# Kala Pointer

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# Coming Soon! The First Ever: *Kala Pointer*Special Election Edition

Watch your inbox for information about candidates and the issues our community will be voting on in the KPOA election in December.

### From the Desk of KPOA President

Mark Lannon, Board President

Last month I provided an update on the Pier Project. At that time, we had already contacted 10 marine structural engineering companies. Three of them indicated interest in our project, and were each deemed qualified after we applied our Request for Information process. Subsequently, Request for Proposals were sent to those three companies.

All three companies have responded now, and a recommendation to contract with Pacific Engineering Technologies, Inc., was presented to the KPOA Board of Directors for approval. The Board's approval to contract with Pacific was based on "best value" to KPOA. The contract terms and conditions remain to be negotiated.

In summary, Pacific will inspect the pier, prepare a written structural engineering report that will include pier repair recommendations, propose a pier structural mitigation plan, assess the gangplank, provide a life expectancy opinion for both the pier and the gangplank, and provide proposal and cost estimates for future engineering, regulatory permitting, and project management.

Once this information is secured, the KPOA membership will have the opportunity to participate in next steps.



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### **Next Newsletter Deadline:**

November 19 for the December Issue

Submit your articles to: YourKalaPointer@kalapoint.org

Mark Lannon

Our Letter to the Editor policy
Look under section H.

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; Bylaws; 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.

#### **Committee Chairs 2023**

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Moonlight on Kala Point Beach: Donna Abear

### **October Board Meeting Summary**

**Dan Nordlund**, Board Secretary

The October KPOA Board Meeting was held October 10 at 3 p.m. It was a hybrid meeting held in person at the Clubhouse and over Zoom. Directors in attendance were M. Lannon, president; J. Reeves, vice president; D. Nordlund, secretary; K. Skolrud, CFO; and Directors S. Stanton, M. Machette, and D. Moses. Also in attendance were Keith Larson, general manager, and Felice Thompson, executive assistant. There were also six self-identified Zoom attendees and 18 in-person attendees.

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order. The agenda for the October meeting (as amended) and the minutes of the September 12, 2023, Board meeting (as corrected) were approved.

It was announced that the deadline for articles for the November *Kala Pointer* was October 19. Also, a discussion forum on the topic of the Port Townsend Pool Tax is scheduled for November 16 in the clubhouse. It was also announced that a KPOA Elections special edition of the *Kala Pointer* will be published in early November.

Next the consent calendar was passed which approved the appointment of Dick Anderson to the Architectural Committee.

### General Managers' financial report

Preparations are being made for the November 9 mailing of the notice and paperwork for this year's Annual Membership Meeting. Clubhouse operations have changed to fall/winter hours for October 16 to March 30: M–F 9 a.m.–8 p.m.; Sat–Sun 1–8 p.m. The pool was closed October 15.

All scheduled reserve projects for this year have been completed, and all but one came in at or below budget. The Board approved a motion to pay Salisbury Industries (a non-local company) for the sales tax on the new mailboxes purchased earlier this year. The company apparently didn't realize that Washington has a sales tax that they needed to collect.

### **Grounds report**

The sweeper is being fitted with a new brush and with some minor repairs should be ready for use by October 31. Snowplows and sanding equipment are being tested, and additional sand has been purchased (45 yards are now on site). Mowing and weed eating (including drains) scheduled to be completed by October 31. Maintenance of the storage lots should also be completed by the end of the month, as will the inspection of the buoy anchors at the beach and retrieval the loose buoy and chain.

### Old business

Last month, KPOA received three proposals from marine structural engineering firms regarding the pier project. The three proposals were evaluated, and only Pacific Engineering met all the requirements of the KPOA statement of work. The Board approved hiring Pacific Engineering to conduct a structural survey of the pier to include beams, pilings, and gangplank.

Pedestrian Safety committee met and proposed trimming of foliage along Kala Point Drive to improve visibility. The committee will continue to meet, and is looking for further suggestions and discussions.

### **New business**

The Project Study Committee created a KPOA Board Orientation package designed to provide a guide to new directors (and as a refresher for current directors) regarding the duties and responsibilities associated with serving on the Board. The Board is reviewing the package for potential use.

A template for APPs has been developed to unify formatting of APPs across committees. Administrative staff will be responsible for reformatting the APPs and then returning them to committees and the Board for approval.

