

**President's Message** 

Joe Englander

## That Status of Status Quo

With three new members, the current KPOA Board of Directors decided to stay with the same officers as the previous board. I will continue for another year as President; Kim Titus will be Vice President; John Oliveira will continue as CFO; and Dale Moses will be Corporate Secretary. We have done our best for you for the past year and we hope that experience will allow us to better serve Kala Point in the coming year.

This past year the Board accomplished what we set out to do. Our goals were four: first and foremost, ongoing positive financial management of existing assets and amenities; second, implementing civil defensestyle KPOA-wide disaster awareness; third, a complete assessment of the Cassandra Project's feasibility, expenses and proposed funding; and fourth, implementing a plan of emergency water distribution. These we accomplished and the result is that Kala Point is on the road to be more disaster-resilient than ever. The recent earthquake in Ridgecrest, a town of 22,000 (twice as large as Port Townsend), is all we need to remind us why we need to do it—that town still has had no help from FEMA even though their governor requested it. Being resilient means not having to wait on the government.

In this past year we accomplished more than the four goals the Board set because each of our committees stepped up and performed at a high level.

Our committees have really done a great job of making Kala Point an even more outstanding place to live.

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## **Music Aficionado?**

PT has it—from Blues. Concerts on the Dock, Four weekends of the Olympic Music Festival, **Port Townsend Summer Band Concert** and check out Thing 2019.

It's covered! Enjoy yourself!

#### **Next Newsletter Deadline**

Deadline for the September 2019 issue of the Kala Pointer is August 19.

#### Submit your articles to:

YourKalaPointer@kalapoint.org

Our Letter to the Editor policy can be found at:

Letters to the Editor Policy

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#### **2019–2020 Committees**

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## What Happened at the 2019 Annual KPOA Meeting?

Dale Moses

The annual meeting for KPOA was held Sunday, July 14, 2019, in the KPOA Clubhouse at 1 p.m. A total of 40 folks were present (including several staff members). President Joe Englander called the meeting to order and asked the Elections Committee's Mike Burk for the report of the election. Of the 601 voters eligible to vote, 278 did vote – 46.26%. (editorial note: perhaps a disappointingly low turnout). Three new Board members were voted on and were introduced: Jean Erreca, Dan Kimball and Scott Rovanpera. The final elections report is to be presented to the Board the following Tuesday.

President Joe announced several individual recognition awards. The first recognition was for the three Board members leaving the Board:

- Pat Miles, David Miller and Michael Machette
- Bob Goldstein was recognized for his work on the Tree Committee
- Nancy Machette for her work on the Architectural Committee
- Distinguished Service Award was given to Michael Machette for his work on several committees

Keith Larson gave an overview of the last year's activity and financial picture. For only the second time ever, collections of assessments from lots, homes and condos achieved a 100% collection rate.

- Reviewed the 30-year Reserve Study and some current data from that fully funded study
- Discussed last year's accomplished projects with emphasis on the water line replacements in the clubhouse, pool upgrades, and snow fall responses
- Discussed operational outcomes of the new gate system the gate takes five seconds to cycle versus 93 seconds in the old system; this prevented most tailgaters, although not all
- Listed each of our staff members with a short description of their help over this past year

David Harrah gave a short report from the Internal Control Committee. The Committee recommends waiving the otherwise required annual audit.

President Joe reviewed the 2019 Board goals and mentioned

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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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many of the accomplishments of the Board and committees as well as the community.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:17 p.m. to be continued the following Tuesday.

## Tuesday, July 11, 2019, Continuation

A continuation (from the previous Sunday) of the Annual KPOA Meeting was held at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, in our KPOA clubhouse followed by an organizational Board meeting. There were 12 people in the audience. The Elections Committee delivered its final report (278 votes out of 601 eligible), all three Board candidates were voted in, and the two resolutions passed. The report was approved and the continuation meeting was adjourned.

A regular Board meeting was then convened with the three new members (Scott Rovanpera, Jean Erreca, and Dan Kimball) taking their seats to make eight voting members (including Dale Moses on a telephone call and with John Olivera absent). Meeting documents were available prior to the meeting on the KPOA website (at "Board Meeting Files" under the "Members" pull-down menu).

- There was no input from the audience at the beginning of the meeting
- Volunteers were solicited to help operate equipment in emergencies
- Several items of correspondence were reviewed. A list is available here
- Board officers were selected. Incumbents will all continue (Joe as President, Kim as Vice President, Dale as Secretary, and John as CFO)
- Committee assignments for Board members were made; see the list to the right
- Monthly correspondents were assigned
- Amendments to APPs concerning gate transmitters and towing were approved
- Board goals will be determined at the next Board meeting
- Committee reports were delayed to the next Board meeting
- Member inputs included discussions of signage "tone" and a longer discussion of guest definitions; the Board will expand this guest discussion at the next meeting
- · Tailgating was also discussed

• Violations of beach parking is staying consistent at 12% of cars there

We adjourned around 2:15 p.m. If you would like to learn more about this Board meeting, feel free to listen to the recording of the meeting (available from the office) or send an email to the Board on a specific topic.

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## **KPOA Architectural Committee**

New Meeting Day and Time
Third Thursday of each month 9:30 a.m.
KPOA Administraton Building

## **New Committee Representatives**

The 2019–2020 KPOA Board has assigned representatives to each of its committees. Among those who continued on the Board, there was some shuffling of assignments but ultimately each committee will be well served.

