



# Kala Pointer

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December 2018

## President's Message

*From Joe Englander*

When reminders turn from gentle to abrupt, we ought to pay attention! We've been reminded many times in the last year, but especially in the past month, about disasters—natural and man-made—and how they can disrupt and interrupt lives in an instant. The past few months have been rife with disasters ranging from monster storms barreling in from the Atlantic and Gulf and horrific wildfires in California. All of these disasters brought tragedies, especially to those who were completely unprepared for them, and serve as not-so-subtle reminders of the need to be prepared. We here in Kala Point were also reminded on November 2 of what it is like to unexpectedly not have the comfort of things you're used to. On that day, the power outage only lasted a few hours. What if it had lasted days or weeks as in Florida and Puerto Rico? What were you prepared to do?

But being prepared means more than thinking about the big and almost incomprehensible; it means being ready for the predictable, as well. Being

prepared is a way to be kind and considerate to those who will be affected by what happens to you, whether injury or death. It is selfish not to take simple steps to be considerate; it is thoughtless not to take simple steps to be prepared for the inevitable. This past month, one of our residents passed away in a manner

that serves as a poignant reminder to each of us of what we should do to be prepared. Kala Point's administration and its Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) have created information forms that are simple to complete and that will help us help you and your family in the case of a disaster. The completion of these forms is voluntary, but they are for *your* benefit and will be used only to help you. If something happens to you

and we do not know whom to contact, you may not get the help and consideration that you want. If you have not told us who has an extra key to your residence, we may not be able to get to you to give you help. Have you given a key to a friend or neighbor, so they can keep an eye out for you? Let us know too. What about your family? Who are they? Do they even have the same surname? How will we

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**The Kala Point mailing you received regarding the Budget Ratification Meeting Time and Date is incorrect!**

The correct date and time for the meeting are:

**Tuesday,  
December 11, 2018,  
at 1:00 p.m.**

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### Next Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the January 2019 issue of the Kala Pointer is December 19

Submit your articles to:  
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Our *Letter to the Editor* policy can be found at **[KalaPoint.org](http://KalaPoint.org)**

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**Tree**  
*Rotating*

## What Happened at the November Board Meeting?

*By Dale Moses, KPOA Board Secretary*

Your KPOA Board met at 1:00 p.m. for three hours on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, in our clubhouse. When we started there were nearly three dozen guests in attendance, more than double the number at the October meeting. We also had received a number of emails since that past meeting as well. Our Board Correspondent for the past month was John Oliveira and he put together a nice matrix of who wrote us and the gist of their input. You can access this matrix by [clicking here](#). Virtually all of the input from emails or in person at the meeting were about either the pedestrian gate at Woodland Hills or the main gate. Let's cover that topic first... we spent an hour and fifteen minutes hearing over twenty folks at the meeting.

The predominant feelings seem to be either keep outsiders out and preserve our privacy or being friendly and allow outsiders to walk around Kala Point. Some opinions were in the middle too. I didn't hear anyone who strongly advocated for outsiders being able to use our beach or boat ramp. On the topic of friendliness, there were several folks who discussed the perception among some real estate agents that Kala Point was not a place where they would suggest a prospective buyer look at homes or condos. That said, however, we still seem to see brisk sales occurring, so some agents must be feeling okay about us!

Anyway, after the inputs were over, we took a quick break, and then we went back in session. Let me finish with gate matters even though that was later in the meeting. We re-voted on a motion (from the September meeting) to leave the Woodland Hills gate unlocked. Some people had the perception that we had voted previously to leave it unlocked to allow outsiders to pass through. We thought this perception should be changed so on the re-vote, we unanimously voted to leave it unlocked but this time the reason was for the convenience of our members (although whatever the reason, outsiders would still be able to come through it, we know that!). The Board isn't ready to get into removing or changing signs just yet.

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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; By-Laws; 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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be able to find them if you are injured or worse? The resident I mentioned had the opportunity to do these things and did not. It took days following her death before anyone could get into her residence to find her remains. It took days more before anyone was able to find any reference to any relatives; she had left those lines blank on our forms.

Please take a moment to complete the emergency contact forms. They will be confidential and be securely stored. No one but you will benefit from them. The contact forms are available at the Administration Office or by contacting EPC Chair, Anne Englander: [anne.englisher@gmail.com](mailto:anne.englisher@gmail.com).

Reminders about disasters are not the only ones we have had. In the middle of the past month on November 11 at 11:00 a.m. and again next week on December 7, days and hours we as a nation have vowed never to forget, we are reminded of the futility of war and the sweet dream of peace. Let those dreams of peace carry us forward through the celebration of holidays of peace and love this month and always. I wish you peace, health and happiness, now and for the years to come.

## Letter to the Editor

Keith:

Just a note to tell you how much I appreciate the thought and professionalism that goes into each *Kala Pointer*!

You and your staff are appreciated!

*Sue Stanton*

[Editor: Thank you Sue, the *Kala Pointer* is put together by volunteers, your neighbors. We do this because we love where we live and think it's important to help keep lines of communication open. We hope that everyone enjoys the *Kala Pointer*.

