



Kala Pointer

Eagle Pair at Kala Point Beach

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April 2019

President's Message

From Joe Englander

TOW NOW – OW!

At the most recent Board of Directors' meeting, several new policies were implemented that will directly affect you. **The new, first-offense towing policy is now in place. Especially if you park at the beach, you need to make certain that your Kala Point Vehicle ID sticker is at the lower left corner of your front windshield, otherwise your property may be towed at your expense without further notification.** No more warning citations. It is your responsibility to make certain the sticker is correctly placed. Please save yourself aggravation and expense by simply putting your sticker where it belongs. If you don't have a Kala Point sticker, get one at the Administration Office. You've been warned.

Along with the strict new towing policy, there is a new, more liberal guest policy. Guest vehicles do not require guest passes or vehicle IDs except at specific Kala Point amenities—the beach, the sport courts, State Park access trails—they are not required elsewhere. But when you and your guests visit those specific amenities, you must make certain that every vehicle has a Kala Point Vehicle ID. Those without IDs may be towed without further warning. Vehicle IDs or stickers do NOT open the Kala Point Gate when it is closed nor will they open locked amenities such as the sport courts or the clubhouse.

The plan is that at the end of June, new rearview-mirror Kala Point Vehicle Identification hang-tags will be mailed with your ballots. Each member will receive up to three hang-tags. Although the hang-tags are designed to hang from the rearview mirror (and thus their name), you will be able to attach it to your sun-visor as long as it is clearly visible, and the ID is facing forward. At the time of their issue, the new hang-tag IDs will replace the use of stickers; **stickers will no longer be valid from that time forward.** You will be responsible for using the current Vehicle Identification hang-tag. The new IDs do not have to be displayed all the time as a sticker would. You can take them down when you're going out of Kala Point, if you want—just remember where you put it so you can hang it before going to the beach. It is also transferable between vehicles so it can serve as an ID for a guest vehicle. In that way, you can leave your and your partner's vehicles at home in the garage and go to the beach with guests in three of their vehicles and all would be properly identified to avoid any chance of towing. These IDs are absolutely required when parking at the beach, the sport courts, and the State Park access trails. But, since you may have up to three, you won't have to go to the office each time you have guests visiting who want to play tennis or park at the beach. However, you are responsible for retrieving the IDs you lend to guests. You only get three and if you lose one, you lose.

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What Happened at the March Board Meeting?

By Dale Moses, KPOA Board Secretary

Your KPOA Board met at 1:00 pm for nearly four hours on March 12, in our KPOA Clubhouse. All nine Board members were present. When we started there were 35 folks in the audience although some departed as the meeting proceeded. Unfortunately, the work on the pool adjacent to the meeting room was making a considerable amount of noise and all present needed to strain to hear the comments. Fortunately, that noise was intermittent. The Board met in Executive Session at the end of this general meeting to discuss several personnel matters.

Items discussed included:

- There was a half-dozen comments from members at the beginning of the meeting. President Joe asked that gate and parking patrol topics be raised later in the meeting when those topics were to be discussed by the Board.
- Our monthly correspondence secretary prepared a report totaling 14 inputs which you can read by clicking [here](#).
- The pool contractor discovered that we needed to re-locate the jacuzzi suction drain line for an additional cost of \$6,845 which the Board approved.
- Keith received a revised estimate for a new gate that would include a cross-bar for both entrance and exit gates with no spikes. The new price is just under \$43,000 which is less than previously estimated. The Board unanimously approved this revision.
- The replacement gate software is still being addressed and hopefully will be complete in another week.
- Current year assessments are nearly complete with only several payments still due from estate resolutions.
- Keith reported on four violations of grounds maintenance, all of which have been resolved.
- We took a ten-minute break at 2:45pm.
- The Board reviewed two proposed APPs on vehicle identification and parking/towing and with several revisions approved them. A sample of the new annual hang-tag to replace decals was shown. This whole topic will be a subject for a separate Kala Pointer article.
- The informal beach patrol has now checked 1013 vehicles since mid-December. Roughly ten percent have not had

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The Kala Point community is a common-interest residential homeowner association (HOA). When purchasing or building within Kala Point, homeowners agree to follow the HOA's governing documents, which include: Conditions, Covenants and Restrictions of Record (CC&Rs); Rules and Regulations; By-Laws; and detailed Administrative Policies and Procedures (APPs). APPs are Board-enacted rules. The protective umbrella of these governing documents works in the best interest of all homeowners ensuring higher standards of neighborhood appearance and enhancing the collective value of the homes.

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The newly approved, faster, swing-arm, railroad-crossing type gates will operate exactly as have previous gates except it will not allow tail-gating. Your clicker (transmitter) and white key cards will open the entrance gate. When it is closed, guests will need to call you from the gatehouse callbox, and you may open the gate for them by pushing 9 on your registered designated phone from anywhere—you don't have to be home to let your gardener have access. It is free to register your phone with the Administration Office during regular business hours so your phone will open the gate.

