

Kala Pointer

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May 2018

President's Message

By Joe Englander, President

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I would probably be remiss in my office as KPOA Board President if I didn't at least once write about poop. Seems like all the past presidents have had to deal with this mess. So, I know you've got a tinkling of an idea of the problem, at least from the ground level. Pickup after your pets. EEE! Eliminate excrement in the environment. Excrement is excruciating for employees. Employee clothes covered in poop are nothing to laugh at. Poop sullies the soil and soils the water that ends up in your tap. Do you really want to drink that? But right now, I'm going to take it to a 'hole 'nuther level. Think massively dangerous. Think disease and dysentery. Cholera and typhoid. Think about what you're going to do when the walls come tumblin' down in the Big One. Yes, what are you going to do and where are you going to do it? Where's *your* poop going to go when we are without water and electricity for at least a month? The PVC pipes from your house, if you still have one, to your septic are broken and unusable and so is your toilet. Where you gonna go?

Skip the idea of making a latrine in your backyard or using lye unless you intend to never rebuild, never live on and never sell your property after the recovery. And there *will* be a recovery. It will just take a lot longer in our isolated end of the world than in Poulsbo or Silverdale or other mainland burgs. Remember all the roads in and out of here go down to the water and

the water will wash them all away along with the floating bridges and ferry docks. Our recovery will be a long time coming. So, where you gonna go in the meantime?

The quickest, easiest, and cheapest solution costs less than \$35 and barely takes any storage space. Buy two Home Depot five-gallon **Homer Buckets** for a total of seven bucks and a couple of **Honey Bucket Emergency Toilet Seats** from Amazon for \$24. Don't leave them empty. Store hand sanitizer, garbage bags, and toilet paper therein. Why two of each? Because keeping pee and poop separate eliminates most of the odor that reeks from every outhouse you've ever been in. Elimination without the consequences. There are other fancier and more expensive ways to prepare. You can buy a couple of folding **Commode Portable Seats** and plastic bags for around \$80 or if you want real luxury, get an RV with a really big holding tank. Two buckets are cheaper and take less storage space.

What to do with the two bags full? The best place to put poop is down the hatch of your septic tank. Don't mix it with cat litter or solidifying gel or wood chips or any other bad ideas and your septic tank will do its usual work and still be useful after the recovery. Put that junk from the RV store in there and you can bend over and kiss your septic goodbye and look forward to a huge bill to repair the tank and the field when it's all over. You can pour the pee in there too, along with any gray water or rain water that you can accumulate. Septic tanks need water to work. Keep the

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Board Notes from 4/10/2018

By Kim Titus

Happy Spring to all of you! Looks like we will have the wettest April on record, but that means lush plant life and an even greater appreciation for those sunny days.

We started the April meeting with some well-deserved thank-yous. The Potato Bake raised \$3,400! Thanks went out to the Machettes and the Burks for their outstanding work on the effort. The money raised will be used to buy a new stair chair (for evacuations) for Jefferson County. President Joe also gave a Certificate of Appreciation to Don Brenner for his many years of service on various KPOA Committees, most recently on the Architectural Committee. Carolyn McNulty said his expertise will be missed.

Keith came forward for a request to approve funding for resurfacing tennis court 1-2 and to replace the Clubhouse main room and fireplace room furniture. The Social Plus committee is going to make recommendations before the furniture is purchased.

Around Kala Point you will see many ongoing projects:

The Terrace Drive paving project is scheduled for April 30 and May 1.

The gravel on driveways in Storage Lot B will be put down at the end of April.

The new flooring in the fireplace room is complete.

The access gate to the Floats (docks) has been fitted with a membership key and is in operation.

It's mowing and weed eating season again. The KPOA crew reminds us to clean up after our pets to prevent any unfortunate mowing incidents. (Need I go further?) And the best news is the pool temperature is holding at a balmy 81-83 degrees. Now can Keith work on the outside air temps? I'd like warmer than the 50's please Keith.

Under new business there were items of note:

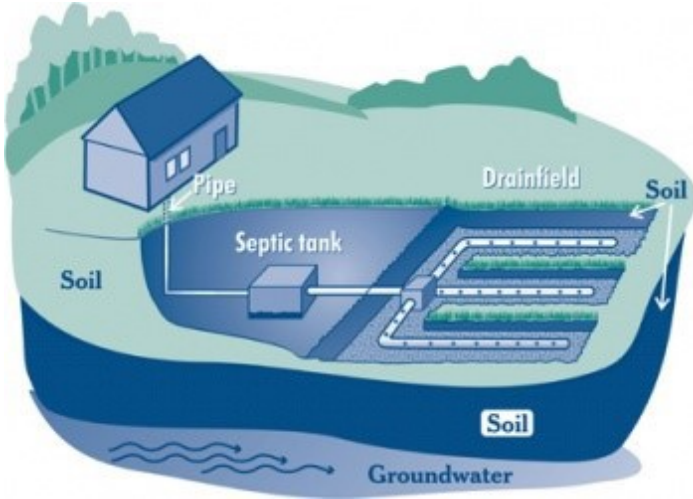
Rich Oiseth, Chair of the Bluff Management Action Committee (BMAC) shared that Jefferson County had not completed their review of the northern sector tree requests as of the April Board meeting. They had asked for additional information in the way of an updated (entire) bluff geotechnical report. Rich was able to explain that BMAC had submitted all the information needed per their policies and the JeffCo request for additional information was dropped. Thanks to Rich! He saved us several thousand dollars.