This is a great time to recognize everyone on the *Kala Pointer* Crew:

**Nancy Leeds, Gail White, Ed Zinser, Mike Burk, Suzanne Eggleston, Joe Englander, and Pat Miles. Thanks also to all our contributors each month.]**

## Pet First Aid Seminar Was Pawstitive!

*Pattie Horvath, EPC Pet Emergency Management team*

Our seminar was a smashing success! The information offered by Dr. Madelyn Curll of Oak Bay Animal Hospital in Port Hadlock was practical and fun. Here are some photos of the event:



## Toys for Tots and Christmas for the Children of Jefferson County

*By Char Quandt*

It is a **FACT** that many children of our community would not experience the joy of Christmas if it were not for the Marine Corps Reserve “**Toys for Tots**” and the local “**Christmas for Children**” programs. In the past several years, close to 600 needy children annually were supported by these two programs in Jefferson County. Kala Point residents have generously supported these programs over the past eight years by donating toys, gift cards, monies, clothing and more!

**There is still time for you to contribute to the *Toys for Tots* and *Christmas for Children* programs and help those children’s eyes light up Christmas morning!**

**Here’s the difference between the two programs:**

**Toys for Tots:** Purchase a toy of **your choice** to donate to the program. **November 14 – December 12**, drop off unwrapped gifts in the *Toys for Tots* box at the Clubhouse, or the *Toys for Tots* collection bin on the Quandt front porch (55 Terrace Drive), or at the home of your Progressive Dinner Cocktail Party hosts on December 9.



**Christmas for Children:** Purchase a gift **requested by child/and or parent** to donate. Select a red or green tag ornament from the Christmas Giving Tree at the clubhouse. The tags are filled out (with help from the kids) by the parent(s), two for each child. Each tag contains the age and gender of the child. One color tag shows what each child *wants* for Christmas. The other color tag for each and every child is the *need* tag. This one is usually, but not always, requested by the parent for their child. A warm coat, nice shoes, school clothes, sweaters and anything that is one of life’s necessities, that at least for this year, is beyond the parent’s means to provide.

You can look over the tags on the tree and choose one or more tags. Attach the tag to the *unwrapped* gift and between November 14 – December 13, drop off unwrapped gifts in the Toys for Tots Box at the Clubhouse, or at the home of Jim and Char Quandt collection bin on their front porch.

Along with the donated gifts for *Toys for Tots* and *Christmas for Children*, a toothbrush, toothpaste, a hat, a pair of gloves and socks and candy are supplied and packed by the Christmas for Children organization at the fairgrounds.

Thank you in advance for making the season bright for the children of our community by filling up the *Toys for Tots* bins and making sure all the tags on the *Christmas for Children* trees are selected and every child on Santa’s list get one thing they *need* and one they have *wished* for!

**Doug and Nancy Leeds** (360-301-2851) continue to lead the **The Christmas for Children** program in Kala Point along with 30 other businesses and organizations throughout Jefferson County. **Toys for Tots** continues to be led by **Char and Jim Quandt** (360-531-4226) in Kala Point along with the Marine Corps Reserve & local Kiwanis of Port Townsend. If you have any questions, please feel free to give them a call! Let’s make this a special Christmas for those less fortunate children of Jefferson County! Your support is greatly appreciated!

## Calendar of Events for December

Compiled by Ed Zinser

### December 1 - 31 Art in the Library Exhibit.

Port Townsend Public Library visitors will enjoy art from the private collection of Elaine and Rene Levy displayed throughout the library, as well as small bird oil paintings by artist Musa Jaman displayed in the Charlie Moore Art Case. A piece from acclaimed and recently deceased artist and weaver Inge Norgaard will be exhibited in her honor. Elaine Levy and her late husband Rene collected art for their Port Townsend home for many years. Their home was a spectacular showcase for the visual arts, largely art created by local artists. Elaine and Rene collected many paintings by their neighbor and well-known artist Lee Katzenbach, whose colorful work will be featured in the Carnegie Building's historic and well-lit stairwell. **Contact:** 360-385-3181, pollylyle@me.com. **Location:** Port Townsend Public Library, 1220 Lawrence Street at Harrison.

**December 1 - 31 Showcase Artist of the Month: Joe Englander. Northwind Arts Center, 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Closed Tuesdays)** Local photographer, Joe Englander, Chair of the Kala Point Owner's Association Board of Directors, has a month-long exhibit of his photography. **Contact:** [www.northwindarts.org/exhibits/artist-showcase/](http://www.northwindarts.org/exhibits/artist-showcase/) **Location:** Northwind Arts Center, 701 Water St., Port Townsend. More information on page 8.

**December 1 - 2 Festival of Lights Craft Faire and Cookie Extravaganza.** The Ninth Annual Festival of Lights brightens holiday shopping on Friday, November 30, through Sunday, December 2. The faire will be open on Friday from Noon to 6 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. This popular seasonal event offers a warm holiday atmosphere, where locally made gifts, crafts and cookies can be purchased for holiday giving, and fabulous offerings from merchants, both local and further afield, can be won in the prolific Silent Auction. As in years past, the Festival of Lights will donate 10% of all sales, including proceeds from the Silent Auction, to Port Townsend's Winter Shelter, in support of the important work they do helping the homeless in our community. **Contact:** 360-385-6519. **Location:** Unity Spiritual Enrichment Center, 3918 San Juan Ave.