If you plan to have a large group visit during nights or weekends when the gate is closed, rather than having each guest call you and your pushing 9 for each guest, you can obtain date-limited access codes for your guests from the Administration Office during business hours. If you are planning to have a large group use the beach or the courts when the gates are usually closed, you can also obtain date-limited vehicle ID guest passes from the office during regular business hours. On the other hand, if your group is going to be using the courts when the gates are open, just let the office know and there won't be any risk of towing.

Board Candidates Wanted for the 2019 Elections

By Michael Machette

We're in the final runup to the 2019 Elections. We have several candidates (need at least three), but more would make it a real race. The responsibilities and time requirements were outlined in the March Kala Pointer.

If you have the time and interest in running for the Board, please contact Michael Machette (Chair, Elections Committee), our General Manager, or any current Board member. To be considered for the July election, you must submit a written declaration your of your intent to run to the General Manager (gm_larson@kalapoint.org) by Monday, April 15.

Thank you in advance.



Newcomers' Welcome Event

By Pat Wrobel

Mark your calendars now for the annual Newcomers' Welcome event which will be held on Friday, May 10 from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in the Clubhouse. This annual event, sponsored by the Social Plus Committee, is a wonderful opportunity to welcome our new neighbors who moved to Kala Point over the past year and to mingle with old friends. There is no charge for the event and no reservation is needed. Simply bring your own beverage of choice and an appetizer to share. If you have new neighbors please encourage them to join you at this fun, festive gathering. If you have questions, please call Pat Wrobel at 360-344-8040.

Thank God It's Friday

By Mary Lou Boegehold

At this time, TGIF has been *discontinued* for lack of participation. TGIF was a weekly event sponsored by Social Plus, where people brought their own beverage plus food to share to the Clubhouse each Friday. This used to be an important part of the social life of Kala Point but the growing bar and music scene in Port Townsend lured away many. Plus, there are many residents who never gave this a try. Our annual "Newcomers TGIF", always popular, is a great way to meet people, but continuing weekly gave everyone a chance to become better acquainted.

If you, or a group of friends, would like to revitalize this activity, it requires a minimum of effort and the Clubhouse space is waiting to be used. Contact a Social Plus Committee chairman: Diana Zinn, Char Quandt or Patti Biazzo

Kala Point Recurring Clubhouse Events

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

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

Bridge: Mondays at 11:00 a.m.

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

Today I met Bruce Lee's vegetarian brother Broco Lee and his brother who can't take a joke, Serious Lee, and the one who is always last minute, Sudden Lee, and the one who is always so sure of himself Definite Lee. Let's not forget about the one whom everyone can predict, Usual Lee.



Kala
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Pickleball
Club



Introduction to Pickleball Class

By Michael Machette

Don't miss our new 3-day, introductory course on Pickleball (PB), America's fastest growing sport.

Did you know we have more than 50 Pickleballers in Kala Point with a big surge about four years ago? The average age of our players is 65 to 70 years, so it's the senior sport in our community. PB is a combination of elements of tennis, ping pong, racquet ball and badminton. We have three dedicated PB courts and two remarked tennis courts. We have open play, structured play (usually by skill level), and occasional tournaments. The emphasis is on having fun and getting exercise on a regular basis.

These three 90-minute lessons will have several instructors covering these subjects:

- ◆ General rules, court layout, and objectives
- ◆ Serving and return
- ◆ Third-shot drop and lobs
- ◆ The dink (short) game
- ◆ Coming to the volley line & entering the kitchen
- ◆ Overall strategy and having fun

We'll supply balls and racquets, you supply \$25 for the course. To signup, email Louise Tragard (chezlouis60@gmail.com) between April 1-15. Our target is eight new (or very rusty) players. If you're already playing with us, suggest this course to a KP friend.

Kala Cares

By Phyllis Wurscher

In Memoriam

Mel Raley

Tony Vogl

Document Shredder Day—April 29, 2018

By Michael Machette

Our third annual Document Shredding Day for Kala Point residents has been scheduled for this month. Iron Mountain, which we currently use for the safe removal of our data records and other sensitive paper documents, will provide this same service for our residents at no charge to you. The documents will be shredded on site by the company's mobile shredder on Monday, April 29th, time to be determined.

This is your **only warning** for the event, so mark your calendar now. Starting Monday, April 22, you can drop off paper records to be shredded. Stop by the Administration Building Monday-Friday between 12-3 pm and put your materials in one of ten big LOCKED recycling bins in the garage bay beneath the KPOA office, where they will be secure.

As you prepare for Tax Day (April 15), cull out the old sensitive documents from your files and take advantage of this opportunity. Old checks, tax records, real estate docs, anything with a SS#, credit card numbers, or passwords—all should be disposed of in a secure manner. For more information, call the Administration Office (360-385-0814) during office hours.

Drop Off:

Monday-Friday, noon - 3pm, April 22 - 26

Shred:

Monday, April 29, time TBD

Kala Point Emergency Information Sheets Fill Yours Out Now!

