

Kala Pointer

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President's Message

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They—the sage, unknown, all-knowing, pervasive, they—say ignorance is bliss. Is it better to be informed and realistic, blithely optimistic, or willfully ignorant? Sometimes the realistic is depressing or shall we say, less than optimistic, but other times realism means preparation and preparation can mean desired outcomes are realized, a happy end. Last month the Kala Point EPC made a tremendous effort to help all our residents get prepared for a catastrophe. This month, the whole state will make an effort to get all its residents prepared for the Great ShakeOut earthquake. We are asking all—I mean you and your neighbors, all—of Kala Point to participate not by simply doing “Drop, Cover, Hold” but also by meeting with your Block Captain at your designated Gathering Point and practicing communication and disaster related problem-solving. These kinds of “civil defense” practice exercises are just as important now as they were when we were in grade school: practice makes perfect; practice means survival.

This past month the hurricanes have reminded everyone about the fragility of life and the impact of natural disasters and the importance of preparation. In retrospect, analysis of the hurricanes from 2017 has shown how lives were needlessly lost because of poor

communication systems. After the *mea culpas* regarding communication between agencies following 9/11, you would have thought that this problem would have been solved. After all, the government said it was. I strongly suggest you take the time to read a *New York Times Magazine* article *Lost in the Storm*. It offers several warnings, one of which is that volunteers—no matter how well meaning—need to be coordinated by their Neighborhood Operations Center. During a disaster, ours will be in the Admin Building. And secondly, that communications are paramount. If, instead of reading, you want to listen to this insightful and emotional story, you can hear it as a podcast <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2018/08/30/magazine/hurricane-harvey-houston-floods-texas-emergency.html> <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/09/13/podcasts/the-daily-hurricane-harvey-houston-floods-emergency.html> and <https://www.nytimes.com/2018/09/14/podcasts/the-daily-hurricane-harvey-houston-floods-emergency.html>

I am going to take some time to explain how our emergency communications work and why you need to participate and practice during the Great ShakeOut. Here in Kala Point, our system is based on an old fashioned phone-tree concept, but we assume there will be no electricity and consequently no Wave

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What Happened at the September 11 Board Meeting?

By Dale Moses, KPOA Board Secretary

Well I didn't get fired after my first column last month so here I go again. Your KPOA Board met, Tuesday, September 11 2018 for nearly three hours. We started on a somber note with a quiet moment to remember 9/11. Then with nearly fifty folks in the audience (probably a new record for a Board meeting) we jumped into the topics of possibly changing the type of main gate and the recent change to install and lock a gate near Storage Lot A going into Woodland Hills. The impetus for this recent action was an outsider sawing down the wood post to gain passage for his ATV to enter Kala Point.

Before the Board meeting there had been several communications to the Board. Our monthly correspondent John Olivera neatly organized a spreadsheet with the many inputs and then added some updates after the Board meeting. It makes interesting reading and can be viewed on the KPOA website (<https://www.kalapoint.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/Correspondence-Report.pdf>). It would seem that many of our members want to be seen as friendly to our neighbors. Some want to keep an open policy on walkers coming onto our property, and some are willing to have outsiders use our beach too. However, there are some folks who are concerned that we shouldn't give up our rights to private property quite so readily. There also is a distaste for "tiger teeth" that might come along with changing to a one-vehicle-at-a-time gate system. The Board wants to consider options, so we made three motions accordingly. We voted to remove the padlock on the Woodland Hills gate (at least for now), to do a survey of the membership on several aspects of security including the front gate and protecting our property, and to not tow unregistered cars at the beach on first violation. A small group of Board members will meet with Keith Larson to derive what might be the next steps since there clearly are some very mixed opinions among our members. We spent nearly an hour on this overall topic and everyone pretty much kept respectful of each others' opinions.

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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.

It's Coming! 10/18 at 10:18! (get it?) Kala Point Great ShakeOut Drill

By Anne Englander, EPC Chair

Remember the civil defense drills we had as kids? Our modern-day equivalent will take place on Thursday, October 18th, at 10:18 a.m., when Kala Point joins county and state-wide drills to practice what each of us, our families, and our neighbors should do when a major earthquake hits.

