



Kala Pointer

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President's Message

By Joe Englander, President
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Happy New Year everyone! The sugar rush of the holidays has passed and now it's time for sober reflections and resolutions. What can we do to make the future better, brighter, happier, healthier? Some resolutions will be personal, maybe very personal, but some will affect those around us. Most resolutions that aren't fulfilled are frequently known by their trumpet call: Shoulda, coulda, woulda. Probably the only way to avoid 'ouldas is with action.

Now is a good time to fill your pantry with foods you don't plan to and don't want to eat right now, foods for the future, if an emergency strikes. We're threatened by a couple of major situations both of which involve our happy peninsula being cut off from the rest of the world by not having any bridges, roads, docks, or airports that can be used for evacuation or for resupply. The means no food at the QFC, the Safeway, the Co-op, or Aldrich's. No food in any of the stores or restaurants. We have already been informed by Jefferson County Emergency Management that everyone in the Port Townsend and Hadlock area can expect to be on our own for four weeks and maybe more. Do you have enough food and water stockpiled for a month? It won't take much of a shake to put the Hood Canal Bridge out of commission and to crater Highway 101 or buckle the landing strip. Think about a month without electricity and nowhere to go and no way to escape. Make a resolution to get serious about being prepared. Get to know your EPC Block Captains. In fact, get to know the Emergency Preparedness Committee.

The EPC brought us two important events this past fall: First Aid and Fire Safety. Both were completely full. They will be offering another **free** First Aid course this February 15th; sign up with Terry Rose now before there aren't any places left: call 360-385-1940 or email at rosenkatz@wavecable.com. And they are planning another a session on fire extinguishers, both using them and testing them.

Prepare, prepare for disaster. Was that Jerry Lee I hear: great balls of fire, a whole lotta shakin' goin' on. But really, get to know the EPC so you can get to know what you can do for yourself and your loved ones—including your pets! Make a resolution. Fulfill a resolution.

Speaking of resolutions. Your Board has been making a few and some of them will be presented to you on the next ballot along with new candidates for vacating Board positions. If you are interested in joining the Board, please let Mary Ann Schulte, the chair of the Elections Committee, know at 360 385-1484 or maschulte373@gmail.com

Let's all have a happy new year!



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By Kim Titus

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I hope you all had happy holidays with friends and family. The days are starting to get longer and if I squint hard enough, I can see spring in the distance.

First on our December agenda was the results of the 2018 Budget election process. Out of a total of 598 eligible voters, we received 323 votes (54%). Of those voting, 177 did so by mailing their ballot and 146 used the online voting method. Two abstained. Because KPOA has to pay for the mail-in process and vote counting, we will continue to urge all of our members to vote online. The board unanimously voted to pass the 2018 budget as voted on by the members. The 2018 Reserve fund projects moving forward will be the

- Terrace Drive Paving project
- Annual Road maintenance
- Clubhouse furniture
- Fireplace Room re-carpeting
- New gravel in Storage Lot B
- Tennis Court 1-2 resurfacing

Under the finance section of the meeting, the board approved the recontour of the asphalt to improve drainage in front of the clubhouse. The work will entail constructing an ADA compliant entry and install a small concrete trench, covered with a flat grate, in front of the stairs to move water to a catch basin. This should keep ice from forming in front of the stairs. The General Manager (GM) Keith will bring forward a lighting proposal in February to improve lighting at the entry.

The GM shared that the new credit card system is in place and is getting great response. At this point 12 timeshare and 4 lot/home/condo assessments have been paid by credit card.

Grounds Maintenance - The tree trimming of the upper canopy along KP roads is complete and clean-up is on-going. Trail work leading to the foot bridge will resume in January and a concrete pad was placed under the emergency gate for storage lot A. This will improve the operation of the large gate, making it easier to roll into place.

Shane Ryan and Dion White will be certified as Pool Operators on February 5 & 6, 2018.