Anne Englander, EPC

Kala Point's Emergency Preparedness Committee has created information forms that are simple to complete and that will help us help you in the event of a disaster. These Emergency Information Sheets, which will remain confidential and securely stored, tell us who your local and out-of-area emergency contacts are, and what special needs, resources, skills, and pets you have. Completion of these forms is voluntary, but they are for your benefit, and will be used only to help you in an emergency. Take five minutes to go to <https://bit.ly/kpeis> (that's <https://bit.ly/kpeis>), fill out the form and submit it electronically. It's easy, and it's important. Do it now!

Calendar of Events for April 2019

by Edward Zinser and Suzanne Eggleston

April 5

First Friday Lecture Series: Native Arts, History & Culture with Meredith Parker. Jefferson County Historical Society's 2019 First Friday Lecture Series features Meredith Parker, president of the Makah Cultural & Research Center. She will discuss cultural preservation programs, the role of the Center and the impact of the Ozette excavation. **Time:** 7 p.m. **Cost:** suggested \$5 to \$10 donation. **Location:** Northwest Maritime Center, 431 Water St. **Contact:** Angie Bartlett, Public Programs manager at angie@jchsmuseum.com or 360-385-1003. www.jchsmuseum.org/

April 6

Farmers' Market Opens. A goat parade, fiddlers, farmers, food and craft, and many new vendors will launch this year's Farmers Market. The annual Goat Parade will start promptly at 9 a.m. on April 6 on Tyler Street filled with more than 50 vendors. **Time:** Every Saturday (same hours) through December; the Wednesday market opens July 2, from 2-6 p.m. and runs through the fall. **Location:** Tyler Street, Uptown. **Contact:** Jefferson County Farmers Market, 360.379.9098, <http://jcfmarkets.org/>

April 7

Community Arts Film Series: Forever. Taking viewers through a leisurely tour of the world-famous Père Lachaise cemetery in Paris, the final resting place for legendary writers, composers, painters and other artists from around the world, the movie provides an opportunity to reflect on the transcendental importance of art in our lives. **Time:** 12 p.m. **Cost:** \$10. **Location:** Rose Theatre, 235 Taylor St. **Contact:** 360-385-1089, <https://rosetheatre.com/film/forever>.

April 12

Friends of Fort Worden Annual Meeting and Celebration. This year's speaker is author and naturalist, David B. Williams, who will explore the history of the Puget Sound as a maritime highway. **Time:** 5-8 p.m. **Cost:** Free to Friends of Fort Worden members; \$5.00 for non-members. **Location:** Fort Worden State Park Commons, 200 Battery Way. **Contact:** friendsoffw@gmail.com.

April 12-14

Port Townsend Film Festival: Women & Film. See extraordinary films from Africa, Canada, Belgium, Bulgaria, Australia and the U.S. during this event's fifth anniversary. Singer/songwriter Holly Near will appear in person at the Wheeler Theatre on April 13 for the screening of *Singing for Our Lives*. Ms. Near will also be at the two back-to-back Filmmakers Panels in the First Presbyterian Church on April 12, 7-9 p.m. **Time:** Begins at 7 p.m. on April 12; see website for

program. **Cost:** \$85 for weekend pass. **Location:** Various locations. **Contact:** info@ptfilmfest.com, 360-379-1333. www.ptfilmfest.com/

April 13

Kiwanis Rock n Roll Social. Dance to The Silhouettes as they perform tunes from the 1950s and 60s, compete in costume and dance contests, and enjoy snacks and a no-host bar. All ages. **Time:** 6-10 p.m. **Cost:** \$15. **Location:** Elks Lodge, 555 Otto St. **Contact:** porttownsendkiwanis@gmail.com, 360-774-0504. port-townsend.kiwanisone.org/

April 14

Earthen Ovens. Build an oven with fellow participants from clay, straw, and sand in an all-day workshop; leave class with enough knowledge and experience to create your own at home. Workshop covers locating suitable building soils, shaping efficient ovens, principles of thermal mass, weather protection, finish plasters, and cooking basics. **Time:** 9 a.m.-5 p.m. **Location:** Chimacum area. **Cost:** \$95. **Contact:** info@cedarrootschool.org, 360-379-5413. cedarrootschool.org/

April 16

Port Townsend Marine Science Center: New Volunteer Information Session. Get involved in the community, meet new people, and take action to help the Salish Sea by volunteering. There are many opportunities available, from interpreting and greeting in the aquarium and museum, to assisting with the auction and helping to maintain the aquariums and touch tanks in the aquarium. **Time:** 4-5:30 p.m. **Location:** Marine Science Center Aquarium Classroom, 532 Battery Way E. **Contact:** Gabriele at 360.385.5582 x120 or volunteer@ptmsc.org. ptmsc.org/.