President Joe suggested that the By-laws that govern the Board be reviewed by a sub-committee. This is being done in light of the review currently underway in the committees on their APPs. Machette, McNulty, Miles and Englander will be on the subcommittee and will bring a proposal to the entire Board about the number of Board members that are needed on each committee, how big the Board should be, and whether the membership would like input into who is elected President. The

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non-biologic solids out.

Before things get bad, find your septic hatch, find out what kind of screws it has and make certain you can get it open. Then forget about it and sleep tight knowing you'll be able to keep on going when the going gets rough.



When the old man has too much to drink and forgets which game he is playing.

**Kala Point
Community-Wide
Garage & Art Sale**

June 2 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

See page 12 for details

largest issue we have when it comes to the size of the Board is there is often not enough potential candidates to give the residents a choice in Board members.

The Board also voted to consider waiving the audit of the 2017 financials. The final decision will be on the 2018 ballot and presented at the Annual Membership meeting. Here are Committee updates:

Architectural—New member Craig Cholvin.

Elections—Board Candidates: Deadline to apply is April 15th. Meet and Greet is May 8th, 12pm; Candidates Night is June 13th, 6pm.

EPC—Disaster Exercise – Last exercise was a success with 29 total participants. More volunteers needed! We need co-block captains, more First Aid folks, “runners”, etc. April 28 - Fire extinguisher training and servicing, 10am-12pm; May 3 - KPOA First Aid Class 1pm-4:30p. **Class is full.**

Finance—Evaluating Finance and Internal Control Committees APPs to ensure consistency between the committees.

Publications—They rotate editors every month. They are still printing 50 hard copies, available at the office, but everyone else is receiving the Kala Pointer on-line. They are working on APPs as well.

Social Plus—April 28-29 is Kala Point Art & Photography Show; April 26 is Shredding Day, 11:00 am -1:00 pm, if you want to see your items shredded. Otherwise you can drop them off at the admin building garage bays that week. May 9 is the composting workshop; May 18 is the TGIF for newcomers; June 2 is the Yard sale and block party and July 14 there will be a Beach Party.

Tree—Action via email vote: [Bylaws VI.9] Move to add Patricia Farmer as a new member of the Tree. Unanimous!

Member comments - and it's great to have active members who help us keep up with all the information that affects KPOA: Bill Kaune reminded everyone that PUD will be onsite April 11 at 11:00 am to answer questions regarding community septic system maintenance. Dale Moses asked about website security. Lynn shared an SSL security certificate was installed in late March to add an additional layer of security. That's it. It was a short meeting and we always hope to see you there. Next meeting is on May 8 at pm.

I hope you have some time to enjoy the weather. Always open to something different in my notes. Best wishes!

Spring is nature's way of saying, "Let's party"! ~Robin Williams

Cast Away

By Joe Englander

The voting for new members of our Board of Directors and to decide several important issues will be all electronic. Although many other locales and organizations have used electronic voting for quite some time, Washington has mainly stuck with paper ballots, so you may be unfamiliar with how much easier, safer and less expensive electronic voting is.

What you'll receive in the mail will include a list of candidates and a list of issues but not a ballot and not a return envelope. Instead, you'll get instructions and a personalized identification number (PIN). Each property owner of our association will receive a randomized and individual PIN which will allow them to cast one vote per property. No one else will have the same PIN. It can only be used one time, but it can be used on any device that connects to the internet including smartphones, tablets, laptops, desktops, and even smart TVs.

The ballot instructions, a sample of which appears below, will have this web address: electiontrust.com/kpoa.

- **Step #1** Is to enter this address into your internet browser. It will take you to a page where you will be asked to...
- **Step #2** Login with the private PIN number you just received. In the sample below, it is kpoa2018. When you enter your PIN number, you will be taken to the ballot page where you can cast your vote.
- **Step #3** The ballot will have pictures of the candidates in case you don't remember their names. Also, to the right of each candidate's picture there is hot-button for "more information," which will show you a brief statement of who they are and why they are running for the board.

Although there are five candidates for the Board, there are only three seats open. You can only vote for three of the five candidates. If you vote for more than three, when you are asked to review your choices the error will be indicated, and you will have to remove one or more of your votes by clicking on your extras until there are only three choices indicated.