The Board reviewed the proposed budget for 2024 presented by the Finance Committee, along with the regular assessments for Lots, Homes, and Condominiums, and also Timeshares. The budget and assessments were approved by unanimous consent. Assessments for lots, homes, and condos will be \$1185.67 and for timeshares it will be \$266.22.

The Board moved to Executive Session to discuss potential recognition awards to Kala Point members for service to the community. Upon returning to regular session, the Board voted to approve the awards discussed in Executive Session, which will be presented at the Annual Membership meeting.

There being no further business the Board voted to recess until the November 14 meeting time.

Note: For more details about the meeting, supporting documents, and a recording of the Board meeting, visit the Board of Directors landing page on the website at kalapoint.org/board-committees/board.

### Kala Point Employee Appreciation Fund 2023

### Susie Gorski and Patti Biazzo

Dear Kala Point Neighbors:

This fund is a means to say "Thank You" to our Kala Point Employees for the excellent service they provide throughout the year in maintaining our beautiful neighborhood and administrating all of Kala Point.

If this is in your budget, we hope you will consider donating to this holiday bonus.

We are the volunteers that collect these gifts of money to hand out to our Employees in mid-December. **DEADLINE:** Friday, December 15, 2023.

Our current employees for 2023:

Keith Larson, General Manager Felice Thompson, Executive Assistant Candace Bjur, Administrative Assistant Cody McMahon, Lead Maintenance Justin Brown, Maintenance Tech Connie Morgensen, Clubhouse attendant Thanks:

Photo: Manuel Cosentino on Unsplash

If you would like to join in this expression of appreciation, please make your check payable to K.P.E.A.F, (Kala Point Employee Appreciation Fund) and you can drop off or mail to:

Patti Biazzo: 295 Foxfield Drive, 360.385.3262 Susie Gorski: 51 Seaview Court #2, 907.317.5562 •

### The Day the Earth Shook

### Mark Miller, chair, Emergency Preparedness Committee

No, not the 4.3 earthquake on October 8 that occurred 39 miles from here (four miles away on Marrowstone, and 35 miles deep). Rather, this is about the simulated earthquake on October 19 — the day of the Great Shakeout international earthquake exercise.

At 10:19 in the morning, the tsunami sirens sounded, cellphones alerted, and the Kala Point Emergency Preparedness Committee (EPC) activated Kala Point's 18 Gathering Places. There, 260 residents met their Block Captains and First Aid team members. And —just as importantly—they met and got to know each other, as it is our neighbors on whom we will all rely in an emergency.

Those who already own official Kala Point walkie-talkies had the required reprogramming done, and those who didn't were able to obtain or order the \$15 units. They were able to pick up information about earthquake preparedness, along with what to keep in an emergency Grab-And-Go kit, lists of food and other items to have on hand (water being #1), and more.

Residents also filled out Emergency Information Sheets indicating who their local and out-of-area emergency contacts are; any special needs they might have in a disaster, such as limited mobility, hearing, or eyesight; and any special tools or skills they might have to offer in an emergency.

Any residents who were not able to attend the gatherings are encouraged to contact their block captain to obtain copies of the handouts and to have their walkie-talkies reprogrammed.

For more information contact <u>epcKalaPoint@gmail.com</u> or EPC Chair Mark Miller at 360.774.5005 ♦



Above: Mushroom Beauty: George Seifert

Right: Mushrooms in Black and White: *Yadah Rose* 



### **Backup Your Phone with a Walkie-Talkie!**

Mark Miller, chair, EPC

### I've fallen and I can't get up!

How (and who?) will you call for help when all the phone lines and cellphones don't work?

The Kala Point Emergency
Preparedness Committee provides
walkie-talkie radios when all other forms
of communication — telephone, cell
phone, email, and texting —are not
available. Mark Miller currently has new
radios for only \$15 each, preprogrammed and ready to go.

The walkie-talkies have a range of one mile, are easy to use, and operate on three AA batteries. Every Kala Point home should have one for communicating with neighbors and block captains.



Photo from Mark Miller

### Why it's important:

When other methods of communication such as landline phones, cable company phones, cell phones, emails, texts, etc. fail, these simple and inexpensive walkie-talkie radios (also called FRS or Family Radio Service radios) will allow you to communicate with your block captain and the neighbors within your zone in the event of a disaster. You'll be able to ask for help for your family, let people know you're OK, hear how your neighbors are doing, and report emergency situations to your block captain.

