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Newly Appointed CFO McNulty Apparently Forced Out

Board Typically Deceptive About Details; Rumors Abound

Yet another sudden and unexplained turnover has occurred in the KPOA top leadership under undisclosed circumstances. This time it was the all-important top association financial slot; with the abrupt resignation of the most recent CFO, in office for a few months. His mysterious departure comes immediately following a hastily called secret session board meeting. However, persons close to the situation report that all (or nearly all) of the association's financial and maintenance management employees threatened in writing to immediately resign in Mid-March if required to continue working with McNulty.

Nothing in the April edition of the association's "Official Newsletter" *The KalaPointer*, gives any hint of reasons for the rapid rise and fall of Larry McNulty, touted just months ago as "the fair-haired solution to all things financial", personally mentored and forcefully promoted by former CFO Bruno Richter and strongly recommended by current board member Hugh Murphy. Reports circulating in the community relate that shortly after the mass-resignation no-confidence letters were received from employees, the board of directors met with McNulty and accepted his resignation.

There should be erosion in member confidence in the Board of Directors amid the continued trend of sudden unexplained departures

of their hand-picked high level elected or appointed personnel. The long string of unexplained shakeups includes the recent rapid rise and fall of many, including two Board Presidents (Evans & Gates; who not only resigned the board, but abruptly then left the community entirely) as well as the short-tenure of even handed General Manager Scott Edwards, dismissed after just a few months following repeated public and private conflicts with Evans.

McNulty had also repeatedly reassured members, as had his mentor Bruno Richer, that association financial reserves were in great shape, before an outside audit declared member reserves \$1.5Million short, mandating HUGE membership assessment increases.

The governing documents model a broad-based diverse cross section of members acting in concert to handle the business of the association. What we really have, however, is a very small cadre of "concerned members" that perpetually recycle themselves and those they control through all association positions of authority and influence; despite a great deal of financial and business acumen among members outside the inner circle. It has long been apparent that this tightly controlled group holds no credible credentials or demonstrated experience for the selection of competent association leadership.

So yet again we are faced with the sudden demise of one of their "chosen few" under clouded circumstances. McNulty's departure is only the latest major financial oversight change without a full outside audit in many years. What is your confidence level?

Secret Board Emails & KalaPointer Censorship Continue; Board President Article Denied

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Reading like a soap opera script is a threatening letter (see #1) to the board filled with the kind of bigoted and ugly thinking so typical over the years and an example of divisiveness in Kala Point. This member board correspondence email was sent to the Board regarding disapproval of the appointment of certain committee volunteers. The board responds, scolding the members that they have crossed the line (see #2)

The story plays out over the next 4 pages, including the compassionate President's Message (see #3) that members never saw openly addressing the threats and bullying from this member letter and calls for community harmony.

But members never got to see the original President's Message because the Newsletter Committee Chair, Lucy Hladecek, censored it from the Kala Pointer refusing to print it (see #4).

Hladecek communicated with the entire board, on KPOA business using secret email addresses. Not one email address that was used was the "official" KPOA email address that was set up several years ago in response to a lawsuit against KPOA and supposed policy corrections, requiring that board business be conducted in the open, all accessible to members as a record of the association.

One does not have to read very far to see why committee membership is so low:

#1. Bigoted Email About Committee Volunteers:

From: The Kilburns <LKBear2@cablespeed.com>

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 kpoa_wright@cablespeed.com ;
 kpoa_fischbach@cablespeed.com ;
 kpoa_hartman@cablespeed.com

Sent: Wednesday, March 14, 2007 11:19 PM
 Subject: Letter To Board

Dear Board Members:

We wish to express our strong disapproval to the appointment to the Elections Committee (or any other committee) any candidate or KPOA member who has established a track record of un-truth, and/or lawsuits against neighbors/fellow members, and/or twisting of facts to serve their points of view, slander and/or libel, and/or a clear and established basic lack of trustworthiness and truthfulness.

You face a decision on their appointment to at least one critical committee in the immediate future, and there are many people in this community who have been hurt and stand to be hurt further by one or more individuals under your consideration. As a result of their prior actions we all pay dearly already. We pay higher assessments to offset legal and insurance costs. We suffer a poor community image around town, the region, and amongst real estate agents/brokers/potential homebuyers.

These residents have harmed Kala Point. Do you think they have suddenly changed and now want to do good things? No. They have their own agenda and their own set of changes they intend to bring about that would be detrimental to Kala Point. First comes committee

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appointment, then later they will chair, then eventually they will take Board positions, and then we will all be governed by their utter lack of respect for others, lack of ethics and honesty, and lack of neighborliness. No one will want to obey them, so no one will obey rules and the place will look and be horrible in no time. Forget about fair elections too.

