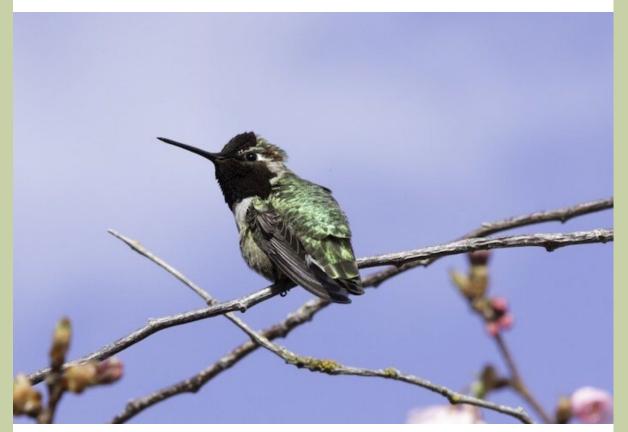
Kala Pointer

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Attention Gmail Users

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From the Desk of KPOA President

Mark Lannon, Board President

Safety is everyone's business.



Seat With a View, photo by Pamela Thompson



Uptown Time, photo by Donna Abear

Recently there was a near miss in Kala Point: car versus pedestrian. Kala Point residents and visitors extensively utilize Kala Point roads for recreational activities such as walking and cycling. Our roads provide access to Fort Townsend State Park's trail system, several internal hiking trails, and access to our own beach. Maps of trails, common areas, and the state park are available at the Kala Point office.

Kala Point acknowledges the benefits of walking and cycling within our community. We remind all road users that vehicles, pedestrians, and cyclists share rights and responsibilities for safe conduct while using Kala Point roadways.

Pedestrians and cyclists should remain alert to traffic and be visible at all times. Consider wearing high-visibility clothing with reflective strips. Where safe to do so, pedestrians should walk facing traffic and use the road shoulder when vehicles approach. Drivers should adhere to the posted speed limit of 25 mph or less, and always anticipate pedestrians in the roadway. You should further slow or stop prior to passing pedestrians at a safe distance.

Remember, our community lacks sidewalks and has a high level of pedestrian activity. Our pedestrians include those with varying levels of mobility who may not be able to fully exit the roadway.

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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 Boardenacted 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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April Board Meeting Summary

Dan Nordlund, Board Secretary

The April KPOA Board Meeting was held April 11 at 3 p.m. It was a hybrid meeting held in person at the clubhouse and over Zoom. Directors in attendance in the clubhouse: M. Lannon, president; J. Reeves, vice president; D. Nordlund, secretary; K. Skolrud, CFO; and Directors P. Miles, S. Stanton, D. Moses, and K. Titus. Also attending were Keith Larson, general manager; and Felice Thompson, administrative assistant II. There were also eight residents attending by Zoom and five residents in attendance at the Clubhouse. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. The April 2023 agenda and the minutes of the March 2023 Board meeting were approved. It was announced that the deadline for articles for the May *Kala Pointer* was April 19.

General Manager's Administration Report

- GM Larson announced he would be taking vacation from April 19

 April 21, 2023, returning on April 24
- There have been some technical difficulties with updating the Board's website landing page; staff is working with Assai Web Design to resolve the issues
- KPOA has scheduled a meeting on May 9 from 11 a.m.—noon with JeffCo PUD to discuss upcoming projects that will affect KPOA and the processes for handling power outages

- Administration staff is currently reformatting all APPs to simplify the process for amending APPs going forward
- A paper-shredding event is scheduled for April 28, 10 a.m.–1 p.m. at the Administration Building. If you can't be there on the 28th, you may drop off documents to be shredded at the Maintenance Facility from Monday April 24–27, 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
- It was announced the pool would open on April 15

Finance Report

- First-quarter financials looked reasonably good, with no areas of particular concern
- Assessment collections are on track
- Storage rental invoicing is scheduled to be mailed May 1

Reserve Projects

- Various road repairs, paving of Hemlock Court and Pinewood Court, tractor replacement, replacement of some mailbox gangs, and Clubhouse exterior painting
- Upon inspection of the pier pilings, some problems were found. Two companies are bidding on project to do the repairs. Until the repairs are made, the dock will be unavailable for use.

Grounds Report

GM Larson stated that the owners of the beached sailboat have not responded to attempts to reach them. The boat has been posted with notices of intent to obtain custody and should be removed from the beach sometime in May.