### How it works:

The walkie-talkie radios have limited range, good enough to allow short-range communication within your immediate neighborhood on a specifically assigned channel. Once powered up by holding the  $\square$  for three seconds, all you need to do is press the transmit button on the left side of the radio to talk. Release the transmit button to receive calls from others. The volume is controlled by the up and down arrow ( $\blacktriangledown$   $\blacktriangle$ ) buttons and the screen shows battery level, frequency #1, and a backlight.

### How do I get one?

Contact Mark Miller, EPC chair, at <a href="mark@jamminc.com">mark@jamminc.com</a>. The radio cost is \$15 and Mark will program it to the EPC frequency.

Don't know what EPC zone you reside in or who your block captain is?

Contact Bill Hasan at <a href="williamrhasan@gmail.com">williamrhasan@gmail.com</a>. Your volunteer block captain is an important lifeline; get to know them, share information about your family (emergency contact information, special needs, pets, supplies/tools on hand, etc.), and be ready to help your neighbors help each other in event of an emergency. •



This to announce the formation and inaugural season of the **Kala Point Senior Men's Golf Association** (*KPSMGA*), to begin play in March of 2024.

The mission of the group will be to promote enjoyment of the game of golf, friendly fellowship, and good sportsmanship. Golfers of *all* levels of skill / futility are welcome.

The group invites senior men golfers (50+) who enjoy our noble, humbling game — and the company of others with the same affliction — to join in what will be the inaugural season of play.

Play will be held Mondays from March through October at the Port Ludlow Golf Club. Members will have access to a club website where they may sign up for play each week. The Port Ludlow Golf Club is 25 minutes from Kala Point, and is by any measure a spectacular setting for a truly enjoyable and well-designed 18 hole course.

Monthly club tournaments will be held for members with a USGA handicap, as well as season-long competitions.

Although membership in the KPSMGA will be limited to KP residents and timeshare owners, a limited number of guests will be welcomed on some play dates.

An introductory meeting will be held in January or February to meet new members and discuss organizational guidelines.

If you are interested in playing with us, please send an email to Whit Porter at <a href="https://hwp22@me.com">hwp22@me.com</a> mentioning your level of interest. Your name will be added to a list of those wishing to be notified of the introductory meeting when it is scheduled.

It's our hope the KPSMGA will welcome many of our neighbors, and provide days of fun with friends, new and old, playing a game we all love (except when we don't).

Nota Bene: The KPSMGA is not affiliated with the KPOA or any other Kala Point organization. •

### **Get to Know Your Neighbors**

Story and Photo: Laurie Engelbeck

Libby and Dan Nordlund Sulgrave Place



Dan, Libby, and Regis in front of their glacial errratic

Libby and Dan Nordlund happily report that "We live where we used to vacation!" After having a timeshare in Kala Point and spending a week here every year for many years, they decided to buy a house in 2015, and moved in July 2016.

They had lived in Bothell for 20 years but report that they get to see their children and grandchildren more often now than when they all lived in the Seattle area. While they miss having Trader Joe's and Costco nearby, they don't miss the traffic and congestion in Seattle.

Dan and Libby met in Seattle on a blind date in 1973. They have been married for 49 years and have two children: Eric, who lives in West Seattle, and Sarah, who lives in Bothell, and four grandsons. While Dan was born and raised in Seattle, Libby was an Army brat and lived all over, but her parents were from Seattle and settled there when Libby was in high school.

After they were married, Libby and Dan moved to Ellensburg so Dan could start graduate school at Central Washington University, and then moved to Ohio where he got his Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology from the University of Toledo. Dan mostly did research in medical economics, but he also trained medical students in statistics and research. He retired in 2017.

Libby originally worked as a hairstylist and then studied medical imaging. She worked in hospitals in the Seattle area and Everett, working in X-ray and cardiac catheterization labs. She did MRIs the last 10 years of her career before retiring in 2014.

Dan and Libby are a couple who want each other's light to shine. As they talked, Dan would share Libby's strengths and interests while Libby would share Dan's gifts and accomplishments.

They both have many hobbies and interests and are both active in Kala Point. Dan has been on the Kala Point Board for three years and has been the Board secretary for two years. Libby serves on the Emergency Preparedness Committee and the First Aid Team. They are both working on getting Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training. Libby is active in the KP exercise group, yoga, and tai chi.