- **Architectural**—T. Gillespie (Representative), J. Erreca (Alternate)
- **BMAC**—J. Erreca (Representative), S. Reed (Alternate)
- **Elections**—D. Kimball (Representative), K. Titus (Alternate)
- **EPC**—S. Reed (Representative), S. Rovanpera (Alternate)
- Finance—J. Englander (President), K. Titus (Vice President), J. Oliveira (CFO), D. Kimball
- **Grounds**—S. Reed (Representative), T. Gillespie (Alternate), S. Rovanpera
- Internal Control—T. Gillespie (Representative), D. Kimball (Alternate)
- **Personnel**—J. Englander (President), K. Titus (Vice President), J. Oliveira (CFO)
- **Publications**—S. Rovanpera (Representative), J. Englander (Alternate)
- Social Plus—D. Moses(Representative)
- Tree—K. Titus (Representative), D. Moses (Alternate) •

## **Board Committee Reports**

### **Architectural**

To our new neighbors and "old" friends: Before you undertake any projects that affect your home's exterior or make permanent changes (other than foliage) to your landscape, please review the community's governing documents, Administrative Policy and Procedures, APP Article III-2, Architectural Committee, Modifications to Existing Homes. The Architectural Committee reminds you that with few exceptions, any change, addition or alteration to the exterior of your home or your landscape (other than foliage) must be approved **in advance** by the Architectural Committee. APPs are available on the KPOA website under "Governing Documents" or you may obtain a copy from the Administration Office.

### **BMAC & Elections**

Michael Machette

Next meeting is August 8 at 1 p.m.

## **Emergency Preparedness**

Anne Englander

#### Chair reports:

## Block Captains, Anne Englander

- Prospective co-captains for Zone 18
- Carolyn McNulty, captain for Zone 4, asked about personal storage for Condo residents

#### First Aid, Terry Rose

- Received supplies from Providence Hospital
- First Aid documents uploaded onto Telegram

#### Pet Rescue, Pattie Horvath

- Pet shed cleaned and organized
- Rescue speaker for the Fall EXPO

#### Communications, Mark Miller

- Approximately 35 EPC members checked in July 8 Radio Net
- Radio Nets also include checking in by text message on Telegram

#### **EJFR Training**, Anne Englander

- EJFR requesed use of Kala Point to perform wildfire training this summer
- 49 property owners expressed interest in training on their addresses; clusters of homes on Pinecrest, Buckhorn and Fairbreeze

- Chief Walkowski's Wildfire Presentation was well received
- Informational handouts are on the EPC website

#### Fire/Evac Team, Scott Rovanpera

- Current draft of Evacuation Plan presented
- Team discussed fighting small fire in KP neighborhoods

## EPC EXPO, Anne Englander

- Currently scheduled for September 28 from 12–5 p.m. at the Clubhouse
- Low key event, featuring speakers
- Full blown EXPO 2020
- EXPO planning committee will begin planning, based on speaker suggestions; date/time TBD.
- Suggestion made that emergency kits and sales are every other year
- Suggestion that Ready-Set-Go concept be offered

#### Jefferson PUD Town Hall, Scott Rovanpera

- Kevin Streett, General Manager of JPUD has been invited to hold a 'town hall meeting' to discuss water and electrical concerns at KP
- Meeting to be scheduled in either September or October

#### Kala Pointer, Anne Englander

- Thanked First Aid team for articles in the *Kala Pointer*
- EPC members are encouraged to write and post articles in the *Kala Pointer* and EPC website

#### Tree

Kim Titus

The Tree Committee met on July 11, 2019

- Mark Kleinman was elected as chair, Patricia Farmer as Vice Chair, and Stan Cummings as Secretary for 2019–2020
- Tree Committee will be participating in the Fire-Wise Ad Hoc Committee; individual participation will be discussed in August. John Bornsworth,
  Peninsula Environmental Group, has been awarded the forest assessment contract; he answered questions and participated in an active discussion about priorities and funding John will use drones

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and field visits to map our forest and will make suggestions for possible mitigations for those stands of trees with health issues as part of his report. John will provide a map identifying stands of trees and relative health of each.

- The committee discussed the one remaining open case and visited six new cases and approved five; one owner was not available so the case was tabled.
- The next meeting is August 8 at 9:00 a.m. ◆



DID YOU NOT READ THE SIGN?

Thank you Mike McDade for the photo

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I want to thank each of the committees and their members for their voluntary contributions that benefit all of us: the Architecture Committee for making certain that each new addition to our community enhances the value of our existing properties; the Bluffs Management Advisory Committee for undertaking the trying task of interfacing with the county to allow homeowners to enjoy their views while maintaining the stability of the bluffs; the Elections Committee for wrangling board volunteers and managing our voting, not only on candidates, but also on administrative and budgetary issues; the EPC for continually thinking about ways we can prepare for disaster and taking the time to practice the procedures that might save the lives of any one of us: the Finance and Internal Control Committees for keeping us on a well-managed straight-and-narrow path of financial stability; the Publications Committee for producing, every single month, a handsome and informative newsletter; Social Plus for producing the festivities, especially at Thanksgiving and New Years, that are just plain fun; and the Tree Committee for helping us maintain our wooded environment. There is no question that any one of these committees would be happy to have your help, too.