**December 6 PT Chess Club Meeting: 4 to 7 p.m.** Port Townsend Chess Club meets every Thursday at Mike's Sandwiches between The Lively

Olive and The Spice & Tea Exchange of Port Townsend. **Contact:** Casey Buck, hightidechess@gmail.com. **Location:** 929 Water St.

**December 2, 9, 16, 23 Forest Bathing/Contemplative Walking in Silence: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.** Start the day with a refreshing, cool forest bath, meandering through the woods and meadows in Fort Worden, quietly paying attention to the sights and sounds of the natural world waking up. Guided by Ellen Falconer, trained mindfulness teacher and lover of poetry. After the "bath", we can gather for hot tea and talk at **Taps at The Guardhouse.** Meet up in front of Madrona Mindbody Institute past Taps at the Guardhouse on the left. **Contact:** 360-316-6544, ellen@OlympicPeninsulaMidfulness.com. **Location:** Madrona MindBody Institute, 200 Battery Way E.

**December 31 JCHS: First Night Celebration: 6 to 9 p.m.** The Jefferson County Historical Society presents the Annual *First Night*, Port Townsend's alcohol-free New Year's Eve community celebration focusing on arts and heritage. All activities take place in and around Port Townsend's historic City Hall between 6 and 9 p.m. on December 31. JCHS President, Chris Prescott said, "*First Night* is for everyone. It has something for families, singles and couples of all ages." **Contact:** Shelly Leavens, 360-385-1003, shelly@jchsmuseum.com. **Location:** Port Townsend City Hall, 250 Madison St.

**December 31 New Year's Eve Migration Cruise to Protection Island: 1 to 4 p.m.** The three-hour cruises depart from the Point Hudson Marina and include a stop at Killisut Harbor/Mystery Bay or Smith Island. Naturalists from the Port Townsend Marine Science Center serve as on-board interpreters and provide commentary on local birds, mammals, geology, history and weather. On-board refreshments are available, or you may bring a sack lunch. **Contact:** 360-385-5582 x120. **Location:** Puget Sound Express, 227 Jackson St., Port Townsend.

### Kala Point Recurring Clubhouse Events

**Board Meeting:** Second Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m.

**Let's Have Lunch:** First Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m.

**TGIF:** Fridays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. BYOB & glass.

**Bridge:** Mondays at 11:00 a.m.

**Reading Group:** Third Wednesdays at 3:30 - 5 p.m.

# Kala Point's EST\* New Year's Party



## Featuring "Chicago Bob & the Midnight Train"

(Glen Hellman, Bob Longmire (Chicago Bob), Matt Miner & Barb Dawson)

**Monday Night, December 31, 6 to 9 p.m.**

**Kala Point Clubhouse**

**\$5 per person**

**Bring Your Own Beverage and an Appetizer to Share**

**Space is limited, RSVP: Patti Biazzo 360-385-3262**

Back by popular demand! If you like live music and like to kick up your heels, then put on your dancing shoes and come on down to the Clubhouse!

Join us in bringing in the New Year on **\*Eastern Standard Time!**

Please bring your choice of beverage and an appetizer to share!

We look forward to sharing the talents of our Kala Point neighbors **Bob Longmire & Barb Dawson** and their bandmates playing Blues tunes and good time music. Join us for a really fun evening!

## The Urge to Shop: “Retail Therapy”

By Nancy Leeds

We have seven children, 14 grandchildren, five great grandchildren and one on the way. Christmas giving can get mind-numbing. Plus, we also give to each other, my sister, a few friends, Christmas for Children and of course, our wonderful employees here at Kala Point. Oh, and let’s not forget the garbage men and postal carriers.

I usually have a tactile relationship with money, but not around Christmas. It runs through my wallet like nobody’s business. I agonize over the absolutely perfect gift for each person on my list. I pour through stores, catalogs, and Christmas bazaars. Should I get one nice gift for each or several smaller things for each? Is this the right color, size, and age appropriate gift? Will they like it? (I never ask myself if I can afford it. That’s irrelevant.) As the gifts pile up, I tuck them away in a closet or the trunk of the car. Sometimes I forget where they all are, and they show up some months later.

Soon the time comes to wrap all these treasures. Do I just slap a piece of paper on them and call it good? Are you kidding me? They must have perfectly square corners, no show tape, pretty ribbons, really flashy paper. They must look like they are something very special. They must be the shining glory under the tree!

Okay, here’s the way my *husband* does Christmas. He sits in his lounge chair, summons up Amazon on the computer and buys a gift card for each of his people! A gift card! And he’s all done in ten minutes. Then he has it delivered to the person’s home in its own little card which he doesn’t even have to sign or mail. Is there something wrong with this picture or am I being just a wee bit exasperated over the disproportion of our efforts?

Well, *maybe* he has the right idea (you didn’t hear me say that!) but Christmas to me is the tree, the gifts, the family and friend gatherings, the decorations, the baking. I’m embarrassed to say, I usually celebrate holidays with a cultural major and a spiritual minor. Yes, I do love the Christmas Crèche, the melodious hymns, the thought of the Baby Jesus and all the heavenly angels singing alleluia. I probably need to pay more attention to that rather than my to-do list. After all, Christmas is more than blessing extremely blessed people, and my husband and I do our part in volunteering. But do you think I can talk myself into getting through these next three weeks any differently? Probably not.