Dan's love of music started when he was a child. Both of his parents were musicians. He played violin and piano when he was young and started guitar in high school. Now he plays lead guitar, harmonica, and does vocals with the Elderberries, and performs as a solo act in local breweries. He also played lead guitar and vocals for

over 25 years with Captain Jack and the Pirates of Rock and Roll. They played events in the Seattle area for adults with disabilities and have played both winter and summer Special Olympics closing ceremonies. Dan and Libby love to listen to all kinds of music at local venues. They are impressed by the number and quality of the musicians in this area.

Some of Dan's other passions include sailing and genealogy. He has a 32-foot French-made sloop. They belong to the PT Yacht Club and go on several organized trips with the club every year as well as sailing with their children. Dan has also been studying his family history, and has traced it back to the 1600s in Sweden.

Libby's passions include gardening and raising her French Bulldog, Regis, now 18 months old. She had another Frenchie previously and has fostered other Frenchies. She is involved with the French Bulldog Rescue Network.

Libby and Dan love to travel. They have a time share in Zihuatanejo, Mexico, and plan to go to Ireland with their daughter and son-in-law in the next few years. They have been on several ocean cruises and now are thinking about going on an America Cruises trip to New England.

They love living in Kala Point and note that they have the "Second Largest Glacial Erratic (rock) in the Olympic Peninsula" in their yard. ◆



### KP Thanksgiving Potluck 2023

Sunday, November 12 5 p.m. at the Clubhouse

Reservations Begin: Friday, October 27 Space is limited!

**RSVP: Char Quandt 360.531.4226** 

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

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

to serve 12 people

**BYOB** and Your Own Place Settings



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### **Sharing the Good Life**

Pamela Thompson

It's time to pull out the crock pot and/or Instant Pot (if you haven't already) because fall and winter are the seasons to enjoy a multitude of healthy and nourishing soups and stews! Here is one of my favorite variations of the basic chicken vegetable soup recipe

with immunity boosting turmeric and a few added veggies and spices to make it even more healthy and delicious. The coconut milk adds a smooth creaminess and boosted flavor to the already more than satisfying mix of healthy, life-affirming ingredients. You will love this soup!

### **Immunity-Boosting Turmeric Chicken Soup**

A nutrient-dense anti-inflammatory chicken soup recipe, great for a boost to the immune system.

### Ingredients

- 1 Tbsp avocado oil
- ½ small yellow onion finely diced\*
- 2 large carrots peeled and chopped
- 1 large parsnip peeled and chopped
- 3 stalks celery chopped
- 3 cloves garlic minced\*
- 1 lb boneless skinless chicken breasts chopped
- 2 tsp dried parsley
- 1 tsp ground turmeric
- ½ tsp black pepper
- ½ tsp ground ginger
- ½ tsp sea salt to taste
- 3 cups chicken bone broth
- ½ cup full-fat canned coconut milk
- 1 small head kale chopped\*\*



Photo Credit: The Roasted Root

### Instructions

Heat the avocado oil in a large stock pot or Dutch oven over medium heat. Add the onion and sauté, stirring occasionally, until translucent, about 5 to 8 minutes. Add the carrots, parsnips, celery, and garlic and continue sautéing, stirring occasionally, until vegetables are softened but still al dente, about 3 to 5 minutes.

Add the chopped chicken and cook just long enough to brown the meat, about 2 to 3 minutes.

Add the remaining ingredients, stir well and cover. Cook at a gentle simmer, stirring occasionally, for at least 30 minutes (ideally one hour). Taste soup for flavor and add more sea salt if desired. Serve and enjoy!

### Notes

\*Omit onion and garlic to make Low-FODMAP and add 1 to 2 tablespoons of lemon juice or lime juice.

\*\*If you have trouble digesting kale, replace it with 4 cups of (loosely packed) baby spinach.

To view recipe online go to <a href="mailto:theroastedroot.net/immunity-boosting-turmeric-chicken-soup/#recipe">theroastedroot.net/immunity-boosting-turmeric-chicken-soup/#recipe</a>

### **Kala Point Holiday Cocktail Party**

Sponsored by Social Plus

Plans are underway for the annual KP Holiday Cocktail Party! The event is on **December 10, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.**, and is for all Kala Point residents.



It is a festive time of the year, and a wonderful chance to dress up and enjoy the company of fellow Kala Pointers as the holiday season kicks off! Newcomers to our community are particularly encouraged to participate as this affords a perfect opportunity for us to meet one another.