Old Business

- The proposed amendment to <u>APP VIII Grounds Committee</u>, Section C was approved
- The proposed amendments to APP XIII Publications Committee were approved
- Approval of changes to <u>APP XI Social Plus Committee</u> was deferred until May Board meeting
- The Strategic Planning Committee was tasked by the Board to develop a New Director Orientation plan
- After substantial discussion of the proposed changes to <u>CC&Rs Article IV</u>, Chapter B, Uniform General Requirements, the Board voted to recommend that the changes proposed (without section 7 changes) be presented to the membership in a Board-generated resolution at the 2023 Annual Meeting

New Business

- The 2023 Member Survey has been completed; after collation and analysis, the results will be presented at an upcoming Board meeting
- There being no further business, the Board voted to recess until the May 9 meeting time

Note: For more details about the meeting, supporting documents, and a recording of the Board meeting, visit the <u>Board of Directors landing page</u>. ◆

East Jefferson Fire Rescue Fundraiser Results

Emergency Preparedness Committee

The Emergency Preparedness Committee's EJFR

Fundraiser was very successful, with a total of \$4,675 (to date) being collected and delivered. A big thank you to everyone who donated as well as Petra McDowell, Katharine Donnelly and the Administration Staff for being collection points.

This year, EJFR plans to purchase a laryngoscope kit which is used to examine a patient's airways for obstructions or other problems of the throat and larynx. In addition, a handheld ultrasound unit will be obtained for displaying images of the heart, blood vessels, and abdominal organs on smart devices or monitors.

These items will be of great assistance to EMTs as they evaluate in real time a patient's condition and medical needs. If you missed the deadline, feel free to drop off your donation at the Administration Building. ◆

Recent and planned purchases by EJFR include (top) an ultrasound unit, (right) a portable suction unit for use in transport vehicles, (below left) a laryngoscope kit, and (below right) an emergency child restraint to help safely transport children.











East Jefferson Fire Rescue

Bret Black Fire Chief • bblack@ejfr.org 24 Seton Rd • Port Townsend WA 98368 360.385.2626 • ejfr.org

April 10, 2023

Kala Point Residents,

On behalf of the firefighters and staff at East Jefferson Fire Rescue, I would like to thank you for your recent donation of \$4650 from the 2023 Kala Point Fundraiser for East Jefferson Fire Rescue. Donations such as yours provide valuable support to daily 911 operations and training.

In the past ten years our 911 responses have risen approximately 50%, without adding additional 911 units. In 2022, we responded to more than 6200 calls. In 2023 we are seeing additional demand with an 11% increase year to date compared to 2022.

Responding to the needs of our community, East Jefferson Fire Rescue endeavors to provide industry leading 911 medical services. Recently EJFR has increased our staffing levels to 13 firefighter/medical personnel per day. We are also in the process of hiring five additional firefighters as recently approved by our Fire Board. As we focus our financial resources on increasing our service levels, we use donations to acquire much needed replacement equipment in the service to our community.

Thank you, again, for your generous donation. We appreciate it!

Sincerely,

Bret Black Fire Chief

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Cc: EJFR Board of Commissioners

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Fire Extinguishers: Why You Need One and How to Use It

Emergency Preparedness Committee

The Emergency Preparedness
Committee is hosting fire extinguisher training on Thursday, June 1, at 10 a.m. at the KPOA Administration Building. The training will be conducted by East Jefferson
Fire/Rescue using a water-pressurized extinguisher on a real fire. No need to bring an extinguisher — just bring yourself and practice PASS!



If you had to choose just one tool for emergency defense in your home (or car), that tool should be a portable fire extinguisher. There are many locations within a home where a fire can start (garage, kitchen, fireplace hearth, laundry room) and you should have a fire extinguisher(s) nearby. Not only is it important to *have* a fire extinguisher, it's essential that you need to know how to *use* it.

What is PASS?

- Pull the pin
- Aim the nozzle or hose at the base of the fire from the recommended safe distance
- Squeeze the operating lever to discharge the fire-extinguishing agent
- Sweep the nozzle or hose from side to side until the fire is out starting at the recommended distance

When selecting a fire extinguisher, what is the best choice? The first step is to choose the correct extinguisher based on the fire risk, then choose the most effective one for that purpose. Listed are the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA 10) fire classifications:

Class A: Ordinary combustibles (wood, paper)

Class B: Flammable liquids (gasoline, grease, oil except cooking oil)

Class C: Energized electrical equipment (computers, motors)

Class D: Combustible metals (magnesium, titanium)

Class K: Kitchen (cooking oils and greases, vegetable oil, animal fat)

Fire extinguishers are rated based on the types of fires they can put out (Class A, B, C, D and K — see above). Further, they are rated at their effectiveness at doing so, expressed in a number that precedes the Class, usually printed in bold letters on the front of the fire extinguisher. The higher the number, the larger a fire it can handle. For example, a "4-A" is four times as effective as a "1-A" at putting out a Class A type fire (wood, paper, etc.)