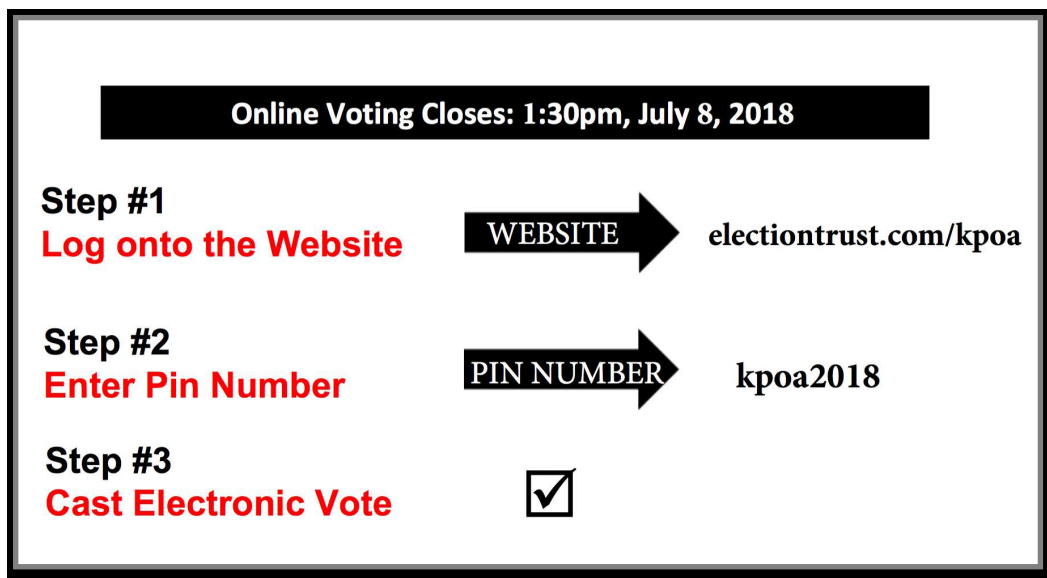
With the other issues the Board is asking you to consider, there are only two choices: yes or no. You can't vote both ways; if you do, then when you are asked to review your vote, the error will be indicated, and you will have to correct it. As with the candidates, to the right of the issue there is a "more information" button that may remind you what the issue is about.

If you make no errors, or after you have corrected your errors, you can review your vote before clicking on the "confirm vote" button. When you confirm, your vote is cast.

You're done! That's it! You can do it from the comfort of your home. If you don't have an internet capable device, there will be two polling stations—one at the Administration Building and one in the Clubhouse—where you can use computers KPOA will provide; or you can use any public computer at a library or school. Since the PIN is a one-use individualized number and since you never enter any private information, there are no security risks to using a public computer or a friend's computer or smartphone.

Finally, if you are incapable of getting to the Clubhouse or any internet connected device, a member of the Elections Committee has generously volunteered to transport you to the Clubhouse polling station.

Voting Instructions here and on page 5.






**This is a sample ballot from another homeowners association.
The one you receive will contain the information for
Kala Point Homeowners Association.**

1 Vote 2 Review Vote 3 View Receipt

Trophy Hills Home Owners Association
This is your ballot. Select the answers you want and afterwards review your selection with the 'Review' button.

1. ISSUE #1:
AT-LARGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATES
Please mark up to two (2) candidates

Selected answers: 0

<input type="checkbox"/>	 Andrew Cash	More information
<input type="checkbox"/>	 Arlene Ann Thompson	More information
<input type="checkbox"/>	 Melanie Zetterberg	More information

Write-In #1

Write-In #2

Selected answers: 0

2. Issue #2
I approve the proposed 2019 Annual THHOA Budget (\$ 1,325,750.00) as presented and agreed to by the Board of Directors at their June 28, 2018 meeting.
See **MORE INFORMATION** for BOD Statment

<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes, I Approve	More information
<input type="checkbox"/>	No, I Do Not Approve	More information

Reset Review >

Timely-Declared Kala Point Board Candidates 2018

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Rich Oiseth
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Steve Reed
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Kala Point Street Party



Featuring: Chicago Bob & the Midnight Train

When: Saturday, June 2nd (After the Garage Sales)

Time: 4:30-7:00 PM

Where: North end of Kala Heights Drive Cul-de-sac

BYOB, Appetizer & Eating / Drinking Utensils

BRING YOUR OWN CHAIRS

Please walk or car pool if possible as parking will be limited!

If you enjoy live music & like to kick up your heels or just listen,
please join your neighbors for a fun street party of fun & camaraderie!

We look forward to sharing the musical talents of our Kala Point neighbors
Bob Longmire & Barb Dawson and their bandmates
playing blues and good time music! Please join us for a fun evening!

EVENT WILL BE CANCELLED IF IT IS RAINING!

Questions: Contact Char Quandt 360-531-4226 or
Colette Swan 818-292-4430



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April 4, 2018

Kala Point Social Plus Committee
Kala Point Owner's Association
1760 Kala Point Drive
Port Townsend, WA 98368

Dear Kala Point Social Plus Committee (and fellow Kala Pointers):

It was a great pleasure to meet everyone at the recent Potato Bake. On behalf of everyone at East Jefferson Fire Rescue, I want to thank the organizers of the event and the community members who came out and showed support for your fire district.

During my talk, I mentioned the District's need for a new stair chair, which allows emergency responders to transport patients down stairs without lifting. This reduces the risk of injury for our people, improving our overall responsiveness to the District.

I was surprised and gratified to learn that the Potato Bake raised \$3,043.63, which will perfectly cover the cost of a new stair chair!