We believe that we as a community deserve people with integrity and trustworthiness to be in key positions on key committees. Obviously this is a judgment call on your part in each case. But...certain candidates being considered at this time are spiteful, hateful, resentful, mean-spirited, and are the very people who are creating and perpetuating the divisiveness in our community. (These are facts, and are obvious to all.) And they threaten or pursue lawsuits if they don't get their way.

Please hear us: there will be a very large group of us who will unite with resources and determination and if necessary file our own lawsuits to prevent such people from ruling over us. If such questionable people are appointed, we may find it necessary to legally challenge every action that committee is involved in during the questionable members' tenure. We would question the integrity and honesty of every action or outcome. Further, our reasoning is this: the CC&Rs and other governing documents entitle us as homeowners/members to certain conditions and 'enjoyments' of living here. We are tired of the bullying few people here who make threats and harass members and take away from our rights and our enjoyment. If you appoint such people to crucial committees who would ultimately ruin Kala Point under the guise of constructive procedural changes, we will fight it all - in large numbers - as often and through every avenue as necessary.

Just because a couple of you may individually find some pleasure in a committee-member-candidate's personality does not

necessarily mean the person is truthful, qualified, competent, capable, or has let you see their true colors. Do not let your judgment be clouded by some warm fuzzy feel-good friendship loyalty thing. Some people simply are not good for certain committees. Do not give in to pressure, coercion, threats or legal-ese to appoint someone that will only cause more trouble than Kala Point already has. Do not make appointments that will cause further division and ill-will.

And even though we cannot always appear and speak our views we trust that you will give this written point of view the same weight and consideration.

The Kilburns

#2. Board Response Scolds Member

March 23, 2007

Larry and Daphne Kilburn

Dear Mr. and Ms. Kilburn:

Your e-mail to the KPOA board of directors sent on Wednesday, March 14th, has been given to me for reply on behalf of the board.

The board appreciates the constructive comments and advice that is given in good faith by KPOA members. Many of the decisions that we are called upon to make are difficult but made easier with helpful input from the membership. **Your e-mail is the exception.**

It is the duty of the board to hear all points of view and decide fairly, independently and free from duress. Name-calling does not help us. Any reasonable contribution of your e-mail is cancelled out by its threats. Your e-mail crosses a line that we cannot accept.

It is our hope that divisions in our community can be lessened by the willingness of members to act with civility to one another regardless of differences of opinion.

Very truly yours,

Lane Stuart, Board Correspondent

cc: Board members

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#3. Original Presidents Message Censored From Kala Pointer

The President Responded To Threats, Bullying, and Called For Community Harmony

In the past I have addressed issues brought up in other venues that I have felt to be unfair. My message this month is about an email correspondence to the KPOA board from a member of our community that I found to be not only unfair, but that filled me with sadness and disappointment. As board president these past months, I have strived to bring fairness and reasonableness to our community. It has not always been an easy task, but I had hoped that my attempt might subtly influence those who normally exercise harsh judgment. The tone of this recent correspondence however, diminishes my hope. Amidst the negative rhetoric, I see two major issues being raised – one is about excluding certain members from participating in any Kala Point committee, the other is about usurping the authority of the board with the use of threats.

This inflammatory email calls for the board to all but ostracize some members of our community. It second guesses their motives, jumps to conclusions, and promotes censorship if the board chooses to approve the appointment of a certain nominee to the election committee. Much of the dissension about this appointment revolves around rumor, innuendo and previous legal action taken against KPOA. As a result, many people in our community are taking a stance that reflects rigid hostility and lack of acceptance, compassion or empathy.

Most alarmingly, according to this correspondence, a specific group of people is ready to unite their “resources and determination” to stop the nominee from “ruling over us.” In essence, this group is hijacking the integrity of

the political process of our board by threatening the very thing that they most object to – a lawsuit. They are attempting to usurp the board’s authority by demanding that a specific action be taken or they will legally challenge “every action or outcome.” If the board makes a decision based on such a threat, it jeopardizes the board’s future effectiveness to do what is best for Kala Point and when this occurs, we all suffer the consequences.

I am not so naïve as to believe that our community can live in perfect harmony, but I do believe that we can achieve a level of tolerance that surpasses what we have now. The continual eruption of fear based accusations that permeates Kala Point is destructive, not only to its residents but also to our Kala Point staff who show up here on a daily basis to help keep this a beautiful place to live.