The board had a heartfelt discussion in response to a comment made by a member at the November meeting. The interchange between him and a board member left the KPOA member frustrated. The board discussed our intentions and unanimously agreed that the language and tone we use during board meetings should be sensitive to members perspective, and free from any jargon that could be misinterpreted. "People may forget what you said, people may forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

The Board passed a motion to allow the social plus committee to charge a \$5 fee for the New Year's Eve Party to cover costs such as decorations and a tip for the band (the band is playing at no cost).

The Board also approved a revision to the Personnel

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Handbook to include methodology for calculating Employee Medical Plan Contributions. All of the motions we discuss and vote on can be seen in the official minutes on the KPOA website.

There are a number of motions that the Board will discuss in *January* for consideration to modify language in the CC&Rs. Specifically, we want to clarify KPOAs approach to building reconstruction, the type of environment we are working to maintain in the subdivision, and clarification as to what can be placed in setbacks. Once the Board has discussed and passed a motion, then that language will be brought to members for their vote in the July elections. We did not discuss the Architectural APPs at the December meeting.

Committee reports – The ad hoc committee on fire hydrants reported that the PUD has located all the shut-off valves and pressure testing by an independent company will be completed by spring. The fire chief has been invited to the next PUD Board meeting indicating the fire department and the PUD is working together to improve our system and communications in general. The fire hydrant system is in better shape and they are now marking them with flow indicators. A red ring indicates flow testing at 500 gpm, which is adequate. All of this is due to the work of the Fire Hydrant committee. As Michael Machette pointed out, “The squeaky wheel gets the grease” and in this case, our participation at PUD Board meetings has resulted in a working system with additional improvements planned.

The Bluff Management Committee has let a contract for a Geotech to evaluate the effect of the proposed removal of 5 trees. The case file for 2017 was a total of 95 trees and shrubs, which was not only a large workload, but they were processing requests using a new WA State regulation for bluff management. Jefferson Co. should receive the package from Kala Point after the Board reviews the proposal in January.

The elections committee is starting now to outreach for candidates to fill the three vacancies on the board for the general election scheduled for July. The job is important and we want a diverse board with a desire to serve this beautiful community. The EC is also brain-storming ways to improve on-line election use.

The Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) shared that 15 people attended the first aid class and there was a good turnout for the evening fire preparedness talk. Another first aid class has been scheduled for February 15 from 1-4 pm. There will

be a fire extinguisher training in the spring. There has been a loud speaker installed in the GMs truck for use in emergencies (no dance parties Keith!). An all community EPC is being planned for spring along with another disaster simulation.

The Social Plus Committee has been busy and the Thanksgiving Dinner was well organized and fun. The annual Potato Bake has been scheduled for March 24, 2018.

Tree Committee wanted to thank Bob Goldstein for his work as the chair for the last three months.

Whew! That’s about it but there is so much is going on and much more planned for 2018. This year I am thankful for new friends, great neighbors and getting to live in a part of the country where the weather is so mellow. For 2018 I sincerely wish for good health, fresh air, and plenty of belly laughs for you and yours. I feel blessed to be a part of this community and wish you all a happy new year. (Next year I’ll try to be funnier.)

Volunteers Needed!

ECHHO is growing rapidly, as more and more people call for our services. With other organizations no longer offering rides to medical and other essential appointments, our phones are ringing so much that we’ve added volunteers to the office just to answer the phones while staff assigns drivers! This is all due in part to the increasing numbers of retirees moving to East Jefferson County.

Along with offering transportation and free loans of medical equipment, we are returning to ECHHO’s original working of helping with minor home repairs and especially, *companionship* for those who lack local support in their times of need. We’ve become aware of the many "elder orphans" in our area, and have volunteers ready to help with not only household chores during client's difficult times, but also to offer simple company-keeping, i.e. playing Scrabble, sharing lunch, watching a movie, reading to and even going to the doctor with the client to take notes, and much, much more.

