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Communication Means The Whole Story

Mabel Campbell GRI

The Kala Pointer prints: KPOA was notified during the first week of August that the title companies will no longer be sending automatic updates in ownership changes to the KPOA office. From a business standpoint it is completely understandable that the title companies are making this change. With more than 20 community associations in Jefferson County, the time required to send out the change in ownership must be substantial.

FACT: Title companies have been doing the hand work of the membership report, then mailing to KPOA. What they are telling KPOA is that it is available on-line and can be printed in an even more complete form in less than 2 minutes. As soon as the sale records (closes), title is updated. Jefferson Title provided KPOA with the list of 38 community associations. KPOA knows that they are the only association who has been favored with mailed notification. The article indicates all associations have been receiving this free service. Not So!

At the same time, KPOA was given notice that title companies would no longer be executing the

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An Open Letter To The Board

September 16, 2003

Kala Point Board Members

KALA POINT

Port Townsend, WA 98368

Dear Board Members:

It is my understanding that Sylvia Bowman has now resigned from the Kala Point Board. According to a communiqué from the Board, those interested in the vacant Board seat are to notify the Board of their interest by the end of

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Is It Welcome To Stepford?

By Judie Lewis, Editor

As of September 1, 2003, Sylvia Bowman resigned from the KPOA Board of Directors. This was sad news because she represented a voice of reason beyond that which exists otherwise.

In the September issue of the Kala Pointer, current Board President, Ray Kemery, published a request for volunteers willing to serve on the Board for the duration of Sylvia's term.

However, looking back only two months, there was a candidate who received somewhere close to 200 votes of his neighbors here in Kala Point, who came in fourth for the three positions. That person is Doctor Bill Mayhall. The number of votes Bill received rivals the count received by some of the current Board members. One might question why he wasn't contacted regarding his interest prior to the issuance of the plea.

Let's look at Bill. He is a highly educated person, a doctor (orthopedic surgeon), who has served in the mission field, a marathon runner, worked to preserve the wilderness in Grand Teton National Park and so much more. It is hard to imagine anyone being more qualified.

During the election, he was painted with the label "reform candidate," as if any reform here

would be a bad thing.

What could possibly be wrong with Bill being on the Board? Is it we only want "Stepford" Board members? While observing Board meetings one might be stunned at how many currently fit that mold. One member speaks up regularly. Whether the ideas expressed strike the observer as good, at least this person shows that she has an active mind. She even went so far as to vote against something recently. Impressive!

"Divisive" is a term used lately to characterize anybody who even questions anything being done in Kala Point. This is amazing considering the education level of most of the residents. Generally an inquiring, curious and questioning population is thought to be a necessary characteristic for a healthy society. Only totalitarian societies demand secrecy and absolute obedience.

Many important issues face this community. The rewrite of the APP's looms heavily. This includes the part about how high fines can be that are levied for infractions. You remember, the \$10,000 fine thing. Any realistic mind would know that we cannot raise fines high enough to keep all people "in line." If someone is wealthy enough, he/she could still throw a check in the face of some committee and suggest they, well you know. On the other hand, some of our neighbors, while comfortable, are not so well off and are concerned that such a high fine could be levied and they could lose their home.

Maybe it is time we consider Board representation with ideas, who contribute and are willing to speak up for the residents.

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Let me tell you a story about Susan (not her real name). Susan is a single mother. When she became homeless last summer, she connected with Olympic Community Action Programs through its Haines Street homeless shelter. Her case manager was able to enroll Susan in the agency's Community Jobs program and found a job training placement for her in a local business.

Susan proved to be a quick learner and was soon offered a permanent job, earning enough money that she was able to get off public assistance and move into her first apartment ever.

But the story doesn't stop there; because Susan had other obstacles to overcome as well. Supported by her OlyCAP caseworker, she successfully kicked a drug addiction and is now planning to complete her education with a degree from the local community college. She has enrolled in OlyCAP's Great IDeA, a matched savings program which will allow her to eventually make a down payment on her own home.

The bottom line is that Susan is now a productive, self-sufficient member of our community. Susan's story, however, is not unique.

