

Kala Pointer



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President's Message

Joe Englander, President
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I would like to “talk” a little about the past, the future, and the present.

In the past month, at the Board of Directors meeting, I disclosed that I had received a letter from our attorney discussing the impact of allowing public use of Kala Point's private amenities and more specifically liability issues associated with such use. I distributed copies of the letter to members of the board and described its contents to those in attendance, but I felt that it would not be fair to discuss the letter or to entertain any motions that might stem from its information until it could be agendaized for a future board meeting in November. This was all in an attempt to be as transparent as possible: disclose the receipt of the letter as soon as possible, postpone discussion until any interested members—not just those who happened to be in attendance—could be present. I want to make it clear here, almost two weeks before our next board meeting, that there will be an item on the agenda concerning public access and use of Kala Point's private amenities and that the Board has had no private discussions of any kind regarding this issue or any other not relating to legal actions or personnel issues.

Related to this issue that was brought up this past month and won't be considered until the next

meeting, is a poll that will be conducted concerning our members' attitudes toward modifying the front gate. While the ad hoc committee is working on the poll, it has not presented any proposal to the board and it will be some time in the future before any poll is undertaken. Why will there be a poll? Many of our private amenities are attractive and that's why many of us bought homes here and why we are willing to pay for their maintenance; but they are also attractive to non-members who want to use them. Some such uses have little physical impact—such as walkers—while others have a great deal, especially at the beach and the boat ramp. In the past, Kala Point originally had a swing-arm gate with traffic control devices similar to rental car and parking lots with controlled access. Presently, we have a more decorative but less efficient and less effective gate. It is less efficient because it opens and closes so slowly and it is therefore less effective because both members and non-members tailgate through as the gate slowly closes. Do we need to change the gate to protect our amenities? The cost of any change to a physical gate would have virtually no effect on our assessments because of accounting rules and technicalities regarding reserve projects. Would we rather have a guard—continual, seasonal, intermittent—which will directly and immediately affect our assessments? Should we go back to the past, change for the future, or remain with what we have?

This past month there were also other events that

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What Happened at the October 9 Board Meeting?

By Dale Moses, KPOA Board Secretary

Your KPOA Board met at 1:00 pm for a little under two hours on Tuesday, October 9 in the Clubhouse. We had several guests (16) but not the fifty folks or so we had a month earlier. Things were still interesting! In reporting on correspondence from the past month, President Joe Englander mentioned he just received a response letter from our attorney giving us insights on how to look at liability that might occur from people entering KPOA property who weren't guests. Although Joe wanted to disclose the letter that had arrived just before the meeting, he felt that—to be fair—discussion should wait until it could be put on the agenda for the next meeting. I won't play lawyer here but basically, we have to be careful with hazards that might be present even if the people weren't invited and we need to not violate our own CC&Rs by seeming to invite them which would alter our liability. Of course, we need to be careful with altering our owners' privacy expectations as well. This is certainly a complicated topic that will continue with discussions for several months to come. Meanwhile, the ad hoc polling committee is continuing to structure an owner survey to better capture how we all feel about this topic of gates, security, and non-guests. This isn't to be a vote; just an input so our Board can better make decisions on your behalf.

On other matters, we okayed several bids for new furniture for the Clubhouse. We'll buy some new stacking chairs but keep the on-hand folding chairs and tables, and we'll get some nicer couch chairs and coffee tables and get rid of the shabby ones in the Fireplace Room this Fall. Discussion on the big \$80,000 refurbishment of the pool and jacuzzi concrete lining was deferred to the budget review meeting the following week. That would happen early in the new year. Five other reserve projects for this year have been completed and all came in under budget. These include the Terrace Drive paving, annual road maintenance, flooring in the Fireplace Room, re-graveling Storage Lot B, and re-surfacing tennis courts 1 and 2.

Keith reported that a vandal had "separated" the locked cable at the boat ramp which we will probably want to upgrade since this has occurred before. The audit of boat and lot storages has completed, and everything seems in order with only two or three unrented spaces. He also announced we intend to hire Jenna

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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.



Pet First Aid Seminar

November 14, 6pm to 8pm, at the Clubhouse
Pattie Horvath, EPC Pet Emergency Management team

Calling all pet owners and pet lovers! Mark your calendars now, and plan to attend an informative evening seminar on first aid for pets, offered by Dr. Madelyn Curll of Oak Bay Animal Hospital in Port Hadlock.

The seminar, sponsored by the Kala Point Emergency Preparedness Committee, will take place at the Clubhouse on Wednesday, November 14th, from 6pm to 8pm. Light refreshments will be served.

Questions? Contact Pattie Horvath at 360 385-4458 or pattiehorvath@gmail.com.

Kala Point Committees—Where the Sausage is made?

By Michael Machette

Kala Point operates through committees and committees operate through the generous time and energy of volunteers and have done so for almost 40 years. Committees function across the gamut from financial to social to trees and emergency preparedness (a hot topic nowadays). However, without the addition of new blood and fresh ideas, you can wear out your help and the volunteer committees may cease to exist. In which case, Kala Point would need to hire outside help, which would definitely be more expensive.

When I ask residents if they are interested in joining a committee I commonly get one of these responses: I'm retired and not interested; I'm just too busy (being retired), I don't like political issues; I'm not interested in confronting my neighbors, etc. Conversely, from all the cross talk on Next Door and community interest in our recent Board meetings, I get a wholly different message: interest is high in everything the opinionated thinks is wrong. However, you really can't have it both ways. It's not fair to cherry-pick the issue of the day, and let the other 50-75 Kala Point volunteers do the work that keeps this place beautiful, orderly and affordable. I expect that out-sourcing our committee work would increase our assessments 2 or 3 fold (to \$2,000-\$3,000/yr).

So, it's time to buck up. Most committees meet for an hour once a month and would only require an hour or two of your time. Some committees are adequately staffed, but here is what we need RIGHT NOW—

Architecture (AC): Building projects are on the increase and they could use a few more members with interest in or experience with home building and/or landscaping projects.

Bluff Management Advisory Committee (BMAC): A couple of folks with computer skills, surveying, interest in our bluff and beach, and perhaps a dog in the hunt as they say—you have a vested interest in views across the bluffs area.

Elections (EC): Yes, every year we look for and recruit 3 or more candidates for the Board and guide the mostly electronic voting process. If you know a lot of people in Kala Point, or if are you an ex-board member willing to ask others to participate, or are interested in the Board but don't want to be on it yet, you're definitely a candidate for the EC.

Emergency Preparedness (EPC): Going great guns, but needs more members with experience or an interest in First Aid (they will train you).

Publication (PC): Have you done some desktop publishing or have interest in it; good at editing? They could use help with the Kala Pointer, late in each month.

Social Plus (SPC): Persons with new ideas and the initiative to lead and plan a social event will find a warm welcome in SPC.

Everyone in Kala Point has experience doing something useful and every committee in Kala Point has a need for an experienced helping hand. You're wanted. You're needed. Come on, pitch-in.

volunteer
do good, feel good

A True Story

By Nancy Leeds

It was January 1974 and Janice Schauer, a school bus aide for Chimacum, was picking up students returning from their Christmas break. There was a lot of merriment on the bus that day as the children talked with their friends about all the presents they received from Santa. Several sported their new coats and shoes. Still more brought their favorite toys for a “show and tell” at school. Janice could feel the contagiousness of the children’s laughter. She truly loved Christmas with its traditions, high spirits and vivacious youngsters.