There have been added expenses for all of the above, as we've had to purchase new computers and update software. Ken Dane is working on creating a more professional phone system so that it won't ring into every office every time it rings. And, we're creating more office space in our basement! ECHHO needs both your financial support, and A FEW VOLUNTEER DRIVERS (!) to serve our clients in the Port Ludlow area. Please call our office if you can help: 360-379-3246. Thank you so much!!!

Sarah McMahan, Executive Director

Calendar of Events for January 2018

By Ed Zinser

January - all month - Jim Alden, Art in the Library Exhibit. The Port Townsend Library will present paintings by artist Jim Alden (1941-2004) in the Art in the Library Exhibit. The paintings will be displayed from October 27, 2017 to February 20, 2018 and may be viewed during library hours. **Location:** Port Townsend Public Library, 1220 Lawrence St. **Contact:** 360-385-3181.

January 12 - NWMC Speaker Series: Tucker Thompson, America's Cup Presentation: 6:30 to 8:30 PM. NW Maritime Center presents an evening with Tucker Thompson, America's Cup Presentation. **Location:** NW Maritime Center, 431 Water St. **Contact:** 360-385-3628.

January 14 - Future of Oceans Lecture: Sea-Level Rise's Impact on Humans and Habitat in the Salish Sea: 3:30 PM. Urban growth, rising seas and changes in Pacific Northwest stream runoff are placing unprecedented pressure on coastal ecosystems and communities across Puget Sound. Estuaries, beaches and floodplains support many important uses, including fish and wildlife habitat, nationally-important farmland, and natural flood protection to prime real estate, industry and transportation corridors. Intensifying competition for coastal lands raises both the urgency and the challenge of adaptively managing ecosystems and the services they provide for long-term human well-being while accommodating near-term farming, growth and other land-uses. This presentation will synthesize climate change impact pathways leading to coastal squeeze of the Salish Sea and new research aimed to help resource managers and communities plan for adaptation. **Location:** Fort Worden State Park Chapel. **Contact:** 360-385-5582, info@ptmsc.org.

January 16 - PTSA: Make It & Take It: Quick Collage with Cheri Kopp: 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Working quickly and messily, while enjoying food and drink from TAPS at the Guardhouse (and music), participants will create small collages, suitable as greeting cards, gifts, or display. We'll use words and images from paperboard packaging (e.g. cereal boxes) to express ideas separate from their original marketing intent. You'll be cutting paperboard, playing with layout and assembling your final work. **Location:** Port Townsend School of the Arts (PTSA), Fort Worden Way, Building 306. **Contact:** 360-344-4479, ptschoolofthearts@gmail.com.

January 26 - NWMC Salty Cinema: Song of the Sea: 7:00 TO 9:00 PM. Head down to the Northwest Maritime Center for a free, maritime-related movie! From the creators of the Academy Award®-nominated *The Secret of Kells* comes a breathtakingly gorgeous, hand-drawn masterpiece. Based on the Irish legend of the

Selkies, *SONG OF THE SEA* tells the story of the last seal-child, Saoirse, and her brother Ben, who go on an epic journey to save the world of magic and discover the secrets of their past. **Location:** NW Maritime Center, 431 Water St. **Contact:** 360-385-3628, info@nwmartime.org.

January 28 - Chimacum Grange Community Potluck and Old Timey Jam: 6:00 to 8:30 pm. The monthly Old Timey-Jam is a family friendly gathering of all level musicians to share and revel in the joys of old time folk music! Join our community potluck from 6-7pm and stay to play or listen to music from 7-8:30pm. Hosted on the last Sunday of every month, donations for the hall appreciated! Bring your instruments (banjos, guitars, mandolin, concertina, harmonica, washtub bass, etc.) and a potluck dish to share along with personal beverage, and join in the tunes and food with local musicians and beginners alike. Potluck starts at 6, tunes at 6:30, and the party goes till 8:30 pm. No cost to you (Hall utility donations accepted); plates, cutlery, napkins provided. **Location:** Chimacum Grange, 9572 Rhody Dr, Chimacum. **Contact:** 360-732-0015.