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Yes, many of OlyCAP's services have historically had government funding, but with the general budget reductions facing all branches of government from the federal and state levels to local agencies, money for human service programs is being cut. Sadly, the same economic hardships that force a reduction in the public funding of human services programs *also* create greater stress on struggling households. In short, **Continue "Homer Smith" on page 8**



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Saddam's Notorious Kids

Now that Saddam Hussein's two notorious sons, Uday and Qusay, have been eliminated, a lot of their lesser-known family members are coming to the attention of American authorities.

Among the boys are: Sufay, the restaurateur; Guday, the half-Australian brother; Huray, the sports fan; Sashay, the gay brother; Kuntay & Kintay, the twins from an African mother; Ojay, the murderer; Gulay, the singer/entertainer; Ebay, the internet czar; Biliray, the country music star; Ecksray, the radiologist; Puray, the blender factory owner; Regay, the half-Jamaican brother; and Tupay, the one with bad hair.

The sisters include: Lattay, the coffee shop owner; Bufay, the 300 pound sister; Sapheway, the grocery store owner; and Ollay, the half-Mexican sister.

Finally, there is Oivey, but the family doesn't like to talk about him!!

In The Army Now

A young man's father was pushing him into signing up for the military so he might carry on the proud tradition of the men in his family. Al-

though the young man was not thrilled about it, he finally condescended to taking the physical. He figured he could fail the physical with a few well-placed answers to the doctor's questions, thereby getting him off the hook with his father.

"What do you see on that wall over there?" asked the doctor.

"What wall?" the young man replied.

"Good," the doctor said. "You just passed the hearing test."

Is This For Real?

It was announced recently on a news program that an official of the Egyptian government had said that they intended to sue Isreal in International Court for robbing the gold reserves in Egypt when Moses led the exodus over 3000 years back.

When asked for their response, an Isreali official laughed and said that was OK with him because it opened the door for Isreal to sue Egypt for all those years of slavery!

Just A Click Away -and a short drive too-

by D. Kilburn

www.sequimopenairemarket.com is the website to check Sequim's fantastic version of an expanded farmers' market. If you've done the Port Townsend market and want a different one to check out before it ends for 2003, go to Sequim.

Well over 50 vendors participate, and items offered include farm produce, fine art and hand-crafted gifts. The first two Saturdays in October are the last two Saturdays for this year's market.

The website offered here for information is really worth a visit, as it gives the history of the town's Saturday market, a link to a vendor list, information about Sequim and a calendar of events. It's an excellent site to bookmark if you are planning to make visits to the market again in the late Spring of 2004.

The Sequim Open Aire Market runs from 9am to 3pm, according to the information found online.

Mabel Campbell, GRI

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The Annual Centrum Gala

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The evening kicks off at 5pm with the start of the silent auction. Appetizers and wine will be served, and the Lincoln Beach String Quartet will provide musical entertainment. A seated dinner prepared and served by Dream City Catering follows at 7pm, along with the Live Auction, featuring KUOW/National Public Radio's Marcie Sillman as the Celebrity Emcee.

Reservations are now being accepted. Only three hundred seats are available for the Gala. Tickets for the evening are \$60, \$80 or \$100, and include wine, hors d'oeuvres, dinner, and dessert. Call Centrum at 360-385-3102.

The 'Pearl of the Northwest' theme celebrates Centrum's 30-year legacy of providing world-class education and performances. The festive evening funds Centrum's program costs and ongoing efforts to bring people and the arts together. According to Kendra Golden, Centrum's Gala Coordinator, last year's event sold out quickly.

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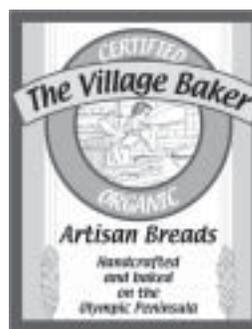
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"The success of the Gala was truly inspiring," says Centrum Board President Cindy Hill Finnie. "Last year, we raised over \$60,000 for Centrum."

This is largely a volunteer-driven event. We are honored and grateful for the generous support and creativity of these volunteers, as well as the area businesses, artists, craftspeople, and others those who donated items. Gala co-chairs Patti Wickline and Pamela Childs have really done a fabulous job in harnessing the support of the community for this event."