But not all the children were so lucky. It broke Janice’s heart when several of the younger ones told her they had gotten nothing for Christmas. How could a child receive *nothing* in a place as wealthy as America? How terrible must the parents feel to not even be able to gift their child with something as small as a candy bar?

The next Christmas Janice Schauer took it upon herself to buy socks and small gifts for the children she knew were in need. This was the birth of the “Tri-Area Christmas for Children”. With each passing year the program grew, first filling her garage and engaging her daughter, Laurie Schauer Liske and son-in-law, Tony. Three generations of the Schauer/Liske family are now carrying on a tradition so sizeable that it currently takes up two large buildings of the Jefferson County Fairgrounds.

How did it get so big that it served 565 children last year? Five years ago a similar Port Townsend program for providing gifts to children folded with no one willing to step forward to run the program. When the Tri-Area Christmas for Children agreed to fill the void, the program nearly tripled in size. It now encompasses Port Hadlock, Port Ludlow, Nordland, Chimacum Tri-Areas, and Port Townsend. It became known simply as “Christmas For Children”.

What does the whole process entail? Schools, Food Banks, DSHS and area businesses notify folks that the applications for help are available the beginning of October. Parents list the “want” and “need” of each child on the application and those are in turn transferred to slips of paper that are posted on “Christmas Giving Trees” in around 35 locations throughout Jefferson County, each with an identification number, gender, age and size of the child. Generous residents choose a ticket, purchase the item(s) and bring it back to the tree, unwrapped but securely tagged with the slip. Shortly before Christmas, teams pickup the gifts and bring them to the Fairgrounds.

The flurry of activity begins at the Fairgrounds three days prior to distribution to the parents. Already the Marine Corps Toys for Tots campaign has loaded the building across the way with goodies all sorted by gender and age. On Friday Rotary, Kiwanis and the Fire Department setup large boxes for each family, all tagged with names, needs and wants. There are rows and rows of tables setup to handle the boxes. On Saturday, in another room, the gifts are dropped off from each of the host tree volunteers. As the gifts come in, they are numerically put in order on more rows and rows of tables. Ah-h-h...the joviality, the singing, the funny elf hats we wear as gifts are accepted and sorted! Truly one feels the Christmas Spirit. Even more elves take the numbered goodies from one room to the appropriate boxes in the other room. It’s pure delight to see the boxes fill to the top.

When the requested boxes are filled, those elves assigned to that row of boxes, grab grocery carts and go across the way to the Toys for Tots shopping mecca! Such fun!! The object is to overflow each box with Christmas goodies, so the children’s eyes pop out on Christmas morning. The kids each get a need and a want gift from the Christmas for Children program plus the popular toys, games, books, sports equipment (you name it) from the Toys for Tots program. Such perfection!

On Sunday the parents come to pickup the gifts. Elves are scurrying around delivering, doll houses, teddy bears, dollies, remote operated cars and trucks, games, Star Wars and Seahawks stuff and all the wonders of the universe. Tears of joy, gratitude, and overpowering happiness bounce off the walls and into all of Port Townsend. It’s a great day. It’s a good life.

Here at Kala Point, just before Thanksgiving, we setup boxes at several places for the Toys for Tots gifts. The Christmas for Children go into the same boxes and are delivered to the Fairgrounds at the same time. The Giving Tree is in the Clubhouse, loaded with tags upon which is written a “need” item or a “want” item. Just choose one (or more). The tag will give the child’s age, gender and size (if a wearable item). You buy it, keep it unwrapped but firmly attach the tag to it and drop it off at one of the Toys for Tots boxes. Bless you for your generosity. You have just been added to Santa’s “Good List”.

If you want to volunteer at the Fairgrounds, or you have any questions, please contact Doug or Nancy Leeds or Char Quandt. And Merry Christmas to each and every one of you.

Calendar of Events November 2018

Compiled by Ed Zinser

November 3-4 - Annual JC Fairgrounds Holiday Fair: 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Get a jump on your holiday shopping. Join us for our Annual Holiday Fair. A wide variety of handmade and commercial gifts and stocking stuffers. Inside booths. Hourly raffles. Pictures with Santa. Noon to 4pm both days. Rent a booth to sell your own items, products or promote your business. The Jefferson County Fair Association is a non-profit which funds, maintains and operates The Jefferson County Fair and fairgrounds with it's dedicated volunteers. **Location:** JC Fairgrounds Erickson Building, 4907 Landes St. **Contact:** Sue McIntire, 360-385-1013, jeffcfairgrounds@olyopen.com.

November 3-4 - Annual Port Townsend Woodworkers Show: 11:00 am. The 13th Annual Port Townsend Woodworkers' Show. Featuring work by master woodworkers from around the greater Olympic Peninsula region including furniture makers, cabinetmakers, turners, carvers and instrument makers. Many master woodworkers show their art and craft. The purpose of the show is to introduce Port Townsend to the community of varied and talented woodworkers that exists in its midst, and to provide an opportunity for woodworkers to present their work directly to the public in a relaxed and informal setting. Exhibitors include furniture and cabinetmakers, luthiers and instrument makers, boat builders, carvers, sculptors, jewelers and turners. **Location:** American Legion Post #26, 209 Monroe St. **Contact:** 360-316-9480, john@ptwoodschoo.org.



November 11 - Port Townsend Summer Band: Veterans Day Concert: 10:30 -11:30 am. 2018 is the 26th Season of the Port Townsend Summer Band with Miles Vokurka conducting. **Location:** American Legion Post #26, 209 Monroe St. **Contact:** Miles Vokurka, 360-379-5710, PTSummerBand@yahoo.com.

November: 23-24 - Annual Holiday Craft Sale: 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. This annual event is held on Black Friday and Small Business Saturday following Thanksgiving in Uptown at the Port Townsend Community Center . Come dive into the holiday shopping season with locally handmade arts and crafts! This fine quality show is staged by the Port Townsend Arts Guild, a self-supporting non-profit arts organization for more than

45 years, which offers arts scholarships to Jefferson County students majoring in the arts as well as donating to many arts related activities. The artists donate a portion of each sale to the Jefferson County Food Bank, as they have done for the past twenty-six years. In 2016, \$2600 was raised for the Jefferson County Food Bank. Featured will be handwoven rugs and clothing, gold and silver jewelry set with semi-precious gems, leather belts, purses, photography, sculptural jewelry, etched glass art, Damascus steel kitchen and hunting knives, turned pens, carved salmon and whale wall art and benches, handmade clocks and stoneware and porcelain pottery. David Michael performs and sells his harp music and CD's. Local students will perform for fair attendees in the gym. **Location:** Port Townsend Community Center, 620 Tyler St. **Contact:** Donna Harding, 360-774-6544, partsguild@yahoo.com.

November 30th & Saturday, Dec 1 - PT Kiwanis Dinner & a Murder "Where Everybody Wants You Dead": 5:00 pm. You are invited to partake of fine food, drink and the opportunity to enjoy our dinner show that is always laced with laughter, murder and intrigue! This year's Dinner and a Murder, which is a combination of stage and screen, is entitled "Where Everybody Wants You Dead" – a comedy. The dinner show is hosted by the PT Kiwanis Club, with proceeds going to both Kiwanis and OlyCap Children's Programs and will again include the "almost famous" PT Mystery Players – their 11th year! **Location:** Oscar Erickson Building at the JeffCo Fairgrounds. **Contact:** Mary & David Crozier, 360-531-0200, maryc@ptpc.com.

Kala Point Recurring Events

Board Meeting: Every second Tuesday at 1:00 pm in the Clubhouse. Check Kala Kalendar for info.