How dare we compromise that beauty and the dedication of Kala Point’s employees with the negative effect of our words and actions. This negative sentiment not only fosters the division already present in Kala Point but takes it to a level that is nearly irreparable, building invisible, impermeable walls between its members. *It is time to tear them down – and open the door to full participation by all KP members.*

I have seen various people on all sides of issues choose to hold views based on skewed logic, without gathering all the facts and without giving the benefit of the doubt. Instead, they instill fear by exaggerating outcomes that realistically cannot occur due to a system of checks and balances within our governance, not to mention the common sense and reasonableness that does exist within most of the people that live here. But, there are those who cannot let go of dissension, latching on to it with a ferocity that is beyond what the situation calls for and perpetuating much of the intolerance within Kala Point.

I call on each of you to join me in opening your minds and hearts to remove the walls of

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separation that stand so rigidly in this community. By opening ourselves to new viewpoints, we might all be pleasantly surprised with the benefits of participation by all members of Kala Point. Contrary to the predictions of this email correspondence, the walls of Kala Point are not about to fall into ruin. However, we may be at a critical turning point – let’s rise to the occasion and use this opportunity to build something constructive.

I urge you to take a first step and contact the KPOA board with your opinion about this matter. Hopefully you support an open community with full participation. If you do not, please realize that you could easily be the next target of such a hostile and cruel letter to the board because its repercussions are limitless. If you have any questions or are interested in seeing the referenced correspondence, you may contact the KPOA office at 385-0814 or via email at kalapoint@cablespeed.com.

#4. Secret Emails Used For Board Business

Newsletter Committee Chair Censors President’s Message

Subject: President’s message

Date: Wed, 21 Mar 2007

To: Jeffery Hartman <jhartman63@msn.com>, Margaret Boyle <maboylex@yahoo.com>, Winnie MacNair <smacnair@cablespeed.com>, Lane Stuart <lane.stuart@gmail.com>, Renate Wheeler <wheeler@cablespeed.com>, Hugh Murphy <murphyh7@hotmail.com>, Carol Fischbach <dreambead@aol.com>, Don Wright <dcollinswright@msn.com>, Vince Verneuil <ptvince@gmail.com>

From: Lucy Hladecek <lucy@hladecek.com>

Dear Carol,

As chair of the newsletter committee I have received a copy of the text of the April president’s

message. The newsletter committee is responsible for editing and publishing the newsletter in accordance with the established guidelines delineated in APP XIII-2. As stated in section B [in part] The *Kala Pointer* shall **not** contain: (2) articles of a confrontational or inflammatory nature or (3) personal communications.

We regret that the newsletter will not be able to publish the president’s message in the April issue, in that the article does not conform to the guidelines of the newsletter APPs.

Unwittingly, perhaps, the tone of the article is confrontational and chastises members, most of whom have no involvement in the dissension, behaviors and motives ascribed to them and will be perplexed and confused by these assertions and the general negativity expressed.

One member sent a letter to the board, which is every member’s prerogative (in fact, the board encourages members to communicate directly). Rightfully, it is the board’s responsibility to discuss and answer this communication; however, it is not appropriate to use the *Kala Pointer* to do this. The board gets many letters from members on many subjects, but they are not taken to the public to be made examples of; they are handled by the board correspondent with concurrence from the entire board.

Sincerely, Lucy Hladecek, newsletter committee chair

bigoted - adjective

(Used on page 2 in the adjective form)

1: **bigot:** Intolerant person, somebody with strong opinions, especially on politics, religion, or ethnicity, who refuses to accept different views

Source:

Encarta Dictionary

RECYCLING AT KALA POINT

Tips And Helpful Hints

In case you have not been up to the RV Lot "B" yet, Kala Point has an area where residents can recycle various types of items. This helps the environment and also helps your pocketbook by reducing your amount of garbage pick-up. This includes cardboard, plastic, newspapers, phone books, aluminum & tinned cans, and glass.

What is sometimes confusing, is what we can't recycle. Packing peanuts and styrofoam are items that can not be recycled up at our recycle area. You can take the peanuts to **Mail Plus** which is across from QFC by Curves in Castle Hill Center. Also, mini-blinds can not be recycled at our recycle area.