Photo: Picjumbo.com

We are looking for five to sixvolunteer hosts for the Holiday Cocktail Party to be held in homes throughout Kala Point. If you are interested in being a host/hostess, please call Char Quandt at 360.531.4226 as soon as possible.

Reservations for the event, which will be limited to the number of host homes available, will be taken from November 1 through November 28. A waiting list will be used if necessary.

Kala Point residents who have made reservations will join neighbors and gather at 5:30 p.m. for cocktails and holiday appetizers at the "Cocktail Host" home.

Guests will bring a hearty appetizer to share and BYOB.

Please call your reservation to Michael Kubec at 360.385.2041 or email Michaelkubec@gmail.com. Please leave your name, phone number & email address. We will notify you by email as to the name and address of your host home. We hope you will join us, as it is always a memorable evening! ◆

### Meet the New KPOA Maintenance Team!







### Cody McMahon Lead Maintenance Tech

Work experience: general contractor, heavy machine operator, electrian and small engine repairs.

Cody is happily married to his wife Celia. They have two dogs and take them everywhere they go. His hobbies are spending time with friends and family, fishing, and camping. "I love it here at Kala Point. Everyone is so nice. It makes me feel right at home."

Justin Brown Maintenance Tech

Work experience: landscape and yard work maintenance, building projects, and small engine repair.

Justin is happily married to his wife Malory and they have four children. His hobbies include all types of sporting activities. He especially loves watching his kids' sporting events. "I am excited to be a part of the Kala Point maintenance team."

### **Looking for Things to Do in Port Townsend?**

Check out enjoypt.com and ptscene.com for art, events and Port Townsend activities.





### Help shape the farmers market you want for Jefferson County

The Jefferson County Farmers Markets (JCFM) wants to hear from you! Through a community survey, JCFM is asking important questions, the answers of which will shape the work of the small nonprofit that leads the Port Townsend and Chimacum farmers markets. Find the survey at <a href="markets.crg">icfmarkets.crg</a> or <a href="http://bit.ly/JCFM-shopper-survey">http://bit.ly/JCFM-shopper-survey</a>.

The mission of the JCFM is to support local farmers and artisans with vibrant marketplaces that cultivate community and provide access to healthy food for all. Over the last 31 years, JCFM has been leading community farmers markets in PT and Chimacum that provide access to fresh food, local arts, live music, and community connection nine months out of the year.

JCFM is asking the community to take a deep dive into questions that will help shape the organization's strategic planning over the winter. Many of these questions are ones that the JCFM board of directors and community have been raising for years — should JCFM build a permanent covered home for the Port Townsend Farmers Market, reopen a midweek market, or even look at operating year-round? What Market offerings does our community most value, and how should JCFM focus our efforts as a very small nonprofit: food access programs serving people with low incomes, live music, kids' activities, or cooking demonstrations, for example? These questions require community input.

JCFM hopes to hear from folks who regularly shop at the farmers market, are occasional shoppers, and those who don't use the farmers markets. What are the barriers that keep community members from attending the farmers markets, and what do folks love or want more of?

JCFM has two surveys open, one for JCFM vendors and the community survey. This winter, the JCFM Board of Directors and staff will review community and vendor feedback to revise the organization's strategic plan. Going into the 2024 season, JCFM will start incorporating ideas generated by community members and Market vendors to better serve our agricultural, arts, and the broader community through our local farmers market. This work is part of a three-year USDA-funded grant project designed to bolster local Market farms, increase the JCFM marketing reach, and support the Port Townsend and Chimacum farmers markets continued recovery from the impacts of the economic downturn and COVID-19.

JCFM values the time and energy of our community. Everyone who participates in the survey has a chance to win a fabulous prize. When you complete the survey, you will be entered into a drawing for a farmers market gift basket or night stay at the beautiful Ravenscroft Inn or the Resort at Port Ludlow.