There's always more to do. Next year we need to approve a slight assessment increase to pay for Cassandra emergency supplies over a five-year period; we need to establish a Fire-Wise program throughout Kala Point common and private properties whether developed or undeveloped; we need to have our forest evaluated and make plans for its continued health to ensure the beauty and value of property throughout Kala Point. •

## **Ashleigh Brilliant Quotes**

Collected by Nancy Leeds

Ashleigh Brilliant (his real name) is known for his ability to pen truisms in 17 words or less. The author and syndicated cartoonist was born in London, UK, and lives in Santa Barbara, California. He is best known for his Pot-Shots and single-panel illustrations with one-line humorous remarks, which began syndication in the United States in 1975. Brilliant achieved American citizenship in 1969. Here are but a few examples of his truisms with more coming in the next issue.

- "I may not be perfect, but parts of me are excellent."
- "I have abandoned my search for truth and am now looking for a good fantasy."
- "All I want is a little more than I'll ever get."
- "I don't have any solution, but I certainly admire the problem."
- "Forgive me now, tomorrow I may no longer feel guilty."
- "My struggle to remain healthy is gradually killing me."
- "I didn't say it was your fault. I said I was going to blame it on you.

## **August Calendar of Events**

### August 2

First Friday Lecture Series: Coast Salish Art & Storytelling. Storyteller, artist and historian Roger Fernandes, or Kawasa, is a member of the Lower Elwha Band of the S'Klallam Indians from Port Angeles. For his talk, he will draw on his eight years of experience in storytelling and his involvement in art organizations and initiatives by and for Native American artists. First come, first seated. TIME: 7 p.m. COST: \$5 to \$10 suggested donation. LOCATION: Northwest Maritime Center, 431 Water St. CONTACT: angie@jchsmuseum.com, 360.385.3628 x 104, www.jchsmuseum.org/

#### August 2–3

**Acoustic Blues Festival.** Centrum's week-long workshop for nearly 250 passionate acoustic blues students from all over the country culminates on these days. On August 2, the Acoustic Blues Festival Showcase will be featured at Fridays at the Fort at noon followed by Blues in the Clubs starting at 8 p.m. On August 3, the Port Townsend Gospel Choir will perform under director Shirley Smith at 11 a.m., a Mainstage concert will take place at 1:30 p.m. and Blues in the Clubs will commence at 8 p.m. TIME: Various. COST: Free for Fridays at the Fort and the Gospel Choir performances; \$48, \$40, \$27 for the Mainstage concert; \$25 for Blues in the Clubs. LOCATION: Fort Worden, 200 Battery Way. **CONTACT:** info@centrum.org, 360.385-3102 x117, www.centrum.org/

### August 2-4, 16-18, 23-25

Shakespeare in the Park: "The Merry Wives of Windsor." In this contemporary version of Shakespeare's merry comedy, Sir John Falstaff returns to Chetzemoka Park with plans to hustle his way to a comfortable retirement by seducing two of Windsor's prominent wives. TIME: 6 p.m. COST: "Pay what you wish." LOCATION: Chetzemoka Park, 1000 Jackson St. CONTACT: info@keycitypublictheatre.org, 360.385.5278, www.keycitypublictheatre.org/

#### August 3

**Tour de Lavender 2019.** Bike the iconic lavender farms of the Sequim Dungeness Valley —"America's Provence" — in either the metric century (100

miles) or 35-mile fun ride. **TIME:** Check-in and packet pick-up at 7:30 a.m.; rides start at 8 a.m. **COST:** \$15 for kids 12 and under; \$60 for adults. **LOCATION:** Sequim High School, 601 N Sequim Ave. **CONTACT:** info@tourdelavender.com, 971.704.1156, www.tourdelavender.com/

2019 Hadlock Block Party. Coordinated by representatives from Port Hadlock businesses, the event will feature vendor booths, a beer and cider garden, the Hadlock Days Parade coordinated by the Rotary Club of East Jefferson County, a community photo, a keg toss, live music and more. TIME: 11 a.m.–9 p.m. COST: Free. LOCATION: Port Hadlock area. CONTACT: https://hadlockblockparty.wordpress.com/

#### August 8, 15, 22, 29

Concerts on the Dock. Downtown Port Townsend rocks with all-ages free music. Local vendors and beer garden serving local beer and cider contribute to the festival atmosphere. Bring chairs or blankets. Aug. 1: Big Hands Colvin; Aug. 8: Joy in Mudville; Aug. 15: Daring Greatly; Aug. 22: The Whole Bolivian Army; Aug. 29: Kevin Mason and the PT All-Stars plus special guest Christa Holbrook. TIME: Seating opens at 4:30 p.m.; music from 5–7:30 p.m. COST: Free. LOCATION: Pope Marine Park, corner of Madison and Water. CONTACT: admin@ptmainstreet.org, 360.385.7911, ptmainstreet.org/

#### August 9-11

Jefferson County Fair. The JeffCO Fair includes mud drags, a demo derby, 4-H displays, a reptile show, draft horse pulls, barrel racing, roping, vendors, and much more. TIME: Friday and Saturday: 10 a.m.–9 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.–6 p.m. COST: Adults (18-64): \$8; seniors (65+): \$6; students (13–17): \$6; children (6–12): \$2; age 5 and under: free. LOCATION: 4907 Landes St. CONTACT: jeffcofairgrounds@olypen.com, 360.385.1013, www. jeffcofairgrounds.com/

#### **August 10–11**

Coupeville Arts & Crafts Festival. For more than 50 years, this juried show has been known for quality, handmade crafts from artisans in the Pacific Northwest and beyond. Enjoy entertainment from