April 20

Main Street Earth Day Spring Clean Up. Help spruce up downtown by weeding, cleaning and painting. Bring hand tools, gardening gloves and wear work clothes. Merchants are encouraged to order a colorful hanging flower basket (contact Henry's Garden Center at 385-3354) and sign up for the Port Townsend Main Street water maintenance program (admin@ptmainstreet.org, 360-385-7911, [watering/maintenance program](http://watering/maintenance-program)). **Time:** 9 a.m.-12 p.m. **Location:** Downtown. **Contact:** 360-385-7911, admin@ptmainstreet.org. ptmainstreet.org/

April 23

Rainshadow Recording: Joanne Rand. Composer-poet-teacher Joanne Rand is releasing her seventeenth CD of original songs, *Just Keep Going*, with her quartet, Rand-Randles-Diggins-Dalmolen. Alternately soothing, stimulating, quirky, questioning, fun and beseeching, Rand's music spans a wide array of genres from folk, to rock, to jazz and gospel. **Time:** 7:30 p.m. **Cost:** \$15. **Location:** Rainshadow Recording Studio, Battery Way, Fort Worden State Park, Building 315 West. **Contact:** centrumrecording@gmail.com, 360-301-0291.

LETTERS to the EDITOR

The Beach Patrol is continuing. The KPOA Board's decisions to install a new gate and to implement a first-offense towing policy is not changing the mission of the Beach Patrol. We plan to continue gathering data to keep an eye on the extent of the "beach problem", especially as it relates to vehicles in the parking lot in violation of the rule requiring the display of a sticker or guest pass (or under the new towing policy ... a mirror hanger).

You'll recall that the Beach Patrol was established as a response to claims that the beach was being overrun by outsiders and drug dealers. We enlisted and organized a band of volunteers, affectionally known to some as the "Merry Minions". Since December 18, 2018, these community-minded volunteers have been logging the number of vehicles at the beach and recording the license plate numbers of those in violation of the sticker/guest pass rule. Often weather conditions and/or observations about beach activity are also noted.

As of March 18, a total of 383 observations have been reported. We found that on average about 10% of the vehicles parked at the beach at any given time were in violation of the sticker/pass display requirement. A random sample of the violators were tracked leading to the discovery that 75-80% were likely either KP residents, guests of KP residents, or time-share visitors. The implication is that of the 10% of beach parkers who don't have stickers, most are associated with KP. Interesting side point... If one assumes this same compliance rate throughout Kala Point, that would indicate that about 90% of KP residents have stickers on their vehicles. That's actually pretty good given that there have been no real consequences so far for not having a sticker on the car.

Anyway, we've accumulated data from three months of beach observations (note: during this time the gate has been wide open 24/7). Because a new no-tailgate gate will be installed in the near future, it will be impossible to gather baseline data through the busy summer months as we had planned but could still provide an interesting comparison with what happens - particularly over the weekends - when our current gate is operational again -- we are told this will be very soon. So, the parking lot observations at the beach will continue, at least through the summer.

If you are interested in having the URL where you can find the viewings of the Beach Patrol and/or if you want to join the Merry Minions in building a database of what's happening at the beach, please email me at obee@mac.com.

Gary Obermeyer, 52 Buckhorn Place.

KPOA Board response to Beach Patrol letter.

I would like to take the opportunity to provide an additional perspective of the data collected by the Beach Patrol. First, I think all of us on the Board appreciate residents who voluntarily participate in any form of "neighborhood watch". The more of us that are aware of visitors and others, the more likely we will maintain the safe and cordial environment we bought into. The Patrol is not a sanctioned committee representing the board; they are, instead, a group of concerned citizens who self-organized, with a goal of providing more information.

While the Beach Patrol has provided a more focused presence on the beach, the Patrol volunteered to collect data at the beach during the winter, during times that were convenient for the participants. This means that more data was collected in the middle of the day versus dawn and dusk.

They collected information that was either "yes" the vehicle had a sticker, or "no" it didn't. That was the only hard data that was available. The summary of the "facts" suggested on the Beach Patrol "fact sheet" is speculation; both as to whom the unstickered vehicles may belong to, or the extrapolation of what that means in the big picture. There is no implication "that most of the 10% of beach parkers without stickers" are from KP, there is only the speculation based on extrapolation. I personally have witnessed unstickered vehicles at the beach after dark, and I know that data has not been collected, nor can I know who the vehicles belong to. The data was also collected in the slowest time of the year, during daylight hours, which means the data is not representative of the total picture because it doesn't include our busy summer season, etc.

Of the group participating in the patrol, many believe that Kala Point should either *not* be gated, or the replacement gate should be postponed until more data is collected. The Board recently asked membership to participate in a survey to help us sense the desires of the community. Combining resident responses of "somewhat concerned" or "very concerned" regarding unauthorized access to KP amenities, we learned that 77% were concerned about the clubhouse and pool; 71% about the tennis and pickle ball courts, and 87% about the beach, beach parking and beach facilities. The Board felt that maintaining the level of security we had was important. Our recent decision was to replace the gate with one that will allow only one car at a time to minimize tailgating and will be open 12 hours a day, 5 days a week.

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proper KPOA decals although some may have been KP residents.