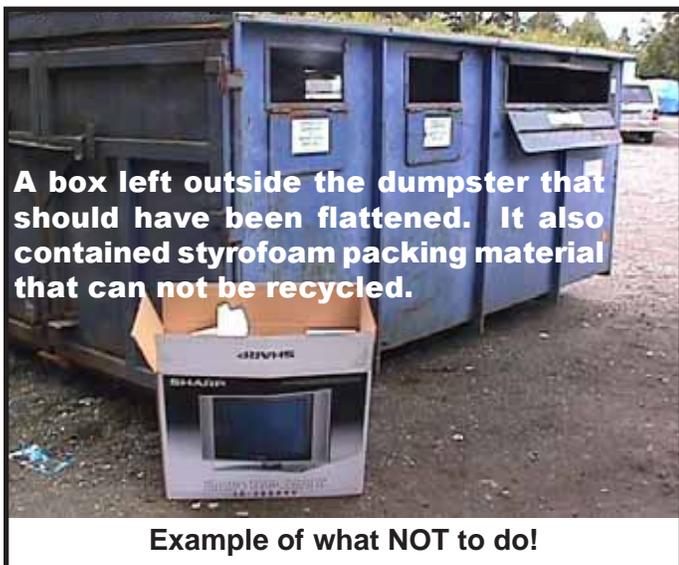
We do not carry all bins and if it a certain item is not designated on the dumpsters then it can not be left. There is no means for those type of odd-ball items to be taken away and the drivers do not take them when they come.

If you see that the bins are full any Kala Point member can call the Skookum Recycle Center on Jacob-Miller Rd. and let them know we need a pick-up. Their number is 385-7678.

One tip that the Recycle Center advised us of is that it is helpful to *flatten* your cardboard and plastic. By flattening these items this will leave

more room for all of us to bring our recycling instead of being filled up quickly with air! Anyway, the hole is not very big and by flattening them it will make it easier for you to get into the bin.

In the last 2 issues we talked about glass that we can recycle and the mulch that is sometimes available. For information regarding those specific topics please refer back to the March and April issues available at www.ttpnewsletter.com.





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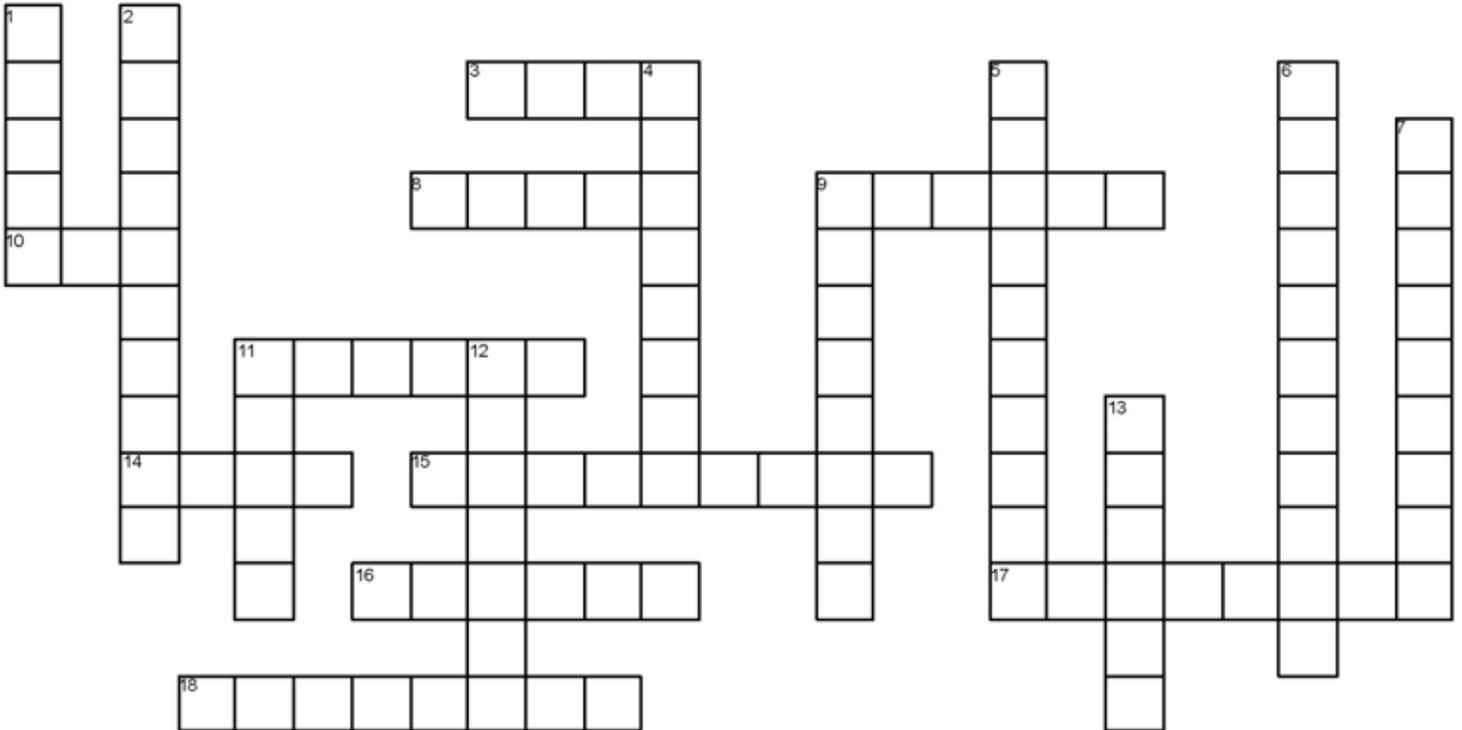
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Kala Point Crossword Puzzle (Hint: Look in previous month's issue)