Feb 6 - Port Townsend Harmonica Union, 6 to 8 pm. PTHU is a group of harmonica players that meets to enjoy shared tunes. We will have guitar, piano and ukulele players, all instruments are welcome, and everyone is invited to play, sing and/or listen. We will play through a list of tunes selected in advance and published on our web site, <http://www.ptthu.org>. **Location:** Kala Point Clubhouse. **Contact:** Bob Longmire, 360-344-2084, bob@longmire.org

Tree Request Workshop offered by (BMAC)

by Richard Oiseth

The Bluff Management Advisory Committee will be offering a Bluff Tree Request Workshop on

Tuesday, January 23rd 2018, from 1pm to 3pm in the Main Room at the Kala Point Clubhouse. This workshop will prepare residents of Kala Point's Southern Sector for the 2018 Bluff Tree Request cycle (opens February 1st and closes February 28th, 2018).

The agenda for the 2018 BMAC Tree Request Workshop will include the following subjects:

- BMAC Tree Request Process Overview
 - Jefferson County Shoreline Management Plan
 - Jefferson County Critical Areas Ordinance
 - Kala Point Southern Sector Geo-Technical Summary
 - 2017 BMAC Tree Requests Review (Northern Sector)
 - 2015 BMAC Tree Requests Review (Southern Sector)
 - 2014 BMAC Tree Requests Review (Northern Sector)
- BMAC Tree Request Recommendations

• Summary & Questions

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact the Bluff Management Advisory Committee (BMAC).

What are the Chances...?

by Joe Englander

If you were to ask me “what are the chances of rain tomorrow?” and I answered that it would probably rain, you'd likely shrug and think “well, it's the Pacific Northwest, what do you expect?” and then you'd go on as you normally would, doing whatever you normally do. But if I answered that it was going to rain pretty heavily in the morning, you might decide “that's fairly specific, maybe I'll take an umbrella.” Still, you most likely wouldn't change your plans. On the other hand, if I answered that the chances are very high that it is going to rain heavily between 10 and 11 tomorrow morning, you might decide to take raingear and you might even modify your plans to avoid the downpour. Yet, if I said that I know for a fact that it is going to be torrential at 10:15 and will wash out Highway 20, you'd want to be certain that I knew what I was talking about and then you would probably make a trip to the grocery and pharmacy just to make certain you had the supplies you needed, just in case I was really right. Still, if I added that it is likely going to take four weeks before the roads are repaired, you would definitely go to the stores and stock up, especially if I were able to convince you that all the weather prognosticators had the data to prove the imminent severe weather.

I would be talking about making predictions down to the minute. And those minutes are comprehensible units of time. But when I tell you that the chances are very, very high that we will suffer an M9.0 earthquake within the next fifty years, plus or minus fifty years, I hope you won't shrug it off. Plus or minus 50 or even 250 years in geological time is much less than a second in dog-years and a fraction of second in people-years. So geologists can tell with an accuracy of seconds that we here in Kala Point will have to endure an M9.0 quake by the equivalent of 10:15:08 tomorrow. They know this because the last Cascadia earthquake was on January 26, 1700 and they have been occurring with regularity around every 350 years. You can do the math. What are the chances?


What are you going to do with that information? Are you going to treat it as seriously as a weather prediction for torrential downpours? After all, it is the Pacific Northwest. Yes, after all, it is the Pacific Northwest, home of the Cascadia Subduction Zone. Yes, after all it is Port Townsend, home of the South Whidbey Fault with its potential for an M7.5 quake. Are there other faults that have us in their sights for potential earthquakes? Yes, after all it is the Pacific Northwest: there's the Seattle Fault, the Tacoma

Fault, the Devils Mountain Fault, the Strawberry Point and Utsalady Point faults, Mount Vernon and Granite Falls faults, Cherry Creek and Rattlesnake Mountain fault zones, plus a bunch more. So, what are the chances it's going to rain?