- The Board discussed the State-mandated removal of the highway sign on Rhody Drive and decided not to pursue any replacement.
- The Board discussed the broad topic of material handling in preparation for Board meetings and will be evaluating the concept of a "Board Meeting Packet" on the website for all members to review ahead of a meeting.
- Committee reports were presented covering both January and February meetings. Three motions were made and accepted: one by BMAC to change how tree requestors were charged for expert services, another by Architectural to add a new member, and one by Publications to restrict links in *Kala Pointer* that could be compromised.
- President Joe complimented our CFO John Oliveira for his superb handling of our financial assets in support of the current Board goal to manage them well.
- We adjourned around 4:05pm upon completion of the 20-minute Executive Session. If you would like to learn more about this Board meeting, feel free to listen to the recording of the meeting (check with the office) or send an email to the Board on a specific topic.

KPOA Facility Hours

April 1, 2019 - October 15, 2019

Administration Office

360-385-0814

Monday -Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
 Friday 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Clubhouse

360-385-3304

Monday -Friday 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
 Saturday - Sunday 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Pool, Jacuzzi and Spa closed for renovation.
 Will reopen early May.**

All KPOA facilities are closed on:
 Thanksgiving Day and the day after,
 Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Day

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There will be no additional funds needed to buy the gate as the current gate was due to be replaced in the next couple of years and will be amortized over time as are other KP assets.

We do not want to change the results of the survey based on partial data by the Beach Patrol. What we want to do is to encourage residents to use their Kala Point stickers or visitor passes when at the beach, and to continue to be active participants in our community. As Board members it is our job to implement "management of the Covered Property for the use, occupancy, and enjoyment thereof, all for the purpose of enhancing and protecting the value, desirability, and attractiveness of the Covered Property, and enhancing the quality of life within the Project," per the KPOA CC&Rs. We take our volunteer job seriously and I hope you will continue to provide us with feedback.

Kim Titus,
 March Board Correspondence Secretary
Thank You From the Tri-Area Food Bank!

As you may remember, back in November, we, The Tri-Area Food Bank, were given permission to set up two yellow bins for people to be able to drop off non-perishable food donations. One is in the KPOA Office upstairs and one in the Clubhouse. The response has been good, and we wanted you to know how much we appreciate it. Donations are picked up on a bi-weekly basis and additional pickups can be made if necessary.

Your donations help The Tri-Area Food Bank serve Chimacum, Hadlock, Irondale and surrounding communities and is located at the former Hadlock Mattress & Furniture Discount Outlet at 760 Chimacum Rd, Port Hadlock. The Food Bank distributes food to around 220 households a week, representing 530 individuals. On average, 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 (a 501 (c) 3 organization) 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 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 family support (often referred to as the orphaned elderly). The Food Bank also has a significant number of clients with severe disabilities, are dealing with addiction or are homeless.

Ciao, Marc Riolo
 (I'd much rather give a compliment than a criticism. You see..it makes my day too.)



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NEWS RELEASE **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

EJFR Announces Recruitment of Volunteers for Wildland Firefighting

PORT TOWNSEND, WA — East Jefferson Fire Rescue (EJFR) will test for volunteers and Volunteer Resident firefighters, on Thursday, April 11th at 5 p.m. The testing process will include a written exam, physical agility test and interview. This testing opportunity is unique in that EJFR is specifically recruiting those interested in Wildland Firefighting.

For EJFR, the process of obtaining a wildland firefighter qualification commences with online classes that address basic wildland firefighting skills, tools, operations, and basic fire behavior. Two physical segments follow the completion of the on-line portions. The first is an arduous fitness test that involves hiking a 3-mile course in 45-minutes with a 45-pound pack. The second physical segment is a field day where the physical skills of using tools, digging fire line, fire shelter deployment, along with water supplies and engine operations are evaluated in a training environment. The multi-agency field training day is scheduled for June 1st and 2nd.

Volunteers and Volunteer Resident Firefighters can fulfill a variety of roles with the Department, including firefighting, station maintenance, public education, water tender operations and EMT response. Although we are actively recruiting Wildland Firefighting Volunteers we are also accepting volunteer applications for all positions.

For candidates who wish to prepare for the agility exam, a practice test will be held on April 9th at 5 p.m. Both the practice and actual exams will be held at EJFR Fire Station 1-5, located at 35 Critter Lane in Port Townsend, next to the County Landfill.

In-District residency is not required. Completed applications are due in the EJFR administrative offices no later than April 5th at noon. For more information and to obtain an application, log on to www.ejfr.org.

Technically, Moses was the first person with a Tablet downloading data from the Cloud. And Adam and Eve were the first to have problems with their Apple.



Annual Kala Point Yard Sale

By Diana Zinn

Kala Point and Social Plus are holding this year's Annual Yard Sale on Saturday, June 1 from 9am to 3pm. More information will be coming in the May *Kala Pointer*. If you have any questions before then, you can email us at KPSocialPlus@gmail.com. We are looking for someone with an artistic hand to "pretty up" our signs this year. Let us know if you are willing to help.



