

# Kala Pointer

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## At the Helm of SS Kala Point

Scott Rovanpera

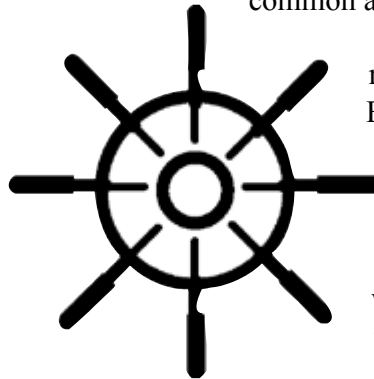
At the August Board meeting, the directors reviewed the current status of pool openings in Jefferson County and determined that the Kala Point clubhouse pool and spa shall remain closed until permitted to open by Jefferson County and advised by the General Manager. We as a board understand the loss of enjoyment that these facilities bring to our members and guests, but the risks associated with opening the pool during these trying times exceed the benefits.

The directors have also decided to post the 2021 draft Operating Budget and Reserve Budget on the KPOA website after September 1. To view, log in as an owner; under the Members drop-down column, select “Budgets” and locate the 2021 Draft Budget. This will allow residents to review the budget and offer comment to the Finance Committee prior to the Budget Presentation meeting scheduled for October 20.

Comments will be taken up to the September 27 Finance Committee meeting. The 2021 Special Board Budget Ratification meeting is scheduled for December 8. Tentatively, these meetings will be held using the Zoom meeting format unless Washington State and Jefferson County allow us to meet in person.

Located on [Page 19](#) is the proposed revision for the “Pets” regulation, [Article II, Section C of the Rules and Regulations](#). Following a serious dog-on-dog attack last December, the Board appointed an ad hoc committee to review the current regulation and offer any improvements. The Responsible Dog Owner committee met for six months to study the problem, meet with the Jefferson County Animal Control deputy, and craft a set of rules that follow the State’s RCW and Jefferson County ordinances regarding dogs.

These revisions have been approved by the Grounds Committee (the committee which has jurisdiction over pets) and will be reviewed by our legal counsel to determine the liability exposure to KPOA. The Community Associations Institute and Jefferson County Sheriff Department highly recommend that an HOA have a set of pet regulations that explain to owners the legal obligations when their pets are sharing the common areas.



The board is expected to review this revised regulation at the September 8 KPOA Board meeting (the document is posted on the [KPOA website](#) under Members in the “Board Meeting Files”). Kala Point is a great place for dogs — the Board just wants their owners to be responsible when their dogs meet or greet other dogs, residents or guests.

And because the proposed revision of the “Pets” regulation affects so many owners, the Board is adopting a “First Read/Second Read” policy before making a decision on future proposals of this magnitude. The First Read will allow the Board to see the proposed revisions to our Rules & Regs or Bylaws, and have these documents posted on the KPOA website for a month for owners to review.

The Second Read will occur at the following Board meeting, whereby the directors will have time to consider public comment and offer any constructive improvements to the document. This allows the owners and the directors to find common ground before a final decision is made.

Standing committees that plan on submitting significant changes to Rules & Regs will need to recognize the “First Read/Second Read” timing when submitting to the current Board. ♦

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## What Happened at the August 2020 Board Meeting?

[Gary Obermeyer, KPOA Board Secretary](#)

The KPOA Board met Tuesday, August 11, via Zoom. All board members, the newly appointed CFO, and the General Manager and staff were present. At any given time, there were as many as 22 observers/participants online. In a change from past practice, President Rovanpera invited member comments on any topic at the beginning of the meeting.

The agenda was adopted as printed, and minutes from the July meeting were approved. First item of business: Sean Moss, correspondent for the month, reported a total of 10 emails: five asking about the election results, one related to board goals, one from a potential buyer, and three advocating for opening the pool.

Given the multiple comments about the pool, the Board opted to review the facts: conditions have not changed since July decision; there are no open pools in the county; GM Keith Larson is in continuous communication with the HOA general managers in Port Ludlow and Cape George; and Jefferson County is not issuing pool permits at this time. Board members chose to let the July decision stand.

### The General Manager's report included:

- A timeline for 2021 budget development (date of record, October 15 as the cut-off date for new members eligible to vote; special Board meeting for budget presentation, October 20, at 3 p.m.; and the budget ratification meeting, December 8, just prior to the regular Board meeting).
- GM's recommended repairs for a storm water filtration pit on Terrace Drive, replacement of two administrative computers for the KPOA office, the installation of new gutters on the Admin building, and replacement of the existing license plate cameras at the gate (all were approved by the Board).

### Under Committee reports:

- Added new committee members: Kim Titus to Elections; Alison Ebbott, Bill Hasan and Joe Englander to EPC; Geoff Genter and Frances Loubere to Grounds.
- Agreed to ask the owners of lot #326 if they prefer to resolve the compliance issue via Zoom rather than postponing.
- Decided to publicize proposed changes to [KPOA Rules & Regulations, Article II, Section C](#) "Pets" on the website and

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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.

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in the Kala Pointer to provide time for member feedback/input; anticipating a vote at the September 8 Board meeting.

At the August board meeting, there were calls from Board members for transparency and member engagement, or as one board member phrased it, assuring “agency and voice for KPOA members.”

Examples:

- While considering the rule changes proposed by the Responsible Dog Owners ad hoc committee and the Grounds Committee, the idea of instituting the practice of using first and second readings was received without objection by the Board
- During the Publications Committee report, a question was raised about the Kala Pointer’s letter-to-the-editor policy — concerns were raised by members of the Board about the need to avoid even the perception of censorship.

- Under discussion of the budget development process, there were multiple expressions of support from members of the Board for posting the draft budget as soon as possible with every feasible effort taken to get a sense of member priorities.

While on the topic of budget development, CFO Donna Colwell reported that the Finance Committee will meet August 12 and August 18, aiming to have a draft budget finished by August 27, and ready for membership review by September 1, 2020.

We adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

**Reminder:** you can access agendas, minutes, and recordings of Board meetings under the Members menu in the navigation bar on the KPOA website. 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. ♦

### A Water Wagon for KPOA

Scott Rovanpera

A grassroots fundraising campaign, initiated August 1, was launched in the Kala Pointer seeking donations from individual Kala Point residents to purchase a water wagon for KPOA. Here is what you need know, and why you might want to contribute.

Why would we need a water wagon? Jefferson County PUD was frank: “At this time we have no emergency response plan for a catastrophic water system failure in Kala Point.” If a tank rupture, large water main break, or pump station malfunction occurred, KPOA would need to “come and get it” by transporting water from one of the other PUD wellsite facilities.

With no other solution forthcoming from PUD, the idea of a water wagon resurfaced, this time funded from voluntary donations. Three residents

did research on a potable water wagon that can be towed by an existing KPOA truck, and recommend the purchase of a Wylie “Express” 500-gallon potable water trailer (dual axle, two-inch Honda pump, anti-siphon fill, multi-distribution ports, with a gross vehicle weight rating of 6,000 pounds) available in Bremerton. The cost of the tank and trailer is \$7,569 including sales tax and is good until October 2020. Check it out for full details: [wyliesprayers.com/wylie-sprayers-showr/wylie-sprayers-express-potable-water-trailer/](http://wyliesprayers.com/wylie-sprayers-showr/wylie-sprayers-express-potable-water-trailer/)

Operation and maintenance costs for this asset would be minimal and included in the annual operations budget for KPOA. At the June Board meeting, the Board agreed that individual donations can fund a KPOA capital asset, and the Board was generally favorable about going forward with this water wagon fundraising campaign.

If you are interested in supporting this initiative, go to: [epc.kalapoint.org/waterwagon/](http://epc.kalapoint.org/waterwagon/) that will take you to a short and secure pledge form; complete the form and click SUBMIT. When we have reached our goal, we will contact you with payment information. We are hoping to raise the needed funds by October 1, 2020. Questions? Contact Scott at [kpoaboard\\_rovanpera@kalapoint.org](mailto:kpoaboard_rovanpera@kalapoint.org). ♦



## Meet Your New CFO: Donna Colwell

*Suzanne Eggleston*

When Donna Colwell retired at the end of 2018, she was delighted to take a break from work. She had spent the previous 19 years working for Alcoa/Arconic, a very large aerospace company based in California, in a variety of compliance management roles.

Her primary professional role was to prepare locations for audits while meeting the legal operation requirements for a U.S. company on the NY stock exchange. This meant examining revenue, accounting, fixed assets, inventory, contracts and purchasing, computer systems and cyber security for 39 locations in 16 countries on five continents. During one 18-month span, she was in China 14 times.

Her work experience involved collecting and analyzing data, and scrutinizing spreadsheets to detect deficient control extravagance, fraud and non-compliance with laws, regulations and policies.

“Since the slow down ‘post retirement,’ I have been looking for ways to get involved in my neighborhood and help out,” says Donna. “Several of my neighbors and friends familiar with my background asked me to step up.”

When she saw the July *Kala Pointer* and realized Kala Point still needed a CFO, she contacted John Oliveira and sent her resume to the Board. She seems to

be a natural for the position as she unabashedly claims, “I love numbers and making things work.”

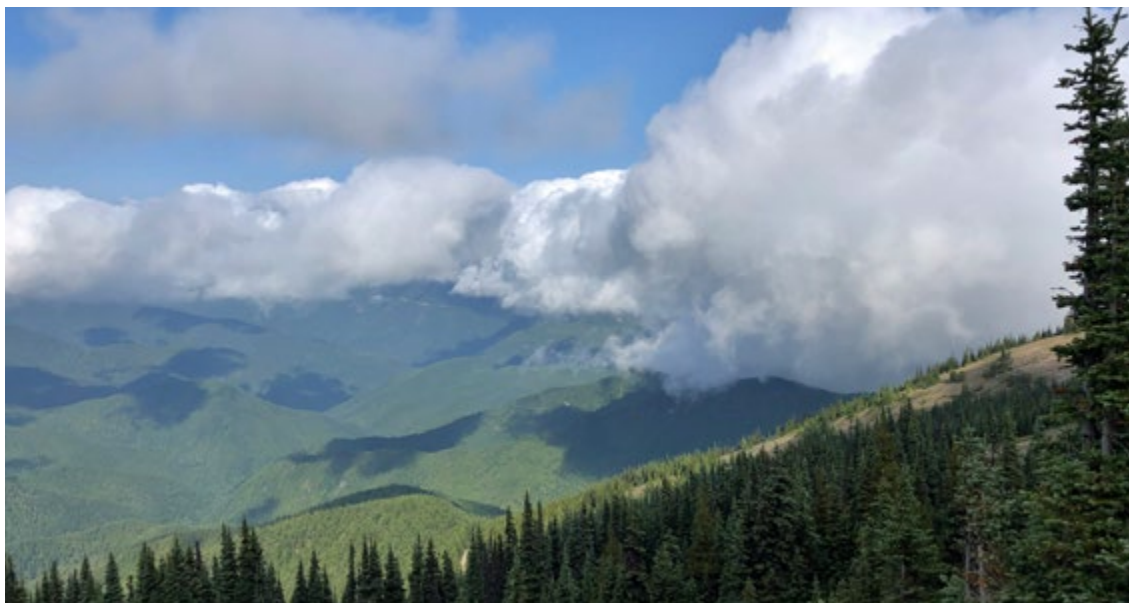
Plus, she loves where she lives. Donna and her husband Mike have lived on Seaview in the Kala Heights Condo Association since 2012. Mike is a board member for the condo association and serves as the grounds coordinator. They share their home with two dogs, an Aussie-Doodle and a Morkie, who love the beach and walks in the forest.