So get ready, mark your calendars, and plan to join the Emergency Preparedness team in our Kala Point Great ShakeOut disaster drill. It's all about communication and disaster related problem-solving. All you'll need is your FRS walkie-talkie radio*, your willingness to go outside and meet up with your neighbors, and your participation in helping to report various pretend earthquake "emergencies."

The Emergency Preparedness teams have held several disaster drills; the most recent one was this past April, when we practiced a "severe winter storm" scenario. During the exercise Block Captains reported in by radio, describing various made-up "emergencies" to the executive team assembled in the Admin building. This team (called the Neighborhood Operations Center or NOC) recorded these "emergencies", practiced providing guidance and dispatching assistance to handle them, and radioed a status report to the county Emergency Operations Center.

This time around, as we all confront "The Big One", we want each of YOU to practice along with us; practice is important! Here's the drill, step by step, beginning at 10:18 a.m. on 10/18:

React to the earthquake by immediately dropping, covering, and holding on

Check your own family and homes, put up your OK/Help sign in your window

Turn on your FRS walkie-talkie radios to establish radio communication with your Block Captain

Meet your Block Captain at the agreed-upon Gathering Place for your zone

At your Block Captain's direction, fan out into your neighborhood, working with your neighbors to identify and report back to your Block Captain any "emergencies" you encounter

In the morning we'll be cruising Kala Point with a truck and PA system, announcing the upcoming drill leading up to the 10:18 a.m. start of the Great ShakeOut — don't be alarmed, but do get prepared for the exercise! As the drill proceeds, you'll see the EPC teams moving through the neighborhood in their emergency vests. After the drill is completed at noon, we're encouraging everyone to join the debriefing session at the Clubhouse, where we'll talk over what went well and what needs improvement for the next time around.

This is the first time we're asking everyone to play a role in Kala Point's disaster simulation exercises, but it won't be the last. We must continue to drill periodically, so that responding to a disaster — individually and cooperatively — becomes second nature for all of us. We know that in a real emergency, when nothing is normal, practice matters!

Watch for more details, and we'll see you on October 18th!

**Walkie-talkie radios are the most effective and fail-safe way to communicate with your neighbors when other kinds of communication fail. An EPC-approved walkie-talkie is available through your block captain, and comes preprogrammed 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!*



Calendar of Events October 2018

Compiled by Ed Zinser

October 5 - Powerful Tools for Caregivers:

10:00 to 11:30 am. Powerful Tools for Caregivers is an educational program designed to help family caregivers take care of themselves while caring for a relative or friend. You will benefit from this class whether you are helping a parent, spouse, friend, someone who lives at home, in a nursing home, or across the country. This class series meets once a week for six weeks 10/05-11/09. Class size is limited, and registration is required.

Location: Port Townsend Community Center, 620 Tyler St. **Contact:** 360-382-7006, tibbals.alice@gmail.com.

October 5-7 - The Great Port Townsend Bay Kinetic Sculpture Race. A full weekend of wacky fun, starting with the Art Kontest and Parade and, 1st day of racing which includes the water portion of the course, the Rosehip Ball and Kween Kontest Saturday night and then the road, sand and mud course on Sunday ending with the awards ceremony in the American Legion Hall.

CHEATING IS NOT A RIGHT, BUT A PRIVILEGE!

Location: American Legion Post #26, 209 Monroe St.

Contact: 360-774-0083, info@ptkineticrace.org.

October 8 - Maritime Education: Weather

Series: Working With the Wind; 6 to 7:30 pm. Sign up for one class or the entire series! Oct 8: Understanding the Wind. Oct 15: Coastal Winds: Sea Breezes, Corner Effect, Dirty Air and More! Oct 22: Clouds: A Sailor's Telltales in the Sky, Oct 29: Gusts and Lull. We offer classes from traditional navigation with paper charts through cutting-edge Pilothouse Simulation courses--our goal is to make you a better, safer and more confident mariner. Class sizes are small and are designed to be hands-on, so that you are learning while doing. Registration:

<https://nwmaritime.campbrainregistration.com/>

Location: NW Maritime Center, 431 Water St. **Contact:** 360-385-3628 x104, programs@nwmaritime.org.