Remember an M9.0 Cascadia would be the same magnitude quake that hit Japan on March 11, 2011 causing almost 16,000 deaths—more deaths than there are people on our peninsula. Earthquake scales are logarithmic, meaning that a M9.0 earthquake would have 10 times the amplitude, and release 32 times the energy of a M8.0 earthquake. Accordingly, an M9.0 quake would have 100 times the amplitude and 1024 times the energy of an M7.0 earthquake.




The largest earthquake in US history was the 1964 Alaskan Earthquake, which had an M9.2. According to computer modeling by USGS, FEMA, WaDNR and Emergency Management, such a Cascadia quake would affect 23 counties, injure thousands, and damage about 50 thousand buildings, displacing about 20,000 people of whom about 12,000 would require shelter. Jefferson County and Kala Point, in particular, will be way down the list to receive aid. We will be YOYO: You're On Your Own. Just as you would prepare for a torrential downpour, prepare to shelter in place for four weeks. Buy your supplies, store your water, learn first aid, plan ahead. Be Prepared. What are the chances?



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Committee Briefs January 2018

The Elections Committee has begun the process of reviewing possible Board Candidates for the July Elections. You have until April 15, 2018 to become a “timely declared” candidate. (see **APP IX-2, Elections Committee Procedures #s 3 and 4**)

Member Submitted Resolutions must be completed and submitted to the Office by 1:30 pm on February 16, 2018. The process for these resolutions is outlined in our Governing Documents, **APP IX-2, Elections Committee Procedures #13**. You must complete the forms in **Exhibits A-1 and A-2** for each resolution.

The next Elections Committee meeting is on February 6, 2018.

The Bluff Management Advisory Committee will be accepting tree/vegetation action requests from February 1 until February 28. This year we will be looking at the South sector of the bluff encompassing the area from the Southern boundary of Kala Point to the southern boundary of Lot #43 (90 Winship Drive). Accurate sector boundaries may be confirmed by consulting with BMAC or with our General Manager. Request forms are available at the Kala Point Administration Office or on the Kala Point Members Only Web site. **No combined requests are accepted.**

A \$250 deposit must accompany each request for the cost of the Jefferson County review.

This is refundable if, for any reason, the request does not go forward to the County. Additional non-refundable costs will be incurred by the requesters for the studies required by the County. The Board will commission these studies. (See the Bluff Management Plan, Policy 3.4) All approved tree/vegetation actions will be paid for by the requesters.

It is recommended that requesters review APP XV, and the BMP version 4.0. Both are available on the Kala Point Member Web site.

Notes From the General Manager

By Keith Larson

A Special Thank You

Thank you to all of the KPOA members for your donations to the Kala Point Employee Appreciation Fund. The caring and generosity of our community never ceases to amaze us and we all realize this comes from the heart. We all wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year! Keith Larson, Daniella Brockmeier, Lynn Schwarz, Shane Ryan., Trey Kilmer, Taylor Trammell, and Dion White.

Christmas Tree Pick-up

Christmas tree pick-up will begin on Tuesday January 2 through Friday January 5. Please place your tree(s) on the street shoulder for pickup. The maintenance crew will make several passes to assure that all of the trees have been picked up. For the safety of the KPOA staff, please be sure all ornaments, tinsel, and hooks have been removed. Because the chipped material is used for mulch, flocked trees and trees with ornaments still attached will not be accepted.

Thank you Kala Point Volunteers

A Huge Thank You to our Board of Directors, our hard working committee members, and the many volunteers that help with charitable events throughout the year; all of you are amazing people and make Kala Point what it is today. Let us all look forward to another successful year in 2018.



Did You Know?

Bu Michael Machette



There are some pretty big trees in Kala Point. Not first growth trees, but some that have been here for 60-70 years, I'd guess (we'll discuss that another time). But what is the biggest one and where is it. This is a challenge, so if you can best me you get a special prize.