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- 8 Aprils Fun 'n Games event was _____ night
- 9 Doe deer call to their hidden fawns with a soft, gentle _____ sound
- 10 Remember the first 3 letters about stroke- _____
- 11 Serving _____ on Sunday, Galatea Cafe is located at 842 Washington Street
- 14 The playing schedule for the Pickleball _____ will start on April 24th
- 15 A favorite use of this plant is to make _____ wine
- 16 The _____-like male catkin is 2-6 inches long and is where the alder pollen is from
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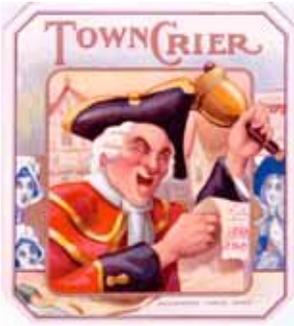
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- 2 Sometimes the news regarding the _____ of Kala Point is controversial but you can count on Community Forum to be your independent and uncensored resource
- 4 _____ in the most pleasant way every Wed night at the Clubhouse
- 5 The board is considering adopting _____ that could help bring harmony in Kala Point
- 6 The Walking/Hiking club explores new _____ as well as some old favorites
- 7 One way to prepare being a board member is to become knowledgeable of KPOA's governing _____
- 9 Every day more money is printed for _____ than the U.S. Treasury
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Town Hall Meeting On Bluff/View Report: A Summary of The Issues

The Room Was Packed: Members Are Concerned!

The room was packed and the concerns were consistent. Below is a summary and overview:

1. **“Closed Panels” are not a good idea.** During the presentation the use of “closed panel” and “committee” were used interchangeably but they are NOT the same. A committee is composed of a group of members throughout the community where if a member disagrees with a decision they have an option of an appeal. A panel is hand-picked by the board and a member does NOT have an option for an appeal process. It was indicated that mediation was going to be an option but no where is it mentioned in the report. It remains to be seen how this would work and if it is even possible to have an unbiased mediator.
2. **“Priority Trees” are not a good idea.** Over half of the discussion time was about Priority Trees. It was implied that “we” have always had “special” or “pretty” trees. It was not defined who “we” are. “Priority Trees” are not defined in our CC&R’s, and “pretty” trees are subjective. The reference to “pretty” trees have been used by neighbors who openly dislike a member trying to get view maintenance done. Hopefully, a popularity contest is not going to determine who can have view maintenance.
3. **There was not much discussion about bluff stability!** There was a very knowledgeable Bluff/View committee member, Ray Miller, who shared information about the bluff. He stated that water is the biggest concern for the bluff- the run-off and the sea water (wave action at the toe).

4. **There was too much focus on trees in the report and not enough about Bluff/View- the name of the ad-hoc committee.** Since trees are not the “enemy” of the bluff but water, too much time is being spent on the topic of trees. It comes across as a “special interest group” that has a focus on “tree preservation” rather than bluff stability, the goal of this committee.

5. **There was not much explanation about how common ground view maintenance will be paid for.** The term “hopefully members will volunteer” was used. It was in the context of affected parties. But if wishing and hoping doesn’t work, who will pay? With over a million dollar shortfall of our reserves and our assessment payments destined to dramatically go up, the only other place the money can come from is the general membership.

6. **There was a lot of talk about how qualified the members were that are on the Bluff/View Committee.** Some had no qualifications that applied to this venue. The team that was present were introduced and stated their qualifications:

Bill Conklin: No experience

Alan LaPat: Soil Science

Ray Miller: PHD in GeoTech

Jim Newman: Forestry

Jean Erraca: Landscape contractor

Lou Pitelka: Ecology

Board: Renate Wheeler-Developer; Lane Stuart-Lawyer; not present- **Fred Weinman:** Botanist

One of the reasons given for why we should have a hand-picked panel was to appoint highly qualified people with no agendas. Yet, only 2 had qualifications and experience with soils and GeoTech- LaPat & Miller. This is not to discount the other committee members but to make a point that this hand picked panel could not have been picked for the reason given!

There are MANY concerns with this interim report. Hopefully, the feedback and comments that members gave will be integrated.