The numbers 10, 20, 40, 60, 80 before the letter B represent the rating for its capability to put out a Class B fire (gasoline, grease, oil.) Some extinguishers can handle more than one type of fire; a typical five-pound extinguisher might be rated 1-a:10-b:C, and a slightly larger eight-pound extinguisher might be rated 3-A:40-B:C. ◆

Welcome to Kala Point, New Neighbors!

Char Quandt, Social Plus Committee: "Neighbors Creating Community"

Every year, the Social Plus Committee organizes a special gathering to welcome new residents to Kala Point. It's a chance for new residents who moved here over the past year to mingle with existing neighbors who are eager to meet and welcome them to



the community.

This year's Newcomers' Social will be held on Wednesday, May 24, at 5:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

Please bring your beverage of choice and an appetizer to share. We look forward to seeing you all there! ◆

2023 Kala Point Community-Wide Yard Sale

Diana Zinn, Social Plus Committee: "Neighbors Creating Community"

The Kala Point Community-Wide Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, June 3, 2023, from 9 a.m.–3 p.m. If you would like to participate in this year's Social Plussponsored sale and be listed on the address flyer, email kalapointyardsale@yahoo.com.

We will publish notices in the *Port Townsend Leader* and *Peninsula Daily News* as well as social media, Nextdoor, etc.

The Kala Point gate will be open from 9 a.m.—3 p.m. You are responsible for your own sale. Put out large signs on Kala Point Drive or wherever people will see them and direct them to your house. We will get them in the gate; the rest is up to you.

Clean out those closets and garages, mark your items well, have fun, and hope for good weather. A dance party featuring Midnight Train will take place in the Kala Heights cul-de-sac following the sale (see the ad later in the newsletter for details).

If you have any questions, contact me at the above email. ◆



Art from FreePik

Yard Sale
Date: Saturday, June 3
Time: 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Where: Throughout Kala
Point
How: Email to
participate

If you would like to be featured in a neighbor profile, please email yourkalapointer@kalapoint.org. One of our staff will be in touch to do an interview or send you questions you can answer yourself. You do not need to be a new resident to be featured. All are welcome to participate.



Howard "Howie" Hendrickson Jane Kurata



Sharing the Good Life

Hilary Newell

Sorrel is a very nutritious, easy-to-grow, citrusy-flavored spring green that can add a lot of interest to soups, salads, and sauces. The earlier you pick it, the more tender it will be, but this recipe allows that if the leaves are a little older (and perhaps not as tender), the result is still delicious, with a very smooth texture. The method used here keeps the sorrel from turning brown, a common issue when cooking these zesty greens. This soup is great hot or cold! In the spring, you can find sorrel in the produce department or at the farmer's market. If you're a gardener, sorrel is a reliable perennial that loves sun, and will reward you with very flavorful leaves as long as the weather doesn't get too hot.

Sorrel Soup

Ingredients

Soup Base

1 small onion or leek (just the white part), chopped, about 1/2 cup 1 Tbs. butter

1 small clove garlic, minced

½ lb. Yukon gold potatoes, peeled and diced (I used baby Yukon Golds and left the skin on)

3 cups water or broth (vegetable or chicken — whatever you prefer)

Sorrel Paste

4 cups sorrel leaves (trim stems if they seem to be tough)
2 Tbs. olive oil

Photo by Hilary Newell



Method

- In a medium saucepan, sauté the onion or leek in butter 3 to 4 minutes, or until softened.
- Stir in the minced garlic, then add the potato and water.
- Season with salt and pepper.
- Cover and simmer 20 to 25 minutes, or until the potato pieces are very soft.
 While the soup base is cooking, use a food processor to pulse the sorrel leaves until they are finely chopped. Add the olive oil, and process until a smooth paste forms.
- When the potatoes are tender, purée the soup with an immersion blender until smooth, then stir in the sorrel paste. Serves 4. ◆

Do you have a food or cocktail recipe you'd like to share? Email us!

KP Elections: Your Vote is Your Voice

Patsy Mathys, Elections Committee Chair

An important fundamental right and responsibility of U.S. citizens is to vote. During the 2020 presidential election 92% of all registered voters voted — 67% of voting-age citizens. In comparison, only 51% of Kala Point households voted in our December 2022 KPOA election.

Why aren't more Kala Point members voting? Your vote is your voice in how your money is spent and who will be your elected officials. You can also "vote" in member surveys.

Member involvement begins with voting for Board members who will best serve our membership, fulfill a fiduciary responsibility managing finances, and uphold our governing documents.



Image by FreePik

Board decisions have the power to impact our community as a whole. They can impact you personally and economically, and have an overall effect of maintaining property values and quality of life.