# We want to hear from YOU!

### What should we prioritize for our community farmers markets?



Please ensure your voice is heard and take the survey by November 30. <u>bit.ly/JCFM-shopper-survey</u>

For more information, visit jcfmarkets.org
Jefferson County Farmers Markets
PO Box 1384,Port Townsend, WA 98368
360.379.9098, info@jcfmarkets.org

### **Humane Society of Jefferson County**



## Your gift saves homeless cats & dogs at our Animal Shelter





112 Critter Lane, Port Townsend

### Please donate here:

PO Box 845, Port Hadlock, WA 98339 or hsjcwa.org

Grand opening of the Grover Gallery benefits the Humane Society!
Visit on Saturday, November 4, 236 Taylor Street, across from the Rose Theatre.
Exhibit by new co-owners Max Grover, Larry Crockett, Julie Read, and Tracy Grisman.

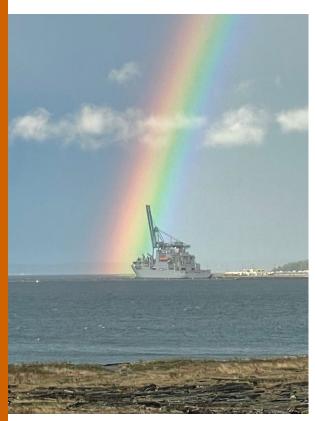


**Through the Lens** 

Lots of Rainbow and Sky Pictures this Month!



Rainbow: Keith White



Brightest Rainbow: Alison Ebbott



Eclipse: Bob Hare



Mount Baker at Sunrise: Whit Porter



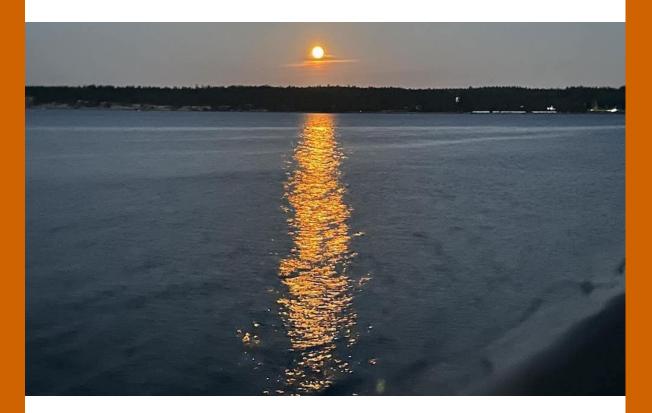
Pot of Gold Rainbow: W.R. Gentry



Big Dipper and a Young Buck on the Bluff: Katy Porter



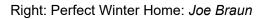
Eye of the Dragon: Jim Hare



Harvest Moon: Pamela Thompson



Above: Gourd Family on Jean and Steve Reed's Letter Box: *Rebecca Carroll* 



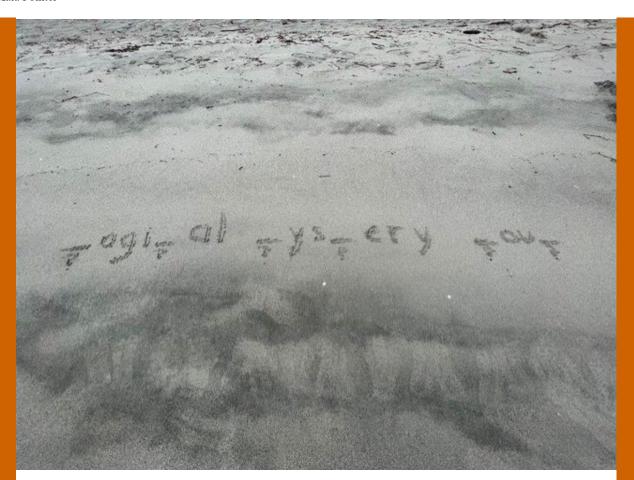






Above: October Sunrise: Diane Holmes

Right: Ghost Ship: Donna Abear



Almost every morning a Beatles Song Title Puzzle (a Beatles song with a few letters missing) appears drawn in the sand of the Kala Point Beach near the double wooden chairs. The puzzles disappear quickly, erased by the tides and furry footprints.

Photo and Caption: Whit Porter

### **Send Us Your Photos!**

Do you have images that showcase the character of Kala Point? New images that highlight the natural setting, facilities and people of Kala Point will be featured in the *Kala Pointer* or on KPOA website. Please submit your full-resolution jpegs, one at a time, to <a href="mailto:photos@kalapoint.org">photos@kalapoint.org</a> by the **19th of the month.** Thank you! •



# pay for a new pool in Port Townsend?

Come and learn about the proposed county-wide sales tax to fund construction and operation of a \$37.1 million

aquatic center in Port Townsend and share your thoughts about whether you should be taxed to pay for this project.