In her previous community, Donna volunteered in a number of roles ranging from chair of a high school graduation night, division president of a little league and district parent advocate, to board representative and treasurer. She was recently on Kala Point’s ad hoc Responsible Dog Owner committee, but the travel associated with her career

made volunteering for other committees simply too challenging.

Whether her role is professional or volunteer, Donna considers herself a very adaptable team player. “I have a proven ability to roll up my sleeves and get the job done.”

Donna and Mike have two grown sons, both married and living in California. “Our oldest has our only grandchild, a two-year-old little girl,” says Donna. “We have a fifth-wheel trailer that allows us to make lots of trips south to see the family. ♦



*Obstruction Point Clouds • Angela George*

# New Employee

## Maintenance: Zacharey Cooper

I am what most people would call a small-town guy. I was born in Renton, Washington, but moved to Sequim shortly after birth. I watched Sequim grow and the farm land disappear as Sequim became what it is today. I lived there until I was 19 and decided to move out to Port Townsend.



I absolutely love turning wrenches, welding, working on cars, riding horses, camping, hunting, fishing, hiking and almost anything I can do outdoors and with my family. I am a father to three wonderful little girls that keep me pushing to do better in life every day and keep me on my toes. I have had a wide variety of jobs throughout my life so far, I love experiencing new things every day and really enjoy being a Do-It-Yourselfer — there isn't much that I can't figure out with time or a way to solve and accomplish a mission! ♦



## COVID Cautions

Just in case you've missed these important warnings about hand sanitizers and masks:

- ✦ The FDA continues to expand its list of do-not-use hand sanitizers; see [fda.gov/unsafehandsanitizers](https://www.fda.gov/unsafehandsanitizers). The list includes products that can be toxic or even life-threatening when absorbed through the skin or ingested, and products that are insufficiently potent. Immediately stop using these products and check the FDA's recommendations for proper disposal.
- ✦ Masks with exhalation valves or vents should not be worn to help prevent the person wearing the mask from spreading COVID-19 to others. The one-way valve makes it easier to exhale, but it also lets germs out into the air.
- ✦ Face shields are not a substitute for cloth face coverings. According to the Washington State Department of Commerce and Jefferson County Department of Health, face shields protect the wearer from droplets but do not sufficiently protect others; covering the nose and mouth with a face mask prevents droplets from circulating. A face shield alone does not meet our county and state requirements to wear a mask. ♦

## Kala Cares In Memoriam

### Megan Ferris

## Virtual Events

### September 12

**Virtual Wooden Boat Festival.** Enjoy hours of wooden boat and adventuring footage, including



fascinating stories from the global wooden boat community. There will be a live master class and eight featured videos — including *The Race to Alaska — The Movie* — with live Q&As after each. The festival will also feature nine other “stages” that mirror what you’d experience at the Festival in person, with fresh, exclusive, on-demand video content. **TIME:** 6 a.m.–9 p.m. **COST:** \$15–30; get your tickets in advance at [virtualwbf.org/purchase-tickets/](http://virtualwbf.org/purchase-tickets/) **CONTACT:** [info@nwmartime.org](mailto:info@nwmartime.org), 360.385.3628, [virtualwbf.org/](http://virtualwbf.org/)

### September 24–October 4

**Virtual Port Townsend Film Festival.** The Virtual Festival will run 24/7 over 10 days, with nearly all films, interviews and special events accessible throughout the entire festival. Stream the festival on your home television, computer, tablet or phone. Among the special events is a tribute — *Her Effortless Brilliance* — to filmmaker Lynn Shelton who died this spring. **TIME:** Streaming can begin Sept. 24. **COST:** Varies; unlimited pass: \$120. Get tickets in advance at [ptfilmfest.com/](http://ptfilmfest.com/) Each PTFP pass is unique to an email address. **CONTACT:** [info@ptfilmfest.com](mailto:info@ptfilmfest.com), 360.379.1333, [ptfilmfest.com/](http://ptfilmfest.com/). ♦

## Temporary Court Closures

*Keith Larson*

The Lagoon pickleball courts will be closed August 31–September 4 for resurfacing. The Sports Court on Pinecrest will remain open.

The Lagoon tennis court will also be closed August 31–September 3 for additional repairs. ♦

## New Signage

In February, the BOD, in response to a Grounds Committee request, adopted [Article VIII-4](#) for “Permanent Directional and Guiding Signage.” The Grounds Committee then addressed the “no parking/towing signs” that were erected in eight locations around Kala point. One of the signs was eliminated. The remaining seven have been replaced. The sign on the left was the original sign in the parking lot at the beach. It was replaced by the sign on the right. ♦



## Letters

I would like to offer a HUGE thank you to everyone who contributed to the effort of removing all the dreadful red and white signs around our community which were replaced with blue and white signs that blend into the environment in a much more aesthetically pleasing way. I’m grateful to the 25 members who co-signed my letter to the Board almost a year ago; to my husband who joined the Grounds committee and spearheaded the writing of a new APP regarding signs, all the Board and committee members (past and present) who contributed many hours to this endeavor, and Keith Larson and his crew who changed the signs. I sincerely appreciate how everyone came together to effect a change that reflects Kala Point as a friendly community of members who fully appreciate the beauty of where we live. ♦

Sigrid Cummings  
*Pinewood Court*

## Beach Education

### If You Find a Seal Pup, It Has Not Been Abandoned!

*Alison Ebbott*

There was a baby seal found on the south beach on the morning of August 10. Some Kala Pointers tried to protect it and keep people and dogs at a distance. Sadly, by the time the Marine Science Center people were able to get here, it had died (cause of death unknown).

If you see a seal pup on the beach, please remember: The baby seal has not been abandoned. The mother seal is off feeding and will come back for her pup. The pup may be left on the beach for hours. This is normal seal behavior. Leave the pup alone and do not approach. Humans and pets should remain as far away from the baby seal as possible.