Kala Point was logged sometime prior to its platting in 1976 by the Kala Point Development Company. Roads were built, lot lines were surveyed, and homes started to go up (for more info read Barbara MacLean's "History of Kala Point" on our website. Alders and salal grew back in the common areas along side the roads, and some of these alders have reached maturity. Now, at least a half century later, some of the Doug Firs and Western Red Cedars have become giants. The Doug Firs tend to be skinnier and taller, whereas the Red Cedars take on girth, which is easy to measure.

The first serious challenger I saw as a majestic Western Red Cedar growing in the median of Creekwood Place. At 48" above the ground (a common measuring point), this tree is 13' 4" in circumference. Surely a winner until I noticed another big one at the corner of Sailview Drive and the exit of Bluffs Drive. This one is a few inches bigger at 13' 6" in circumference.

Other big ones must be lurking in homeowners yards and I found one. While checking out the excavation for Dru Froggett's new house on Creekwood Place, I saw a REALLY BIG Western Red Cedars next door on a vacant lot. It made the two others look like pikers. Out came the tape measure and it clocked in at 16' 0" which means it has a diameter of 58". So that is the current record for biggest tree in girth in Kala Point. Prove me wrong, please.

Status of Kala Point's Domestic Water Supply and Fire Prevention Systems

By Michael Machette

On Dec. 6, Eric Storey who is PUD's Water Dept. Manager, made a presentation to the Ad Hoc Committee on the status of PUD's recent upgrades to our water and fire systems. PUD acquired these systems when they bought the Water Company from Eric Thomas in late 2012. The main reason they did this was to increase their water supply; with it came the responsibility to upgrade and maintain our systems.

Domestic Water Supply System.

Since PUD acquired our private water company it has been quietly upgrading our water system and infrastructure. Thomas had added a 150 KW propane generator for emergency operations, and since 2012 PUD has repaired two pressure pumps, added a third pump, and an entirely new filtration system.

Our domestic water supply consists of three water tanks (reservoirs) off Pinecrest Drive at the highest point (310 ft elev.) in our HOA, four water wells, three pumps and water treatment equipment, and distribution pipes. Our water comes from wells #3 and #4 near the tanks and can supply 150 and 75 gal/min respectively. Wells #1 and #2 are in the lower sector of Kala Point near the Clubhouse and are shallower—they were originally intended as monitoring wells; both have salt-water intrusion and thus are not potable supplies. After treatment, the water from wells #3 and #4 is pressurized by booster pumps and exits via a 8" main PVC pipe that descends along Baycliff, Kala Point, and Sailview Drive. Water mains along individual streets are 6" PVC, except on cul de sacs where they are 2" PVC. From street side main pipes, water is delivered to pairs of water meters on adjacent lots via 1" PVC. The water meters have 5/8" constrictors, and everything downstream from the meter to your faucet is a homeowner responsibility.

Our water system is now integrated with others in the area and provides a more diverse source and volume of water. Water can and does flow into and out of Kala Point now, insuring adequate supply if we should have issues with our wells or filtration systems.

Fire Prevention System.

Our fire prevention system is pretty standard for its 30-40 year age; luckily, fire hydrants are built for long life and are relatively bullet proof. We have 49 hydrants, all painted blue and orange. Most are Iowa-type hydrants, which have packing that needs to be

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Social Plus Kudos

Social Plus activity ramped up with a vengeance beginning in November with the KP Thanksgiving dinner held at the club house.

Seventy-nine neighbors and guests came out on a windy and rainy night to enjoy an abundance of great food at the annual Thanksgiving Pot Luck Dinner sponsored by the Social Plus Committee. At the end of the evening almost no trace was left of five delicious turkeys!

The turkeys were prepared by Michael & Nancy Machette, Jim and Char Quandt, and Louise Tragard for the event. There were turkeys that were baked, turkeys that were deep fried, along with wonderful dressings, gravies and 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

A huge thank you to Linda Lemanski for leading this event! She & her husband Tom did an outstanding job! Tom, thank you for the thoughtful front solar powered porch lights/deco's to aid in our safety and created a festive ambiance as well!