October 12 - 14 - Olympic Peninsula Apple and Cider Festival. Fall abundance is celebrated with the second annual Olympic Peninsula Apple & Cider Festival. Appreciate the traditions and culture of growing apples and fermenting cider with a truly authentic Pacific Northwest, tree-to-glass weekend experience. Attendees are welcome to join for one, two, or all three days of feasting, tasting and celebration. Finnriver World Apple Day Fair - 12:00 PM - 9:00 PM - Free. A community celebration with cider tastings, orchard tours, live music, orchard parade, woodfired pizza, food & treats, kids fun, facepainting, hula hooping, apple cider donuts and the 2nd Annual Cidery Fermentation Games! **Location:** 124 Center Rd, Chimacum. **Contact:** Daniel Milholland, 360-385-0519, info@thunderbullproductions.com.

October - Weekends starting October 12

Haunt Town: 7:30 to 10:00 pm. The PT Kiwanis is running a Haunted House called "Haunt Town" in the basement of the Elks. Proceeds will go to Kiwanis, the Elks Club, and to our local schools ASB Clubs. Kiwanis and the Elks are both nonprofits who donate their time and funds to many local programs. To get into the Haunt, park

in the Elks parking lot and walk around the left side of the building to the back, basement entrance. There'll be some friendly "ghouls" to help you find your way. **Location:** Elks Club, located at 555 Otto Street. **Contact:** Contact Steve Spencer, 360-774-0879, sspencer154@gmail.com. <https://www.facebook.com/HauntTown/>

Meet the Candidates for PUD Commissioner

By Bill Kaune

We, at Kala Point purchase our water, electricity, and (for some of us) septic maintenance from the Jefferson County Public Utility District. The PUD is a public entity owned by all of us that is governed by three elected commissioners. During the past two years, representatives of Kala Point have interacted with the PUD Commissioners regarding 1) the PUD's failure to maintain our fire hydrants, 2) their plan to double the rate they charge for those of us who utilize communal septic systems maintained by the PUD, and 3) the need for the PUD to develop a plan for emergencies in which water supplies will be crucial. The selection of a PUD Commissioner is important!

In November we will vote on a new commissioner to replace retiring Wayne King. The two candidates—Dan Toepper and Tom Brotherton—will be at our Clubhouse in the evening (7 – 8:30 pm) of Monday, October 22. This will be a chance to hear from each candidate, ask questions, and for the candidates to hear your opinions. There will also be refreshments at the end where you can talk individually with the candidates. (This event will occur after you have received your ballots in the mail, so it would be good to wait to fill them out.) Please plan to attend if at all possible!

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.



Halloween Spooktacular TGIF

By KP Social Plus Committee

Mark your calendars! Social Plus will be hosting a special **Halloween Spooktacular TGIF** on Friday, October 26th, 5:30 to 7:30!

Please bring an appetizer with a Halloween theme to share and, of course, BYOB! Costumes are optional! We will supply the plates, napkins and utensils.

For questions, please call Char Quandt: 360-344-2112.

Please note that every Friday, from 5:30 to 7:00, Social Plus sponsors the Kala Point TGIF at the KP Clubhouse. Kala Point residents are all welcome to attend. It is simply a chance for neighbors to get together and visit. No food involved, just bring whatever beverage you personally would like to drink. It is very casual & fun!



Kala Point's Annual Food Drive for the Needy, October 27, 2018

By Ann Bambrick

Every year, Kala Point is asked to participate in The Wave, which is the annual drive to replenish the shelves of the four food banks in Jefferson County. Recent newspaper articles have described the increased demand and reduction of supply. National news has stated frightening statistics showing that 1 in every 7 people now live at the poverty level. 11% of households in the state of Washington live at, or below the poverty level. In our own county, 12.2% are living in poverty. This year, the poverty level is \$25,100 for a family of 4. When you consider the size of our population in Jefferson County, it doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure out that untold numbers of local residents are very hungry. A drive past the Food Bank on distribution days will serve to emphasize this point. The lines of people waiting for food is staggering. The local food banks work very hard to provide for these families to the extent that they have supplies available; however, with the onset of winter, donations of produce from local farms will slowly cease. Our food banks serve over 350 families each week. Senior Saturdays have been added to the distribution schedule in an effort to give seniors a chance to get their food without having to wait in the long lines on Wednesdays.