Should you find a pup, call the Marine Science Center at 360.385.5582. They will send out people to monitor the pup and make sure it's reunited with the mother. ♦



*(Above) A representative from the Port Townsend Marine Science Center mourns the passing of the seal pup on the Kala Point beach.*

#### Seal Facts:

- Male harbor seals live an average of 20 to 25 years while females live 25 to 30 years.
- They can stay submerged for up to 30 minutes, but dives usually last only about three minutes.
- Males can weigh as much as 290 pounds; females are slightly smaller.



*Enjoying the sun.* • Angela George



# Through The Lens



*Hilary in the Mist* • Kate Lore



*Heron on a Mission* • Kate Lore



*Olympic View* • Angela George

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# Through The Lens



Pooped Pup • Mike Burk



Full Moon Over Boat Haven • Bob Segui



New Sign: Distance to Family Members • Veda Wilson



Summer Dahlia • Angela George

# Through The Lens



*Aug. 16 Morning Drink* • Patsy Mathys



*Aug. 16 Evening Watch* • Bob Eggleston



*Patriotic Postal Plea* • Mike Burk



*Necco the Nine-Year-Old Newfie With His Nubby* • Joanie Reynolds

*Beach Love* • Sharon Bastian



## Sharing the Good Life *Hilary Newell*

During the time of COVID, we may not be able to get together for big dinner parties the way we'd like, but that doesn't mean we can't enjoy good food and drink. In this column, we'd like to share those recipes that bring us joy.

If you have a favorite recipe you'd like to share, send it to us at [yourkalapointer@kalapoint.org](mailto:yourkalapointer@kalapoint.org). It could be a recipe you've developed, or an old family recipe that was passed down for a few generations. Either way, if you like it, I guarantee others will like it too.

### Summer Corn Salad

My husband and I moved from Massachusetts to Kala Point after working for 32 years on a farm that was known for its corn and tomatoes. Yes, there were dozens of other veggies, but the corn and tomatoes stole the show every summer. We held contests to guess when the first corn would be harvested, and there were numerous cooking competitions to see who could create the most delicious recipes. This one was a winner! All the ingredients can be adjusted up or down, depending on your tastes.

#### Ingredients

butter  
olive oil  
6 ears corn, kernels cut off  
1/4 cup diced red onion  
basil leaves to taste  
1 tomato (a juicy heirloom tomato is best, but any will do — I've even cut up cherry tomatoes)  
1/2 ripe avocado, cut into bite-size pieces  
white balsamic vinegar

#### Instructions

Using a heavy skillet over medium heat, sauté the corn in a little butter and olive oil.

Refrain from stirring the corn too much, as you want the kernels of corn to caramelize. Scrape the little brown bits from the bottom of the pan and stir into the corn as it's cooking. This will add a lot of flavor.

When the corn is done, remove the pan from the heat and toss with the rest of the ingredients.

Drizzle with a little olive oil and white balsamic vinegar to taste.

Salt and pepper to taste.

Serve warm on a bed of fresh greens.



### Blackberry Liqueur

The plethora of Himalayan blackberries in our area begs not only for blackberry crisps, blackberry buckle, blackberry smoothies and just eating them out of hand, but for the lingering taste of summer in a mid-winter cocktail made with this smooth liqueur. I like it just poured over crushed ice, or topped off with some bubbly water. Recipe adapted from [Food.com](https://www.food.com)

#### Ingredients

1 cup water  
3 cups sugar  
3 cups vodka  
3–4 cups freshly picked ripe blackberries, gently rinsed

#### Instructions

Gently heat water and sugar. Stir until sugar is dissolved. Do not boil.

Add vodka and stir.

Place blackberries in a medium-size bowl and pour the liquid over the berries. Blend very gently.

Leave the mixture in the refrigerator for about two weeks. Pour through a strainer and discard the berries. Pour the liqueur into canning jars or decorative bottles. Let mellow for a few months. ♦

## Get To Know Your Neighbors *Patti Biazzo*

### Tom and Patti Biazzo

*Foxfield Drive*

We moved to Port Townsend in September 2011, and were followed two months later by Tom's mother Sarah. Both of us have lived in Minnesota most of our lives, with Tom spending time in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Georgia. We moved from Georgia to our soon-to-be retirement place in PT.

We started building on Foxfield Drive in September 2011, and moved in on April 1, 2012, but no fooling around on that day!

We were drawn here by the natural beauty of water, big trees and mountains. We love the temperate weather and the great outdoor recreation opportunities afforded here, especially now during COVID-19. We miss our friends and family, but we are able to see them a couple times of year in better times.

There still is nothing better than having the new and old friends in this town we've been blessed with! Dick and Diana Zinn, our very dear friends, moved here first. Dick and Tom worked together in Minnesota and Wisconsin and have remained friends going on 41 years.

Tom worked in the forest products industries for 35 years, attending Michigan State University, where he received degrees in classical studies and chemical engineering. I had a home day care for 17 years, then got into office management and human resources for a company that was licensed in making one of the two-way radios on the market.

We share four children and — so far — three granddaughters, but there is perhaps more activity on that front. Helena, Montana, is home for Tom's son and daughter-in-law, and his daughter, son-in-law and granddaughter. Minnesota is home for Patti's son, his wife, and daughter, son-in-law and granddaughters.

We are dog people even though Patti and Sarah have had cats before. We now have one dog, Hailey, a young 13-year-old who is doing well. Sarah's dog Abbey passed a year ago.

Sarah was born in Port Clinton, Ohio, and owned two houses there, one in Bay Village and one on

Catawba Island. She used to be in a ladies' gourmet group, and enjoys bridge, reading and a glass of wine with all of our wonderful friends. Sarah will celebrate her 95th birthday on September 24.

Tom and I have been together since 2000 when we met on an island in Wisconsin — of course at a bar. This is a second marriage for us both.

We love to travel and some of our favorites have been Belize, Costa Rica, British Virgin Islands (bareboating with our wonderful friends in Kala Point), Paris, Switzerland, Italy — this could be a very large



paragraph! As for recreation, we have owned a speed boat, a sailboat, but now cruise around in a land yacht (which we love).