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We also took a report from the Ad Hoc committee under Dick Schulte who is planning a survey about the front gate. We reviewed the four gate scenarios that people could respond to and we suggested that the survey could be done online rather than just a paper version. The committee will look into this, smooth up procedures and come back to the Board before going further. So that’s where things stand right now on the two gates.

On to other matters. President Joe discussed the recent case of a resident in the Bluffs condo who died in her unit, but nobody knew about her for several days. Then when we finally learned of her passing and got a key for entry, we discovered the KPOA office didn’t have any emergency contact information for her. Things are sorting themselves out and a

nephew has arrived to work the many issues but the lesson for us all is to have emergency information handy as well as setting up daily “how goes it” checks for those of us living alone.

We discussed the fairly recent Jefferson County noise ordinance to see how it might work within Kala Point. We approved the purchase of a twenty-foot container for an emergency coordination center, and we reviewed all the committees for their updates and new members being added. Keith Larson discussed the budget coming together and the mail-out to pass it to our membership for voting. Finally, after three hours and three minutes of meeting, we adjourned wishing everyone a happy turkey day!

That was it folks.

Dale Moses, KPOA Board Secretary

## Showcase Artist of the Month at Northwind Arts Center

# Joe Englander

Known around Austin, Texas, as an entrepreneur who founded and ran several successful businesses, and around Port Townsend for being President of KPOA, Joe Englander has been photographing, publishing and exhibiting for over four decades. Working in all formats from 35mm to 8 x 10 since 1980, he has produced color and black-and-white photography both for commercial and artistic projects.

His commercial work was used nationally and internationally, and his clients included Timberland Boots, Southwest Airlines, American Airlines, Motorola, Advanced Micro Devices, IBM, MCC, SEMATECH, the Texas Bar Association, The Office of the Governor of Texas, and various law firms and financial institutions.

Joe assisted Ansel Adams and worked with Cole Weston, Constantine Manos, and Alex Webb among others. He has been published in many national magazines, was featured in *Lenswork* and was a contributing editor to both *Camera & Darkroom* and *View Camera* magazines. One of his books, *They Ride the Rodeo*, published by Macmillan, was used as a documentary on CBS-TV.

Joe has participated in innumerable photography and mixed media art shows and has had solo exhibits in Austin, in Abilene, and in Calgary, Alberta. His photographs are in an expanding number of private collections and numerous museum permanent collections including those of Yale University Art Gallery, the Duke University Museum of Art, the Denver Art Museum, San Diego Museum of Art, and the Chicago Center for Contemporary Photography.



*Tsemo Storm*, Tsemo Monastery, Himalaya ©Joe Englander

**The show runs from November 29 through December 30  
at the Northwind Arts Center, 701 Water Street, Port Townsend.**

**Exhibit hours are Wednesday through Monday,  
11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Gallery is closed Tuesdays)**

**Opening Reception and Art Walk  
Saturday, December 1, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.**

**For more information visit  
[www.northwindarts.org/exhibits/artist-showcase/](http://www.northwindarts.org/exhibits/artist-showcase/)**



## Annual Food Drive... Kala Point Does It Again!

by Ann Bambrick

Every October, Kala Point residents show their compassion and generosity by donating to feed needy local families with financial contributions to **The Wave**, which is the annual fundraiser for East Jefferson County's four food banks. **The Wave** is funded by businesses, organizations, churches, and communities like ours (Port Ludlow, Cape George, etc.). Year after year, Kala Pointers have been the leading contributors to this very important cause. This year was no exception... in spades!

When I handed over Kala Point's donations to the fundraiser coordinator, he just shook his head and said, "Kala Point did it again!" We contributed **\$12,535** folks! A total of \$20,593.69 in county-wide donations was received as a result of the **Wave** fundraiser. Kala Point was responsible for 61% of that total. At .03 per pound, this represents 406,167 pounds of food for Jefferson County's needy families, provided by you wonderful people. The heartfelt expressions of thanks that have come to me, from members of the board of the county food banks, have been profuse. They contacted me only because I was the one who received your contributions and handed them over to the Wave coordinator. I didn't do this, you did! And I couldn't be more proud to be a member of this incredible community.

## Changing Existing Homes and Other Structures

Nancy Machette, Chair, Architectural Committee

The Architectural Committee (AC) must approve *in advance* any structure that is built or placed on your lot. This requirement applies to, but is not limited to, the principal dwelling, garden or tool sheds, cut-wood shelters, dog or garden enclosures, fencing, mechanicals such as a heat pump, propane tanks. Additionally, this requirement pertains to any change, modification, alteration or addition to existing dwellings, structures or landscapes (excluding foliage), which includes, but is not limited to, re-painting, re-roofing, hardscapes such as driveways and solid walkways, auxiliary heat pumps and generators.

Advance approval ensures that new structures or changes and alternations are consistent with the Board-approved architectural standards and ensures that all structures or changes are documented in the homeowner's Lot File.