Kala Point has been the top provider of funds for the food banks for a number of years, as a result of our participation in the annual food drive. With your help and generosity, we will continue to do so. You will receive flyers and email reminders. We ask that you give as generously as you possibly can. We are asking for checks only. In conversations with the director of the Food Banks, we are convinced that this is the best way to go. They are able to buy food and paper products at the same wholesale prices as do the grocery stores. Money will go a long way to replenishing their shelves, while donated food is often outdated and cannot be distributed to the families. Shirley Moss, Executive Director of the county's food banks, states that a \$1.00 donation will buy 33.3 lbs of food. One recent week's food bank order came to 5,618 lbs of food at a cost of \$168.54. 320 lbs of dairy products cost the food bank \$9.60. Huge walk-in refrigerators and freezers have been purchased with donated funds, allowing for safe storage of fresh meats and dairy products.

A Quick Pick Room is open for 20 minutes, at 8:30 am on Distribution Wednesdays, to serve those people whose jobs prevent them from shopping during the regular 10-3 hours of operation. Financial donations cannot be used for non-food items other

than paper products, unless the donor specifies that it can be used in other ways. The Elks Club has generously provided a grant for items to be available in an area called "the camping room," thus tarps and gas lamps are now available for the homeless. Pet food is another item that is not sold to the food banks at wholesale prices. If a family cannot afford to feed themselves, they can't afford to feed their pets. The food banks welcome donations of pet food year 'round, or donors can write checks to Jefferson County Food Bank and note "pet food" on the memo line. Ms. Moss assures that those requests will be honored.

You are asked to make your checks payable to Jefferson County Food Bank and mail or deliver them to Ann Bambrick, 260 Fairbreeze Dr. She will deliver all of our checks to the food drive coordinator on October 29th. If you wish to donate directly from your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) as part of your annual required distribution, please let Ann Bambrick know you are doing so. She will ensure that your donation is included in Kala Point's total donations to the food banks.

Many thanks, in advance. Kala Point is known, county-wide, for its generosity.

October Permeates Everything

By Nancy Leeds

October starts out like a soft, gentle line of music, flowing effortlessly from Mother Earth to surround us with a clear breath of air. There is ease and comfort, pleasure and splendor in this wonderful month. It's the month of baking in the oven, cups of hot tea in an easy chair.

Indicating my desire to relax; I like to plop passels of pillows everywhere, like tasty little hors d'oeuvres. I celebrate finally arriving at the month of delicious idleness with the summer excitement now a memory and the scurries of the holidays put off until later.

October's brisk trot into fall brings crisp air, a sland in the light, the scent of wood smoke in the aire. There is a coolness that settles on our shoulders as surely as a cozy sweater. Oh yes.....those fall sweaters! They bring security and a deep sense of satisfaction as welcome as a hug, a warm supper, a generous harvest.

Do treat yourself to this wonderful October. Crunch the leaves underfoot. Munch a crisp apple. Absorb the blueness of the sky, the brightness of the leaves and the way the sun slants deeply through golden trees. This month just doesn't last long enough.

SAVE THE DATE . . .



Saturday, October 13, 2018

Port Townsend Yacht Club

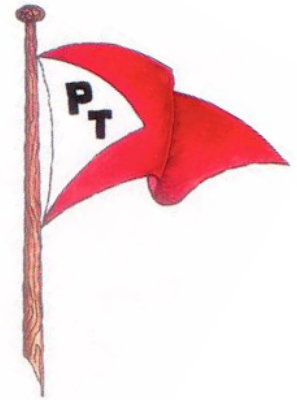


GARAGE SALE

[something for everyone . . .



just in time for the holidays]



**All proceeds fund local
marine-trade related scholarships**



**Doors open to
the public:**

9:00am—2:00pm



2503 Washington Street

(across from West Marine)



"President's Message" (Continued from page 1)

Cable phones and soon thereafter no cell phones, either. Landlines might be able to talk to each other until the telephone poles fall over and break the lines.