My wife Sarah and I thank you for your warm welcome to this community and on behalf of all of us at EJFR, I thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Jim Walkowski, Fire Chief
East Jefferson Fire Rescue

KP Potato Bake & Chili Cook-Off Winners & Eaters



Chili Cook-Off Winners Bill Conklin (l) and Merlyn Wurscher (r) with Michael Machette, Judge, in the center.

Thank You to the Generous Kala Point Residents

By Debbie Burk and Nancy Machette

Annual Potato Bake and Chili Cook-Off was a Huge Success!

Thank you to everyone who donated so very generously at the Potato Bake and Chili Cook-Off fundraiser for the East Jefferson Fire and Rescue (EJFR) held March 24. Every year Kala Point honors the wonderful men and women of the EJFR with the Potato Bake and Chili Cook-off fundraiser. Most of Kala Point calls are for medical emergencies. The services that the EJFR provides are handled with skill, efficiency and gentle care. All donations from that evening went to the EJFR. This year we broke all records and raised more than \$3,400. The EJFR plans to use the monies donated for a new "Stair Chair".

There is still time to donate if you missed the fundraiser. Just write a check payable to EJFR and mail it to Nancy Machette, 120 Fairbreeze Drive. Nancy will deliver it to the EJFR office where it will be added to the funds already delivered. Any and all amounts will be gladly accepted.

It is our sincere hope that you do not need EJFR services, but it is a comfort to know that if you do -- you are in very capable hands.



Calendar of Events for May 2018

By Ed Zinser

May 5 Opening Day Boat Parade & Blessing of the Fleet 12:00 pm to 2:30 pm. The Port Townsend Yacht Club invites all interested boaters and rowers to participate in the annual Opening Day Boat Parade which will begin forming up at noon and pass in review after the departure of the 12:30 Coupeville Ferry. The public is invited to view the waterfront parade from the Northwest Maritime Center Pier, Pope Marine Park or other convenient locations along Water Street. **Location:** Port Townsend Area. **Contact:** fleet@ptyc.net.

May 14 to 18 PT School of Woodworking: Woodworking for Women 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Gain the confidence to work with wood. An introduction to hand tools and small power tools. Register by April 30, 2018. **Location:** Port Townsend School of Woodworking, 200 Battery Way. **Contact:** 360-344-4455, info@ptwoodschool.org.

May 16 to 19 Annual Rhododendron Festival. Join the 2018 Off to Rhodyland with Royalty Queen & Princesses for a wonderful week of the Rhododendron Festival. Please come and celebrate with us the third weekend of May! It's fun for the whole family, so come out and celebrate the week-long spring party for Port Townsend and East Jefferson County! **May 14** - Royalty Handprints, **May 16** - Trike Races, **May 17** - Pet Parade & Carnival Starts, **May 18** - Kiddies Parade Bed Races, Carnival continues. **May 19** - Grand Parade, (*Don't miss the Kala Point and other Corgis from around the Sound*). The Carnival Continues, May 20 - Rhody Run. **Location:** Port Townsend Area. **Contact:** rhodyfest@gmail.com.

May 18 - 19 Adult Learn to Sail: Basic Keelboat Skipper 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Learn advanced sail trim, tacking, gibing, rules of the road, basic navigation, knots, reefing, heavy weather sailing tactics, line handling, outboard engine basics, docking. 15 hours over a weekend (Saturday and Sunday). Receive your US Sailing Basic Keelboat Certificate. **Location:** NW Maritime Center, 431 Water St. **Contact:** 360-385-3628 x104, programs@nwmaritime.org.

May 19 Cake Picnic: 3:30 to 5:00 pm. Immediately following the Rhody Festival Grand Parade we serve over 2,000 slices of free Cake and host a massive inter-generational dance party downtown Port Townsend. It's a simple event that provides our community the opportunity to eat and dance together while hosting neighboring communities, Royalties, Marching Bands and many others. **Location:** Pope Marine Plaza, 607 Water St. **Contact:** Daniel Milholland, 360-385-0519,

daniel@thunderbullproductions.com.

May 26 - 27 17th Fort Worden Children's Choir Festival: 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Founded in 2000, the Fort Worden Children's Choir Festival brings together some of the best children's choirs from throughout the West Coast for a 2-day event each Memorial Day Weekend. Dr. Rollo Dilworth, Guest Conductor. **Location:** McCurdy Pavilion, Eisenhower Avenue. **Contact:** 253-265-5167, fortwordenfestival@gmail.com.

May 28 Cablehouse Canteen Season Opening: 11:00 am to 6:00 pm. It wouldn't be summer at Fort Worden without cheeseburgers grilled to perfection & frozen yogurt at the beach. Join us at the Canteen (Lower Beach at Fort Worden) to celebrate sunny days ahead on the Olympic Peninsula! Open every day 11 am-6 pm Memorial Day through Labor Day. **Location:** Fort Worden Cablehouse Canteen, 100 Harbor Defense Way. **Contact:** 360-344-4400 (ext. 304), reservations@fortworden.org.