The AC encourages homeowners to familiarize themselves with the architectural standards and requirements outlined in APP III or to seek advice from a committee member. Application forms for approval are available at the Administrative Office. The Committee meets the last Thursday of each month at 10:30 AM in the Administrative Office Conference Room. The Application Form, Administrative Policy and Procedures III (APP) are available from the Administrative Office or can be downloaded from [www.kalapoint.org](http://www.kalapoint.org).



Naughty or Nice?

Santa... we can explain!

## What if the Person Who Named the Walkie-Talkie Named Everything?

Found by Gail White

Stamps ..... Lickie Stickies  
 Defibrillator ..... Hearty Starty  
 Bumble bee ..... Fuzzy Buzzy  
 Pregnancy test ..... Maybe Baby  
 Bra ..... Breastie Nestie  
 Fork ..... Stabby Grabby  
 Socks ..... Feetie Heaties  
 Hippo ..... Floatie Bloatie  
 Nightmare ..... Screamy Dreamy

## Thanksgiving Potluck 2018 Kudos

*Sponsored by Social Plus Committee*

Social Plus sponsored another successful Thanksgiving Potluck Dinner. The KPOA Clubhouse was filled with neighbors enjoying a delightful and yummy early Thanksgiving. At the end of the evening almost no trace was left of the five delicious turkeys!

Three turkeys were baked by Nancy Machette, Karen Putterman and Char Quandt. Jim Quandt and Michael Machette deep fried two turkeys for the event along with carving all five! Along with the delicious turkeys, there were delicious dressings, gravies, a wide variety of salads, cranberry relish, vegetables, and potato dishes. The dessert table was a sight to behold all its own! There were so many choices of pies, brownies, cakes, cheesecakes, and other goodies to satisfy any sweet tooth. We have a lot of great cooks here in Kala Point and we are lucky so many of them share their talents during this often sold out annual event.

Major kudos to Mary Lou Boegehold for organizing the reservations & food assignments. Thank you to all the food wranglers, decorators, set-up, money handlers, clean-up & reception crew go to Pat Wrobel, Dan Coffman, Patti & Tom Biazzo, Colette Swan, Al Gerard, Angela George, Patti Horvath, and Dick & Diana Zinn. Mary Foster greeted everybody with a smile when they came in out of the cold, and Don Shore made sure there was plenty of coffee and tea available to go along with dinner and dessert. Photos were taken by Mike Burk to document our fun!

Thanks to everyone who participated by contributing to the feast or lending a helping hand when needed to make this a successful event. We could not do this without you!

Soon we'll start planning next year's dinner!

*From top to bottom at right:*

Michael Machette and Jim Quandt frying turkeys. Adult beverages were present.

A big group this year, with a new table setup.

Karen Putterman, Jim Quandt, Michael and Nancy Machette cooked five turkeys this year!

Big thanks to our Social Plus Team:

L to R: Diana Zinn, Char Quandt and Patti Biazzo.



## Emergency Prescription Supply

By Vivian McFarling, Block Co-Captain Zone 6

I recently joined the Emergency Preparedness Committee and decided to become a Block Co-Captain for my zone. Doing so changed my perspective on how I viewed the concept of my role in the event of a major catastrophic event at Kala Point. It was now my responsibility to care for the needs of the residents in my zone.

If for whatever reason you are not taking care of your own needs for food and water, you might be able to rely upon the charity of your neighbors. You might want to keep some extra cash around for that purpose. If your house slides off its foundation, you might be able to stay at a friend's house. Also, there are people taking first aid training to help you if you are injured. However, none of this guarantees that people will be coming to your rescue anytime soon. It has been made very clear that everyone is to take care of their loved ones first.

But if you run out of prescription medications, there is no help available to you. Internet and phone lines are most likely to be down, and access to emergency prescription supplies will probably not be available.

I lost a friend a few years back who forgot to take his heart medications with him on a camping trip. On day six, his wife found him laying lifeless next to her in his sleeping bag with a book on his chest. I am on light doses of blood pressure medication. One time I had forgotten my BP meds while on vacation. Within three days I could feel my blood pressure rising, and quickly got an emergency supply. Try to imagine what might happen to you if you were under the added stress of dealing with an emergency situation and your prescription medications ran out.

It is recommended that you maintain a 30-day emergency supply of your medications readily available, at an easy-to-find location, at all times. Many of us refill our prescriptions on a 90-day basis. That means that for two months out of three you always have a 30-day supply. That's a good start. Try this simple solution for setting aside your RX "stash". The next time you get your refill, save the old container, put 30-day's worth in it and label it with "Emergency Supply". Within three months you should have a complete supply of your prescription needs.

This system isn't perfect. You may find yourself having to go into your emergency supply. But it will

raise your consciousness that you are taking a risk by doing so. Sometimes you may forget to take a pill. That could add to your supply. One suggestion is to order your refills as early as possible. Some can do so 13 days beforehand. Others get a vacation supply.

After some research, my prescription provider indicated that they would give me a 30-day supply of my prescriptions and that this would not interfere with my regular prescription schedule. They told me to have my doctor put the order into my pharmacy. The pharmacy would call the prescription carrier which would authorize the order. Bottom line, your carrier makes the final decision. I have not yet done this to make sure it works, but when I do, I plan on contacting both my pharmacy and carrier to make sure they each understands what I am trying to do.