Let's Have Lunch: Meets first Tuesday at 11:30 in the Clubhouse.

TGIF: Every Friday at 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Clubhouse. BYO beverage and glassware.

Bridge: Every Monday at 11:00 am Clubhouse

Reading Group: Every third Wednesday 3:30 - 5pm at the Clubhouse.

**Have a story, photo, or Sniglet to share?
How about a poem or an anecdote?
A riddle or trivia question maybe?
Well... share it with us!**

YourKalaPointer@KalaPoint.org

2018

RAINSHADOW CHORALE
presents

inspired by the poetry of Walt Whitman

all sounds became music


Rebecca Rottsolk
Artistic Director & Conductor
Lisa Lanza
Pianist

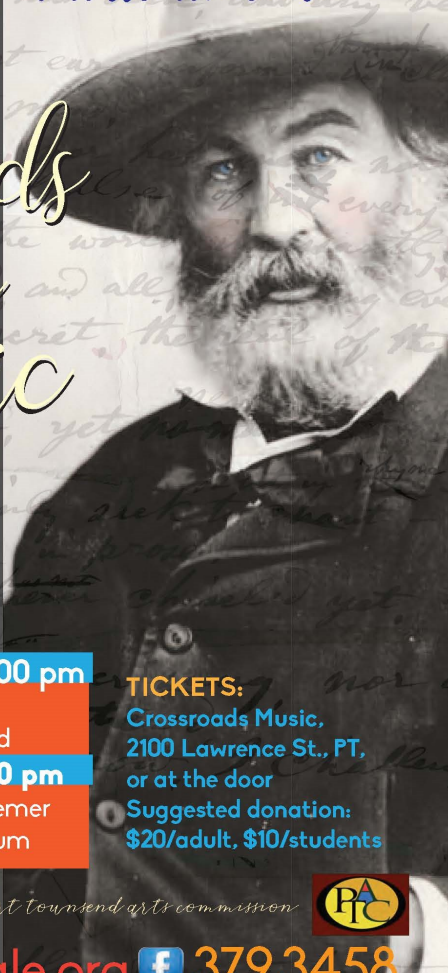
Saturday, November 10 4:00 pm
Trinity Methodist Church
609 Taylor St., Pt. Townsend

Sunday November 11, 4:00 pm
Lutheran Church of the Redeemer
45 Redeemer Way, Chimacum

TICKETS:
Crossroads Music,
2100 Lawrence St., PT,
or at the door
Suggested donation:
\$20/adult, \$10/students

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RainShadow Chorale begins its 2018-19 season with two performances, November 10 and 11, conducted by Kala Point's own Artistic Director Rebecca Rottsolk. The program includes an expansive repertoire - ancient chants, lullabies, songs of nature, tender love songs, a Bach motet, folk songs, and an opera chorus.

One of the works, "Proud Music of the Storm" by Jake Runestad, uses some of the text from Walt Whitman's poem of the same name. "The poem provided my inspiration for the concerts," said Rottsolk. " 'Ah, from a little child, Thou knowest, Soul, how to me all sounds became music . . . Fill me with all the voices of the universe, the tempests, waters, winds, operas and chants, marches and dances, pour in - for I would take them all.'

The program is Romantic in its concept - emotionally charged and intended to nourish, console, and inspire us all."

Tickets: Available at Crossroads Music, Port Townsend, or at the door. Information: 360-379-3458.

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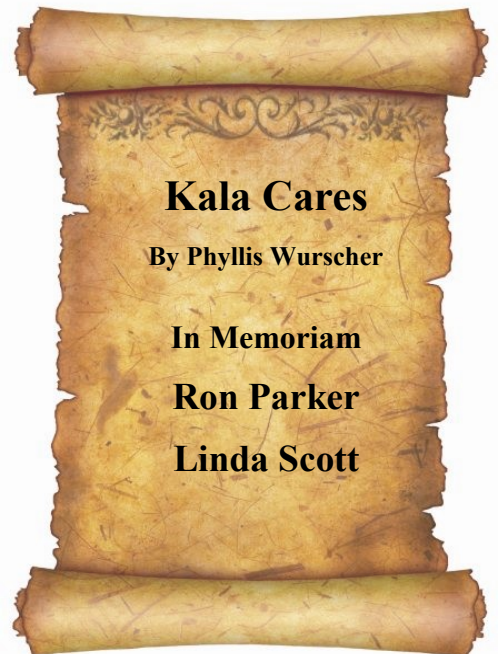
By Nancy Machette, Chairman

Greetings to our new neighbors.

A reminder – most changes or modifications to the exterior of your home or permanent changes to the landscape (other than foliage) require advance approval by the Architectural Committee. Any member of the Committee will be happy to help you with questions. The Administrative Office can provide member names and telephone numbers. The document outlining policies and procedures for existing homes (APP Article III) is available on the KPOA website or you may obtain a copy from the Administrative Office.



Happy Thanksgiving



Kala Cares

By Phyllis Wurscher

In Memoriam

Ron Parker

Linda Scott

The Ratings are Down, and the Rates are Up

*Bill Beezley, Public Information Officer, East Jefferson Fire Rescue
and Joe Englander, KPOA President*

There are a lot of issues that concern members that are not, strictly speaking, within the purview of the Kala Point administration or governance. One recent issue was the PUD's decision to increase rates for managing communal septic systems. Within the last few weeks many have received "staggering" increases in their fire insurance. In both cases, it seems, slack in the prior years' accounting had been favorably producing lower rates than were actually warranted, so owners who thought they were being penalized with new higher rates were actually reaping the benefits of not having accurate accounting and billing in years past. In the case of fire insurance, ratings are done only every five years and that means that a deficiency that would have resulted in a higher rate four years ago, hasn't been billed for each of those years. If the ratings were more frequent or more efficient, you might have seen your bill increase over each of the past four years by an equal amount to its recent increase. Why? On the one hand, because insurance rates follow insurance ratings; and on the other, because you haven't volunteered to help the East Jefferson Fire Rescue team.

Washington State is one of a handful of states which utilize the services of an independent rating service to evaluate communities for their fire protection and suppression capabilities. Using a schedule approved by the Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner, they assign each community a Protection Class of 1 (exemplary) through 10 (insufficient for insurance credit). This Class rating may be utilized by an insurance company to assist in determining fire insurance premiums for properties. However, not all insurance companies use the WSRB rating to set insurance rates. And this is why two neighbors with different insurance carriers might have different rates.

The five-year ratings include at least four factors, and these are weighted as the insurance company prefers:

Fire Department: WSRB reviews such items as engine companies, ladder companies, distribution of fire stations and fire companies, automatic aid received, response to alarms, equipment carried on apparatus, apparatus maintenance, pumping capacity, reserve apparatus, department personnel levels and training.

Water Supply: Water supplies used are reviewed to determine their adequacy for fire-suppression purposes. Major tasks include calculating required fire flows (gallons per minute) for buildings and conducting flow tests to measure water pressures (psi) and volume (gpm). WSRB considers hydrant size, type, and installation, as well as the inspection frequency and condition of fire hydrants.

Emergency Communications Systems: The community's 911 system is evaluated including facilities, handling and dispatching fire alarms, dispatch personnel levels and training.

Fire Safety Control: Fire prevention activities such as fire code enforcement, public education and building code enforcement are reviewed.