During a disaster, if you or someone in your home is hurt or has a medical emergency or there is a fire and you can't actually call 911 because the phones are out, what do you do? First of all, you put a HELP sign in a window that can be seen from the street (you can get these HELP signs from your Block Captain). Then, you can use an FRS walkie-talkie that runs on batteries. The EPC has tried to make certain that each home has at least one that can communicate with your Block Captain and with other people on your block. If you don't have an EPC-approved FRS walkie-talkie radio, contact your Block Captain to get one. So, using your EPC-FRS radio, you tell your block Captain that you need help, what your address is, and what specifically has happened. Then your Block Captain uses their longer-range radio to call the Neighborhood Operations Center (NOC) in the Kala Point Administration Building and tells the EPC volunteers what you have reported. The NOC uses a full scale HAM radio to communicate with the county Department of Emergency Management who then tells EJFR which will dispatch help as soon as possible—but they are likely to be overwhelmed and help may be long in coming. Since any delay in an emergency situation can be life-threatening, at this point the Kala Point EPC NOC in our Admin Building will radio Kala Point volunteers and ask any of them who are available to help you. These kinds of delays are exactly why we want each household to have Family First Aid Training and why we need volunteers for Advanced First Aid. Right now we have only 8 volunteers to serve 600 residences.

Kala Point will be on our own but we cannot effectively help each other **if we have not already volunteered and been trained** to help each other. Wanting to help and knowing how to help are different. Let the EPC train you. Volunteer!

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

Tri-Area Garden Club Flower Show

By Collette Swan

If you have an interest in beautiful flower arrangements, here is a chance to see 24 potentially award-winning designs all in one place! The Tri-Area Garden Club will be presenting "Concert Under the Moon," a National Garden Club Standard Flower Show, on Saturday, October 20, from 2pm to 5pm at the Kala Point Community Clubhouse. Carrying the theme of the moon throughout the show, there will be 24 interesting and intriguing arrangements in six classes of designs, including Moon River – underwater designs, Moonlight Becomes You – illuminary design with all dried material, and Harvest Moon – using a basket with fruits and/or vegetables. Other categories are Fly Me to the Moon, Autumn Moon, and New Moon.

There will also be a "Horticulture" section, which will include specimens of plants, bushes and trees from members' gardens. These will be labeled, and awarded ribbons based on how perfect they are.

Garden Club member Diane Solvik will be presenting creative displays of tender and hardy sedums, including informational handouts, and member Kathy Ryan will be sharing her tactics for growing her amazing, award-winning dahlias. Admission is free. The Kala Point Clubhouse is located at 310 Sailview Dr., the first right turn past the gate to the Kala Point community.



The EXPO's Top Picks

By Anne Englander, EPC Chair

The recent Emergency Preparedness Expo really packed in the crowds; thanks to all of you who came out for it, and to all of you who helped put it together!

For the first time, the Expo offered three types of kits for purchase — emergency, first aid, and sanitation. Our team had done their homework in selecting these kits as the best for the money, and a lot of people took our recommendations and bought one or more of them. Smart people!

For you smart people who couldn't attend the Expo, we want to share these curated "Top Picks" to help you jump-start your own emergency preparations. Here's the information on each of the types of kits we sold, and their source, so it will be easy for you to place your own orders directly with the suppliers. We hope you'll act quickly and get these important, potentially life-saving, kits. Once you do, you'll know you've taken significant steps toward self-sufficiency and resilience in a disaster situation.

EMERGENCY KIT:

This 2 Person Advanced Emergency Kit in a Bucket from Survival-Supply.com is a great starter kit containing a NOAA radio, emergency blankets, ponchos, tube tent, face masks, rope, duct tape, Swiss army knife, a small first aid kit, matches, gloves, whistle, light stick and more. And it comes in one of the two buckets you'll need for sanitation (see below). Sure, you can eventually pull all these things together yourself, but this is an easy way to jump-start building your stash of emergency supplies.

FIRST AID KIT:

The Adventure Medical Series Sportsmen Series Grizzly First Aid Kit is available from Amazon; designed for outdoorsmen in the field, it contains sterile bandage materials, wound care, blister/burn care, CPR face shield, fracture/sprain care, common medications, essential tools, and a comprehensive field manual. It's geared more toward traumatic injuries than most basic kits, making it an important resource in a disaster, when we're on our own.