How can we vote wisely, whether for Board members, our budget, or other matters? Some members read the *Kala Pointer*, some analyze the mailed voter packets and some attend Candidates' Night prior to the election.

That is a good start, however, there are many other opportunities to be informed and involved throughout the year. Attend meetings, get to know our current Board and Board candidates, consider being on or encourage others to be on the Board, become familiar with our governing documents and voice your views.

If you are hesitant to attend Board meetings due to time limitations, wrong time of day, etc., consider Zoom. Advance notices make it easy, whether through <u>kalapoint.org</u> or through the monthly Board meeting email. You can watch the meeting, participate if you'd like ("raise hand" or "chat"), all from the comfort of your home. You can also watch the recording of the Board meetings on our <u>website</u>.

What if we were as passionate and informed about Kala Point elections and governance as we are about our national and local government? What if Kala Point voter turnout was 92% rather than 51%?

How can we improve the election process or increase voter turnout? The Elections Committee would love to hear your thoughts. Please email the committee at: KPOAelectioncommittee@gmail.com. ◆

Six Months In: My Time on the KP Board

Sue Stanton, director

Dear Members,

It's been almost six months since I was elected to serve on the KPOA Board. If I haven't had the chance to thank you in person: thank you! The reason I'm tapping on the keys today is to let you know how it's going and to provide you with a glimpse into my experience as a Board member so far.

I was encouraged to run for the Board. The instant I pressed the "send" key submitting my letter of intent, red flags, bells and whistles went off in my brain. I asked myself, "Am I ready?", "Can I do this?", and "Am I qualified?" When the hyperventilating stopped, I envisioned myself in a Board seat on Zoom in front of members working through an agenda. I knew the basic dynamics of a Board and was well-acquainted with administrative procedures. However, this was different — if elected, I would be working closely with people with whom I shared a vested interest in the place we call home.

Six months in, I'm holding tight as I squeal around the learning curve on two wheels. I've spent time reading APPs, Rules & Regs, Bylaws, and CC&Rs. I research items as they pop up in emails or appear on the Board agenda. I listen and learn at each committee meeting that I attend. I knew going in that there would be a significant time commitment on my part to do justice to the responsibilities Board members take on. What I didn't know were all the nuances that are unique to our Board, committees, staff, volunteers and members that make this ship sail. It takes the whole crew, working together, to navigate our course.

At this point, if you are signing off your computer so no one knows you're even thinking about running for a Board position, let me pull you back for a minute. It is one of the Board's goals to create an informational packet for new Board members. I am confident it will help those filling future seats. I am also confident that each member on the Board is more than willing to answer any of your questions as they have answered mine on so many occasions.

In the coming months, you'll be reading more articles and posts detailing the KPOA election process. If serving on the Board is of interest, you will have the opportunity to consider submitting your name as a candidate. If a position on the Board isn't your thing, KPOA committees are always looking for volunteers, and will welcome you with open arms. If you just want to quietly enjoy Kala Point, its amenities and our beautiful area, know that the Board, staff, committees and volunteers strive to protect your investment and the future of Kala Point.

Respectfully, Sue Stanton, 303.570.4861 ◆

Tree Care Presentation

Geoff Genther. Tree Committee Chair



Join your neighbors to hear Certified Arborist Richard Hefley talk about the myths and misconceptions of tree care as they relate to homeowners and Kala Point's forest health.

When: Thursday, May 11 Time: 10:30 a.m.

Where: Kala Point Clubhouse

Mr. Hefley will address our forest health and other vegetation issues. Questions may be sent in advance to

him at rkhefley@olypen.com. ◆

Photo by Suzanne Eggleston

Emergency Preparedness Committee in Action

on May 11

Mark Miller, EPC Chair

When an earthquake or other disaster strikes, the Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) springs into action, and its teams move through Kala Point to provide aid and assistance, coordinated by the EPC's Neighborhood Operations Center (NOC.)

On **May 11 at 6 p.m. at the Clubhouse**, the NOC team with be doing a "tabletop" exercise, practicing and demonstrating how the First Aid teams, Search and Rescue teams, Block Captains and Pet Rescue Teams work together to resolve simulated problems arising from an earthquake in the area.

Everyone is invited to attend and give feedback. Besides the exercise, you'll be able to meet and talk with the members of the EPC and the various teams. It promises to be a fun, exciting and very informative evening!

