from Safeco field proved to be too much.

Before retiring in 2014, Pamela was a litigation assistant in San Francisco and Alameda, California. She also held several positions in the hospitality industry as a bartender, server and DJ.

As for hobbies, Tim enjoys chasing full moons, making people laugh and thinking, while Pamela enjoys dancing, photography, web design and reading. Since moving to Kala Point, Tim has volunteered to be a block captain and co-chair for the Emergency Preparedness

Committee. Together they enjoy music, hiking, nature and traveling. Last fall’s highlight: a trip to Spain and Ibiza. ♦



**Of their first in-person meeting, Tim says, “I came over to visit her and ‘boom’ in so many ways. I fell for her and Port Townsend.”**

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