We love crabbing, hiking and biking with our new e-bikes, gardening and most of all seeing our kids and grandkids when we can. Tom and I are dedicated to doing almost everything together. We love where we live and think it was a great choice to move here.

Tom is in a men's cooking group and volunteers for trail maintenance for Fort Townsend. Patti volunteers for Habitat for Humanity, Emergency Preparedness and is a co-chair for Social Plus.

During the pandemic, we've cleaned out closets and put in new hardwood flooring. We feel truly blessed for living on the Olympic Peninsula with Tom's mother and all of our good friends. ♦

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## Get To Know Your Neighbors *Suzanne Eggleston*

### Scott Minor & Kathleen Eakins

*Pinecrest Drive*

Many have found the pandemic has resulted in more time for reflection — and even epiphanies. For Kathleen Eakins, the pandemic allowed her to slow down and get a glimpse of what retirement can be like. “I found the time away from my work quite refreshing and restorative,” she says. “As a result, I plan to build more down time going forward into my work schedule.”

Her husband Scott Minor says, “I’ve become more aware of our fragile nature biologically and how crucial it is that we better prepare for future pandemics through solid scientific research and governmental planning.”

Some of this reflection has taken place in the Pinecrest home they purchased in November 2019. Scott and Kathleen’s primary home is in Boulder, Colorado; they plan to move here permanently once Kathleen retires from her beloved physical therapy practice.



“I feel fortunate to be in a profession for 37 years that aligns with my interests and brings me so much satisfaction,” she says. She received a bachelor’s in physical therapy at the University of Vermont and went on to work with children, orthopedics and sports medicine. “For the past 12 years of this period, I have pursued my own private practice in Integrative Manual Therapy, a more holistic approach to the body and physical health and trauma which has been deeply satisfying,” says Kathleen. She hopes to pursue a part-time practice when they are living here full time.

After getting a bachelor’s at UC Santa Barbara and a master’s at the University of Colorado, Boulder, both

in Geology, Scott worked as a research geologist with the U.S. Geological Survey for 39 years. “My focus was structural geology — deformation of the Earth’s crust — which involved a fair amount of field work, especially early in my career,” says Scott. “It was a labor of love, as I have always been interested in the natural world, the outdoors, and the power of nature as manifest in earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, etc.”

The two share a love of running, hiking, cycling and Nordic skiing. Kathleen also wants to take up paddleboarding and possibly rowing once settled here, and they both want to get into sea kayaking. Not surprisingly, they both love the area’s natural beauty.

“Kala Point in particular is a great living environment where homeowners seem to be invested in preserving, being good stewards of, and coexisting with the surrounding forest,” says Scott. “The infamous rain shadow here is an additional bonus,” adds Kathleen.

This active couple met on a blind date — a hike up a Boulder peak, appropriately enough — set up by a friend. The date was a success and they’ve now been married 12 years.

Their family includes three sons from Scott’s previous marriage: Josh, 34, in Colorado; Kelton, 30, in California; and Josef, 26, in Illinois. It also includes Atticus, a rambunctious two-and-a-half-year-old Australian Labradoodle.

“We are definitely dog people, although Kathleen considers herself simply as an animal lover,” says Scott. “We both enjoy dogs because of how they engage with humans and can accompany us on walks and hikes. Also, dogs can connect with humans at the heart level, thus the old saying ‘Dogs are a man’s (and woman’s) best friend’ rings very true for us.”

Besides sharing a love of dogs, they also enjoy traveling. Visits to family and friends have taken them many places throughout the U.S. and abroad, including Italy, Scotland, Iceland, Norway and Denmark.

When relaxing at home, Kathleen enjoys reading fiction and nonfiction, gardening, playing with pastel and music. Scott likes nature photography, reading nonfiction, and collecting, repairing, and conserving old maps and books of U.S. western exploration. They both like watching movies, good wine and beer.

Scott and Kathleen look forward to getting to know more about PT where there are ample opportunities for “communing with nature through care-taking, recreation, meditation, and relaxation in natural settings.” ♦

# Kala Lily's

## September Gardening Tips

Diane Solvik & Angela George

We have had a delightful summer so far and now, with the arrival of September, it is the perfect time to plan, shop and plant for autumn. The days are still warm but there is a feel of fall in the air and some trees are starting to turn.



Garden centers will be having sales on trees and shrubs. There is still plenty of warm growing time for the plants to settle in and for roots to establish before the ground freezes. Check new plant additions to make sure they are not rootbound in the pot before you purchase them. The roots will girdle and strangle the

plant and it will probably die.

We are very lucky here in that we have many plants that flower between December and March. Look for *Euphorbia myrsinites* (myrtle spurge) with blue-grey leaves and greenish yellow flowers; *Helleborus foetidus* with light green flowers with purple margins; and *Helleborus niger* (Christmas rose), which blooms from December until April with flowers that are white or greenish, turning purple as they age. *Helleborus orientalis* (Lenten rose) will bloom from February through May with flowers that are purple or rose, often spotted with deep purple. *Epimedium grandiflorum* (rose queen), also known as the bishop's hat, is an asset to any garden.



It's a very drought-tolerant ground cover and does well under trees. Rose queen has beautiful deep, rose-pink flowers and

long white spurs with orange-purple new leaves.

Many plants, such as asters, clematis, roses and mums, develop a powdery mildew from our moist coastal air. Spray them weekly with a mixture of four tablespoons of baking soda to one gallon of water, adding a few drops of dish detergent to help it stick.



Although it may be tempting to do so, do not cut back ornamental grasses in the fall. Leave the stalks on the plant to protect the inner crown from a freeze. Prune them back in the spring.