Bill Beezley, the Public Information Officer for East Jefferson Fire Rescue, explained that "after investing in apparatus, equipment and personnel training and enhancing our Fire Safety Control, Jefferson County Fire Protection District #1's rating improved from a 6 to a 5 because of a 2013 evaluation. However, changes resulted from our most recent evaluation, which took place in 2017 and became effective in early 2018." According to Beezley, while our overall District-wide rating remained unchanged at a 5, deficiencies in two areas impacted rates for homes within a five road-mile radius of the three volunteer fire stations which includes the Airport Station near Kala Point.

In the 2018 evaluation, District 1 received demerits for the age of emergency response vehicles, many of which were still owned after the prior evaluation five years earlier. And, for the first time, EJFR also received demerits for having an insufficient number of volunteer firefighters who regularly train and respond from those three volunteer stations. In order to receive credit for these stations, District 1 would need six volunteer firefighters to regularly train and respond from each station.

"Currently," Beezley continued, "we have an insufficient number of volunteer firefighters, contributing to a rate reduction from 5 to 9a for households located within a five driving-mile radius of those three stations." This means that insurance for Kala Point homes will likely be affected by a corresponding increase in rates, depending on your insurance provider. A rating of 9a is just above a rating of 10 which is insufficient for insurance credit.

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The District is focusing efforts on lowering the 9a back to a 5, but this will take time, especially since the evaluations occur only in five-year intervals and there are severe budget limitations. EJFR District #1 continues to try to modernize but this can only be done as budgets allow. In addition, the District is conducting numerous volunteer recruiting efforts, offering at least three times annually the ability for members of the community to join the volunteer ranks. In the future, the District intends to add a part-time Volunteer Coordinator, with a focus of attracting and retaining volunteers to support District operations and improve service to the community which would typically raise EJFR's rating and lower insurance rates.

What can you do? Volunteer to help the EJFR District. While an increased number of trained and active volunteer firefighters will improve the insurance rating, EJFR is also looking for other volunteers to assist in a variety of capacities, including tender drivers, EMS responders and various support and office roles.

K.P.E.A.F. (KALA POINT EMPLOYEE APPRECIATION FUND) 2018

This fund is a means to thank our Kala Point Employees for the excellent job service they do in maintaining and administrating our Kala Point. Our current Kala Point Employees are as follows:

Keith Larson, Gen. Manager (31 years of service)
Daniella Brockmeier, Administration
Jenna Hogan, Administration Assistant (New)
Shane Ryan, Maintenance
Trey Kilmer, Maintenance
Dion White, Part Time Clubhouse
Phil White, Part Time Clubhouse
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 in 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:

KPEAF (Kala Point Employee Appreciation Fund)

P.O. Box 22

Port Hadlock, WA 98339

Or please drop off at: Patti Biazzo, 295 Foxfield Drive (360-385-3262) or Susie Gorski, 51-2 Seaview Court, (907-317-5562). Thank you

Kala Point Bulletin Board Update

By Dale Moses

Kala Point has 8 bulletin boards throughout the neighborhood. The blue background area on each board is designated for KPOA Board or official business only. Please do not post in this area. The Social Plus Committee will be posting a paper social calendar to the bulletin boards for your convenience. This will allow for a quick glance of all Social Plus-sponsored coming events. Meanwhile the Kala Kalendar which shows all activity in our community including meetings, committee sessions, official community gatherings, private events, activities, and presentations to be held in Kala Point will continue to be available on the Kala Point web site. (The constant, daily changes to the Kala Kalendar and what is open/available for space don't lend themselves to a paper bulletin board posting but they work fine online!)

Please note the following guidelines for our bulletin boards:

- No advertising is permitted on our bulletin boards. (*The Kala Pointer newsletter will be glad to list items of this nature for a small fee. Contact the KPOA office for more information 360-385-0834.*)
- "Social postings" (meaning postings other than KPOA official info) must be approved by Social Plus Committee Tri-Chairs or Ginny Moynihan, committee member prior to posting. All these social postings (other than KPOA official postings) must have the initials of whoever is approving the posting at the bottom of poster/flyer with the date of initial posting and the day after event on the bottom of poster/flyer. Every poster/flyer should be removed immediately following that event completion. Posters/flyers are monitored for expiration or those that do not have proper authorization.
- No posters/flyers will remain on the board indefinitely. (*Ongoing activities should be listed in Kala Kalendar. Contact the KPOA office to learn more at 360-385-0814.*)

Turning vegan would be a missed steak.

Electricians have to strip to make ends meet. (Shocking!)

Crushing pop cans. Soda depressing.

Irony. The opposite of wrinkly.

Tried to grab the fog. I mist.

In the army of corny jokes, I am a kernel.

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will affect the future of Kala Point. One was the Board's recommending next year's budget for your approval. You should receive your packet of information regarding the budget the week of November 19. There will be a letter from our CFO, John Oliveira, that will explain the budget and the impact it will have on our assessments. The General Manager, the CFO, and the Finance Committee are to be commended for their hard work throughout the year in running a tight ship and holding our expenses to a minimum. In an environment where the cost of everything is increasing, they have managed to hold Kala Point's assessments to the lowest possible level. I urge you vote to approve the 2019 Budget as submitted. The voting will be simple and electronic. As with other elections, if you do not have an internet-connected device, there will be polling stations in the clubhouse and at the administration building and there are volunteers available to help you if you need it. **Please vote.** If you do not vote, it is essentially a vote against the budget whether that's what you intend or not; if you are actually moved to vote against the budget, then do so. But I strongly urge you to consider the high value you are receiving for what you are paying and to vote FOR the budget.

One of the reasons that our assessments are as low as they are, by the way, is because in the past we have depended on volunteers to make Kala Point work for all of us. Yes, volunteers were keeping assessments low in the past, but now the number of members willing to volunteer has dwindled precipitously. This means that we might have future increases in assessments to pay professionals to do the jobs that the same 30 or 40 volunteers—many serving year after year on multiple committees—do now. It will take two or possibly three full-time employees just to start to replace the committees; that is an increase in assessments of as much as \$150 to \$200 per year per member just to start, unless you and your neighbors start participating in the government of Kala Point. Participation doesn't take much of your time now and it saves you a whole lot of money in the future.

Another part of preparing for the future that happened this past month was the Emergency Preparedness Committee's incredibly successful Great ShakeOut earthquake exercise. A huge thanks to the entire EPC team, especially team leaders Mark Miller, Terry Rose, and, of course, Anne Englander. Although the ShakeOut actually happened last month, and the committee worked on it for months before that, it was all aimed at what might happen in the future. Kala Point joined 1.3 million other

Washingtonians who were registered to participate in preparation for a major earthquake. I hope you were there. Over 200 of your neighbors stepped up to train for how to react to the Big One. What became immediately clear as teams reacted to likely situations was how many injuries there will be and how few people we have trained and ready to administer first aid. The county will not be able to provide reliable first responders; Kala Point will have to provide its own. And the terrible fact is **we don't have enough members who are willing to save the lives of their friends and loved ones.** It isn't a huge commitment of time and Kala Point will pay to train you to be on our first aid team. Please take the time now to prepare for the future. Contact Anne Englander anne.english@gmail.com to learn more.

So, I've talked about the past and the future. What about the present? The present is its own present to you. There is no greater gift than to be in the present. Enjoy it! And have a Happy Thanksgiving.



I hear it's easy to convince ladies not to eat Tide Pods, but it's harder to deter gents.

Toys for Tots & Christmas for Children of Jefferson County

By Char Quandt



November 14th is the kick-off date for the **Toys for Tots & Christmas for Children** programs in Kala Point! 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 & more!