Again, this is the most important step in preparing for an emergency that is totally your responsibility. Nobody else can do it for you. Let's hope we may never experience an emergency. But why take a chance when the solution is so readily available? And you would be saving me and the many other captains and co-captains, as well as your neighbors and family, from having to worry about you.

*Peace be with you.*

## Sniglets

By Nancy Leeds

**Flopcorn** (FLOP korn) - n. The unpopped kernels at the bottom of the cooker.

**Gladhandling** (GLAD han dling) - n. To attempt, with frustrating results, to find and separate the ends of a plastic sandwich or trash bag.

**Omnibibulous** (Om knee BIB ilous)- adj. Indifferent to type of drink. "Oh, you can get me anything. I'm omnibibulous."

**Pewtone** (PYU tone) - n. (Chemical symbol: Pu) A major atmospheric component of towns with paper mills.

**Pifflesquit** (PIF ul skwit) – n. The wire net surrounding the cork of a champagne bottle

**Thinkogasm** (THINK o gazm) – n. A great idea

**Snarcasm** (SNAR kasm) – n. Social media comments meant to be both snarky and sarcastic. See: Nextdoor.com; This entry.

## Whither, Whether, or Wither

*Joe Englander, President*

Last month I did a back-of-the-napkin guess about how many dollars volunteer KPOA Committees actually saved the Association and how much it would cost each of us in assessment increases if we were to disband them. Whether we should disband committees is not a new question. KPOA Committees have been disbanded in the past and, as in the case of the Grounds Committee, the duties have been assumed by the Administration. These extra tasks consume time that might be used for other duties and so they obviously cost the membership more now than if they had not been added to what the staff is assigned to do.

Some committees are withering. Their membership is so low that it is an unfair burden to the few members who still participate. In particular, BMAC, whose duties include handling members' requests for view management so that applications to the county will cost each applying member as little as possible, draws its energy from a couple of members who do not even benefit from the committee's work! The Tree Committee is operating well below capacity and in the summer months this means each volunteer member has to spend more time than otherwise necessary to complete KPOA members' applications for tree trimming, cutting, and removal. The Internal Control Committee is down to two members and Finance is doing better. but not operating at capacity. The Elections Committee is barely a shadow of itself; Publications can't cast a shadow, it doesn't have time to cast shadows, it's too busy getting the *Kala Pointer* published [Editor: No kidding!]. If Publications lost any members not only would it cease to exist, so would the *Kala Pointer* that you're reading.

In fact, the only committees that are doing well are committees that are non-essential to the business of running Kala Point. They are important to the life and lifestyle of Kala Point but not to its actual day-to-day running. Social Plus and EPC are committees of and for the membership, to be sure, but they are not committees whose activities could be undertaken by the administration.

With the help of the General Manager, we have calculated that for the Administration to take over the duties of the operational committees of Kala Point, it would cost each member an increase in assessments of \$279.11. That's the bottom line. Whither

committees? Do they go away? This is not a survey and the only vote will be your participation. Whether you do, or you don't. Whether committees continue, or they don't. It is up to you.

## **K.P.E.A.F.**

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*Our Current Kala Point Employees are:*

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**Daniella Brockmeier**, Administration

**Jenna Hogan**, Administration Assistant (New)

**Shane Ryan**, Maintenance

**Trey Kilmer**, Maintenance

**Dion White**, Part-Time Clubhouse

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**Connie Morgenson**, Seasonal Clubhouse

For many years, volunteers have collected gifts of money from our Kala Point Community and have distributed the gifts to our employees each December. If you would like to join in this expression of appreciation, please make your check payable to KPEAF and **mail it before December 12, 2018, to:**

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## Does Your Home Have a Monitored Alarm System?

*This is a reminder, the article originally ran in the February 2018 Kala Pointer*

*By Dick Schulte, your representative on the JCSO Citizens Advisory Committee*

The term “monitored” in this context means that your intruder, fire, or panic alarm system will send an alert, usually over your phone line, to some monitoring company. The company will assess the alarm situation and notify police or fire and rescue departments to respond. Unfortunately, many of these systems are prone to false alarms. That could be due to a pet in the house, a loud thunder clap, a fault in the system, or even a member of your household or guest accidentally setting it off. In 2017, the Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office responded to 387 false alarms. Besides wasting the time of responding officers (the Sheriff’s Office is already very short of deputies) a false alarm could be making a deputy unavailable to respond to a real emergency, somewhere else in the county.

Because of this issue, the Jefferson County Board of Commissioners passed a county-wide ordinance to address the problem. The Jefferson County Sheriff’s Office (JCSO) has been tasked with managing and enforcing this ordinance.

Beginning in January 2018, all such monitored alarm systems must be registered with the Sheriff’s Office. There is a \$20 fee for the initial registration and it must be renewed every two years for another \$20 fee. The registration will help make certain that responders have current information about the home and its alarm system.

There will be fines assessed, if emergency responders are dispatched because of a false alarm. If the alarm system is registered with the county, there is no fine for the first false alarm in a six-month period. A sliding scale of fines from \$50 to \$200 would follow for additional false alarms during that period. If the alarm system is *not* registered, the fines would be costlier. In addition to any fines, the homeowner will be required to submit a report on what caused the false alarm and what actions were taken to prevent this from reoccurring.