Refreshments will be provided. •

Reminders from the Architectural Committee

Pat Miles. Architectural Committee Chair

To our new neighbors and "old" friends: Before you undertake any project that affects your home's exterior or make permanent changes to your landscape, please review the community's governing documents: Administrative Policy and Procedures, <u>APP Article III-2</u>, Architectural Committee, Modifications to Existing Homes. You may also obtain a copy for the Administration Office

With few exceptions, if you make any change, addition, or alteration to the exterior of your home or your landscape (other than foliage), you must submit an application to the Architectural Committee for approval in advance. Types of items requiring approval are — but not limited to — fencing of any kind, garden storage sheds, gardens with planting beds, lighting, dog enclosures, repainting, and reroofing.

Reroofing your home: The AC is pleased to let you know that it's simple to select a new roof for your home that meets KPOA architectural standards. The AC has developed a comprehensive list of preapproved products, from tiles and several types of asphalt shingles, to lightweight composites. While an application is still required, the process is very fast. Appendix A of <u>APP Article III-2</u>, AC Modifications to Existing Homes lists the acceptable roofing styles.

Any questions? Please call any member of the Architectural Committee for advice.

Architectural Committee position open: No experience of any kind needed, but if you have a passionate desire to preserve our community's park-like, wooded landscape, consider joining the Architectural Committee. The AC's goal is to educate and inform the membership about the Board-approved Architectural Policies and Procedures (APPs).

Those APPs detail and define the standards that enhance the collective value of our homes. This is a great way to meet people and contribute to the well-being of the community. Basic computer skills an asset. Please contact any member of the AC for added information. •

Upcoming Events in and Around Port Townsend





Get to Know America's Fastest-Growing Sport:



Rescheduled from March

Pickleball





Pickleball is so hot, it's been declared Washington's state sport. It's fun and a great way for people of all skill levels to meet new friends while enjoying an outdoor activity.

On May 6, the Kala Point Pickleball Club will show anyone interested how easy it is to get hooked on this year-round game. There'll be pickleball advisors to explain the game to get you started, and then we'll play!

Please join us on May 6 and find out why everyone's talking about this Washington-born sport that's taking the world by storm.

When: Saturday, May 6, 12–3 p.m. (Rain date: May 7)

Where: Kala Point Pickleball Courts at the Lagoon (follow the signs)

Who: Anyone can play! All equipment provided.

RSVP: Ann Kirby at akwoodside@aol.com



Tri-Area Garden Club

With Chimacum H. S. Horticulture Students



Perennials
Trees
Shrubs
Natives
and
Much More

PLANT SALE

Saturday, May 13, 2023 10 am to 2 pm Chimacum High School

Multi-Purpose Room

Rhody Drive & West Valley Road



YOU'RE INVITED!!



FOR THE LOVE OF ANIMALS

AN EVENING OF FABULOUS FOOD, WINE AND GIVING

SATURDAY, MAY ZOTH, 2023

In support of:

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"THE MIDNIGHT TRAIN BLUES AND DANCE BAND" PRESENTS:

STREET DANCE!!!



FOLLOWING <u>KALA POINT GARAGE SALE</u> – JUNE 3RD
263 KALA HEIGHTS DR
5 TO 7 P.M.

BYOB, LAWN CHAIRS AND DISH TO SHARE
TIPS FOR BAND APPRECIATED
RAIN WILL CANCEL THIS EVENT

Looking for Things to Do in Port Townsend?

Check out enjoypt.com and ptscene.com for art, events and Port Townsend activities.

Take a Tour of Center Valley Animal Rescue

Alison Ebbott









In early March, Sara Penhallegon came to Kala Point to talk about her work as the founder of Central Valley Animal Rescue. She is engaging, enthusiastic, and has excellent stories to share. Sara is totally committed to CVAR's mission of providing safe harbor and rehabilitation for unwanted, injured or abandoned domesticated and wild animals. Her organization was named the best nonprofit in Jefferson County for 2022 by the *Peninsula Daily News*, and was recently featured on King 5's "Evening" show.

The facility recently reopened to the public for tours. On Saturdays and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., you can show up at 11900 Center Road and see where Sara works and where her rescued animals are housed, treated, healed, and hopefully adopted. The tour includes the CVAR facilities for domestic animals of all types: livestock (horses, cattle, goats, llamas, emus, chickens, ducks, pigs, rabbits, and sheep), birds, as well as small animals, dogs and cats. There are even iguanas, turtles, and snakes available for adoption to the right home. The part of the facility devoted to rehabilitating wild animals is not included on the tour. These animals require minimal contact with humans to ensure their successful release.

Four of us from Kala Point recently went down on a lovely Sunday morning. The tour was great, and we were introduced to lots of friendly critters. We were all impressed at how much Sara has accomplished and the impact she's had in our region. Of course, there is always more to do. Volunteers (click to apply), and donations (material and monetary) are necessary and welcome.