Major kudos to the food wranglers, decorators, set-up, clean-up & reception crew go to Pat Wrobel, Jim & Susie Gorski, Ginny Moynihan, Joe Worrall, Angela George, Patti Horvath, and Dick & Diana Zinn. Elaine Shore greeted everybody with a smile when they came in out of the rain, and husband Don made sure there was plenty of coffee and tea available to go along with dinner and dessert. Photos were taken by our famous photographer, 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!

In November & December, Toys for Tots & Christmas for Children toy drive in Kala Point was a huge success once again! Char & Jim Quandt collected nearly four large Toys for Tots boxes full of toys, clothing and gift cards and monies too. Doug & Nancy Leeds put up the tree with gift tags in the club house. Many of our KP residents volunteered their time at the fairgrounds to disperse the gifts to the families in need that live in Jefferson County, Kala Point is a generous neighborhood!

December 10 was the annual Holiday Progressive Dinner. This year we had 14 hosts! A big thank you to our hosts: Al Gerard & Colette Swan, David & Vicki Miller, Tom & Patti Biazzo, Ron & Caryl Gentry, Bob & Pat Miles, David & Sally Gooding, Bob & Helen Cleveland, Harvey & Karen Putterman, Dick & Diana Zinn, Char Quandt & Dawn Spencer, Dan Coffman & Pat Wrobel, Bill & Sue Conklin, John Galanes & Louise Tragard, and Caroline McNulty & Lynn Anderson. Kudos to Nancy Machette, Char Quandt, Diana Zinn & Michael Kubec for organizing the event. Thanks to all the guests who also participated by assisting with bringing food to the events. It was another successful and fun event to kick off the holidays!

New Year's Eve, 2016 was the last big shin ding for the year and our very own neighbors Bob Longmire & Barb Dawson along with their band members Glen Hellman & Tamahra Martin rocked the club house with their band Midnight Train! Kala Point residents brought in the New Year on New York time! It was a festive and fun evening with our neighbors enjoying time together eating, dancing and enjoying one another! Thanks to the many folks who jumped in to decorate & also to clean up afterwards!

The Social Plus Committee is about "Neighbors celebrating community" by organizing social events that bring us altogether! Kala Point is a great place to live and we are blessed to have such nice people & facilities to host events throughout the year! We are looking forward to another fun filled year ahead in 2018, we hope you will join 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, February 15, from 1:00pm to 4:30pm 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 February 15 is free, limited to 15 people, and offered on a first-come first-served basis. The previous session held in November was full with a waiting list, so act now: reserve your spot by contacting Terry Rose by phone at [360 385-1940](tel:3603851940) or by email at rosenkatz@wavecable.com.



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maintained (all were checked and nine have been serviced to date). The others are newer, relatively maintenance-free Mueller hydrants. All hydrants have been tagged with brass plates showing their number and are geo-referenced in PUD's GIS database. All hydrants have been flowed in the past year and will be tested for flow volume in the next few months by a private contractor. Colored disks will be added to the hydrant indicating flow volumes in gal/min for the Fire Department's use. Red disks indicate <500, orange are 500-1000, green are 1000-1500, and blue are >1500. The only blue disks you might see will be down near sea level where the water pressure is high (due to head—the elevation difference between the tanks and outlet).

The PUD's goal is to complete all upgrading of the fire hydrants, flow testing, and data collection by this Spring. Much of this work was stimulated by a decreased fire-safety rating that was issued for the Kala Point system after PUD bought it. With completion of the work, PUD hopes our fire rating to rise to its previous level.

In summary, Kala Point's water and fire system are currently in good condition and will be increasingly so in the coming year as upgrades are completed. Although we continue to have questions for PUD, such as the resistance of our water tanks to failure during a large earthquake, we'd like to believe that the Ad Hoc Committee has served a valuable function in bringing our interests to the PUD. The old proverb "the squeaky wheel gets the grease" is certainly appropriate.

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