Planting Your Spring Garden

Found by Nancy Leeds

Plant three rows of Peas
Peace of Mind
Peace of Heart
Peace of Soul

Plant four rows of Squash
Squash Gossip
Squash Indifference
Squash Grumbling
Squash Selfishness

Plant four rows of Lettuce
Lettuce be Faithful
Lettuce be Kind
Lettuce be Patient
Lettuce us Love Each Other

No Garden is complete without Turnips
Turnip for Meetings
Turnip for Service
Turnip to Help

To complete our Garden we must have Thyme
Time for Family
Time for Each Other
Time for Friends.

Water freely with Patience and cultivate with Love.
There is much fruit in your garden because
you reap what you sow.

First Aid Skills, First Aid Kits: Emergency Essentials

Anne Englander, EPC

You already know this. You know how important first aid is in an emergency. But what have you done about it? Have you acquired the first aid skills and supplies you'll need to help your family and your neighbors?

If not, it's time! In a disaster, Kala Point will be on our own for thirty days or more, and it's increasingly clear that we can't rely on assistance from trained first responders and professional medical teams; in a widespread emergency they will be diverted to higher-density areas with mass injuries, where they can do the most good for the most people.

So, we each need to step up and help fill the void. Kala Point has a First Aid Team of willing volunteers who train together to be on call in a disaster. But the First Aid Team doesn't have nearly enough members to meet the needs of Kala Point — we need you to join in! You don't have to be a doctor or nurse to learn how to stop bleeding or splint a fracture. Volunteer; let the EPC train you in new skills (or refresh skills you already have), and make the move from wanting to help to actually knowing how to help. Please reach out to Terry Rose at 360-385-1940 to join the First Aid Team. And if you can't join the First Aid Team right now but do want to learn more about first aid, take a half-day first aid class right here in Kala Point. Remember, KPOA offers free basic first aid classes three or four times a year. Watch for the next class, and sign up.

So, we need first aid skills in a disaster, when we can't count on professional help. And then there are the supplies we need to implement those skills. First aid supplies are near the top of the list of absolute essentials - just behind water and food - that everyone in Kala Point must stock for emergency use. Each residence needs a robust first aid kit for home, and smaller kits for each car. In a disaster our First Aid Team members will deploy with their own kits, but after just a few calls their supplies will be depleted; it's important for them to be able to access your home first aid kit to help treat you or your family. If you haven't done so already, get a good kit and mark where you keep it.

What kits are good? At our Expo last fall we recommended one, the Adventure Medical Kits Sportsman Series Grizzly First Aid Kit, available on Amazon. It's designed for outdoorsmen in the field, and contains sterile bandage materials, wound care, blister/burn care, CPR face shield, fracture/sprain care, common medications, essential tools, and a comprehensive first aid field manual. It's appropriate for us because 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. There are other excellent kits, but this is one that contains useful supplies for a reasonable cost. Even if you don't know how to use it, get one so someone who does can use it on you!

First aid skills, first aid supplies - get them both and help save lives! The life you save could be your own.

Register Your Mobile Phone To Receive Kala Point Emergency Texts

Joe Englander

Kala Point's Emergency Preparedness Committee and the KPOA Administration are trying to institute an emergency text-messaging service so those who register can receive KP-centric information. This information might be about which emergency exits are clear or which roads have been snow-plowed or which areas are affected by fires or that the area in front of the gatehouse is solid ice. If you haven't completed the on-line form to register your mobile phone, you won't receive this information. To join the KPOA emergency text message notification system, please complete the form at <https://bit.ly/kp-text>

This text-messaging system is separate from the EPC's efforts to have each resident of Kala Point complete Emergency Information Sheets (EIS). The text-messaging is outward facing, it provides information to members; the EIS is inward facing, it provides information to team members to aid you in an emergency. The EIS is completely confidential and secure, and therefore it must be kept completely separate from other efforts such as text-messaging. You should complete the EIS form at <https://bit.ly/kpeis>. This is one instance where doing things twice is twice as beneficial. The forms are fast and easy to complete. Complete them both!

Yogi-isms

As Yogi Berra so perfectly put it:

"I'm not going to buy my kids an encyclopedia. Let them walk to school like I did."

"You better cut the pizza in four pieces because I'm not hungry enough to eat six."

"It gets late early out here."

Committee Report - Architectural

January had 20 projects: (1) new, (1) completed, (18) ongoing.

- Lot 71 new home. Conditional approval pending Building and Septic Tank permits.
- Lot 278 discussed new construction site issues of crew noise, work after hours, site debris and crew parking.
- Lot 450 owner requested changes to new construction. Committee asked owner to provide detailed drawings for next meeting.
- Committee discussed creating signs to be placed at work sites, reminding work crews of KPOA rules and requirements.

February had 23 projects: (4) new, (2) completed, (17) ongoing.

- Lot 71 new construction, site visit and approved tree removals.
- Lot 370 new construction, site visit and approved tree removals.
- Lot 450 new construction, approved HP enclosure, changes to gates, walks and rock walls. Reviewed fence screening requirements with owner.
- Discussed creating a separate variance approval procedures.
- Member resigned, motion to move current alternate to member status.