There is an upcoming Center Valley Animal Rescue <u>auction</u> event on May 20 from 5 to 8:30 (see ad in previous section of this issue). It will be at the Northwest Maritime Center (431 Water Street) in Port Townsend and tickets are available now.

Check out the <u>CVAR website</u> and head down for a tour! You never know what you might bring home. ◆

(Top) Two young tabby cat brothers, and (second from top)
Eden the chinchilla (emerging from a dust bath bin) are currently
available for adoption. (Third from top) livestock mashup at
CVAR, and (left) Jasmine, a wonderful Great Dane who was
adopted in 2021. Photos by Suzanne Eggleston, CVAR
volunteer

Recycle Your Styrofoam

Michael Machette

Did you know we have a "Styrofoam" recycling program in Port Townsend? Don't put these environmentally caustic materials in the garbage where they'll live forever.

PT StyroCyclers: a Local 20/20

Beyond Waste Project

EPS/"Styrofoam" and LDPE FOAM RECYCLING

EPS=expanded polystyrene, LDPE=low density polyethylene



Drop-Off at Fort Worden

1st Tuesday and 3rd Saturday of each month, 10 a.m. to noon, at Fort Worden Battery Putnam, near Alexander's Castle (229 Alexander's Loop). We do not post signs; be prepared to find us on your own.

What is Recycled?

- EPS packaging (rigid foam): white, clean, dry, with all tape and labels removed
- LDPE packaging (flexible foam): white or black, clean, dry
- EPS food containers: white, clean, dry, unstained/unmarked
- Packing Peanuts, bagged separately from everything else (peanuts are reused locally)
- Separate biodegradable (squishy) and nonbiodegradable (crunchy) peanuts, any color

PT StyroCycler History

This public service started in the summer of 2021 during the pandemic. EPS is collected and cached in large bags (three-feet diameter, seven feet long) that typically weigh 20-25 pounds. Our April shipment of bags and outboard motor cases weighed **1,035** *pounds*. Since October 2021, <u>PTStyroCyclers</u> have shipped **13,000 pounds** of EPS for recycling in Kent, Washington — that's enough to cover two basketball courts to a depth of four feet.

Contact

E-mail <u>PTStyroCyclers@gmail.com; in KP</u>, email M. Machette at <u>mmkala@iCloud.com</u>. Facebook: <u>Port Townsend StyroCyclers Styrofoam Recycling</u>. Follow our announcements on Facebook, nextdoor.com, Bareboards Arts & Entertainment Listserve, Local 20/20, and Kala Point mail stations.

PT StyroCyclers' Partners

Fort Worden PDA; Local 20/20; Northwest Harvest; OlyCAP; Port Ludlow Bridge Deck; Styro Recycle, LLC; EPS/LDPE; financial donors; and our many volunteers. ◆



Through the Lens

Water Views



Cloud With Character, photo by Diane Holmes



Good Morning! photo by Mark Lannon



Blue Marina, photo by Pamela Thompson

Out and About in Port Townsend



(Above) Opening of PT's Farmer's Market, and (right) goat parade participant, photos by Donna Abear







(Left) Iris enjoys a celebratory evening with Mom and Dad at the lovely Palace Hotel in Port Townsend, photo by Charla Jean

(Above) Teddy (14 months old) running at the beach and fully embracing his youthful energy, photo by Bill Kaune

Beach Life



Eagle Pair, photo by Kris Ethington



Northern Flicker, photo by Kris Ethington



Blue-eyed Mary and Sea Blush Blossoms, photo by Suzanne Eggleston



Barnacles Macro, photo by Suzanne Eggleston





(Left) Seed Head, photo by Suzanne Eggleston, (above) Beautiful Bumble, photo by Kris Ethington

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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 will be featured in the *Kala Pointer* or on KPOA website. Please submit your full-resolution jpegs, one at a time, to photos@kalapoint.org. Thank you!

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Committee Reports

Architectural

Meeting on April 20, 2023

- Eileen Svoboda resigned from the AC; the committee wishes her nothing but good things and a big thank you for her service
- P. Miles submitted a request to the Kala Pointer for an additional AC volunteer
- P. Miles submitted an article to the *Kala Pointer* on general requirements for changes to existing homes and landscapes
- The AC is recommending that the list of alternate synthetic roofing materials noted in Appendix A, Section F of the AC APPs be submitted to the Board as "approved" roofing products
- The AC is working with two separate homeowners on compliance issues; it is expected that these issues will be resolved by working together
- The AC has 26 active projects

Next Meeting: May 18, 9:30 a.m. in the Fireplace Room.