Plant pansies, mums, sedums and flowering kale for nice fall and winter color in your containers. Late blooming perennials, such as autumn joy, black-eyed Susan, cone flowers and ornamental grasses can still be planted at this time. Lay down a fresh layer of wood chips or gravel on your garden pathways to prevent them becoming muddy in the winter. Keep shopping for spring bulbs which sell out fast at this time of the year.



Deadhead your annuals to keep them blooming well into October. Remember to deadhead dahlias as this will encourage them to continue blooming right up until the first frost.

We still have many lovely days ahead to enjoy. Hopefully these tips will help guide you toward a beautiful and healthy garden. ♦

**Diane has a very vigorous and prolific "Desert King" fig tree on the right of her side yard. The tree is tall and she cannot reach the delicious fruit which is green in color with a pink center. She invites anyone to go by her house and pick some before the raccoons finish them up!**

# Committee Reports

## Architectural

*June 18 via Zoom*

**Projects Summary:** 25 total: 3 completed, 15 ongoing and 7 new

### Old Business:

- Lot #390 – new home and landscaping completed
- Lot #6006 – new addition completed
- Lot #349 – garden screen completed as proposed

### New Business:

- Lot #353 – approved painting trim only and replacing exterior lighting
- Lot #267 – approved replacing first 10 feet of aggregate with asphalt drive
- Lot #295 – approved adding water feature with pond and lighting
- Lot #5001 – approved replacing roof with Owens Corning Woodmoor, timber
- Lot# 287 – approved addition on northwest corner of 116 square feet
- Lot #185 – approved addition to deck of 128 square feet
- Lot #1034 & 1031 – approved additions to existing patios pending approval by condo association; conforms with allowed placement and size

*July 16 via Zoom*

**Project Summary:** 26 total: 5 completed, 14 ongoing and 7 new

### Old Business:

- Lot #341 – pet enclosure completed; deposit refunded
- Lot #116 – painting completed; deposit refunded
- Lot #271 – painting completed; deposit refunded
- Lot #5013 – painting completed; deposit refunded
- Lot #362 – decking/steps completed; deposit refunded

### New Business:

- Lot #404 – approved replacing gravel driveway with concrete
- Lot #164 – approved repainting of new color Chelsea Gray and trim Amherst Gray
- Lot #280 – approved replacing roofing with Malarkey brand Windsor Natural Wood
- Lot #353 – approved adding propane tank and tank screening
- Lot# 353 – approved adding to existing deck west and north side

- Lot #277 – approved deck plan for new build
- Lot #142 – approved new 200-square-foot deck less than 30 inches above grade

*August 20 via email and Zoom*

Carolyn McNulty will resign as chair as she will be moving out of state; Pat Miles will step back in her role, but agreed to counsel the committee with historical knowledge for several months. Names for new members were suggested. Carolyn will remain chair until she is no longer in KP; co-chair is David Harrah; secretary is vacant.

Lot # 326 resident attended meeting to request that windows in the currently being constructed shed be located toward the front yard to mimic the look of the house; unanimously approved.

### Old Business:

- Refunded deposits: Reed, Munden, Weller, McQuiston, Solvik
- Lot #64 – compliance case closed; garden enclosure and painting completed
- Lot #450 – compliance case; new deadline late September for additional plantings

### New Business:

- Lot #297 – new compliance letter sent requesting completion of exterior painting and screening of propane tank
- Lot #304 – new compliance letter sent requesting screening of propane tank
- Lot #242 – gutter replacement of existing; no application required
- Lot #43 – deck replacement of existing deck with synthetic in same footprint; no application required
- Lot #446 – partial replacement of driveway in same footprint; no application required
- Lot #5010 – repaint same colors (gray body and garage with brown trim); like for like
- Lot #5011 – repaint same colors (taupe body and garage with griffin trim); like for like.
- Lot #444 – new roof; preapproved Pabco Paramount Advantage, antique black

### Refundable deposits discussion

Proposal to discontinue deposits for all items on existing homes as there is a lot of paperwork for no real benefit. Proposed that AC continues to collect refundable deposits for all new construction and additions. Will send to the Board for approval since currently approved in APP III.



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## New Business: Need approval

- Lot #277 – fencing for garden and dog run; unanimous decision to send back as the material is not normally approved and fence height is an issue
- Lot #287 – new paint colors: house and garage Behr Historical Gray, and trim Behr Incognito and Sandstorm (a darker gray & sand); unanimous approval
- Lot #305 – new paint colors; house and garage staying current color of brown. New fascia, gutter and front door color Benj.M “Under the Sea” #693 (green) and new arch, trim around garage door and entry columns color “Alexandria Beige” HC#77; unanimous approval
- Lot #432 – new paint colors; body and garage Benj. M Artichoke #2141-10, trim color Classic Brown #2109-10; unanimous approval
- Lot #417 – Adding railing to existing 28-inch-high deck for dog control. Gave a variance to use black powder-coated wire framed with cedar; sturdier and blends into background better; unanimous approval
- Lot #87 – new Trex decking no higher than 12 inches off ground; unanimous approval
- Lot #67 – new propane tank located under decking to right of garage. Must screen to shield from street; unanimous approval
- Lot #43 – replacement of a current single step with 10’ x 16’ cedar decking on ground level to rear of home; unanimous approval

## Emergency Preparedness

*August 6 by video teleconference*

- Solicitations for private funding are underway for a 500-gallon water trailer that will be used to transport water to the subdivision in the event we have a major water system failure. To date during this grassroots effort, \$3,369 has been pledged toward the \$7,500 trailer. No money is being accepted at this time, only pledges. See article on [Page 4](#).
- Several beach fires have been reported. Although KPOA does not have jurisdiction over the beach below the mean high tide, the Association asks that people not have open fires on the beach. Wayward sparks can cause wildfires during this dry season. Also, the barbecues at the gazebo have been removed and taken to the beach for beach fires. The General Manager will look into securing these grills.
- The First Aid team has inspected two canopies that

have been stored under the Clubhouse for years and found them to be in excellent condition. The thought is that since the Neighborhood Operations Center (NOC) cannot meet in the Administration conference room during the COVID-19 crisis, that, if needed, the canopies could be used by the NOC in an emergency. Our storage container will be used to store NOC supplies.