Committee Report - BMAC

The Bluffs Management Advisory Committee (BMAC) met March 7 and the topics of discussion were

- Coordination of tree trimming plans for the South Sector, which will start March 25
- Assignment of case managers for the six Tree Action Requests received to date for the Central Sector
- Final approval of the revised BMAC Apps, which were submitted to the Board of Directors March 12 and approved. These revisions codify the change in cost allocations that was used for the South Sector in 2018. The revised allocations distribute the costs of the technical reports in part based on the number of tree actions requested.

Committee Report - Elections

The Elections Committee met for a lunch meeting on March 7th to review the status of Board Candidates. They have several, but would like to have four or more for the three open seats. The deadline for timely declarations is April 15th. Answers to preselected questions and each Candidate's brief biography will be published in the

June Kala Pointer, followed by Candidates Night on June 20th, which is an open forum to hear from each Candidate. In addition, the Committee discussed the need to find two additional members to serve 3-year terms starting in August 2019.

Committee Report - EPC

- EPC has established a Cassandra supply list and a subcommittee to consider methods of financing. The Committee will present its proposal to the BOD next month.
- It has had four successful emergency radio net communication exercises with participation of most Block Captains, First Aid Team members and Communication Team members.
- The EPC has proposed that their next EPC training exercise will focus on fire and evacuation. EJFR will participate in that exercise as well and Chief Walkowski will be at the April EPC meeting to explain his objectives.
- The Communications Team is creating a SMS text messaging system for use in emergencies by Kala Point to inform residents of Kala Point specific situations. All Kala Pointers are encouraged to register for KP Emergency Texts at <https://bit.ly/kp-text>.
- The EPC hosted the Potato Bake-Chili Cook-off to benefit EJFR on March 23.

Committee Report -Internal Control

The committee met three times in January.

- Discussed survey tabulation and set future meeting dates.
- Reviewed bills paid and ledger codes.
- Interviewed GM on responsibilities for revenue and expenses.

The committee met twice in February.

- Verified Survey Results and counted paper Surveys.
- Set dates for physical inventory and inventory process.

The committee met twice in March.

- Reviewed bills paid and ledger codes. Reviewed assets with GM.
- Reviewed KPOA inventory at Clubhouse and Administration Building.

Committee Report - Social Plus

The committee met March 5 and reviewed its calendar of coming events.

- Regretfully, TGIF gatherings on Friday evenings have been discontinued due to low participation.

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- The Paint and Sip class and Photo Exhibitions have also been canceled but may get rescheduled for another time.
- A community-wide garage sale is planned for June 1, 2019.
- A beach gathering with a marimba band is planned for late July.
- The Committee will be asking for help from Kala Point members for specific jobs at certain events.



Julie Andrews On Turning 79

A Time for Everything A Time to Turn-On, and a Time to Turn-Off Your Phone

Joe Englander

Every Board Member and every Committee Chair of KPOA is committed to voluntarily working for the community and doing their best. These efforts take a lot of time and it is freely given. But, (here's the but) all of us have private lives and want to have private time. So please be considerate and—except in an actual emergency—don't call us outside of normal business hours! There's a difference between a house fire and wanting to know about tree trimming rules. You may email anytime you want, and we will read your emails with interest during the time we've set aside to answer email. Thank you from all of us for thinking before you dial.

Kala Point Bike Group Forming

Jim Mantell

Please join us for a Kala Point Bike Group meeting on Thursday, April 18, at 7:00pm in the Fireside Room of the Clubhouse. This is an initial meeting to explore interest in a Kala Point Bike Group for scheduled and/or ad-hoc rides with other cyclists of like skills and interests.

Please plan to attend no matter what type of rig you ride - road, gravel and/or mountain bike. If you have any questions, contact Jim Mantell at jmantell@hotmail.com or 425-443-1935. See you soon.

Favorite One-Liners

- Why do cows wear bells? Because their horns don't work.
- I tried to catch fog yesterday, Mist.
- I told my wife she was drawing her eyebrows too high. She looked surprised.

To commemorate her birthday, actress/vocalist, Julie Andrews made a special appearance at Manhattan's Radio City Music Hall for the benefit of the AARP. One of the musical numbers she performed was 'My Favorite Things' from 'The Sound of Music':

Botox and nose drops and needles for knitting,
Walkers and handrails and new dental fittings,
Bundles of magazines tied up in string,
These are a few of my favorite things.

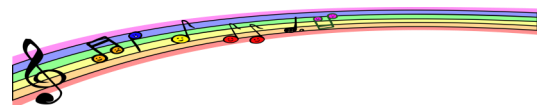
Cadillacs and cataracts, hearing aids and glasses,
Polident and Fixodent and false teeth in glasses,
Pacemakers, golf carts and porches with swings,
These are a few of my favorite things.

When the pipes leak, When the bones creak,
When the knees go bad,
I simply remember my favorite things,
And then I don't feel so bad.

Hot tea and crumpets and corn pads for bunions,
No spicy hot food or food cooked with onions,
Bathrobes and heating pads and hot meals they bring,
These are a few of my favorite things.

Back pain, confused brains and no need for sinnin',
Thin bones and fractures and hair that is thinnin',
And we won't mention our short shrunken frames,
When we remember our favorite things.