Elections

Meeting on April 6, 2023

- The committee continues to prepare for the 2023 association elections in the Fall
- Updating Elections Committee landing page on the KPOA website
- Determined schedule and events leading up to this year's election cycle
- Established topics for each month's Kala Pointer Elections article
- Coordinated potential candidate information database
- Discussed Kala Point's current member survey
- Brainstormed about having membership/Board/committee events; agreed that most would have to be coordinated by the Board

Next Meeting: May 16 at 1 p.m. in the Clubhouse

Emergency Preparedness

Meeting on April 6, 2023

March 2, 2023, Emergency Preparedness (EPC) minutes were approved

Discussed:

- **EJFR Fundraiser** results are \$4,650
- **Fire Extinguisher Training**: June 1 at 10 a.m. after a brief EPC meeting; an informational article will be submitted for the May *Kala Pointer* as well as text and email blasts
- CERT Update: Planning is still ongoing, most likely after Labor Day
- First Aid: Status of Wilderness First Aid and CPR trainings are pending
- Portfolio Updates:
 - Neighborhood Operations Center (NOC) position descriptions updated and simplified
 - Added Search and Rescue along with Block Captains to ease organizational span of control
 - Terminology has been changed to match current terms used
 - Additions and changes to be reviewed and approved at next EPC meeting

NOC Exercise May 11

- Handouts for the event have been gathered and prepared
- NOC Team members and positions have been assigned; still need a HAM radio operator
- Promotion of event: All are invited. Handouts will be available. An article will
 be submitted for the May Kala Pointer in addition to an email blast, and a
 flyer. EPC members and block captains are encouraged to invite friends
 and people from their areas. Scenarios, first aid cards, refreshments and
 details of the events are being finalized.
- Practice session, April 25, 10 a.m. Discussed details. All EPC members are encouraged to serve as backups for the May 11 event.
- NIXLE (a community information service), KP Alert and EIS (Emergency Information Sheet) forms
 - Discussed ways to encourage people to sign up for NIXLE and KP alerts
 - Discussed ways to gather information that would be important in an emergency with consideration to concerns about privacy
- Kala Point Tsunami Activation Procedure
 - A draft of the Kala Point tsunami activation procedure based on a 90minute lead time was distributed for review and comments
- Water Purification and Storage
 - S. Rovanpera gave a talk/slide show on emergency water storage and purification; this slide show will be added to the EPC landing page

Next Meeting: May 6

Finance

Meeting on April 4, 2023

- Maria Mendes gave a report for the Internal Control Committee, followed by Larry McDowell's report on Account Reconciliation
- The committee reviewed financial statements for the month of March 2023
- Assessment collections are proceeding well with over 89% collected year-to-date
- Three reserve projects: the pool blanket, mailbox replacements, and the pier inspection have been completed. The budget for the three projects was \$43,900 and the actual expenditures were \$39,689
- Keith reviewed the results of the pier inspection; two marine construction firms will be submitting bids to repair the pier
- Cascadia Solar submitted a bid to install solar panels at the administration building
 - After reviewing the proposal, the Finance Committee decided that the estimated reduction in our power bill would be insufficient to justify the expenditure
 - The Finance Committee voted to recommend to the Board that this project not be undertaken
- American Tower Corporation, the operator of the cell tower near the administration building, proposed a reduction of the annual escalation clause in

the lease from 5% to 4% in exchange for a one-time payment of \$10,000

- The Finance Committee voted unanimously to recommend to the Board that they do not agree to this proposal, and that they retain the existing contract terms
- Preparation of the 2024 budget will begin at the May meeting of the Finance committee

Next meeting: May 7 in the Clubhouse

Grounds

Meeting on March 23, 2023

Member Changes

None; members invited to visit

Committee Activity

- Quarterly neighborhood inspections are continuing
- Kala Natives initiative continuing on trails
- Pier now closed due to severe rot on main beams
- Amendment to APP VII on Grounds pending Board action
- Signage for entering KPOA reworked; new signs at five locations to read:
 "You are entering Kala Point, a private residential community. Those using our roads, trails, and amenities do so at their own risk."
- Case of non-compliance with RV parking; discussed at length, and motion was made for Keith Larson to write a warning letter that will be endorsed by Grounds Committee
- Agreed to put arrow sign to beach at entrance to Kala Lagoon Court
- Discussed recent near-miss of pedestrian by car

Next meeting: April 27 at 9 a.m. via Zoom

Internal Review

Meeting on April 19, 2023

- Quarterly meetings seem to be working well
- Hybrid meetings also seem to be working well
- External audit for last year has started but still early in the process
- Committee planned for the next several months of expense reviews (next one is May 1)
- The list of KPOA assets has been updated. The physical review needs to be scheduled
- A decision needs to be made on keeping the old chairs stored under the Clubhouse
- We discussed the replacement beams for the pier no costs known yet