Doug & Nancy Leeds continue to lead the “**The Christmas for Children**” program in Kala Point along with Rotary Clubs and 30 other businesses and organizations throughout Jefferson County. “**Toys for Tots**” continues to be led by Char & Jim Quandt in Kala Point along with the Marine Corps Reserve and local Kiwanis of Port Townsend.

The difference between the two programs are:

Toys for Tots: Purchase a toy of **your choice** to donate to the program.

November 14th – December 12th, 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 the Progressive Cocktail Party hosts on December 9th.

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 child is the *need* tag. This one is usually, but not always, requested by the parent for their child. A warm coat, nice boots, 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 14th – December 13th, drop off unwrapped gifts in the Toys for Tots Box at the Clubhouse, or at the home of Jim & Char Quandt collection bin on their front porch.

Along with the donated gifts for Toys for Tots & 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 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!

Let’s make this a special Christmas for those less fortunate children of Jefferson County. Your support is greatly appreciated!



Committee Briefs

By Michael Machette

Architecture

Sept. 27 meeting. 29 active projects, five new houses under construction now, with one in the wings. Most projects are like-for-like roofing and paint. Decks continue to be an issue in terms of permits. County requires permits for all replacements less than five years old (code issues). Next meeting Oct. 25, 10:30 am, Administration Conference Room.

Elections

First meeting of the new election year (Oct. 4). No chair selected (Machette acting); two continuing members and one new member, plus Board reps. Preliminary contact list has about 30 viable candidate names. Next meeting Nov. 8, 1:30 pm, Administration Conference Room.

BMAC

Completed Tree Request package for South Sector, approved by Board on Oct. 9 after site visit. Submitted to Jefferson County, anticipate 2-3 months response time (from former submittals). Next meeting in December to deal with Central Sector, date To Be Determined.



A Thanksgiving Prayer

By Nancy Leeds

I GIVE THANKS for the sweetness of life, for the LOVE OF MY FAMILY, and the laughter of my children. I'M THANKFUL TO BE LIVING IN FREEDOM. I am grateful for my health, wealth, my potential and the COMFORT OF MY HOME. I give thanks for the generosity of neighbors, the smiles of my friends and earth's boundless beauty. I REJOICE IN THE SINGING BIRD, the rainbow's promise & a SKY FULL OF STARS. Gratitude has replaced anxiety because "I HAVE RECEIVED MORE THAN I COULD EVER ASK FOR".

The Tri-Area Food Bank Has 2 collection spots in Kala Point

The Tri-Area Food Bank has established two non-perishable food drop-off buckets for our convenience. They are located at the Kala Point Clubhouse and the KPOA Office.

The Tri-Area Food Bank serves Chimacum, Hadlock, Irondale and surrounding communities and is located at the former Hadlock Mattress & Furniture Discount Outlet at 760 Chimacum Road in Port Hadlock. The Food Bank distributes food to around 220 households a week, representing 530 individuals. On average, the Food Bank gives out 15 pounds of food per person per week.

The Tri-Area Food Bank is part of the Jefferson County Food Bank Association, is a private charity (501c3) and is dependent on private donations from within Jefferson County and grants. It is an all-volunteer organization; there are no paid employees. Tri-Area Food Bank volunteers alone put in over 1000 hours last month supporting the Food Bank.

Many of the Food Bank's clients are working poor parents with children; one in five children in the county as a whole do not know for sure where their next meal is coming from. A third of its clients are senior citizens, many of whom have no family or m\family support (often referred to as the orphaned elderly). The Food Bank also has a significant number of clients that have severe disabilities, are dealing with addiction or are homeless.

Food donations can be dropped off at the two Kala Point locations anytime or can be dropped off at the Food Bank on Tuesdays from 9am to 11am and on Wednesdays from 7am to 1pm.

Thank you for your support.

(Editor's note: The Jefferson County Food Bank Drive, held here in Kala Point during the month of October, will have a status report from Ann Bambrick in the December newsletter. The items collected here in Kala Point for the Tri-Area Food Bank support Chimacum, Hadlock and Irondale. The money we gave to the Jefferson County Food Bank will go to several food banks in Jefferson County, including the Tri-Area Food Bank.)

"Secretary's Message-Dale Moses" (Continued from page 2)

Hogan as a new office assistant who would start work in early November.

Earlier that morning, the Board had done a short walking tour of the Bluff Management Advisory Committee's recommendations for requested tree actions on the southern section of our bluff. The package of 39 tree actions (8 removals) was approved for submission to the County. We also approved several new members for other committees, and okayed two modifications in committee APPs (Social Plus and Tree Committees). We discussed the coming Oct 18 "Shake Out" earthquake drill. At the end of the meeting, several guests talked a bit more about our gate security and associated signage.

That was it folks.



Sniglets

By Nancy Leeds

Arachnaidiot (a RAK na idiot) - n. A person, who, having wandered into an "invisible" spider web, begins gyrating and flailing about wildly.

Brakenoia (Brak e NOIA) - v. The act or urge of stepping on the brake on the passenger side of the car.

Carperpetuation (KAR per pet u a shun) - n. The act, when vacuuming, of running over a string at least a dozen times, reaching over and picking it up, examining it, then putting it back down to give the vacuum one more chance. (*This is me, folks:*)

Exaspirin (eks AS prin) - n. Any bottle of pain reliever with an impossible-to-remove-bottle cap.

Kawashock (KAW wah shahk) - n. Pulling into the last remaining parking spot only to discover a motorcycle there.

Sheriff's report of calls from Kala Point

January 2016 to September 2018

by Tom McFarling

A few months ago, there was a lot of discussion about the gates and security, so I decided to ask the Jefferson County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) for a report on all reported activity from all Kala Point neighborhoods from 1/1/2016 to 9/9/2018, approximately a three-year period. Here are the results.

Abandoned vehicles. 1 call
 Advanced life support, medical call. 7
 Animal call – vicious. 1
 Basic life support. 5
 Burglary. 1
 Civil process. 15
 Civil disputes – tenant/landlord, spouses/partner. 4
 DUI. 2
 Fraud. 8
 Fire alarm, residential. 2
 Hazmat (hazardous materials). 2
 Harassment. 4
 Malicious mischief – criminal property damage. 3
 Patrol request. 2
 Suspicious activity – no known crime. 6
 Gunshots. 1
 Traffic collision. 4
 Traffic stop. 4
 Theft – motor vehicle. 1
 Theft. 3
 Warrant – arrest. 4
 Welfare checks (to see if someone is OK). 12
 911 emergency calls. 9

To really draw any conclusions, one should also have statistics from a comparable size community "outside" Kala Point, which I didn't request. I'll leave that up to someone else.



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Walkie-Talkies 101

Anne Englander

During our ShakeOut drill, block captains reviewed this information with neighbors in each zone. Here's all you need to know about your FRS (Family Radio Service) walkie-talkie radio.

RADIO OPERATIONS

- Turn on your radio by pressing on/off button and holding it down for 3 seconds - the radio window will light up and display your channel number (note: this is a channel number, not your zone number; the FRS channel is pre-programmed for your zone).

- Talk by pressing and holding down the side PTT (push to talk) button.

- When you are finished speaking, release the PTT button.

- Turn off your radio by pressing the on/off button and holding it down for 3 seconds.

- That's it: two buttons (on/off and PTT). Ignore the other buttons.