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six musical acts and creations — ceramics/pottery, jewelry, garden art, glass, fiber, leather, metal, home decor, toys, painting, photography, specialty food and more — from 185 artisans. **TIME:** Saturday, 10 a.m.–6 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m.–5 p.m. **COST:** Free; concessions vary. **LOCATION:** 901 NW Alexander St., Coupeville. **CONTACT:** info@coupevillefestival.com, 360.678.5116, www.coupevillefestival.com/

### August 10-11, 17-18, 24-25, 31-September 1

Olympic Music Festival. World-renowned musicians will perform classical music during August weekends. Featured works by Brahms, Shostakovich, Schubert, Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Mendelssohn, Debussy, Franck, Fauré, Enescu, Walton, Chopin, Dvořák, Gershwin, Medtner, Prokofiev, Tchaikovsky, Clara Schumann and Robert Schumann. TIME: Doors open at 1:30 p.m.; concerts begin at 2 p.m. COST: Varies; visit www.brownpapertickets.com/. LOCATION: Wheeler Theater, Fort Worden; August 24 and 25 concerts at Northwest Maritime Center, 431 Water St. CONTACT: info@olympicmusicfestival.org, 360.385.9699, www.olympicmusicfestival.org/

#### August 17

#### Main Street Uptown Street Fair & Parade.

Celebrating 29 years of fun in Uptown, the fair includes great local music, an arts and crafts fair, the farmers' market, tasty food, free art activities for families and a parade. **TIME:** 9 a.m.–5 p.m.; parade at 2 p.m. **COST:** Free. **LOCATION:** Tyler and Lawrence Streets. **CONTACT:** admin@ptmainstreet.org, 360.385.7911, www.ptmainstreet.org/

### **August 17–18**

Artists Studio Tour. Professional artists open their studios to demonstrate their craft and display their artwork in many different mediums such as oil, watercolor, acrylic, pastels, printmaking, sculpture, ceramics, woodworking, fabric arts, glass, and a variety of mixed media. Self-guided; studio maps available at the Visitors Center and the Northwind Arts Center, 701 Water St. TIME: 10 a.m.–4 p.m. COST: Free. LOCATION: Various. CONTACT: info@northwindarts.org, 360.379-1086, www.northwindarts.org/

#### August 18

All-County Picnic. A free all-ages community celebration focused on emergency preparedness and community resilience. Featuring live music, food vendors, group games, information booths, speakers and demonstrations, kids' activities, and free corn on the cob. TIME: 11 a.m.—4 p.m. COST: Free. LOCATION: HJ Carroll Park, Chimacum CONTACT: allcountypicnic.com

#### **August 24–25**

THING 2019. This two-day extravaganza features a unique offering of tightly-curated programming including music, comedy, film, dance, food, podcasts, visual arts, and a mentalist. The lineup includes pop, rock, and folk artists Jeff Tweedy, Calexico/Iron & Wine, Kurt Vile, Khruangbin, Phosphorescent, and Japanese Breakfast, plus celebrities like Todd Barry and Lindy West. TIME: 12 p.m.—midnight. COST: \$210—\$525; kids 13 and under free. LOCATION: Fort Worden, 200 Battery Way. CONTACT: thingnw@stgpresents.org, 206.467.5510, www.thingnw.org/

## **August 25**

Port Townsend Summer Band concert. Bring a blanket and picnic while enjoying a free concert under the direction of Miles Vokurka. TIME: 3–4 p.m. COST: Free. LOCATION: Chetzemoka Park Gazebo, 1000 Jackson St. CONTACT: Contact@ptsummerband.org, www.ptsummerband.org ◆

## **Recuring Kala Point Clubhouse Events**

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

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

**Exercise Class:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. Bring a mat and hand weights. If interested in attending, call Doris Unruh, 360.385.3753.

**Tai Chat:** Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9–10 a.m. 24-form Tai Chi with breaks for chatting. All are welcome. Libby Nordlund, 425.273.4933, eanordlund@aol.com.

**Beach Watch Volunteers Meetup:** Eight Mondays starting July 8, 5:30–7 p.m. Kala Point Beach Gazebo. See page 8 for more information. •

## We're Celebrating Our Beach! Come join us....

Gary Obermeyer

Beginning December 18, 2018, a volunteer group of your Kala Point neighbors have been observing the Kala Point Beach Parking Lot: documenting violations of the CC&R rule that requires vehicles parked at the beach to display KPOA stickers or Guest Passes; and gathering data about overall beach use. To celebrate this accomplishment, we are hosting weekly gatherings, Mondays, 5:30–7 p.m. at the KP Beach Gazebo, through August 26.



Pictured here, left to right: Gary Obermeyer, Sigrid Cummings, Stan Cummings, Cherri Mann, Tom McFarling, Vivian McFarling, Stanton Stevens, Valerie Stevens, Mark Weller, Jani Templin Weller, Paul Loubere. Photo: Frances Loubere.

KP residents and guests are welcome to join the fun. Bring a beach chair, a favorite beverage, and finger food to share. You'll be able to meet and thank some of the volunteers and consider whether you want to join in for the final push of observations through Labor Day.

The beach watch action was initiated as a response to concerns expressed on neighborhood social network, Nextdoor and raised last fall at KPOA Board Meetings, that unauthorized visitors were accessing the beach and, in some cases, engaging in illegal activity. This led to calls for a more secure front gate.