SANITATION KIT (yes, you need to have this!):

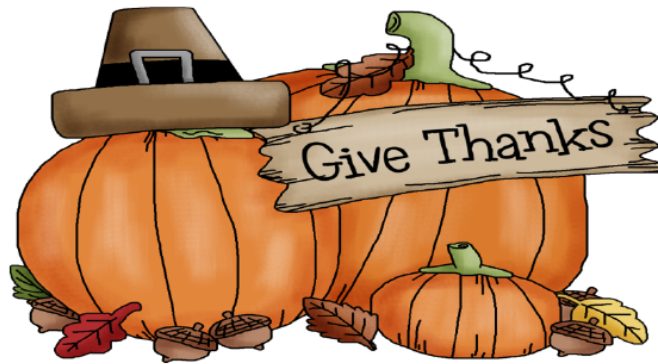
The sanitation kit is a twin-bucket (one for pee, one for poo) emergency toilet consisting of two 5-gallon Homer's All-Purpose Buckets and two lids (lids sold separately) available at Home Depot. In addition, you need two Emergency Zone Brand Honeybucket Emergency Toilet Seats, one for each bucket, available through Amazon. The kit was our biggest seller at the Expo!

FRS WALKIE-TALKIE RADIO:

You don't need to order these from an outside vendor; just contact your block captain to get your EPC-approved walkie-talkie radio, which will allow you to communicate with your block captain and neighbors when other methods of communication fail. It's simple and inexpensive - only \$10 including batteries - and it comes to you pre-programmed for your specific zone in Kala Point. A must-have to ensure that you can communicate in a disaster.

If you haven't started preparing yet - and c'mon, you know you should - take advantage of these recommendations from the EPC Expo team. Remember, in a disaster **YOYO30** (you're on your own for 30 days)!





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

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

The rest of the meeting was much more routine. We thanked Bob Goldstein for his years of volunteer service on several committees, we voted to craft a policy on owners getting and giving up keys, cards and remote clickers, and we agreed to at least consider some additional restrictions on noise after hours (the current policy just speaks to contractor noise at present). We also discussed continuing with occasional Board meetings at night and decided that the very few attendees we've had in the past don't balance the inconvenience to Board members, staff and owners who don't want to come at night. We also agreed to investigate a Memorandum of Understanding with the County's Department of Emergency Management for them to use our assets in an emergency but with provisions for repairing damages if they do hurt our roads or facilities. We heard that our lagoon now has at least one of the dreaded Green Crabs found there and traps are being set to rid ourselves of this intrusion. We also agreed to eliminate the \$75 fee for owners to register with the main gate to allow telephonic entry for guests when the gate is closed.

The monthly committee reports were all routine except some committees could sure use a volunteer or two (reader please consider helping). Lastly, we okayed several goals for our Board this year to emphasize good financial management as well as facility stewardship, and to continue strong support for disaster preparedness for our community. Overall, the meeting was productive and had many good opinion exchanges

Missing Anything Important?

Check with the Office



Architectural Committee Notes

By Nancy Machette, Chairman

Just a reminder to our new and long time residents:

With few exceptions related to replacement and repair, the Architectural Committee must approve in advance any changes, modifications, or additions to the exterior of your home as well as any permanent structures, including sheds, driveways, patios, or the like. The governing document is located on the KPOA website under APP Article III-2, "Architectural Committee."

CAUTION: Currently, there are several homes that are under construction or are about to be. The AC reminds residents that these lots are private property and are particularly hazardous when under any phase of construction. Please do not enter these properties unless invited by the owner.

Have You Heard?

Anne and Joe Englander's daughter, Sarah, qualified for and is going to run in the 2019 Boston Marathon!

Sniglets

By Nancy Leeds

Shakesmear, (SHAKE smear) v. – to sully with flowery speech.

Snoralator (SNORE a lay tor) n. – an easier word to pronounce than CPAP, a breathing device for sleep apnea that prevents snoring.

Namemesia (name KNEE zhuh) n. – when one remembers everything about a person except their name.

Mouse Potato n. – The on-line wired generation's answer to a couch potato.

Woofs (wufs) n. – well-off older folks.