### **Thursday, November 16 · 6 pm** Kala Point Clubhouse

This is a strictly non-partisan event sponsored by PORT TOWNSEND FREE PRESS (ptfreepress.com) in cooperation with concerned Kala Point residents.

### **Committee Reports**

### **Architectural**

Meeting on October 4, 2023 Submitted by Mark Lannon, Board Representative

- Dick Anderson was appointed by the Board to the committee on October 10
- AC members agreed to change the date of the December meeting to December

14 at 2 p.m.

- P. Miles reported that there are six candidates for the 2024 Board of Directors slate
- P. Miles has re-arranged APP III to create a new Appendix F that will cover the policies in Chapter 1-K and Chapter 2-L
- These two sections discuss "variances," principles, permissions, and restrictions
- There was no change to any policy within APP III
- Lot 5010: member with noncompliant fence and AC have agreed to a solution
- Lot 337: fence project in process with AC that involves two lots
- Next meeting: November 16 at 9:30 a.m. in the Clubhouse Fireplace Room

### **Elections**

Meeting on September 7, 2023 Submitted by Patsy Mathys, Elections chair

**2023 Annual Meeting Voting Method:** Per our governing documents, members select to vote in person, by mail or by proxy. Elections Committee agreed to follow this procedure, which differs from past elections. Will be discussed at September Board meeting.

**2023 Annual Meeting Election Results:** Elections Committee desires to announce the three new Board members based on highest votes rather than vote count of all members. Intention: a kinder method. Will publish October *Kala Pointer* article and send email blast explaining this possible change for member feedback.

**Other Election Topics Discussed:** Board candidate status, candidate bios, newsletter articles, Candidates' Night, election calendar, and election audit process.

Meeting on October 5, 2023 Submitted by Patsy Mathys, Elections chair

**Kala Pointer** November Election Special Edition: all election-related topics will be in this special edition that will focus on our Board candidates, and include photos and bios. Articles will encourage members to vote, and feature voting procedures, and summary of the resolutions.

**November 11 Candidates' Forum:** at the Clubhouse. Candidate introductions followed by members asking questions of the candidates. Members can attend via Zoom or watch the recording on KP's website.

**Voters' Packet:** this will be a much thicker mailing than we've had in the past since we have additional candidates and five new resolutions. KP members should thoroughly read all the mailed documents.

**Election Promotion:** look for articles, bulletin board flyers, signage and email blasts regarding the election process, candidate info, resolution info and the annual meeting.

**Other Election Topics Discussed:** ballot process, annual meeting process, election calendar and election audit process.

**Next Meeting**: November 2 at 1 p.m. in the Clubhouse Fireplace Room

### **Emergency Preparedness**

Meeting on October 5, 2023

Submitted by Sue Stanton, Board Representative

September 7, 2023, minutes approve as written

#### Discussions:

- CERT Training has resumed with seven more training classes
- El Niño forecast for the Pacific Northwest leading to a warm winter and lower rainfall amounts
  - The Quimper Peninsula is at a Level 2 Severe Drought classification.
     Seattle is in an extreme drought level with possible mandatory water restrictions.
- Great Shakeout:
  - The Great Shakeout is scheduled for October 19 at 10:19 a.m.
  - Information/instructions were discussed regarding block captains, gathering places, handouts, EPC landing page postings, first aid team participation, and walkie-talkies
  - First Aid team members will be distributed throughout Kala Point
  - A Block Captain meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 16, at 7 p.m. in the Fireplace Room to discuss the gathering place exercise
  - A debrief of the Great Shakeout and the Gathering Place exercise will take place at the November EPC meeting

**Next Meeting:** November 2 at 9:30 a.m. (no meeting in December)

### Finance

Meeting on October 3, 2023 Submitted by Kevin Skolrud, Board Representative

- The Pedestrian Safety Committee requested a budget for 2024 to purchase plat maps for Kala Point Drive; Keith noted that there are plat maps at the Administration Office that could be used
- The committee reviewed September 2023 financial statements
- 2022 Audit has been completed by the accountants
- The Finance Committee held an open house on September 16 for the community to ask questions about the proposed 2024 budget
- The committee approved the recommended fees, rates, and burdened labor rates for 2024

**Next meeting**: October 3 at 9 a.m. in the Clubhouse Fireplace Room

### Grounds

Meetings on September 28, 2023 Submitted by Joseph Reeves, Board representative

The September meeting of the Grounds Committee was used as a work session due to a lack of a quorum.