Replacing batteries: The walkie-talkies require 3 AA batteries. Batteries will drain, so **check your batteries** every few months, and especially prior to any drill/practice. If the radio doesn't turn on, replace the 3 AA batteries. On the back of the radio, pull the belt clip retaining pin outwards from the radio and lift the clip upwards to slide it off. Locate the battery hatch pin at the bottom of the radio, lift it up and raise the hatch to access the batteries. Replace the batteries using the + and - guides, close the battery hatch, and replace the belt clip.

Or, if you want longer battery life and feel you can install batteries under pressure in an emergency, remove the batteries and store them in a plastic bag along with your radio; install the batteries when an emergency arises, and you need to use your walkie-talkie.

RADIO PROTOCOL TO REPORT EMERGENCIES

Remember: you are sharing a channel with your block captain and zone neighbors. Wait for a quiet moment to speak, press PTT, speak slowly and clearly, and keep your communication brief. If you are reporting a serious emergency, follow this protocol:

- Say your name
- Say your location
- Release PTT, wait to be acknowledged, then press PTT again
- Give a brief description of the emergency - medical, fire, hazard, etc.
- Repeat the information as/if requested
- An acknowledgment will follow - "message received, will get back, suggestion is..."

Walkie-talkie radios are the most effective and fail-safe way to communicate with your neighbors when other kinds of communication fail. Don't have one yet? An EPC-approved walkie-talkie is available through your block captain and comes pre-programmed for your particular zone within Kala Point. The cost is only \$10 including batteries. It's a critical part of your emergency preparations. Get one now!

Notice

By Joe Englander

At the Kala Point October 22 meeting of PUD candidates Dan Toepper and Tom Brotherton organized by Bill Kaune, it was revealed that the PUD has known for some time, but made no public retraction, that Kala Point was not using excessive water this past summer and was not the cause of any "water shortage." Rather, contrary to the assertions of the PUD, the fault lay with the PUD itself and its pumps and filters operating well below capacity. This revelation does not mean that water conservation is no longer necessary; on the contrary, conservation of all our resources is always important. I am, however, asking the PUD management to provide us with a written explanation of the events.

Letters to the Editor

A Private Paradox, A Personal Perspective

By Frances Loubere

KPOA Board Chair Joe Englander posed these thought-provoking questions in the July *Kala Pointer*: ***What does it mean to be a private, gated, community? How should privacy be perceived, practiced, and protected? Does public access diminish the value of private property?*** Here is my perspective:

I'm a private person. I wear my individuality like a buttoned-up, gray coat with a vibrant lining. Most don't see this intensity. I'm also a welcoming person; I invite people into my home.

I'm a private person. I lock my door at night. But I also begin by assuming the best about others. If young Mormon missionaries or political candidates arrive on my doorstep, I ask questions with a smile. I don't yell in vein-popping anger: *You are trespassing, get off my property NOW!* (This was my neighbor's unfortunate experience while canvassing at Kala Point.)

I am a private person. But this isn't because I'm afraid of others. Good relationships with neighbors help us all maintain both privacy and safety.

I live in a private home. As an introvert, I value seclusion, autonomy and quiet. I also live within this private community and I value inclusion, collaboration, and sociability. Kala Point has CC&Rs that protect and, paradoxically, can intrude upon privacy.

It is an irony that our community stipulates *no fences* around our individual properties while "security" gates and fences encircle our residential area. Physically and psychologically we lock out neighbors who might help us. Arguably we are less secure with gates.

We are an independent community but also interdependent, interconnected, and woven into wider community through time, space and relationship. Ribs of history, revealed at low tide, reside on our beach.

Neither are we exempt from State law. "Our" beach is not all ours and neither is "our" spit. We cannot prohibit political signs in yards. County permission is required to remove trees from fragile bluffs. Our padlocked emergency exits spill into abutting neighborhoods, and depend on easements. Our fire road exits through Fort Townsend State Park.

What does it mean to be a private, gated, community?

For me, it means living with the paradox of privacy and the dissonance of fences and gates and neighbors with a spectrum of views, some different from mine. I accept this status quo; I bought into Kala Point.

But, I am often reminded of our interconnection with the larger community and a larger one still -- the health of the whole forest is essential to the well being of individual trees. Our inward-focused and narrowly interpreted CC&Rs can miss the gestalt of this much wider truth.

We don't have to increasingly lock others out to be both safe and private. This isn't an either/or. For decades we've granted neighbors access, welcomed them, and also remained private. Our rules have been and can be interpreted in this context; in fact Washington State law and the Public Trust Doctrine encourage it.

EVERY SINGLE DAY I wake up and marvel at majestic, ancient cedars and giant Douglas firs, bald eagles and humming birds, and I'm grateful, and I want to be generous. This is what living here means to me.

How should privacy be perceived, practiced and protected?

Our differing perspectives lead to varying perceptions and definitions of privacy, so how "should" it be practiced? Perhaps there is no overall "should" and our best bet is to reaffirm our current, decades old, status quo compromise.

Does public access diminish the value of private property?

Is "value" greater than dollars? Is "value" enhanced by a friendly attitude? Or diminished by negative perception? Perhaps some public access *increases* the value of our private property? Goodwill is surely a "priceless" investment that expands exponentially.

In the end, our Kala Point homes and timeshares are bought and sold.

The tide in Port Townsend Bay ebbs and flows.

The spit shifts, the bluffs crumble.

The beach aggrades, the beach erodes,

and periodically a king tide storm rearranges our lagoon log "furniture".

Green giants topple and rot and nurse new seeds.

Bobcats and deer roam beyond our boundaries, and circle back again.

Ravens croak. Eagles soar, then sit like sentinels in our bare-topped trees.

Once upon a time this "private gated community" was Chimacum country.

A fence won't stop wild fires, earthquakes, Scotch broom, red tides -- or green crab.

In deep time Kala Point isn't ours -- it belongs to the Universe.

Let's think beyond The Gate. This is my personal perspective. What's yours?

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(Letters to the Editor continued on next page.)

MORE

Letters to the Editor

Living in the Kala Point HOA (Home Owners Association) is a unique experience and may not be for everyone. There are Rules and CC&R's (governing documents) in place that provide an overall aesthetic look for our individual homes, condominiums and common amenities. These protect the value and unique setting for Owners, guests and families.

Owning property here requires a responsibility to adhere to these Rules. We all sign an agreement upon buying. We elect a Board of Directors whose responsibility it is to oversee the management and common areas in accordance with the provisions in the CC&R's. Sometimes we have personal wishes or philosophies that are not always in sync with the governing documents. But living in an HOA means that by law our Board must subscribe to these preset rules.

When I reviewed Articles I, IV & XV I found that our Board is NOT given permission to assign rights to non-members to use our Common Area. Common Area is defined as property owned by the Association for the common use and enjoyment of Owners and their guests. The streets within the development are said to be private, maintained and operated by the Association.

There has been considerable discussion of non-members using our beach (parking, trails, dock and boat launch) especially during the summer season. In addition, some have advocated that our roads should be accessible to non-members from the surrounding area. Mid-summer a guard was placed at our entrance gate only during part of the weekend hours that it is closed to limit access only to members and authorized guests. This allowed only one car entry at a time. Quite a few vehicles were turned away. Some may have had legitimate intent to enter but could not provide an owner name to call on the directory or did not have an opener card/remote to gain access. In addition, a campaign was set in motion to give "warning" tickets on cars located at the beach parking area without the proper KP identification. This was done during all hours when the gate was open weekdays and when closed on weekends. Copies of these were filed at the KP office.