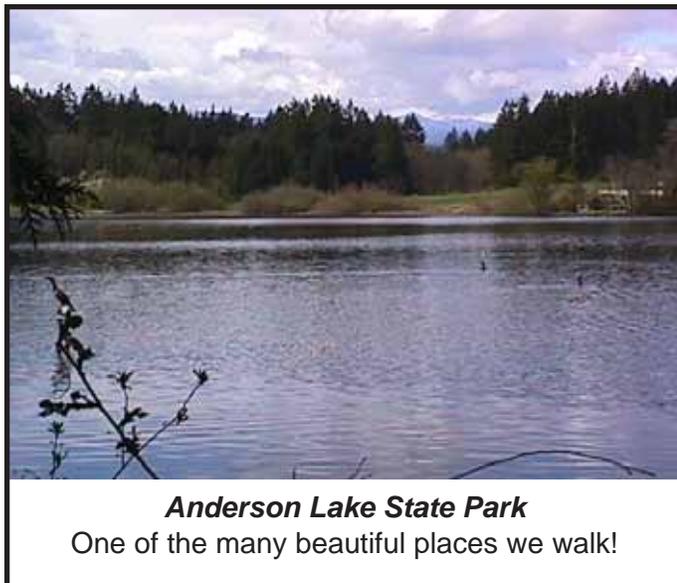
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It's Pickleball Time!

It is that time of the year again when the sun shines more and the weather is warmer. That only means one thing! It's Pickleball time!

The playing schedule will initially be on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at 3:30pm and Saturday mornings at 10am on the courts close to the water tanks near Pinecrest. **The first day will be Tuesday, April 24th** and all equipment is provided. All you have to do is show up to play. There will be chairs if you want to come and watch.

This is much easier than tennis and no experience is necessary! What is Pickleball? It is a game described as "a combination of Ping-Pong, tennis, and badminton". It uses a simplified combination of tennis rules and strategies.

The sport was named after a cocker spaniel named "Pickles" who was owned by the inventor of the game, (and former WA State politician) Joel Pritchard. Pickles, used to run away with the ball during the initial trial-runs of the game!

The game itself is played on a court that is the same size as a badminton court using a ball similar to a whiffleball and lightweight paddles are used. The small court allows players with varying degrees of mobility to participate in a way that the larger court of tennis sometimes prohibits. Pickleball is not a game of strength.

The Pickleball Club is listed in the **NEW Spring 2007 Kala Point Directory**, available up at the office. Look on the "Kala Point Contacts for Activities" page where you will see pickleball and a list of other great activities available in Kala Point!

If you would like more information about pickleball or have any questions contact Hank at 379-9878 or hanksand@worldnet.att.net or Carol at 385-6428 or dreambead@aol.com.

Game Night Sat. May 19th Lots of Fun At The Clubhouse!



Game tables will be set-up and ready on **Saturday, May 19th from 5pm-7pm**. Mexican Train Dominoes, Rummikub, and Port Townsend Monopoly will be supplied. Or bring your favorite game! Whether you are a first-timer or an experienced player, these are easy to learn for all ages and several open-handed games can be played to aid in learning. And of course, the ping-pong table is always set up and ready to go!

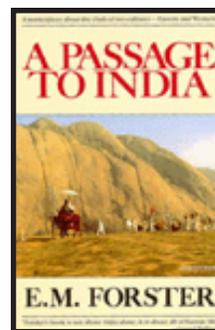
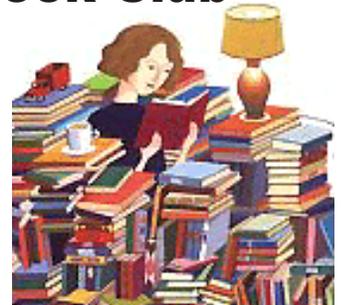
So bring the entire family and come as you are for good old-fashioned GAME NIGHT fun! Be sure to bring the kids, bring grand-ma, bring your out-of-town guests or your neighbor. Bring an appetizer, something to drink & your favorite game. There will be enough to consider it dinner!

Watch for these great **FUN 'N GAMES** events each month! If you have any questions contact Carol at 385-6428.

Classic Book Club

The Classics Book Group meets monthly at the Library in Port Hadlock at 2pm.

Come on **Sunday, May 13th** to discuss **SENSE AND SENSIBILITY** by Jane Austen.



For the Saturday June 9th meeting we will discuss **A PASSAGE TO INDIA** by E. M. Forster. This classic novel is about a group of English visitors who want to see the "real" India. The misperceptions and misunderstandings illustrate the divide between East & West and in understanding colonial India.