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often as funding dries up, the needs increase.

I have lived on the Peninsula for more than 47 years and I can tell you that the need for OlyCAP and its many services is more urgent today than it has been at any time during its 37-year history. Today I’m asking you to join me in responding to OlyCAP’s first-ever annual fund drive in support of its critical needs programs.

Whether you can afford a contribution of \$1,000 or only \$1, by responding to this appeal you will be helping. Many of us are rightfully very

generous in our contributions to arts and cultural activities, but we can’t forget the people who need our help the most.

Yes, the challenge is great, but by working together we *can* make a difference in Jefferson County. Please join us in helping by calling for a brochure, 385-3711. Homer Smith

Editor’s Note: OlyCAP gets funding from United Good Neighbors. UGN is currently having its funding drive. Please try to respond to both requests as UGN needs your help and OlyCAP needs extra help right now.

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A 36 year old female had an accident several weeks ago and totaled her car. It was raining, though not excessively, when her car suddenly began to hydroplane and literally flew through air.

She was not seriously injured but very stunned at the sudden occurrence! When she explained to the highway patrolman what had happened, he told her something that every driver should know - NEVER DRIVE IN THE RAIN OR ON ICE WITH YOUR CRUISE CONTROL ON.

She had thought she was being cautious by setting the cruise control and maintaining a safe, consistent speed in the rain. But, the patrolman told her that if the cruise control is on and your car begins to hydroplane, your tires loose contact with the pavement and it will accelerate to a higher rate of speed and you take off like an airplane.

The highway patrol estimated her car was actually traveling through the air at 10-15 miles per hour faster than the speed set on the cruise control. He said he thought an advisory should be on sun-visors similar to warnings regarding airbags saying "Never use cruise control when pavement is wet or icy."

Pointers @ Fire Safety

By Nova Skeeter

Over the past few years with the threat of forest fires being an increasing issue, we all need to take some precautions to insure against the loss of our homes and personal property. There are several steps we can all take.

Our son had a devastating fire on his property in the mountains near Ojai, California. A fire completely destroyed his three-bedroom mobile and two 40-foot storage buildings. It was located in such a remote area that by the time the fire trucks were able to get into the site all that was left was tangled metal. Nothing was recognizable. He lost everything including a huge collection of antique motion picture projectors, along with films, cam-

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eras, etc. that he bought at auction from the Museum of Natural History. Although he thought he recalled many items stored there, he found that he remembered additional items lost over the next several years. He had not made an inventory.

Jon and I decided it was wise to video tape the entire inside and outside of our home. We did not think it was enough to have just an inventory. This makes you more aware of how expensive it would be to have to replace it all. Open any drawer and look at the contents in the light of today's prices.

After the tapes are complete, take them to the bank and put them in your safety deposit box. Then, every couple years, take time to video items you have added to your home. You will rest easier knowing that in addition to the inventory, you have a video so you can actually see what was lost.

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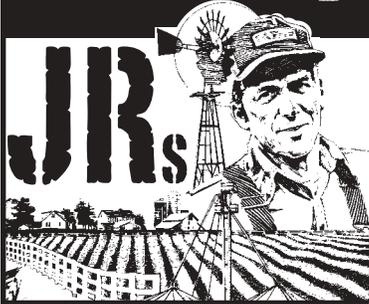


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Editor's Note: This issue is shorter than usual because of time complications. For those who sent in material not included, please excuse the omission. Your material will be in next month's issue. As volunteers, our time with family sometimes must come first.

KP Board Meeting
Tuesday, October 21
1:30 p.m. at the Clubhouse.