- EPC Block Captains met August 4 and discussed a variety of subjects, including increasing PPE supplies and radios, COVID-19 safety and volunteer organizing.
- The EPC discussed a CERT video on “Safety in the After Disaster Environment.” At next month’s EPC meeting, there will be a discussion on Chapter 7 of the CERT training manual on “Light Search and Rescue Operations.”
- Mark Miller continues to report information supplied by the Jefferson County Department of Emergency Management:
  - Jefferson County is experiencing a slow increase in cases (57 at this writing)
  - Kitsap cases have tripled in the last month
  - Clallam cases have more than doubled in the last month
  - PPE supplies are increasing
  - Mask usage outside along Water Street is about 65%, in stores about 95%; stores with the lowest compliance: hardware
- The next EPC meeting is on September 3 at 9:30 a.m. via Zoom.

## Grounds

*August 3 by video teleconference*

The Grounds Committee voted unanimously to ask the Board to approve two new members: Frances Loubere and Geoff Genter (both were approved unanimously at the August 11 board meeting).

The Committee also voted to forward proposed changes to [KPOA Rules & Regulations, Article II, Section C](#) “Pets” language that was developed by the Responsible Dog Owners subcommittee and approved by the Grounds Committee at their July meeting (see proposed language on the [KPOA website](#) under the August 11 Board Materials).

### Old business:

- Two active cases of rule violations
- Actions to support the implementation of changes to

## Committee Reports

the “Pets” policy (assuming it is adopted)

- An aggressive dog database
- a *Kala Pointer* article
- English Ivy proliferation

### New business:

- The Committee updated the list of assignments for zone monitoring and reviewed rules related to custom street address signs.
- Assigned responsibility for two articles to be submitted to the *Kala Pointer*: keeping gutters clean, and use of fire pits and the county burn ban.

### Internal Controls

*Monthly meetings cancelled until able to meet together again*

### Publications

*Meeting on August 3 by Zoom*

- Discussed format and content of Board minutes for the *Kala Pointer* with new Board alternate who is also the Board secretary
- **Letters to the Editor policy** was discussed: letters are printed as written, no slanderous or disparaging letters, and limit (typically) of one letter and one response per subject
- After KPOA website ad hoc committee meets, the Publication Committee requests that final editing for grammar and clarity be done by the committee
- Discussed the September issue, and focus on new CFO and KPOA employees, and new article on food/drink
- Next meeting will be at 2 p.m., Monday, Sept. 7

### Tree

- Committee continues to receive requests for tree actions. Meetings are in person but with masks and social separation standing in the middle of the street
- Dealt with 22 requests in August, including eight new requests. Many of the requests are simple removals of dead trees and branches, but some are more complicated. Discussed interaction with the Architectural Committee on tree decisions during new constructions.
- Emergency requests are handled all month long — anytime. **APP XII** contains the rules followed by the Committee and the circumstances where an owner can act without Committee involvement. ♦



### Personnel Committee

The Personnel Committee is inviting association members to join for 2020–2022. The committee membership is comprised of the Board President, Vice President, Chief Finance Officer, and at least one association member.

The committee meets quarterly to provide oversight of all personnel employed by KPOA. If you are interested, please submit a brief bio and why you would like to serve on the committee. Deadline for the candidate applications is September 15.

The committee will meet at the end of September to select the best candidate(s) and present their recommendation to the Board of Directors at the October Board meeting. For further information, contact Scott Rovanpera at [kpoaboard\\_rovanpera@kalapoint.org](mailto:kpoaboard_rovanpera@kalapoint.org)

### Architectural Committee

The KPOA Architecture Committee needs volunteers. No experience required except a desire to continue keeping the community a desirable and attractive place to live. The committee follows an established set of rules and criteria to help members maintain and improve their properties.

These are the guiding principles of many HOAs. Meetings are held once per month (1.5 hours) and may require an additional hour or so to perform progress reviews of projects during the month. Even though each individual has an assigned project to follow, decisions are made by committee after we evaluate each request as a group.

Please contact anyone on the committee or Caroline McNulty 360.379.6818 to learn more.

### Bluffs Management Advisory Committee

BMAC needs volunteers to help preserve Kala Point's natural beauty and views, prevent erosion to our bluffs, and save homeowners money by consolidating the cost of county-mandated reporting.

If you are interested or have questions, contact: Scott Love: [slovebug74@gmail.com](mailto:slovebug74@gmail.com) or Bob Winfrey: [rjwinfrey@gmail.com](mailto:rjwinfrey@gmail.com) ♦

## Responsible Dog Owner Ad Hoc Committee (RDO)

June 9, 2020 (final revision July 7, 2020)

### 1. Proposed Changes to KPOA Rules & Regulations, Article II, Section C “Pets”

**Revision of Intent:** The Grounds Committee has been authorized to monitor aggressive pet behavior when based on corroborative proof (valid and observed) and will issue warning letters to pet owners and/or recommend fines to the KPOA Board of Directors for repeated offenses. Pet attacks will not be tolerated within Kala Point and KPOA will recommend seizure and impoundment through the violation of **Washington State’s RCW Title 16, Chapter 16.08 “Dogs.”**