Bi-sacksual (bye SACK shoe ul) adj. – able to accept either a paper or plastic sack for groceries at the supermarket without any sense of guilt.

Letters to the Editor

Let's Welcome Our Neighbors

Many thanks go to Board members who listened and then voted to unlock the new Woodland Hills gate, and also survey Kala Point membership regarding security.

Regarding future gate decisions, I hope our Board compares annual crime/vandalism data, and potential unintended consequences of stepped-up security. Their intent may not have been to upset our immediate neighbors in Woodland Hills and Island View, or diminish our reputation in the wider community, or alienate those considering purchase of Kala Point homes, but these have been consequences.

Tailgating happens and frustrates some -- but do we know it causes crime? There are many non-nefarious reasons for tailgating (and most of us follow cars in) from a forgotten entry card to a need to check on a friend who isn't answering her phone.

Let's be clear about the problem. If it's unauthorized beach use, the \$34,000 question is: Do we know a new gate will effectively solve this? Are there other ways to solve this? Has unauthorized beach use/abuse substantially increased over the years? **We need stats and facts not rumor and anecdote.**

For decades, our gate has been open weekdays with no adverse effects apparent. "Change of culture," a term mentioned by a Board member, describes the recent uptick in security measures including gates, fences, guards, unfriendly signs and beach patrols. And remember that those accessing the beach by boat, or on foot along the beach, are not trespassing.

Welcoming neighbors is kind and wise, and is much more important than focusing on gates, on periodic tailgaters, or on who has paid for roads. Kala Point is already safe. **It's these priceless good, neighborly relationships that will keep us safe.**

Frances Loubere,
(360) 385 9639

A big thank you to the KPOA Board for listening to the many concerns of Kala Point Owners and a REALLY BIG THANK YOU to our fellow residents who provided testimony at the September Board Meeting. I am pleased that the Woodland Hills gate was removed and that the Board plans to survey KP Members before taking any further action on the front gate.

I suspect that I'm not the only resident of this community who noted the irony of a meeting being held on 9/11 to talk about safety and security. I urge everyone to be mindful of the fact that we are not an island, but one of multiple neighborhoods and communities that are the Quimper Peninsula. As one of our Woodland Hills neighbors recently commented on Next Door... "when the earthquake comes we will all need each other. Fences *[and gates]* of any kind will be gone."

Gary Obermeyer, 52 Buckhorn Place
503-539-6285

Thank you to those of you who coordinated and participated in the EPC Expo on Saturday, September 15. So many wonderful people at Kala Point have been working tirelessly to train us in emergency preparedness, and this informative and well organized event was a perfect follow-up to the neighborhood meetings I've attended. I am grateful to this committee and to all volunteers who contribute their talents, time and energy on our behalf.

Ann Hamson,
80-1 Upper Bluffs Dr.

Advice from a Pumpkin



- Be well rounded
- Get plenty of sunshine
- Give thanks for life's bounty
- Have a thick skin
- Keep growing
- Be outstanding in your field
- Think big!

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.