May 28 Port Townsend Summer Band: Memorial Day Concert & Ceremonies: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Annual Memorial Day Concert by the Port Townsend Summer Band and Memorial Day Ceremonies held by American Legion Post 26. **Location:** American Legion Post #26, 209 Monroe St. **Contact:** Miles Vokurka, 360-379-5710.

May 31 Geology Series Lecture: 4:00 to 5:00 pm. The Jefferson Land Trust's Geology Group is sponsoring an illustrated lecture entitled "Sea to Sky GeoTour." This talk describes the various rocks, landscapes and geologic processes that are exposed along Canada Highway 99, which goes from Vancouver to Whistler, BC. If you are planning a summer road trip through this part of Canada, this talk is a must see. The speaker is Melanie Kelman, a volcanologist with the Canadian Geological Survey with a Ph.D. from the University of British Columbia, Vancouver. **Location:** Quimper Unitarian Universalist Foundation (QUUF), 2333 San Juan Road in Port Townsend. \$5 donation requested. **Contact:** Michael Machette paleoseis@gmail.com or Geology Group website QuimperGeology.org.

Kala Point Recurring Events

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

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

Bridge: Every Monday at 11:00 am Clubhouse

Reading Group: Every third Wednesday 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm at the Clubhouse.

“This Is Only a Drill” EPC Disaster Simulation Exercise, April 7

Anne Englander, EPC Chair

If you happened to be listening in on Kala Point’s dedicated radio channel on the morning of April 7, you may have been shocked and alarmed at the very dire situation unfolding in Kala Point, until someone broke in to assure you that “this is only a drill.”



That Saturday morning thirty members of Kala Point’s Emergency Preparedness Team honed our communication and problem-solving skills during a disaster simulation exercise. The drill was based on a “severe winter storm” scenario involving snow, ice, below freezing temperatures, and an overnight windstorm that toppled trees and knocked out power, conditions not unlike what other parts of the country, if not Port Townsend, experienced this spring.

While a coordinating team set up and directed operations from the Administration Building, block captains practiced fanning out into their neighborhoods and reporting on various pretend “emergencies” related to the storm, and first aid and pet management teams practiced responding to assist “the injured.”

The EP team, led by Incident Coordinator Mark Miller, traded well over a hundred radio transmissions related to 36 separate made-up “incidents” including: house fires, various medical emergencies, trees falling on houses, car accidents, injured pets, blocked roads, an overturned fire truck, and even kids attempting to ice skate on the swimming pool. You name a winter emergency, and we probably included it in our drill!

During the exercise the teams pretended to get people to safety, stabilize and treat injuries, set up warming centers, barricade roads, clear tree limbs, turn off water to a broken fire hydrant, and open up an alternate entrance to Kala Point. Moreover, the teams actually (for real) took reports from a few residents who were using their new walkie-talkie radios, fired up the generator at the Administration Building and worked by lantern, tested switching to a back-up radio

channel, and reported eight of the most serious “incidents” to ham radio operators standing by at Fire Station 1-6 in Port Townsend and the Port Hadlock Emergency Operations Center.

Following the two-hour drill, everyone participated in a debriefing session at the clubhouse to review successes and lessons learned. Overall, the team did well on both radio communications and problem-solving — critical skill sets in any real emergency. There are some protocol issues to iron out, and the team identified areas for further practice and training.

Ultimately, the exercise served to emphasize the following major tenets of Kala Point’s emergency preparedness program:

Everyone in Kala Point has a personal responsibility to prepare for emergencies - to stock up on water, food, medications, sanitation supplies, and first aid supplies.

We continue to need more EP team members (block captains, first aid, pet management), supported by more volunteers from each neighborhood zone - including people who are able to walk around their block and report what they see.

The Map Your Neighborhood program is key to Kala Point’s emergency preparedness. Through MYN we identify critical resources within each of our nineteen neighborhood zones: willing volunteers, potential gathering places/care centers, people with certain skills, available tools/equipment, and information on people with special needs.



Thanks to the entire Emergency Preparedness team for participating in our exercise and helping us prepare for a time when it may not be “only a drill”!

And to all Kala Point neighbors, please join us:

In September for our annual Kala Point EPC Expo featuring lots of information and products that will help you get prepared;

Later in the fall, for a community-wide disaster simulation exercise; this time you’ll each get a chance to use your walkie-talkie radio and practice working with the EP team to handle “emergencies” in your neighborhood. Stay tuned for dates and details!



You can tell if an ant is a female or a male by dropping it in some water. If it sinks it is a girl ant. If it floats, it is buoyant.

My neighbor told me about a product she uses that gets greasy food stains out of clothes. I tried it and she was right. Even dark cotton tee shirts covered in bacon splatters came out clean. It is called SPLAT! And it comes in a smallish green spray bottle. You can get it from the Food CoOp.

You are welcome.

Popular Mechanics Magazine says to use blue painters' tape instead of masking tape when preparing to paint. After applying tape, run a putty knife over the top to press down for a good seal. The tape can be left on for up to two weeks and still peel off cleanly.