When the joints ache, When the hips break,
When the eyes grow dim,
Then I remember the great life I've had,
And then I don't feel so bad.



2019 Academy Awards of Chili

Michael Machette

A featured part of the recent Potato Bake was our annual Chili Cook Off. Eight intrepid chefs offered up a variety of chili's, all seeking the much-coveted First Prizes, which were specially labeled vintage wines from "Machette's Corklandia Cellar". Honorable mentions received similar, specially labeled bottles of Black Butte porter. Nothing wrong with drinkable awards!

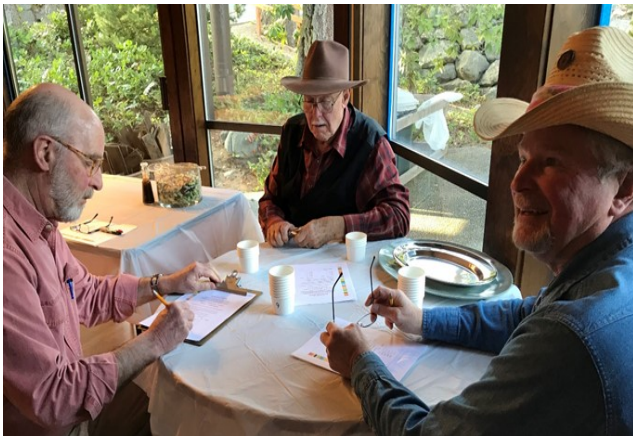
Traditional division (Firefighter Style)

First Place: Jed Marshall, *Puppy's Breath Chili*
 Honorable Mention: Charlie Hicks, *Buzz's Bad-Ass Chili*; Nancy Machette, *Alamo's Last-Stand Chili*; Bob Eggleston, *Bob's Bodacious Beef and Bean Chili*

Gourmet division (Anything goes)

First Place: Libby Nordland, *Mean Green Chicken Chili*
 Honorable Mention: Merlyn Wurscher, *Bloody Mary Chili*; Vivian McFarling, *Magical Mushroom Chili*, Fiona Stewart, *Fiona's Cheerful Cherry Chili*

Thanks to all the chefs—job well done again.



Chili Judges (l-r) Bill Conklin, Pete Raab, and Ron McElroy



Fire Chief Jim Walkowski

It's Not Too Late! Support EJFR With Your Donation

Anne Englander, EPC

Our sincere thanks to everyone who participated and donated so very generously to East Jefferson Fire Rescue at our annual Potato Bake/Chili Cook-off fundraiser held on March 23rd.

Every year Kala Point takes this opportunity to honor the wonderful men and women of EJFR and express our appreciation for the services they provide with such skill, efficiency, and care.

There's still time to donate if you missed the fundraiser! Just write a check payable to EJFR and mail or deliver it to Anne Englander, 330 Baycliff Drive. Anne will take it to the EJFR office where it will be added to the funds already collected by Kala Point. Any and all amounts will be gratefully accepted.

Join your neighbors in recognizing our friends at EJFR - donate today!



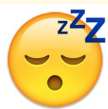
Chili Contest Winners (l-r): Michael Machette presenting prizes to Chili Contest Winners Jed Marshall and Libby Nordland





Mike Harte and Mary Ann Schulte

All these pictures and not one of the potatoes!



Desserts



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Neighborhood Ads

Neighborhood Classified Ads cost only \$0.10 cents per word. Please pay at the Kala Point Office when you submit your ad.

Used Kayaks or Canoes for Sale?

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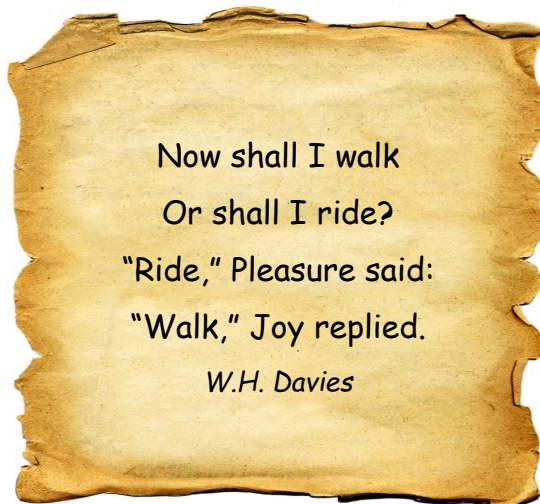
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Now shall I walk

Or shall I ride?

"Ride," Pleasure said:

"Walk," Joy replied.

W.H. Davies

Do Swat Mosquitoes

Found by Nancy Leeds

Go ahead and whack at those persistent little buggers! You'll (hopefully) avoid getting bitten, and the biters you wave away will probably steer clear of you for a while. University of Washington and Virginia Tech research has found that mosquitoes learn to associate a particular odor with an unpleasant sensation, like being hit, and as a result, they avoid that scent for at least 24 hours. While the tactic deters only the mosquitoes that get hit - meaning you won't prevent new ones from swarming to your scent - it could ward off repeat offenders.



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