With the installation of the new gate, tailgating is clearly more difficult. But, our observations so far only reinforce our initial hunch—based on statistical evidence—that a majority of the violators are residents, guests of residents, or time-share visitors. We continue to observe an average of 12% of vehicles in the beach parking lot without stickers, hangers, or guest passes. For this reason, we intend to continue the beach/parking lot observations through the busy months of tourist and crabbing seasons—which will be the best test of all. •

## **Good Morning Beach**

Frances Loubere

Good morning sunrise Good morning sailboat Good morning fog. Good morning eagle Good morning heron Good morning dock. Good morning gumweed Good morning seaweed

Good morning giant ancient log. Good morning shining Sound

Good morning upturned crab

Good morning shadowed rippled sand

Good morning photographer with your tripod.

Good morning bobbing ponytail runner

Good morning leaping silver fish and

Good morning to you, Rosemary and Tom.

Good morning walker tossing sticks for your dog

Good morning somersault otters – all three! Yippee!

Good morning gorgeous glorious glowing

KalaPoint beach. •



Frances Loubere



Angela George

## Two Clicks and a Walkie-Talkie....

Joe Worrall, EPC block captain Zone 10

I was reminded of the importance of emergency preparedness when our house began to shake from the recent M4.6 earthquake in Three Lakes. Check out the USGS Earthquake Hazards Program at <a href="https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/">https://earthquake.usgs.gov/earthquakes/map/</a> for a real-time earthquake map; it's very cool. I saw this quake appear on their map within a minute of the first event and watched the M3.5 aftershock a couple of minutes later. Most people around here didn't feel anything since the quakes struck in the wee hours of the morning, but this was a good reminder about three simple actions we all can take to help ourselves and our neighbors in an emergency.

First, if you have not filed an Emergency Information Sheet in the last year, please do so online at <a href="https://epc.kalapoint.org/eis/">https://epc.kalapoint.org/eis/</a>. If the worst were to happen, this information allows us to help ourselves while waiting (and waiting...) for outside assistance in a disaster.

Second, if you have not signed up for Kala Point Text Notifications, please fill out the very brief form at <a href="https://epc.kalapoint.org/text/">https://epc.kalapoint.org/text/</a>. These text alerts can provide critical Kala Point-centric information to supplement the broader regional alerts sent by NIXLE.

And third, if you don't have one (or two) FRS walkie-talkie radios, contact your block captain, who will get one to you, programmed for your zone and ready to go, for only \$10. These radios allow neighbors to communicate and collaborate during an emergency. Consider that the cell system could be down as it's pretty fragile in our area. During a power outage, the cell sites in our area have at best eight hours of back-up power. [Why have two walkie-talkies? Say we need to evacuate and your family is in two cars and the cell system is down; how are you going to communicate? Keep one in each car's emergency kit.]

Tip: Keep spare batteries with your walkie-talkie radio and change them out from time to time as the batteries still drain (very slowly) even when the radio is off.

So there you have it — two clicks and a walkie-talkie or two. For more ideas and suggestions, please visit our new EPC website at epc.kalapoint.org. It's chock-full of preparedness information, documents, video presentations, and links to interesting articles and important resources. •

## Wow! Have you visited our refurbished pool and spa?





Photos by Mike Burk

The long-awaited renovation of the KPOA clubhouse pool and spa was completed by the end of April and opened for use in mid-May. From February to the end of April the crew worked to get ready for summer. Total cost was under budget at \$78,438 (budget was \$80,000).

Needed upgrades to the Jacuzzi were made, water leaks and plumbing repairs caused the delay. It's beautiful and worth the wait. Enjoy your summer!

## **Building Community While Having Fun!**

Char Quandt



Welcome to Kala Point Pickleball! KP Pickleball is a friendly, welcoming group of pickleball players of all levels. We encourage new and seasoned players to join the fun!

#### Did you know KP has five pickleball courts?

- Four courts (referred to as Lower Lagoon courts) are located below the clubhouse on Sailview Drive.
- One court (referred to as Sports Court) located on Pinecrest near Storage lot A, behind the mailboxes.

#### **Court etiquette:**

- Shirts and proper shoes are required! Wear shoes with non-marking soles. No open-toed shoes, sandals or shoes with heavy treads allowed for safety reasons.
- Please keep profanity and alcohol off the courts.
- Be respectful of every player and offer encouragement to others. Pickleball is fun! These rules help us share in the fun and respect with each other.

#### **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.

- Open play is on Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10
   a.m. 12 p.m. on Lower Lagoon courts A & B.
- Sign up and court reservations: KP Pickleball Calendar; contact Michael at Machette1550@gmail.com for instructions.

#### New/beginner players:

- Contact Michael at Machette 1550@gmail.com
- Intermediate/Advanced (Open Play, no sign-up required on calendar)

Join the fun at our social events. Your spouse or significant other is always welcome even if they don't play! Get the latest pickleball news by joining our email list. Please send your email address to

Machette1550@gmail.com. Please take every opportunity to greet newcomers, answer questions and promote pickleball here in Kala Point and beyond. Connect with the Kala Point Pickleball community.

Improve your game by getting help from www.usapa.org, www.thirdshotsports.com and YouTube videos!

Now Let's Have Some Fun! •

## **Kala Point Gallery Tour**

Two Kala Point artists (Caryl Fallert-Gentry and Margaret Woodcock) will be on the **Port Townsend Artist Studio Tour** August 17–18, 10 a.m.–4 p.m. You are invited to visit Caryl at 10 Baycliff Place (stop sign corner of Kala Point Drive & Baycliff Drive) and Margaret at 143 Baycliff Drive.