The Real Housewives of Kala Point

By Nancy Leeds



We who live in Kala Point can experience all four seasons in one 24-hour period while those living below the Mason Dixon Line will daily

experience either summer and lesser summer.

So why live here? Maybe it's because we thrive in the mist, the greenness of the air and the watercolor days. (The light here is different ... softer.) Maybe it's because we *really* appreciate the beautiful days and see them as a great gift since we have the rainy ones to compare them to. Maybe it's all the trees (the tall beings) and the mountains (the old beings) and the Pacific Ocean meandering its way through Puget Sound and pooling into our myriad of bays.

Whatever it is, I bless it. I bless that it brought me here. I bless that it brought you...my wonderful neighbors. I bless that we form bonds; look out for each other; wave to each other; know the names of our pets; celebrate our birthdays. Yes, we laugh. Yes, we cry. Yes, we get tipsy. And don't you know

my neighbor is always ready to feed and let my pets out if I'm held up somewhere. And by gum, I'd do the same for her. We are always getting together at the drop of a hat to sit around a table and open our hearts to each other. We've even been known to have a birthday party at The Soak in Port Townsend where all of us went "au natural". A neighbor recently had major surgery and another neighbor knitted her a special hat that she'll have to wear for many months. Other ladies make sure she gets out to walk everyday. When someone new moves close by we have a little luncheon to welcome her. If a pet dies, we send a sympathy card. Have a little extra left over from dinner? We bring it to the one who is alone. Call the friends to get together for a movie? You betcha'. Yes, we laugh. Yes, we cry. Yes, we get a little tipsy.

We have so many fun things going on here to keep us busy and in touch with life. So many chances to have heavily photographed shenanigans. Opportunities abound to volunteer and bring us in contact with even more wonderful people of Kala Point. I'm darn pleased with our amenities, our staff, our beautiful surroundings. But I'm supercalafragilisticexpialidocously pleased with the real housewives I've found here at Kala Point. God bless us, every one.

We Will Miss You

"Mia"
Stanton & Valerie
Stevens



"Taavi"
Jerry & Terry Rose



Don Brenner... Thank You for Your Service

*By Nancy Machette,
Architectural Committee Chairman*

At the April 10 Board Meeting, President Joe Englander presented Don Brenner, property owner since 1998, with a Certificate of Appreciation for his long service to the Architectural Committee, having devoted over 13 years. Don's last official AC meeting was on March 29. He has been an exceptionally valued member of the Committee and was instrumental in the latest revision of the AC APPs, a project that took nearly two years. The AC will sorely miss his keen insight, vast knowledge and historical perspective. Past and current committee members sincerely appreciate Don's long service and his commitment to preserving KPOA's architectural standards – principals that maintain KP as a desirable, upscale residential community.



While tackling AC tasks, Don also served for several years on the Internal Control Committee (ICC) as ICC Liaison to the Finance Committee and as ICC Chairman for a time. No rest in his future though – Don and his wife, Marilyn, will continue their involvement in the KPOA community as the drivers of the ever-popular International Dinner Group, with Don developing and updating a computerized spreadsheet for rotating host/guest schedules (no small task with over 65 participants) and Marilyn seeking worldwide culinary themes and scouring the cookbooks for scrumptious recipes representative of the county. Thank you again Don for the time and energy you generously gave to our community.

Neighborhood Ads

Neighborhood Classified Ads
cost only \$0.10 cents per word.

Please pay at the Kala Point Office
when you submit your ad.

One of a Kind Doll Clothing for 12" to 30" dolls

See my designer/hand-sewn collection on Etsy at "wonderful doll clothes". More than 100 choices for that special person. Special orders welcomed.
Call Sharon Ross at 360-385-2365.

Fabulous Water View

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Newcomers' TGIF Hold the Date!

By Pat Wrobel



This year's Newcomers' TGIF sponsored by the Social Plus Committee is fast approaching. It will be held on Friday, May 18 from 5:30 – 7:30 pm in the Main Room of the Clubhouse. For this special evening, we expand into larger quarters to accommodate Kala Point residents eager to meet and welcome new residents to the community. This special evening is a fun opportunity to mingle with old friends while making new ones.

No charge for the event and no reservation needed. Bring your own beverage and an appetizer to share. We look forward to seeing you!

AARP Driver Safety Class Offered

By Barry Birch

A Driver Safety Class (classroom only) which is held the morning of Thursday May 24th and Friday May 25th, 9:00 AM to 1:00 pm. At the Tri-Area Community Center in Chimacum

Attendance is required both days, for completion. The cost of the class, which provides a certificate of completion, and course materials is \$15.00 for AARP Members, and \$20.00 for nonmembers. The class is limited to 20 participants. For registration please call volunteer instructor Barry Birch 360-379-0122.

Hope to see you there!

Kala Cares

By Phyllis Wurscher



In Memoriam

**Bob Chuck
Chuck Reynolds**

Kala Point Community-Wide Yard and Art Sale

Sponsored by Social Plus

Do you have too much stuff? I know I do. Here is your chance to purge, de-clutter, and free yourself of unwanted goods around the house, garage and yard. Social Plus is sponsoring its 2nd Annual Community-Wide Yard Sale: Saturday, June 2 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm, rain or shine. Some folks have asked that we include art in the sale this year.