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission warns of dangers from generators, candles, and other products that might be used if something knocks out electricity. The commission offers these safety tips:

- Never use a generator indoors or in a garage.. Exhaust fumes contain carbon monoxide which can be deadly if inhaled. Use a portable generator outdoors in a dry, ventilated area away from attached garages or air intakes to the house. Do not store gasoline in the basement or in an attached garage where gasoline fumes could be ignited. CPSC has more details about safe use of generators at:

<http://www.cpsc.gov/CPSCPUB/PUBS/portgend.html>

- Plug individual appliances into the generator using heavy-duty outdoor-rated cords with a wire gauge adequate for the appliance load.
- Do not use electrical appliances that have been wet. Do not turn on damaged electrical appliances because of the hazards of electric shock or fire.
- Never use charcoal indoors because burning charcoal gives off carbon monoxide.
- Make sure the batteries in your smoke alarm and carbon monoxide alarm are fresh. Test these alarms to make sure they are working.
- Exercise caution in the use of candles. Use flashlights instead. If you use candles, do not put them on or near anything that will burn. Never leave burning candles unattended. Douse candles when you leave the room.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission is charged with protecting the public from unreasonable risks of serious injury or death from more than 15,000 types of consumer

products under the agency's jurisdiction. Deaths, injuries and property damage from consumer product incidents cost the nation more than \$700 billion annually. The CPSC is committed to protecting consumers and families from products that pose a fire, electrical, chemical, or mechanical hazard or can injure children. The CPSC's work to ensure the safety of consumer products - such as toys, cribs, power tools, cigarette lighters, and household chemicals - contributed significantly to the 30 percent decline in the rate of deaths and injuries associated with consumer products over the past 30 years.

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September. This letter is to inform the Board of my interest in the available Board seat. As you know, I ran for the Board this Spring. I remain interested in being involved in Board activities.

I was informed by one of my neighbors that there have been concerns about my availability for Board meetings and other governance activities. I have even heard the rumor that I "have a practice in Seattle." Please be informed that my current practice pattern allows me to schedule my work days. As this did not come up at the Candidates Night, I now wish to clarify that I would be able to make myself available for Board responsibilities. I have concerns that there might be the perception that anyone who has a job or continues to work would not be able to participate in Board activities.

I remain interested in the opportunity to be involved in the activities of Kala Point and to contribute to the Board process. If there are questions for me from any of the Board members, I would be happy to meet with you at a mutually convenient time to discuss my viewpoints, goals, and visions for the future of Kala Point.

Sincerely,

William S.T. Mayhall, MD
Orthopedic Surgery
cc: Kala Pointer, To The Point

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Membership Agreement, which has nothing to do with closing a sale. In this hot real estate, refinancing and equity loan market, title companies are up to their rafters with legitimate work. Instead of being grateful for the many years of free service, KPOA was angry and in the same breathe announced they would no longer cooperate with title companies and provide dues information for proration. Sellers would be friendly fire casualties, shot down by their own troops. Subsequent conversations resulted in the ‘privacy issue.’

It was decided KPOA would release dues information to the Title Company only if sellers would first send a written request to the KPOA office! **SELLERS, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO DO THIS. THE TITLE COMPANY ALREADY HAS YOUR SIGNATURES AND AUTHORIZATION.**

At real estate sale closings, all items that can become a lien on the property are prorated at closing. Buyer and seller have signed documents to give authority to the title company to gather information and provide a clear title. The Mortgagee Bank provides a ‘payoff figure,’ so interest and reserves can be handled correctly. The new lender provides all the documentation without hesitation, as do utility and insurance companies, governmental agencies, Condo Associations, appraisers, inspectors, surveyors and all other agencies as necessary for the closing. All other community

associations cooperate with title companies.

A board representative sent me a quote from the law that supposedly supports the KPOA decision. Here is what the law says:

“All records of the association, including the names and addresses of owners and other occupants of the lots, shall be available for examination by all owners, holders of mortgages on the lots, and their respective authorized agents on reasonable advance notice during normal working hours at the offices of the association or its managing agent.”

I refer the board correspondent to the Law of Real Estate Agency. “The title company has signatures from buyers and sellers that give them authority to act.”

One KPOA excuse for not cooperating was they could not be certain who was inquiring! With two title companies, how difficult could that be? It is true that anyone could fake a header and footer on a fax, claiming to be the Title Company. Even Bill Gates could not fake the print out at the top... date, day of week, time of day, telephone number of fax, name of fax owner.

It is time to cut the silliness and get back to business before we look even more ridiculous to the outside community. No matter what spin is put on such happenings within Kala Point, that spin does not change what those in business who deal with our association think about our behavior.

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