- a. **Revision of C.1:** Dogs must wear a current dog license at Kala Point. Licensing of adult cats through Jefferson County Animal Services (JCAS) is also recommended. (**County Ordinance 6.07.250**)
- b. **Revision of C.2:** If a dog is defined to be “dangerous,” per **RCW 16.08.070**, the dog must be muzzled and restrained per **RCW 16.08.090**. In case a person or pet is bitten, the Jefferson County Sheriff shall be contacted (9-1-1) and a deputy may pick up the offending pet to quarantine it and check for rabies at the owner’s expense. A complaint to the County Sheriff’s Office may result in the removal of the animal (**County Ordinance 6.07.030 “Seizing & Impoundment”**).
- c. **New C.3:** The Grounds Committee will maintain a database of complaints of aggressive dog behavior. Aggressive dog behavior refers to any behavior connected with an attack or an impending attack. This includes snarling, growling, baring teeth, lunging, nipping and biting. If after an investigation, the Grounds Committee makes a good faith determination based on the evidence that a dog has a propensity of being aggressive, the Grounds Committee will recommend to the KPOA Board of Directors that the dog be muzzled and leashed whenever the dog is on or passing through the Common Areas. The board may fine dog owners who are not in compliance with this regulation.
- d. **New C.4:** Owners shall prevent their dogs from barking excessively. No owner may allow an animal to unreasonably disturb any resident through habitual barking or making any other noises which by the frequency or volume

unreasonably disturbs or interferes with the peace of any resident. (**County Ordinance 6.07.120 “Nuisance Noise”**)

- e. **Revision of C.5:** Dogs shall be leashed at all times when off the owner’s property, except for owner-supervised runs on the beach.
- f. **New C.6:** Pet owners shall remove all their pets’ waste from rights of way, beach, and Common Areas. Valid observations of pet owners not removing their pets’ waste shall be reported to the Grounds Committee.
- g. **Renumber existing C.6 to C.7**
- h. **Renumber existing C.7 to C.8**

### 2. Proposed changes to signage at the beach:

**KPOA OFF-LEASH AREA  
NO AGGRESSIVE DOGS  
DOG ATTACKS – CALL 911  
OWNER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE  
ACTION OF THEIR DOG  
CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG**

If Jealousy had a face



## Gutter Maintenance

*Carol Letterman and Leslie Weertman*

The purpose of a gutter system is to direct water off the roof, away from the house and foundation, and to prevent rot and structural damage to your home. For water to properly drain away from the house, it must flow easily from roof to gutter to downspout to yard drain. If the gutter is obstructed, the water can back up under eaves and lead to a leaking roof.

Gutters can become full of duff, or dead plant material; here in Kala Point, a common culprit is alder catkin and fir pollen cones. If duff is allowed to collect in gutters, it creates a fire hazard in the summer, and can lead to stagnant water and rotting material accumulation, creating a potential breeding ground for mosquitoes or other pests like termites and ants.



*Douglas fir pollen cones filling a gutter.*

Mosquito-borne illnesses have been rare in the Northwest but as our climate changes, there is more concern for both humans and pets. For example, dogs bitten by a mosquito carrying heart worm larvae can die of this infestation.

Therefore, routine home maintenance should include regular or at least spring and fall gutter inspection and cleaning to keep the system draining properly. Even commercial screen-type gutter guards designed to reduce the trapping of leaves can still obstruct or even accumulate duff on top of the gutter; inspect these as well. Inspection requires a ladder, so be careful. Improper placement or use of a ladder can result in damage to your home or personal injury. There are also many professionals in our community who can provide this regular gutter-cleaning service.

In summary, keep your gutter system flowing freely to protect the structural integrity of your home, and reduce the risk of fire and mosquito bites. ♦

## Kala Point Text Notifications and Emergency Information Sheet (EIS)

Kala Point's Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) and the KPOA Administration have instituted an emergency text-messaging service. If you haven't already, register to receive KP-centric information to supplement the broader regional alerts sent by NIXLE. This information might be about which emergency exits are clear or which roads have been snow-plowed, which areas are affected by fires, or that the area in front of the gatehouse is solid ice. If you haven't completed the online form to register your mobile phone, you won't receive this information.

This text-messaging system is separate from the EPC's efforts to have each resident of Kala Point complete Emergency Information Sheets (EIS). The text-messaging is outward facing, providing information to members like you; the EIS is inward facing, providing information to team members to aid you, your family and assist your neighbors in an emergency.

The EIS tells us who your local and out-of-area emergency contacts are, what special needs, resources, skills and pets you may have. The EIS is completely confidential and secure, and therefore it must be kept completely separate from other efforts such as text-messaging.

Note: If you've already submitted an EIS but want to make changes in your information (new contacts, address change, etc.), you will need to complete and submit a new form. We're sorry, but the current free version of the software doesn't allow editing.

This is one instance where doing things twice is twice as beneficial. The forms are fast and easy to complete. You'll find them on the EPC website at [epc.kalapoint.org/text/](http://epc.kalapoint.org/text/) and [epc.kalapoint.org/eis/](http://epc.kalapoint.org/eis/). ♦

## Check Your Information

There is an updated *Kala Point Member Directory* available on the KPOA website. Use the link below to review your information to ensure it's correct.

### [KPOA Member Directory](#)

If your entry needs updating, contact the KPOA office at **360.385.0814**.

Office Hours:

8:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m. Monday–Thursday

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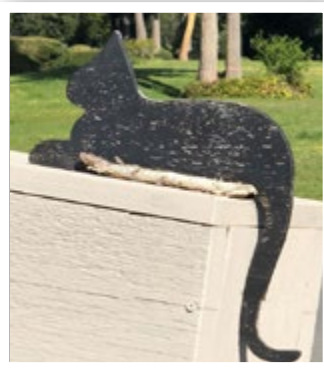
### More “Foo Foes”

In the last few issues, we’ve featured photos of Kala Point street number post art, a genre Angela George and Marilyn Berry have dubbed “Foo Foo.” Here are more photos of Foo Foes taken by them and others for you to look for while walking the neighborhood.

If you are up to the challenge, drive, walk, bike or use whatever means you prefer and snap pictures of some Foo Foes *you* find. Submit your finds to [yourkalapointer@kalapoint.org](mailto:yourkalapointer@kalapoint.org). ♦



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Do you have 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! ♦

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## **KPOA Facilities**

**All our facilities  
are closed  
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only at 360.385.0814.**

**Stay tuned for  
our reopening.**