Next meeting: July 19 at 9 a.m. via Zoom

Publications

Meeting on April 11, 2023

- For the April issue of the *Kala Pointer*, 67.3 percent (367) emails were opened with the initial distribution; 16.4 percent (178) were opened with the second email reminder
- Paper copies also were made by the KPOA office
- The Board has joined the Publications Committee in setting a goal for 2023 to expand Kala Pointer readership

- The Board approved APP XIII at its April meeting
- KPOA has added a number of emails to its database; an attempt will be made to add them to the Robly (the system used to produce the newsletter) database
- Committee would like to have more owners volunteer to be featured in the "Get to Know Your Neighbors" feature of the Kala Pointer
- We get virtually no letters to the editor and would welcome some inputs
- Publications Committee's <u>landing page</u> has been updated with 2023 goals on the KPOA website
- A survey regarding the Kala Pointer will be sent later this year

Next meeting: May 9 at 1:30 p.m. in the Administrative Building conference room

Social Plus

Meeting on April 4, 2023

From the Chair

- Committee voted that beginning September 2023, committee meetings will be held quarterly
- With the change in scheduling, Natalie Wilson will continue as chair with Char Quandt presiding in Natalie's absence

From the Secretary

The minutes of the February meeting were approved by email as there was no March meeting

From the Treasurer

Diana Zinn will assume the role of Treasurer until the end of the fiscal year in December 2023

Kala Cares

Phyllis Wurscher is the contact person

Newcomers

Katharine Donnelly and Vicky Miller have taken on this role

KPOA Board Liaison

Discussed the pool opening and when it was scheduled

Previous Business

Pet Emergency Rescue on March 2 was very well attended, about 40 people

New Business — 2023 Events in progress

Several Social Plus events are scheduled for spring and summer beginning with a Newcomers' Social on May 24 at 5:30 p.m.

For info on upcoming Social Plus events, watch for details in upcoming emails/texts, bulletin board, the <u>Kala Kalendar</u> and the <u>Social Plus landing page</u>.

Next meeting: May 2 at 1 p.m.

Strategic Planning

Meeting on April 4, 2023

2023 Survey

 To date, 177 text and 188 email responses have been received, for a total of 365 surveys completed Discussion regarding accuracy of survey based on the duplication of texts and emails, and the similarities between the text and email responses

• Summary of survey results will be discussed at the May 2 SPC meeting

Solar Panels

- Update on the proposal to add solar panels and batteries to the Administration Building
- Several considerations over and above solar installment:
 - Location of panels mounted on the ground vs roof of the Administration Building
 - Cost of panels and installation does not include batteries
 - Cost savings would take approximately 34 years to break even
 - Risk/reward not adequately examined
 - How would the system work?
 - Are there safety concerns associated with ground location?
 - Ongoing maintenance costs

SPC Administrative Policies and Procedures

- Should the composition of the SPC be adjusted to reduce the number of directors?
- Is the number of Board members on the SPC top heavy?
- One suggestion was to change the position of chair to a non-Board KPOA member
- Concerns were voiced that changing the chair position would reduce continuity in relation to the Board

SPC Mission

- The SPC is a "research arm" for the Board, tasked by the Board to gather information. The Board needs to have as much information as possible to make necessary decisions
- It is important to provide continuity to the Board to support long-term vision and goals for KPOA through governing documents, connection with the KPOA committees, and KPOA membership input
- Should the SPC name be changed?

Next Meeting: May 2

Tree

Meeting on April 13, 2023

March 2023 minutes approved as amended

General Manager Report

GM will research "30-day waiting period" rule for removal requests made for vegetation in the Common Areas

KPOA Board Report

Request for committee members to review <u>CC&Rs & Rules and Regulations</u> as they pertain to Tree Committee responsibilities prior to the May 11 meeting

Committee Business

- G. Genther will resign as TC Chair and member at the end of the May 11 meeting
- An unsigned letter was distributed to committee members for review
- A Certified Arborist presentation regarding vegetation information is scheduled for Tuesday, May 11, at 10:30 a.m. in the Clubhouse; all Kala Point residents are invited to attend

• The TC business meeting will be held following the Arborist's presentation

New Cases:

Case # 2023-04-01, Case Mgr – Arnestad: Approved Case # 2023-04-02, Case Mgr – Twiford: Approved Case # 2023-04-03, Case Mgr – Genther: Approved

Next Meeting: May 11 at approximately 11:30 a.m. following presentation. **The location** is changed to the Clubhouse for this meeting. ◆

Neighborhood Ads

For Sale:

Vintage mid-century modern Herman Miller-Charles Eames chair.

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