If you want to participate here is what you do:

Start assembling your items, clean, price (this is important), and organize them, etc. On the morning of the sale just put them on a table in your yard, garage, porch, whatever. Place some sort of large red balloon, flag, banner, sign in your front yard and near the street. When you are sold out, (or tired of it) just take in your sign and close your sale.

We are going to *try* and organize this event by listing everyone's address this year on a flyer to hand out at the gate, but you are still pretty much on your own. It is a lot of work getting your sale organized so be sure and let shoppers know where you are. If you know you will participate and want to be listed, send an email to KPSocialplus@gmail.com by May 25.

This will give us a few days to get the flyers printed and to gauge approximately how many of you are holding sales. I will have a supply of sturdy red balloons for sale .25 each, (to cover the expense) on the porch at my home at 93 Saddletree Drive the week prior, May 28-June 2. Stop and get a few if you don't have your own. You do not have to list your sale if you decide at the last minute to hold one. That's fine, people will find you.

Please don't open your sale before 9:00 am, this just encourages people to show up at 7am and expect to get in. The gate will open at 9:00 am and stay open for the sale. We are going to run ads in the *Peninsula Daily News* and *Leader* and state that in BIG letters.

This will be followed by a Kala Point (only) street party, although you are welcome to bring guests. It will be at the end of Kala Heights Drive. See the next article for details.

If you have any questions about the yard sale, please contact Diana Zinn at KPSocialplus@gmail.com or call me at 360-385-5680.

You can contact Char Quandt or Colette Swan about the street party at the same email address. We are ordering great weather for these events. We hope to see a lot of you participate.

Letters to the Editor

Hey Neighbors:

Miss me yet? I threatened that I could return and now I have. This letter carries no reference to “pitchforks or torches” but there are some flames involved (think cooking fires). This evening I write about the subject of eating and one look at me will prove I am somewhat of an expert on the topic. I will have more to say about that after a few words of welcome to a soon-to-be new member of Kala Point. He is Michael Howell. He and his bride-to-be have just purchased a home on Foxfield Drive and I wanted to be one of the first to welcome them to the neighborhood. That said, I will explain the connection between my above-mentioned avocation and Michael’s arrival in Port Townsend. He comes from the Midwest with excellent credentials of a restaurateur working in and managing eating establishments in the Chicago area. He is the proud owner of the newly opened, Howell’s Sandwich Company in downtown Port Townsend in the Kellogg Building (where Jordino’s used to be).

Howell’s is a Chicago style deli shop and having lunched there twice since its opening in mid-April have found the food to be excellent with matching service accented by a gregarious Michael schmoozing with the diners. The sandwiches are generously proportioned with excellent quality meats, served on fine breads from Pane d’Amore and other high-quality bakeries. My exploration of the menu includes a great Ruben with just the right mix of corned beef, Sauerkraut, Swiss cheese and dressing on an excellent Marbled Rye bread. The second trip to the lunch counter brought me to the Metropolitan, a stack of ham, salami, prosciutto, cheese, pesto garlic spread, lively olive smoked oil and balsamic served toasted on a fresh Pane d’Amore baguette. Hard to top the Ruben but it is a close call.

I encourage all Kala Pointers to stop in for lunch and say hello to Michael. I think you will enjoy the food (we did) and I know you will be happy to get to know our new neighbor Michael. You can find this new eatery gem at 929 Water St. You can preview the menu with pictures at their web site: <https://howellssandwichco.com/>

Doug Leeds, a wannabe food critic.

Hey You!:

SLOW DOWN

Yes you! I was at the Kala Point front gate recently cleaning out the flower beds around the entry. Year after year I have endured rude and uncaring drivers who can’t give one person doing a good deed for the community a bit of courtesy. I wear a safety vest so you can see me. I try to be cautious and aware of the cars around me. Just 15 – 30 seconds is all you need to use a slower speed. Thanks to those of you who ease off the gas when they see a person on the road. I appreciate it. *Phooey* to those of you who don’t! Did you realize that when you leave the property it is only 25 mph all the way to the next stop sign. Many of you certainly “hit it” and race out of here like you are on fire. Think of your child, parent or yourself in this situation and be more thoughtful. This applies to stopping at stop signs too. Too many of our members think that they are not obligated to obey them. You should be ashamed of your very poor “adult” behavior.

Caroline McNulty, lot 153

Dear Anonymous Letter Writers:

Letters and comments from KPOA members to the Board or to one of our many committees are always welcomed. *Anonymous* letters go into the shred bin.

Committees cannot respond to comments when an unsigned letter arrives. If you are letting off steam or just want to get in a few jabs—ok. If you have a legitimate concern, have the courage of your convictions, sign your name and you will get a response. None of our Board or committee members take their job lightly and a lot of thought and research goes into the decisions being made. Committee and Board members work for the *entire* community and often times suggestions from community members are helpful. If you are dissatisfied with decisions being made, get involved. Run for the Board. Join a Committee. Become an active participant in our wonderful community, not just a complainer.