Paintings, collages & prints by Margaret Woodcock

## **Emergency Prep: A Report from Zone 6**

Vivian McFarling

On June 21, a number of Kala Point zones had gatherings where people shared information about preparing for emergencies such as earthquakes or fires. At the gathering for Zone 6, which comprises most of Foxfield Drive, and Buckhorn, Dunraven and Sulgrave Places, 16 people representing eight households attended. This number represents about 20 percent of the total houses in Zone 6.

We passed out a sign-up sheet and a questionnaire asking people about their willingness to take on various roles in and before an emergency. This is what we learned:

- Three people are willing to be part of a team that listens to the Emergency Alert System or NOAA Weather Radio and keep neighbors informed
- All households are willing to check on their neighbors and those with HELP signs
- Three people volunteered to check all propane tanks and shut off gas as necessary
- Seven households are willing to help neighbors complete Emergency Information Sheets
- All households are okay receiving text messages and emails; six are okay with phone calls; five are okay with home visits
- Seven households are willing to open their homes as "warming houses" for those in need
- Three households are willing to have meetings at their homes
- Over half the group is okay having meetings every six months; a smaller group is okay with quarterly meetings

Some neighbors were not able to attend our meeting. We plan to email all residents of Zone 6 about our efforts and anticipate that we will get even more participation. We'd eventually like to have mini committee meetings to allow these groups of volunteers to organize an efficient plan of action for potential (but hopefully nonexistent) real emergencies.

These results are extremely heartwarming and are a testament to the caring and cooperative spirit that we have at Kala Point. It's an indication to captains that all they need to do is ask for help, but that should not stop residents from volunteering before being asked.

Contact your captain and let him or her know how you are willing to participate. If you don't know the block captain for your zone, refer to this document.

Help turn your zone into a stronger, more cohesive

community ready to go into action. In the process, you just might become closer to those in your immediate neighborhood. •

## **Social Plus**

Social Plus is looking for a few more volunteers. If you feel like planning some fun events, have great ideas or want to chair a new event, please feel free to contact

Patti Biazzo, Diana Zinn or Char Quandt!

## **Crime and Fraud Prevention**

by Dick Schulte

An unfortunate statistic regarding crimes against persons and property is that they are more often happening to seniors than to the general population. To address that reality, a "Crime & Fraud Prevention" seminar was held in the KPOA clubhouse on June 20. The seminar on how to prevent becoming a victim of assault or robbery was presented by the Jefferson County Sheriff's Foundation, an organization consisting mostly of retired police officers. Covered topics included how to make your home less desirable as a target for thieves and how to make yourself less likely to be targeted while out in public places, like parking lots, shopping centers and trails.

Following that lecture, a Kitsap Bank representative, who is a certified fraud examiner, made a presentation on how to avoid financial fraud and identity theft, whether it be from an unsolicited phone call, an email, or even someone going door to door. Often, these are not crimes committed by a stranger, but by a caretaker or even a family member. Many of those seniors who were victimized lost their retirement savings, the equity in their homes and even, in some cases, their homes.

This educational seminar was attended by around 40 Kala Pointers and others, who seemed to learn a lot from these experts. Sheriff Joe Nole and Undersheriff Andy Pernsteiner attended the seminar and offered many local examples and personal experiences, demonstrating the importance that local law enforcement places on this type of education. For those of you who were unable to attend, information can be found on the Sheriff's Foundation website at

www.jeffersoncountysheriffsfoundation.org and also on the Federal Trade Commission's website at www.ftc.gov/passiton.•

## Living in Paradise

Terry Rose

I am a lifelong Pacific Northwest gal at heart so moving back to this area four years ago was a dream come true. How incredible that we live in this beautiful area and we're only a short drive from the hubbub of Seattle!

The down side (if there is one) is we are somewhat isolated on this peninsula especially if the ferries don't run or the Hood Canal bridge is closed (there is a part of me that thinks that is an advantage!). But what if there is a medical emergency? How can we quickly get expert medical care for ourselves or our loved ones if necessary?

In emergency situations first responders will rapidly assess your condition and where best to transport you. It could involve a life-saving decision to have you airlifted to a Seattle-area hospital for definitive care. A helicopter ride to Harborview Medical Center is in the neighborhood of \$20,000. Word is Medicare covers the transport but not all of us have Medicare. You may have insurance to cover it and you may not. Fortunately we have three good options to help.

Airlift Northwest and Life Flight Network are partnered with Northwest hospitals with flight bases located strategically throughout Washington and southeast Alaska. Life Flight Network recently started a flight base out of Port Angeles. They have a reciprocal agreement with Airlift Northwest so if you are a member of one but airlifted in an emergency by the other company, you will be covered. If you travel outside Airlift Northwest's area, you will be covered if transported by one of their other reciprocal partners: Care Flight in Reno, Nevada, and Air St. Lukes in Boise, Idaho.

Airlift Northwest and Life Flight Network both have fleets which includes fixed-wing planes and helicopters. They are emergency rooms in the air equipped with ICU-trained nurses. They provide critical care wherever it's needed 24/7/365. Both Airlift and Life Flight are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Services.

The third option is MASA Medical Transport Solutions. The coverage is more expensive albeit more comprehensive. It covers ground as well as air transport.

But the best part? Yearly memberships with Airlift Northwest or Life Flight are inexpensive compared to the cost of a helicopter flight to Harborview Medical Center. It covers all who reside in your household AND it's peace of mind!