What did we learn? Some members immediately obtained the proper sticker for their car and/or listed their phone on the directory at the front gate for guests to dial them for access. The Board has an

informal policy of not towing cars on the first offense. Each weekend that a guard continued working the gate, the number of unauthorized vehicles attempting entry decreased. Some of us were very pleased at this attempt to enforce the fact that after 6 p.m. and all weekend our gate is closed and opens only for members and their guests. These are the times that in fact we are truly "private". At the August Board meeting members in attendance who spoke to the issue of securing the gate applauded the Board for taking proper actions to enforce the "private" times of our community. A discussion resulted in options to having the front gate provide for only one car enter at a time (members with access remotes or guests calling). This was the original operation of the gate when first installed by the developer. Options were to be explored.

Then in September and October other members spoke of leaving the gate as it is, opening it more and not respecting the fact that our CC&R's state we are private. They believe that KP should be welcoming and allowing non-members to use our trails, roads and even walk to the beach. Some even interpret a Washington state law to say that private property must be opened to the public. It simply isn't the case. All of the exits from Kala Point open onto public roads or a public park. The reverse is not true when entering. Are we trying to exclude others? I don't believe so. I believe we pay for the maintenance of these amenities and have legally registered governing documents that state they are to be private. Our Board is obligated to follow the CC&R's. A small group cannot "tell" the Board they must not enforce what is in place and should not make legal claims they cannot uphold. I believe the Board has the authority to change the existing gate to ensure it operates to secure entry at certain times.

It has been said a survey may come to the membership on changes, if any, to the gate. I continue to urge everyone that their opinion should go to the board so they can address the security/safety of the community in a way the members want that supports and not violates the CC&R's. Simply email or draft a letter to the Board at kpoa_board@kalapoint.org.

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Kala Point Thanksgiving Potluck

**Saturday - November 10th
5:30 pm at the Clubhouse**

Cost: \$10 per person

**Reservations Begin: Friday, October 19th
*Space is limited!***

RSVP: Mary Lou Boegehold 360-379-0514

*(Handicap assistance will be provided if you need help to get to the event
or assistance with carrying food. Please indicate need when making your reservation.)*

**Turkey, gravy, cranberry sauce,
coffee and tea will be provided!**

**Please sign up to bring your choice of the following:
Dressing, Mashed Potatoes or Sweet Potatoes,
Vegetable, Salad or a Dessert**

To serve 12 people

BYOB & Your Own Place Settings

Sponsored by the KPOA Social Plus Committee

Kala Point Holiday Progressive Dinner

by the Social Plus Committee

Plans are already underway for the annual Kala Point Holiday Progressive Dinner! This year will mark the 22nd year for this popular event. **We are looking for volunteers to host the Cocktail or Dinner portion of the event.** If you are interested in being a host or hostess, **please call Char Quandt at 360-344-2112 or email her at Charlene.quandt@gmail.com.**

On **Sunday, December 9th**, Kala Point residents who have made reservations will join neighbors and gather at 5:00 pm for cocktails & appetizers at the "Cocktail Host" home and then at 6:30 pm will go to "Dinner Host" home for dinner & dessert.

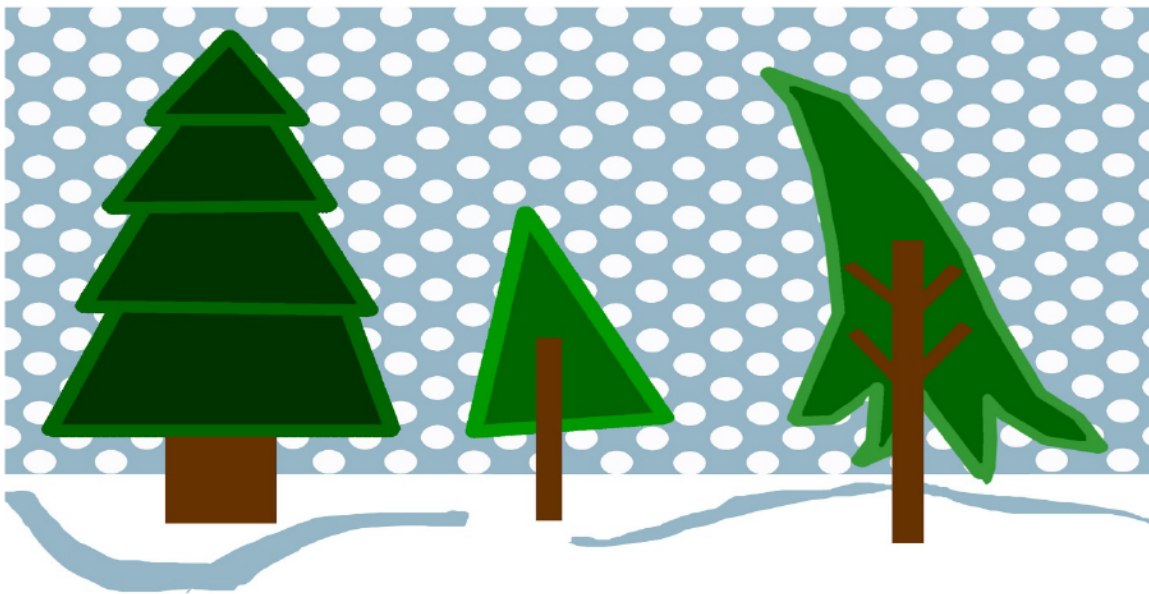
Guests will be asked to assist either their cocktail or dinner/dessert hosts, and to take an unwrapped toy or game to their cocktail host's home for the Toys for Tots program. If you desire wine with your dinner, please BYOB.

Please call or email your reservation to Michael Kubec @ 360-385-2041 or michaelkubec@gmail.com. We will notify you by postcard, as to the names and addresses of your host homes.

Reservations, which will be limited to 80, and will be taken beginning October 25th and will end November 22nd

It's a festive time of the year, and this event gives us a chance to dress up and enjoy the company of fellow Kala Pointers as the holiday season kicks off! This event is for all Kala Point residents. Newcomers to our community are particularly encouraged to participate as this affords a perfect opportunity for us to meet one another. If you have never participated as a host or guest, you are in for a real treat!

We do hope you'll join us, as it is always a memorable evening!



Whole Lotta Shakin' Goin' On: Recap of Our Great ShakeOut Drill

Anne Englander, EPC Chair

Thanks, everyone, for the excellent turnout during Kala Point's Great ShakeOut drill on October 18th. Over 220 Kala Pointers joined in the drill, and I'm pretty sure that's the biggest emergency preparedness event ever for Kala Point. Special thanks, too, to all the EPC team members who worked hard behind the scenes and on that morning to make it happen.

This was an important exercise for a lot of reasons. First, it was part of a county-wide, statewide, and national ShakeOut drill, involving millions of Americans (over a million in Washington State alone) practicing what to do when a major earthquake hits. Second, it was the first time that significant numbers of Kala Point residents joined EPC members in working together to hone our disaster-related communication and problem-solving skills. Third, it was our first chance to try out on a large scale our FRS walkie-talkie radios. And finally, while September's Expo was focused on what we should individually *get* in the way of supplies to prepare for emergencies, this ShakeOut drill focused on what we should collectively *do* together to survive and thrive. Preparedness is not just a matter of coming up with plans and laying in supplies; it's also knowing how to put plans into action. Practice makes perfect! We'll get better every time we drill. This won't be our last disaster simulation exercise, and next time, we need even more Kala Point residents to take part.