Mary Ann Schulte
360-385-1484

Kala Point Bird Watching

Whimbrel Watch

By Ron Wheeler

What's a Whimbrel? Whimbrel are far-ranging migratory birds with long downturned bills, which travel from their summer locations in the far south, to their breeding grounds within the Arctic, and they've never been recorded on the shores of Port Townsend Bay... until now.

When resident photographer Ron Wheeler set out on his project to photograph the birds of Kala Point, he took regular bird walks, in the forest and at the beach, making what could be looked upon as a vast daily photo diary. After presenting the first addition of his one-hour show here at the clubhouse in February, it was clear from the response that a second showing was in order. It was in revising his presentation for the show given on April 19th that he discovered a rare bird had visited Kala Point, and not only had he recorded one such visit, but four individual occurrences.

"Having taken well over 15,000 photographs of more than 100 bird species within the neighborhood, it's like finding a needle in a haystack, but once you come across that first instance, you have to continue searching that entire stack." Ron said of making the first discovery of the Whimbrel within his overall collection of more than 125,000 images.

"Once the initial Birds of Kala Point show was created, which focused on bird species we see on a regular basis, there wasn't much need to go back through this mass of images, but I wanted to really pull out the stops for the last show of the series. After finding photographs of my first recorded Whimbrel visit, I looked into the distribution for the species and discovered it's never been recorded along the shore within Port Townsend Bay, going all the way back to 1900! There was one injured bird that was recorded in Kai Tai Lagoon in past years, but that's it. I in turn created an account with [eBird](#),



the international bird species observance platform created in 2002 by Cornell University and the National Audubon Society, and recorded my observations. I also capped off last night's show by sharing this news and featuring the associated images from all four times I've observed Whimbrel at the Kala Point beach."

Ron continues, "Whimbrel are most likely to occur here in late April to early May and again to a lesser degree in September, with some years showing a few of the birds moving through the area during late summer. My own records of Whimbrel were on

May 25th and September 22nd of 2015, and March 16th and February 25th of 2016. The last two occurrences are so out of the ordinary that they are listed by eBird as "unconfirmed" despite my time-stamped photographic evidence. By 2017 I'd collected enough to create the show and took some time off from carrying the camera gear. I did some additional daily shooting leading up to the last

show and as this article is being written, Whimbrel Watch is underway for that late May migration. If people are interested in learning more about Whimbrel I'd recommend starting off with a visit to [allaboutbirds.org](#), which like aforementioned [eBird.org](#), is a website provided by Cornell University's Lab of Ornithology. The unique protected saltwater lagoon right off the beach makes Kala Point an ideal stopover for these rarely seen visitors as they travel over 2,000 miles, a couple of times each year."

Sniglets

Deja Moo: The feeling that you've heard this bull before.

Geometry: What an acorn says when it grows up.

Conceit: Eye strain.

Hypotenuse: The upstairs bathroom is occupied.

Receptionist's job: Howdy duty.

Land dispute: Ground beef.

Concealed, Invisible and Out of Sight

By Nancy Machette, Architectural Committee Chair

Just a reminder – The Architectural Administrative Policies and Procedures direct that the following items be stored out of sight or shielded from view from the streets and neighboring properties:

- **Garbage, Trash Cans and Yard Waste Receptacles**
- **Regular Heat Pumps and Ductless/Auxiliary Heat Pumps**
- **Propane Tanks**
- **Gardening Equipment (Wheelbarrows, Yard Trailers, Rakes)**

The AC has noticed that there are increasing instances in which garbage cans, mechanicals, and tanks are visible. Overtime, it appears that the original surrounds have broken down or the foliage barrier has died out.

The AC will begin enforcing the requirement by notifying (in writing) homeowners, whose mechanicals, refuse cans, or tanks are visible, and will set a specified period of time to complete the effort. Failure to comply with the request may result in a non-compliance notification to the homeowner.

The Architectural Committee can guide you if you need to construct a storage shed to house gardening equipment or a wooden surround to shield your heat pump or propane tank or a permanent wooden exterior barrier for your garbage cans or can recommend dense evergreen foliage that will provide an effective shield.

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By Nicholas Gordon

Compost Workshop

By Linda Lemanski

Wednesday May 9, 6 - 8:30 pm

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Participants may choose to receive an Earth Machine composter for \$25 (\$125 value!). One per household, please. These are designed to be dog and critter-proof, with no offensive smell.

Pre-purchase your composter by going to: <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3338946>. Participants **must** attend the full workshop to receive their composter. Available to Kala Point residents only.

Row or Paddle?

By Patricia Farmer

I am interested in starting a row/paddle group that would meet on a weekly basis on our beach. If you think this is a good idea, please email me at pfarmer@olympen.com. Thank you.



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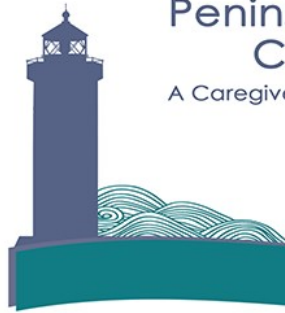
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