The goal of this ordinance is to improve services for all people in Jefferson County, while reducing wasted time and cost for false alarms. The county will continue to respond to all reports of emergencies made to 911 or reported to Deputies. Information

about the alarm ordinance and how to register is available on the Sheriff’s Office website. Anyone with questions is invited to email the program coordinators at [alarm@co.jefferson.wa.us](mailto:alarm@co.jefferson.wa.us).

## Learn First Aid, Help Save Lives

*By Terry Rose, First Aid Team Lead*

Do you know what to do if someone is having a heart attack or a stroke? Do you know how to treat wounds or fractures? If you’ve never taken a first aid course or if you want to refresh your skills, register now for a basic first aid class being held on Thursday, January 24, from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

KPOA, the Emergency Preparedness Committee, and the First Aid Team have made it a priority to offer basic first aid training classes for residents in our community. The class on January 24 is free, limited to 15 people, and offered on a first-come first-served basis.

Previous sessions have filled, with a waiting list, so act now: Reserve your spot by contacting Terry Rose by phone at (360) 385-1940 or by email at [rosenkatz@wavecable.com](mailto:rosenkatz@wavecable.com).



## Power Outages

Anne Englander, EPC Chair

Our November 2nd power outage, which lasted for several hours, will probably not be the last we'll experience this winter. When the power goes out, safety becomes a major concern. Here's information from our Kala Point Emergency Preparedness Handbook\* on what to do when the lights go out.

To report an outage, call PUD at 360-385-5800; you can check on the status of an outage by going to Outages on their website, [www.jeffpud.org](http://www.jeffpud.org). Call 9-1-1 *only* if your life-saving equipment has stopped working.

- Register life-sustaining equipment with your utility company, your neighborhood block captain, and the Kala Point office.
- Consider purchasing a generator, especially if someone in the house requires life-sustaining equipment that runs on electricity.
  - *Never* plug a generator into an electrical outlet in the house. "Backfeed" could injure or kill a utility worker!
  - *Never* use a portable generator indoors, in a garage, carport, basement, crawl space, or near a window (including your neighbor's).
  - *Never* refuel a running generator or a 'still hot' engine, because fuel might ignite.
  - Use a heavy-duty extension cord (10 or 12 gauge), 100 feet or less.
  - Conserve your fuel by using only necessary appliances or lights, running the generator only when necessary (cycling it on and off), and turn the generator off overnight.
- Keep your refrigerator and freezer doors closed. A fully-loaded freezer can keep foods frozen for as long as two days.
- Have cold storage back-up for medicines that must remain cold.
- Unplug computers and sensitive equipment to protect against possible power surges.
- Leave one light switch in the "on" position to alert you when services are restored.
- Use flashlight or headlamps. Do *not* use candles, oil lamps, gas lanterns or other flammable light sources. They are an unnecessary fire risk and poor substitutes.
- *Never* use gas ovens, gas ranges, barbecue grills, or portable propane heaters indoors for heating.

They use oxygen and build up carbon monoxide that can suffocate.

- Install a carbon monoxide detector.
- Make sure you have a safe alternate heat source and a supply of fuel or blankets.

### Alternate power sources during an outage:

**Disposable alkaline batteries:** Try to stay with or move toward commonly available battery types and sizes; AAA, AA, C or D. Unopened, these batteries have about a 7-year shelf-life. Specialized batteries will be hard to acquire in an emergency. Consider a AA battery 'power pack' for cell phones and other electronics.

**Generators:** These include portable generators that are easily moved and are generally 5,000 watts or less.

**Power inverters:** An inverter converts direct current (DC) from a car battery or solar panel into alternate current (AC) voltage, suited for household appliances. An automobile inverter allows phones and other electronics to be recharged in your car.

**Solar:** Solar charged landscape lights can be brought into the house for lighting, and solar/AC 'power packs' are available for cell phones and other electronics.

### Conserve your alternate emergency power:

- Remove batteries when not in use.
- Store batteries in a cool dry place.
- Know what you must operate in an emergency to preserve life or food safety, such as an oxygen concentrator, refrigerator, or freezer.
- Consider running your generator only as necessary (cycling on and off) to conserve fuel.
- Pre-charge critical batteries for phones, back-up battery storage cells and inverters, and check their charge on a regular schedule.
- In an emergency, turn off your cell phone when not in use. Limit texting or calling to emergency needs only. Set a pre-arranged time once a day to text or call your family or out-of-area contact.

Remember, depending on the outage severity, it may take hours, days, or weeks for power to come back on. Restoration may be focused on power lines that serve the largest population, hospitals, emergency service agencies, shelters, nursing homes,

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community wells and other essential services. Think ahead: Have an emergency power outage plan *before* the lights go out!

*\*Copies of the Handbook are available at the KPOA office. This information is reproduced with permission from Jefferson County Department of Emergency Management.*

## Why Haven't You Been Asked About the Front Gate?

Joe Englander, President

I have received calls and emails from members who are concerned that they have not had a chance to give their opinions about the front gate and any changes that might be made to it. First of all, let me say, no changes have been made and it will be months before any decisions are taken concerning any changes that might be made. Many have heard through the pernicious grapevine that there was a survey that had been conducted and they felt left out. **Neither is the case.**

No one has been left out because there has not been a survey conducted. I did appoint an *ad hoc* committee to explore what we might ask and what methods of implementation we might use. While the committee has suggested four possible questions and probable costs of each, should the front gate remain unchanged, should we use a guard periodically but not change the front gate itself, should we change the front gate to one that operates more quickly and prevents tail-gating, should we change the front gate to one that operates more quickly and prevents tail-gating but also prevents entrance through the exit gate, the method of implementation of a survey has not been agreed upon by the Board of Directors.