During our practice, we simulated an earthquake disaster by having neighbors fan out to assess their neighborhood and report to their block captains on a total of 34 different staged "emergencies". Block captains relayed these reports to a team in the administration building, led by Incident Coordinator Mark Miller, who provided guidance and suggested resources to manage each scenario, and neighbors worked within each zone to resolve as many of the "emergencies" as they could.

Our virtual "emergencies" covered the gamut of issues — medical, search and rescue, comfort and stress mitigation, pet, hazard, propane, fire, generator — and ranged from relatively minor problems such as a partially blocked road, a leaking water heater, an elderly resident to check on, and a bleeding foot, to dire situations such as grave injuries, gas leaks, and collapsed homes. Terry Rose, who leads the First Aid team, made several of the medical "emergencies" seem very real; she positioned five "victims", staged with props like fake blood, who were then discovered, reported on, and ultimately treated by first aid

responders. Most realistically, two "victims" didn't make it, due to the lack of prompt medical attention. A special shout-out to our revived "victims" in this drill - Jim Quandt, Gerry Rose, Ann Bambrick, Joan Bender, and Rich Stewart.

What we learned in the drill was that our first aid team does a great job but is seriously undermanned. There were way too many first aid "emergencies" for such a small team to handle, and this reflects today's realities in Kala Point; to be ready for a real disaster, we need more people to volunteer, get trained, and serve on our First Aid team. And all of us need to understand that in a real disaster, things will be far more chaotic than in our drill, and that some people we count on - block captains, for example - may not be on hand to help. That's why it's so important for everyone in Kala Point to participate in exercises like the ShakeOut, so that we can all step up and do our part when disaster strikes.



"Victim" Gerry Rose



The Block Captains gathered for a de-briefing. Facing front (l) John Crooks, EOC director, (r) Mark Miller, NOC Incident Coordinator

NOTES from the GENERAL MANAGER/ GROUNDS MANAGER

Keith Larson, General Manager, CMCA, AMS

Vehicle Parking On Private Property.

In July 2018 the membership approved changes to the CC&Rs, which restricts places upon which vehicles may be parked or stored on private property.

- **Vehicles may be parked or stored only on driveways or approved hard surface extensions.**
- Vehicles may not be parked on the side of the garage/home, in the setback or any other place on the property other than the above.
- Hard surface extensions are small areas integrated as part of the driveway into which a vehicle may back so that it is then positioned to drive safely forward onto the main street rather than back into traffic.
- There is no grandfathering provision. Even if you have been parking for a long time in areas other than those indicated, you must now comply with the new CC&R rule.
- The Board and Management encourage voluntary compliance with the new CC&R. Failure to do so will result in a notice of non-compliance, which may result in a hearing before the Board and a possible fine to the homeowner.

Garbage Cans and Yard Equipment.

- Increasingly there have been more and more instances in which garbage cans are being stored at the front or by the side of the house as are wheelbarrows and other yard equipment.
- Homeowners are reminded that all garbage cans and yard equipment such as waste receptacles, wheelbarrows, hoes, rakes, potting materials, pots, buckets, etc., must be stored out of sight when not being actively used.
- Management encourages voluntary compliance. Failure to do so will result in a non-compliance notification, which may result in a hearing before the Board and a possible fine.

Thank You!



By Char Quandt

Kala Point Pickleball has a friendly, welcoming group and we're glad to have new and seasoned players join in on the fun! We offer five pickleball courts to play on. Four courts (the Lower Lagoon courts) below the Clubhouse and one court (Sports court) on Pinecrest near Storage Lot A. You can keep up to date by checking the Kala Pointer newsletter and the bulletin boards on the Pickleball Court fences or submitting your email address to PickleballKP@gmail.com.

Playing:

The best way to learn pickleball or improve your skills is to play the game. If you are new to the sport and need a paddle check one out at the Clubhouse office. We also have paddles to share when there is open play.

Join others during OPEN PLAY (All year)
Mon, Wed & Fri 10:30 -12:30 and Tues 4:00 – 5:00 on Lower Lagoon courts A & B & Thurs 4:00 - 5:00 on Sports Court on Pinecrest Drive.

Reserve a court by using the KP Pickleball Calendar or calling Michael Machette -360-385-2224.

Test your skills by playing with other community pickleball players in Port Townsend, Cape George, Port Ludlow & Sequim.

If you have any questions, please contact:
Michael Machette -360-385-2224



KPOA Facility Hours

Administration Office

Monday -Thursday 8:30 am - 2:30 pm
Friday 8:30am - 1:00 pm

October 16-March 31, 2019

Clubhouse

Monday -Friday 9:00 am-8:00 pm
Saturday - Sunday 1:00 pm-8:00 pm

Pool Closed

Jacuzzi & Spa

Monday -Friday 9:00 am-7:45 pm
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All KPOA facilities are closed Thanksgiving Day, the day after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Day.

Smart Aleck Answers

Submitted by Ann Bambrick

- It was mealtime during an airline flight. "Would you like dinner?" the flight attendant asked John. "What are my choices?" John asked. "Yes or no," she replied.
- A woman is standing in front of her bedroom mirror. She is not happy with what she sees and says to her husband, "I feel horrible. I look old, fat and ugly. I really need you to pay me a compliment." The husband says, "Your eyesight's damn near perfect."
- The police officer got out of his car as the kid who was stopped for speeding rolled down his window. "I've been waiting for you here all day," the officer said. The kid replied, "Yeah, well I got here as fast as I could." When the cop finally stopped laughing, he sent the kid on his way without a ticket.
- A truck driver was driving along on the freeway and noticed a sign that read: Low Bridge Ahead. Before he knows it, the bridge is right in front of him and his truck gets wedged under it. Cars are backed up for miles. Finally a cop arrives, walks up to the truck driver, puts his hands on his hips and says, "Got stuck, huh?" The truck driver says, "No. I was delivering this bridge and I ran out of gas."



PICK IT UP!

By Pat Miles

WSU Jefferson County Extension,
Shore Stewards News
(Guidelines and Resources for Living Near Water) –
October 2018

Estimates (American Veterinary Association):

- Dogs in the Puget Sound area – 1 million plus
- Annual pounds of dog waste - 133 million plus
- ***Dogs in Jefferson and Clallam Counties – 23,000 Annual pounds of dog waste – Nearly 2 Million***

Aside from being smelly and unsightly, dog waste can also be a health hazard. Droppings can contain disease causing organisms and viruses that make people sick and pollute the water. Fresh deposits contain pathogens such as salmonella, Campylobacter or Giardia cysts that are immediately infectious to people. But older, dried-out, or disintegrated dog waste is more likely to contain harmful parasitic eggs.

If waste is washed into the soil and allowed to disintegrate into the ground, parasite eggs can remain viable for years, resulting in long term contamination of the soil – dangerous not only to humans but to other dogs. When it rains, these pathogens will be flushed into the storm drains or roadside ditch vastly increasing the chances that they will pollute the ground water and the bay.

Dealing Effectively with Dog Waste:

- Prevent your dog from defecating near water or a storm drain or ditch.
- Leave no trace – Bag the waste. If there is no convenient receptacle, take it home to toss.
- Do not leave bags by the road or trail side or throw into the woods.

**Please Take Care of Our Community –
Properly Dispose Of Your Pet's Waste.**



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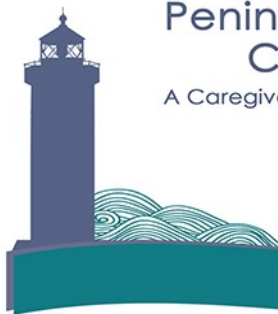


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