Port Ludlow Garden Club Garden Club's Spring Luncheon & Plant Exchange

On Wednesday, May 9, the Port Ludlow Garden Club will meet at the Bay Club at 11:00 a.m. There will be a short business meeting followed by the annual salad luncheon and plant exchange. Bring a salad or dessert to share, and your own plate and utensils. Beverages will be provided.

When you bring plants to exchange be sure they are marked. Pieces of plastic from bottles and a "sharpie" pen work very well. The scientific name is great, but common plant names are okay, too. A picture is worth a thousand words! Noting if it is a sun or a shade plant is helpful and indoor plants and seeds are also welcome.

Those who bring plants to exchange will be given first chance to choose, and then everyone will be able to take home interesting plants.

This is a great opportunity to acquire free plants if you are just getting started on your landscaping. **For questions,** call Elaine Starz-Brown at 437-9736 or Francesca Drum, 379-3346.

June's Garden Tour is shaping up nicely and we will have luncheon in a fabulous garden overlooking the Inner Harbor. The garden tour is private for "members only" and only members are provided tickets and directions on the day of the event.

If you are not a Port Ludlow Garden Club member now and wish to attend the Tour in June, please send a check for annual dues of \$12.00 made out to PLGC to PO Box 65235, Port Ludlow, Wa. 98365. State you plan to attend the Garden Tour on your check.

Square Dancing At The Clubhouse Every Wednesday Night 6:30pm-8:30pm

Come Square Dance at the Clubhouse every Wednesday night at 6:30pm. It's easy- If you can walk, you can square dance! We even have line dancing, if you want to try that out. Kala Point already has a musical exercise class 3 mornings a week with wonderful Doris Unruh as leader.



Men should wear long-sleeved shirts and it's fine for women to wear pants. Wear "slick shoes" so that you can move easily on the dance floor.

We have had a Professional Caller and the cost is about \$3.00 a person to pay for a caller.

Come and enjoy a fun, relaxing evening. You will get some good exercise with low impact and joint-friendly workouts.

Families and singles are welcome. Don't have a partner? We'll try to match you up with someone too!

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The participants will sponsor this class with the Social Club's encouragement.

Call or visit Fran & Norm Shelton for more information, 385-1651.

INTERESTING FACTS:

About Fort Worden



Question: what has a longer echo than the Taj Mahal, and a tonal quality that attracts the attention of musicians internationally?

Answer: a two-million gallon circular underground concrete cisterns at Fort Worden State Park.

With an echo measured at 45 seconds, the reservoir has served as the recording studio for numerous CD's in the past few years. Very limited accessibility is permitted via a fee-based, artist only, joint agreement with Centrum and Fort Worden State Park. The empty reservoir is unseen by visitors but not unknown in the music world.

Question: Do you know what Memory's Vault is?

Answer: An environmental sculpture designed by California artist Dick Turner, and featuring several poems by Port Townsend writer Sam Hamill.

The setting interprets the old coastal defense bunkers using sculpture and poetry to blend with the original vault that once stored the plans for the fort's design. Memory's Vault can be found on Artillery Hill, overlooking the parade field and beaches of Fort Worden State Park.

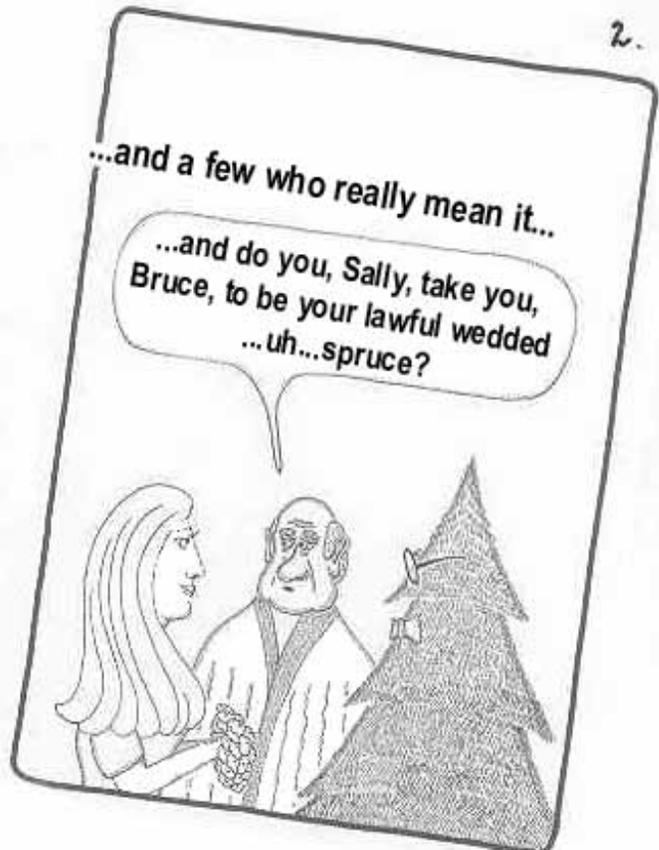
Fort Worden, along with Fort Flagler and Fort Casey, once guarded nautical entrance to Puget Sound. These posts, established in the late 1890s, became the first line of a fortification system designed to prevent a hostile fleet from reaching such targets as the Bremerton Naval Yard and the cities of Seattle, Tacoma and Everett. The property was purchased as a state park in 1955. Fort Worden is named after Rear Admiral John L. Worden.