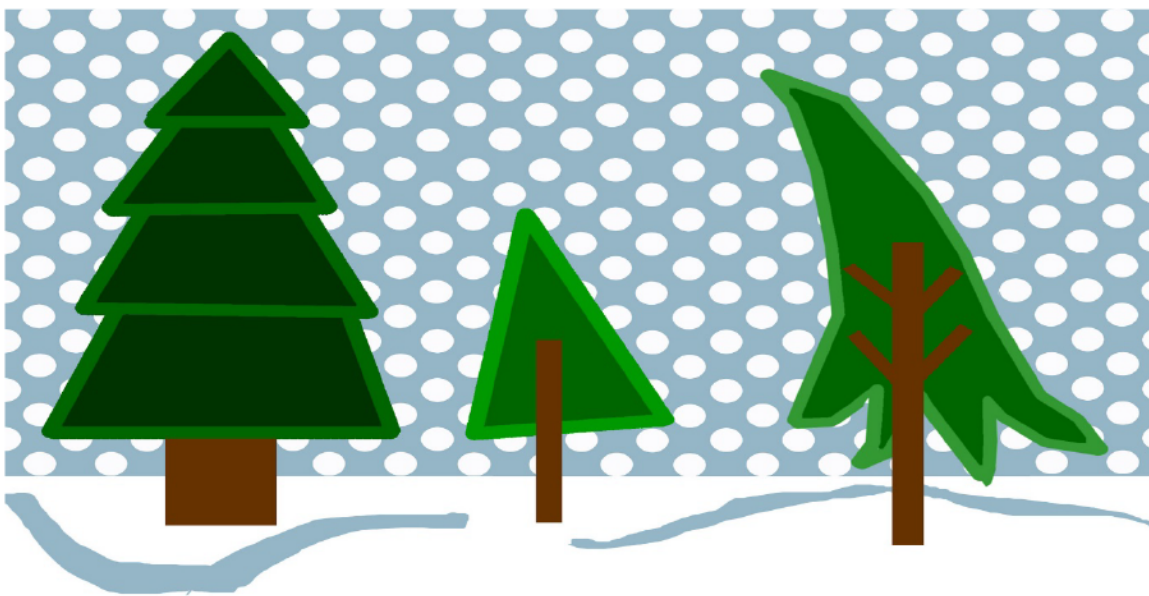
Guests will be asked to assist either their cocktail or dinner/dessert hosts, and to take an unwrapped toy or game to their cocktail host's home for the Toys for Tots program. If you desire wine with your dinner, please BYOB.

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!



Thumbs Up for USB Thumbs

By Joe Englander

If you had to evacuate in 10 minutes or less, would you know where all your important documents are? Where's your passport, birth certificate, social security card, insurance and medical information, bank account numbers, address book? The best answer would be to have them in your pocket or pocketbook on your keychain along with your house key and car key.

One of the prizes the EPC gave away last month at the EXPO was a waterproof, metal, 16 Gigabyte USB thumb drive that can securely hold thousands of documents and family photos. It works with any computer that has a USB port and an encryption program. Some computers like Apple's come with encryption programs, but there are many free and inexpensive such programs downloadable from the internet. Almost any multipurpose printer has a scanner capable of digitizing any document; if you don't have one you can use one at a library or printshop. In a pinch, you can take pictures of the documents with your phone or camera and transfer them to a file that you encrypt before transferring it to the thumb drive.

Here's an incomplete Checklist of Important Documents that you should scan and save on a thumb drive:

- ♦ passport
- ♦ driver's license
- ♦ security and medicare cards
- ♦ lists of medications
- ♦ doctors' contact information
- ♦ insurance policies
- ♦ titles to vehicles, home, and other property
- ♦ tax records
- ♦ wills, deeds, trusts, power of attorney and healthcare directive
- ♦ marriage/divorce/adoption certificates
- ♦ bank information including a copy of check
- ♦ lists of savings and investments including CDs, stocks, bonds, mutual funds, broker's information
- ♦ copies of credit cards, both front and back
- ♦ pictures of your home, both interior and exterior to prove value of furnishings
- ♦ your address book and other contact information including family members and emergency contacts
- lists of family advisors such as accountants, attorneys, and religious leaders and their contact

- ♦ education and military records
- ♦ pictures of family members, including pets
- ♦ pet medical and vaccination records

There are many places to buy a thumb drive, but I haven't found many that are completely metal and waterproof. https://smile.amazon.com/gp/product/B071FQKX6V/ref=oh_aui_detailpage_o01_s01?ie=UTF8&psc=1 (Editor's note: These are nifty, I got one as a door prize at the EXPO)



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Tips

By Nancy Leeds

- Most folks don't wear their eyeglasses in the shower, making it difficult to read which bottle is the shampoo and which is the conditioner. Place a large rubber band around the shampoo to tell you that is the one to use first.
- If you think you are having a heart attack, the best thing to do is to chew an aspirin. That doesn't taste very good, but it is important to chew it, so it gets into your bloodstream quickly instead of just sitting in your stomach. To get around the taste, chew 4 baby aspirin. Now here is the tip...keep a bottle of baby aspirin in the glove box of your vehicle just in case your heart decides that is a good time to scare you.
- Kala Point never has any "trick or treaters" on Halloween. So it behooves you to buy only the candy you like to eat, because that is what will happen.

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