Thank heavens for Amazon, Airlift Northwest and

Life Flight! I can be connected to the world and still live in paradise.

Airlift Northwest www.uwmedicine.org/airliftnw 800-508-1707 Customer Service

Life Flight network www.lifeflight.org 800-982-9299

MASA Medical Transport Solutions www.masamts.com 800-423-3226. •

## More on last month's gate incident...

## Tailgating—a short, costly thrill ride



Tailgating through the new gate is not a good idea. In fact, it's more of a gamble than an idea. The total gate cycle time—up and down combined—is a mere five seconds, some of which is used by the car that is entering legally. A tailgater is gambling the \$1,150 it could cost to repair the gate plus the cost of damage to their car that they can clear the gate in just a few seconds. Is it worth it? The driver in this photo thought it was—and lost. Damage to the car, damage to the gate, damage to the driving record, damage to the insurance record. All license plate numbers are recorded by security cameras; law enforcement may be involved. Why risk it? •

## Remember, we have video!

## Sign Up for Kala Point International Dinner

Marilyn Brenner

Last call for sign-ups for next season's Kala Point International Dinner Group. Enjoy dinners exploring tastes around the world! Couples and singles are both welcome. **Sign-up deadline is August 15**. Three dinners are planned over the year, scheduling six to eight diners for each meal. Dinner #1 takes place sometime during September, October and November 2019; Dinner #2 during January, February and March 2020; and Dinner #3 during April, May and June 2020.

For those new to Kala Point International Dinner Group, here is how it works. Prior to the start of the program year, suggestions for themes from group members are solicited and selected. Volunteers from the group plan menus and test recipes chosen which may include choices for beverages, appetizers, entrées, salads, sides and desserts. Help in theme, menu and recipe selection and production of menu packets are always welcomed and encouraged.

From the list of participants, Don Brenner utilizes computer magic to select groups of approximately six to eight people for each of three dinners. Each household participating is designated as "host" for one of the three dinners. Hosts receive the menus for their dinner group, make their selections from the choices, prepare the entree and assign their guests to bring appetizers, desserts, side dishes, etc. Enough menus are given to hosts so that each household receives one. The host also finds the best dinner date for all members of their group. (The dinner can take place anytime during the three-month period for that dinner – and, at the host's discretion, can go into later months if needed.)

Please sign up with Marilyn Brenner by August 15. While this program will make sure you dine with different people on each of the three meals, please note that it does not prevent repeats from previous years. If you have special requests for this schedule, please contact Brenners directly. If you are two singles who always want to dine together, please sign up together. Singles are also welcome to sign up as a single or single and guest if you want to invite a friend to attend with you. It is also possible to be listed as a substitute to be called in case a particular dinner has room for more diners. Hosts are encouraged to enlarge their group to include a listed substitute or guests of their choice who would enjoy the experience.

People who were members of this group last year who would like to participate this year, should also

notify the Brenners of their interest.

To sign up, please send the following information to Brenners via email: msbrenner@hotmail.com or by mail to: 22 Cedarview Lane, Port Townsend, WA 98368.

Include:

- 1. Your name(s)
- 2. Address
- 3. Preferred contact phone no.
- 4. Email
- 5. The total number of diners you can or prefer to accommodate at the dinners including yourselves, i.e. six, eight, or even more.
- \* If you email this information, you will receive a confirmation of your email. If you do not get a confirmation by August 22, please send your email again. •

## **Hide and Seek Might be Lost and Pound**

Joe Englander

One of the first actions of the new KPOA Board of Directors was to allow towing companies to remove vehicles from Kala Point designated areas that do not have proper Kala Point identification. Some of our residents have enjoyed playing hide-and-seek with their KPOA stickers and hang tags—they have them but guess where they put them. If someone has to guess where your sticker or hang tag is, you may have to find your vehicle in the pound.

Stickers should be attached to the lower left corner of the driver's side front windshield and that is where the towing company will look for them. If they are not there, the vehicle is not properly identified by a sticker. Hang tags are what they say they are, they are meant to hang from the rearview mirror with KPOA facing



the front of the vehicle. If you lay it on the dashboard or the console or hang it backwards or put it anywhere it cannot be easily seen, then it cannot be easily seen which is the same as not seen at all.

Any vehicle without a proper sticker or visible hang tag is subject to towing. Currently we use Northwest Towing, (360) 379-8595, 593 Prospect Avenue—that's where to find your "lost" vehicle. •

## **Around Port Townsend...**

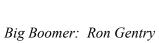




Forest Walk: Angela George

Reflection: Bob Segui

Port Hudson marina: Bob Segui





## Ready, Set, Action: Port Townsend's 2019 Film Festival

The Film Festival isn't for everyone.

But, if you're an introvert, it's perfect. You can sit in the dark and watch films for three full days: Sept. 19–22. The Festival screens more than 100 films in eight theaters in PT's walkable National Historic District. If you don't want to stand in line for tickets prior to each movie, you can buy a Concierge or Patron pass that allows you to reserve your films and get in ahead of the crowd.

If you're an extrovert, it's also perfect. The Festival kicks off this year on Thursday night, Sept. 19, with birthday cake and drinks, and parties on with Dinner on the Street, Sept. 20, followed by the Filmmaker's Reception. It wraps up on Sunday with an Awards Party. You can also stand in line and chat while you wait.

Headliners this year are character actor and wildly popular storyteller Stephen Tobolowsky (Ned Ryerson in "Groundhog Day") and author Cheryl Strayed. Both will speak after their films at the Festival's largest theater in the American Legion Hall that seats 250.