CRAZY CARTOONS

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Voting Process for the 2007 Annual Membership Meeting

by Mike Holden, Elections Committee Chair
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Last December was our first KPOA Membership Meeting where we used Vote-By-Mail, and by most accounts, it was very successful.



July's Annual Membership meeting is right around the corner, and it's time for a quick review.

- 1) **The Vote-By-Mail process** will be the same as we used for our December 2006 meeting.
- 2) **Unfortunately, at the December 2006 meeting, eight ballots were determined to be invalid because** they were turned in without any identifying information. It was not possible to validate them as belonging to a KPOA member! Please make sure that when you send or bring in your ballot envelope, it is sealed inside an envelope with your return address on it. Otherwise, we can't count it as a valid ballot.
- 3) **At least ten additional votes** were invalidated in December because the votes did not arrive before the last call for votes at the meeting. To correct this issue, the Ballot box will be closed at the END of the meeting rather than the START of the meeting in the future. However, most of the late-arriving ballots that had to be invalidated were not even MAILED until after the meeting! Please remember that this is a DEADLINE, not a postmark issue, and get your ballots delivered to the office by the specified time!

“Observation events” allow KPOA members to observe how the Elections Committee conducts ballot handling and vote counting. Exact dates and times will be provided when they are finalized, but

expect them to be at the KPOA Administration Office during June and July.

The Elections Committee has been working on the new process for Members to submit Resolutions ahead of time, to be pre-published, included in the Voter Information Pamphlet, and voted on by mail. This process is not quite ready for the July 2007 Membership Meeting, but should be ready by the December 2007 Membership Meeting. Stay tuned for news!

As always, the Elections Committee would like to solicit volunteers for our committee. Many hands make light work! If you have an interest in helping out in our lovely community, please consider joining us for a committee meeting.

We are tasked to “serve as impartial election commissioners in the conduct of all elections requiring the written vote of the Membership and shall ensure the integrity of the balloting process.” As such, we are NOT political, and it is a very cordial committee!

Please contact the office, or any member of the Elections Committee! We'd love to have you!

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Your Money At Work:

A Loophole On Major Construction Expenditures of KPOA

There is serious concern about loopholes in the management of KPOA Resources and Finances. A question needs to be asked if there is a lack of accurate and detailed Board review of major construction projects prior to the commencement of the work.

Now available at the Administration Office is a packet of information regarding these loopholes, including a timeline with detailed documentation of a recent example and it is shocking!

Explained in this packet is how KPOA labor and resources are not included in project costs that are reported to the membership. The hard working maintenance staff removed the old footbridge, built the support pier forms as well as other construction tasks.

When KPOA staff is used to do major construction projects and that time is not charged to the project it under reports the true project cost. One can only wonder what other tasks had to be set aside or what other maintenance in the community may have had to

be rescheduled in order to do the work on major construction tasks. Also, there is no record made of how much overtime may have been expended on this project.

These concerns need to be looked at so that proper documentation is kept on major projects. The footbridge replacement is but one example of poor expenditure documentation. No one is questioning the hard work ethic of the maintenance staff.

When the Reserve Study shows values of an item 20% higher than the actual reported cost to members on an item that has just been replaced, one has to wonder. The reserve amount represents a future obligation to the Association and members.

Just go up to the office and ask to look at the “Loopholes in the Management of Association Finances/Resources” Packet on the details about these concerns. This is an important loophole that needs to be closed and this packet explains a compelling story of the need to address this problem. We need board oversight on this and stop the under reporting of costs to projects.

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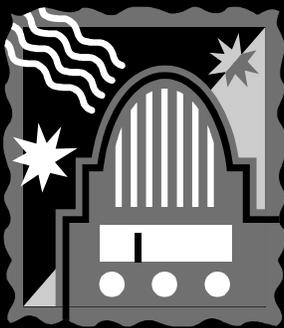
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