The three participants, as well as one audience member, reviewed and discussed Rules and Regulations and CCRs related to recreational vehicles (RVs) and FireWise improvements to property owned by KPOA.

The west mooring buoy severed its chain connection to the anchor block and drifted down the beach until the trailing chain hung up on a snag. The GM will have a diver return the buoy to its station and re-secure.

Another discussion celebrated the repair to the Beach Trail by members of the

Committee. An article in the October *Kala Pointer* provides more information on that project.

The meeting was held in person for the first time this year.

**Next meeting:** October 26, will be a hybrid meeting in person and on Zoom.

### Internal Control

Meeting on October 18, 2023 Submitted by Sue Stanton, Board representative

- July minutes approved as corrected
- Expense reviews have been completed through August 2023
- External audit has been completed and taxes have been filed
- Asset review and physical inventory verification for 2023 and 2024 will be scheduled for January 2024
- Board Resolution to waive the Audit for 2023 has been approved, and will be included in the annual vote of the membership
- Update to expense review procedures and Internal Control APPs will be drafted for review
- The committee secretary announced resignation effective at the close of the April 2024 meeting
- The committee agreed to resume in person meetings beginning in 2024

Next meeting: January 17, 2024

### **Project Study Committee (formerly Strategic Planning)**

Meeting on October 3, 2023

Submitted by Joseph Reeves, Board Representative

### **Old Business**

- Director Orientation Package The Committee reviewed and discussed the draft document which will be forwarded to the Board of Directors (BOD) with the recommendation for adoption
- Director Orientation Work Session The Committee reviewed and discussed the draft agenda which will be forwarded to the BOD with the recommendation for adoption

### **New Business**

- Discussed the request by the Elections Committee to use the Director Orientation Package with the BOD Candidates
- The Committee supports the use of the Package with the BOD Candidates

**Next Meeting:** November 7 at 3 p.m. in the Clubhouse Fireplace Room

### **Publications**

Meeting on October 9, 2023 Submitted by Dale Moses, Board representative

- For the October 2023 issue of the Kala Pointer, 574 emails were sent and 64.2% were initially opened.
- The proposed content for the November issue was reviewed
- The results of the survey of *Kala Pointer* readers were discussed as was the summary that appeared in the October *Kala Pointer*

- The Committee would like to have more owners volunteer to be featured in the "Get to Know Your Neighbors" feature of the Kala Pointer
- Dale will ask the Board representatives for each committee to include the
  following in their Committee Summary: (1) when the committee met, (2) who wrote
  the summary, (3) when the committee will meet next. Committee reports (or
  summaries) are written and/or submitted by the Board representative for each
  committee.
- It was noted that member names are often misspelled in original submissions;
   Suzanne encouraged those submitting content and committee members to check names against the online registry.
- We would welcome letters to the editor.
- Monthly meetings of the committee are on the second Monday of the month

**Next meeting**: November 13 at 1:30 p.m. in the Administration Building's conference room

### **Tree**

Meeting on October 12,, 2023 Submitted by Sue Stanton, Alternate Board Representative

- Approved September 14, 2023, minutes as written
- GM reported tree canopy pruning will commence in 4–6 weeks.
- Summary of Board meeting presented to committee members
- A running total of expenditures will be kept monitoring TC budget balance
- Splitting cost with homeowners for an arborist if requested by TC will be considered
- The committee will review APPs, CC&Rs, and R&Rs for inconsistencies and language clarification
- The committee will gather information about possible grant funds to mitigate fire danger
- The committee conducted site visits

**Next meeting**: November 9 at 9 a.m. in the Administration Building •

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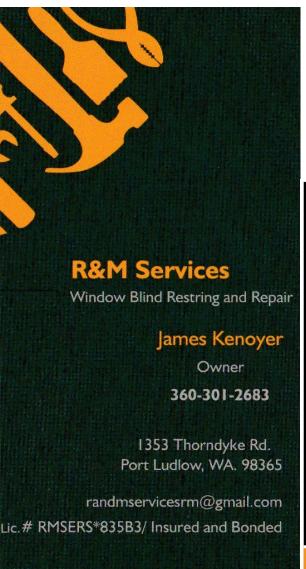


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