At this time, we are exploring the possibility of using an on-line electronic survey which could be answered on any internet-capable device: Phone, tablet, laptop, computer, even smart-tv. One technical problem is making certain that any Kala Point member who wants to participate, can, whether they have access to a device or not. I would not expect the survey to be undertaken any earlier than January 2019.

You have not been left out of the survey; concern for your inclusion has been paramount.

## Two Terrific Tips

By Nancy Leeds

**Keurig Clogged?** If your Keurig doesn't seem to be working as well as it used to, you may need to perform some extra steps before starting the cleaning process. The needles that pierce the Keurig coffee cup might need to be cleaned. Unbend a paper clip, open the top of the Keurig and insert the end of the paperclip into the holes. Move the paperclip around to loosen any debris. Hold your Keurig over a sink and with the top open, flip it upside down and give it a few, firm taps with the palm of your hand.

**Houseplants Hungry?** Household plants need nourishment, particularly in the dead of winter when sunlight is limited. Plants love starch; save the water you boiled your potatoes in, let it cool and use it to water your household plants.

## KPOA Facility Hours

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### All KPOA facilities are closed on:

Thanksgiving Day and the day after,  
Christmas Eve,  
Christmas Day,  
New Year's Day.

## Changes to the Tree Committee Administrative Policies and Procedures (APPs)

By Kim Titus

Hello fellow residents! Fall is here, and with it come winter storms. The Tree Committee has modified a few of the APPs applicable to the Tree Committee requests. We want to be sure you know about them, and how to reach us should you have a request to modify or cut down a tree.

First, all requests, with the exception of emergency requests, should be submitted to the tree committee by the 15th of any month. We meet the fourth Thursday of every month (except December) so we can address your requests quickly. Once your request has been reviewed and approved, work must be completed within six months from the date of approval. That date may be extended at the discretion of the case manager.

Dead or hazardous trees on members' lots must be approved for removal by the tree committee. A tree request becomes an "emergency" when there is imminent danger of falling trees to people, property, or creating an obstruction to access. For those situations we have an "Emergency Tree Squad". Right now Geoff Genter is taking the lead and he can be reached at [ggenther43@gmail.com](mailto:ggenther43@gmail.com), or by phone at 206-719-7260. He will take a look at the tree and give you the quick approval you need to get someone to remove the hazard. Dead trees are not an emergency and should be submitted on the "vegetation control request". We will process your request the month we receive it.

There are explicit exemptions that **do not require** the Tree Committee to review. They are under APP 11-22.

### These Explicit Policy Exemptions are:

1. No approval is required to perform an action on vegetation or trees planted by or for a member on private property.
2. Trees may be removed without permission if:
  - Their trunks are within ten feet from the side of the dwelling or other structure, including eaves.
  - Their trunks are smaller than six (6) inches in diameter (19 inches circumference) measured at three (3) feet above trunk base.

3. Limbs may be pruned to the trunk without permission if they are:
  - Within 15 feet from the side of the dwelling or other structure, including eaves, or overhanging the dwelling within 15 feet of the roof or other structure, or
  - Within 15 feet above the driveway, or
  - Within 15 feet above the ground on mature, natural trees; or
  - Common Area trees within five (5) feet of a driveway may be trimmed to a height of twenty (20) feet at the homeowner's request to the General Manager; or
  - Dead limbs.
4. Tree Committee approval is not necessary to remove trees that have fallen on structures or personal property.
5. Tree Committee approval is not required for non-mature trees. See Glossary: Non-Mature Tree.

Note: The above exemptions (1., 2., 3.) do not apply to certain KPOA areas that are under Jefferson County Shoreline Master Program jurisdiction (SMP-Ordinance #07-1216-13) involving Critical Areas and/or Shoreline Buffer areas. Refer to KPOA General Manager.

The final adjustment to the APPs is in APP II-22, Policy Item 12. The new APP reads:

*When a vegetation/ tree request is initiated stating that "root rot" is the reason for removal of an otherwise healthy appearing tree, this must be verified by one of the accepted methods:*

- a) *Ultra sound banding or*
- b) *Core sampling.*

KP has contracted with a certified Silviculturist, who will assist us by advising where and how to move our forest to a healthier state, given that root rot has been identified in the community.

The tree committee is working to provide timely responses to all requests and we always look forward to hosting new members.

Happy Holidays!

Kim Titus, Tree Committee



# Lens Around Town



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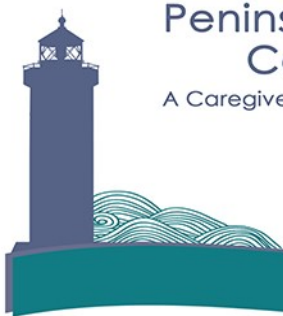
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