More than 60 filmmakers and film professionals attend the Festival to discuss their work after screenings. Saturday and Sunday mornings will feature the popular filmmaker's panel discussions (about craft and storytelling) beginning at 10 a.m. in the Jefferson Museum of Art & History on Water Street.

In addition to more than 25 restaurants and bars downtown, the Festival creates their own Festival Bar on the Dock in the Pope Marine Park Building and serves up quick bites in the adjacent plaza (barbecue, donuts, toasted cheese sandwiches, espresso).

And, you can bundle up each night and sit on straw bales for a free outdoor movie on Taylor Street beginning at dusk.

Passes are on sale now at www.ptfilmfest.com. A complete list of films and their trailers is posted on the website.

If you would like to offer lodging to filmmakers during the Festival, drive filmmakers from SeaTac or the Bainbridge ferry (all earn passes), please contact Christy@ptfilmfest.com. Want to volunteer? Contact Chuck@ptfilmfest.com or call the office at 360.379.1333. •

# **Help Wanted!**

Kim Titus

Do you have Personnel or Human Resources experience? Would you like to use your expertise to assist your community? The Personnel Committee is looking for residents who have experience in personnel to provide guidance and feedback to the Board President and General Manager during scheduled Personnel Committee meetings. We only have one or two a year, so it's a great way to participate without a heavy time commitment. If you are interested, please contact Kim Titus, Board Vice President, and we can talk! 503.931.2931 •

## **Letters to the Editor**

Greetings to the *Kala Pointer* Staff:

Just wanted you to know I am so impressed with the new look of the *Kala Pointer*! I have no design sense, so I don't actually understand what's different, but the last few issues have been so attractive and easy to read I have taken to spending enough time to absorb all the articles, ads, calendar etc. I also appreciate the variety of topics and quality of writing you provide.

Thanks for keeping us informed with a newly classy publication and keep up the good work! •

Pam Kolacy

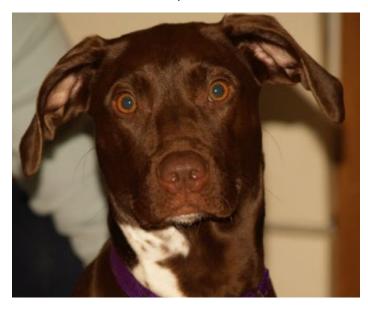
## Kala Cares

Celebration of Life for

## **Mahlon Gane**

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## A Dog's Tale Nancy Leeds



She was the smartest dog I ever knew. Her name was Coco, a German Shorthair mix that we adopted from the animal shelter when she was only 11 months old and full of life, attitude and love. Less than a month later we brought home a six-week-old Golden Retriever named Woody and the two of them filled our home with joy. Coco took Woody under her wing, teaching him the ways of the world...that is: the best spot to snag goodies, the comfiest place to sleep, when to bark and when to keep quiet. "Here is where the toys are," she would tell him. "And here is where you cannot dig in the garden." Once in a while the adults laugh when you shake water all over them; so, do it as much as you possibly can." My nickname for her was Coco-doodledoo.

I would watch Coco go to the toy basket and search all through it to find Woody's most beloved plaything. Her intention was to get *her* favorite toy back that he had confiscated by enticing him with *his* favorite. Woody fell for the trick every time.

Did Coco love the beach? Oh yeah. Chased every bird over the water until she figured she was in too deep. Smelled every clump of seaweed, log, shell. Greeted other doggies with a wagging tail. Ran until something else caught her attention. There were several places I could take the dogs where they could run off leash and Coco would know what I was heading for by the view outside the car window. She'd get all quivery and whiney and would almost jump through the window before I even stopped the car.

Did Coco go nuts when she saw a squirrel or deer? Oh yeah. Her barking became so high pitched that the neighbors must have thought we were hurting

her. Speaking of neighbors, she had some favorites: Stanton Stevens of the dog walking group because he would take her leash and let her have her way as to where to stop and sniff and which side of the street was preferable; Ray Larsen because he would finally give in and play "red dot" with her after she begged at his feet for more than five minutes; Bob Segui because he always had treats in his pocket.

I would buy stuffed animals from Goodwill for Coco and Woody to play with. The best of them only lasted a few days. Our living room floor was three dimensional with fluff, but that's okay because they were happy doggies.

About four years ago she was diagnosed with bladder cancer and went through chemo. They gave her about two months to live. The vet called her a "miracle dog" because she beat it to live an active life. Towards the end of June this year, Coco went for her shots and wellness check. The doctor said she had a cracked tooth and it was abscessed, so we planned for it to be pulled the following week. Coco never made it through the surgery. Her heart stopped. So unexpected. So heartbreaking. So quick.

Doug, Woody and I miss her greatly. I have one good feeling about this whole tragedy though, and that is Coco had good days right up until she died in her sleep on that operating table. Thank the good Lord we had 12 magical, loving years with that little lady. Thanks, Coco, for giving this family so much.



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**Exercise to Beat Back Pain Summer Session** Following the traditions of yoga and Pilates, this class is focused on using exercise to decrease—even eliminate—low back pain.

WHEN Wednesday & Fridays, 10:15 to 11:15 am, August 14 through August 28

cost \$50 for 5 classes

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WHEN Wednesday & Fridays, 10:15 to 11:15 am, starts September 4

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March 31 – October 16, 2019

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#### **Pool**

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