

kpoa member volunteers gain board positions

Volunteers Make Our Association Strong And Community Outstanding

We thank the four KPOA members who volunteered to be considered for three openings on our Board of Directors. We hope your example will encourage other members to volunteer to support their Association. There are committee positions waiting for members to step up and do their part.

The Election Committee verified that 599 member units were eligible to vote. A total of 355 ballots were validated including 272 which were received by mail. With the convenience of vote-by-mail it was somewhat disappointing that only 59.3% of the membership chose to participate in electing three Directors who would serve them during the next three years. It was very disappointing that only 117 people attended the Annual Meeting. Its your community members!

The vote count was:

Don Wright	262
Bill Lindeman	236
Julia McClure	218
Nita Edgecombe	209
Write-ins	15
No-votes	125

We congratulate the winners. Or should we commiserate with them? They have accepted a challenging job if done right. Directors must familiarize themselves with the governing documents and all the extensive associated policies and procedures of the Association they have agreed to serve. They must then base their decisions on those documents without regard to personal agendas or beliefs. An effective Director does the homework necessary to come to each meeting prepared for the issues they expect will confront them.

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Directors should act to generate a covenant of trust between the Board and the KPOA members. The job of Director can be time-consuming and they can become embroiled in contentious issues. But there are also rewards including developing new and broader friendships, developing and honing new skills and knowledge and the satisfaction of knowing they are making a major contribution to the success of KPOA.

Elections tend to have losers when the slate of candidates exceeds the electoral positions. In this case we think that Nita's loss could be a win for the community. Hopefully Nita will try and run again since she came so close. In the short time she has been a member of KPOA, she has been very active. We hope that she continues to contribute to the community as she has been, since she will now be free to devote her time and energy to continue the activities and programs for the benefit of all of us.

KPOA and our community are dependent upon volunteers to take up the slack for functions that our excellent paid staff does not address. Our community could sit back and let paid professionals run everything. Of course, the cost would increase several-fold and would it still be our community? Homeowners Associations across the nation face the problem of finding the right mix between professional staff and volunteers. KPOA seems to have found a good mix but it is dependent upon volunteers. KPOA is not a governmental agency so KPOA members should not expect to have everything handed to them. If you choose to live in Kala Point then in return for enjoying a great

community you should feel obligated to give back to the community

Those of you sitting on the side-lines of volunteerism should give it a try. Enjoy new acquaintances, the opportunity for personal growth and the good feeling of having made a contribution to your community.

our next kpoa board

president:

Lane Stuart, Who Ran in the 2006 Election

Back in July 2006 election, Lane Stuart ran for the board. He won that election and has been on the board for 2 years. He was recently voted as our new Board President at the Board organizational meeting held the day after the July 13th member meeting. We look forward to what Mr. Stuart will bring our community. Below is his bio that he submitted which offers some of his history and background. We thought that this information would be helpful and insightful on what Stuart's philosophies are and what he may offer our community in the coming year.

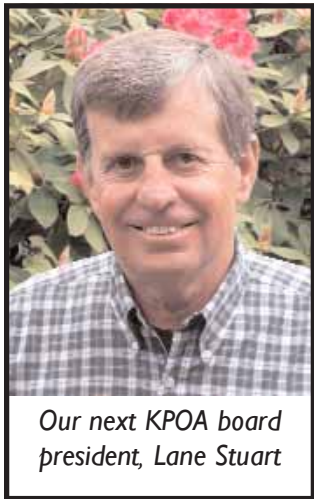
Lane Stuart's Bio From July 2006 Board Election:

"My wife Pattie and I live at ... with our two dogs, Millie and Casey. I have been a lawyer since 1964. I last worked as a Superior Court Commissioner in San Luis Obispo, California. Prior to that I was a prosecutor and then in private practice for many years.

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I have completed 100 hours of mediation training and several weeks of formal judicial education.

Pattie and I spent a month in New Orleans as Red Cross volunteers for hurricane Katrina. I also volunteer at Fort Worden. We



Our next KPOA board president, Lane Stuart

enjoy time on our little motor boat that you may have seen on the KPOA mooring at our beach. I believe that the job of a KPOA board member, in compliance with applicable law and the governing documents of the association, is to efficiently and honestly manage the affairs of

the association for the benefit of all of the members.

I have written cc&r's and bylaws in the past and I know that they can be subject to differing reasonable interpretations, nevertheless, the board must follow them unless and until they are changed by the membership pursuant to the rules.

There has been disagreement in our membership that has caused some hard feelings. Despite our differences, we all share the same goal of living peacefully in a pleasant community. To help us reach this goal, a board member must follow the rules, listen carefully to the views of all of the members and decide the issues fairly and prudently.”

enjoy a night of mystery! **An evening of Jamaican fun!**

by Nita Edgcombe



Life is never dull in this quaint seaside town.

No, we are not talking about Kala Point, but Port Royal, in Jamaica! With pirates on the prowl and the governor as a guest, those in attendance are sure to have loads of fun! Join us for a fun evening at The Salty Sea Dog on Saturday, August 16th at the Clubhouse. Everyone can join in to solve the murder mystery!

The Jaded Jewel—a pirate ship captained by Redbeard, an old but dangerous pirate—is docked in a cove near Port Royal, Jamaica. As the pirates head into town to celebrate their homecoming and spend their gold and goods, a night of turmoil and trouble is sure to transpire.

Dress the part! To become a full-fledged pirate you could wear: Rings, earrings, medallions, jewels, bandana, scarves, hats, eye-patch, draw a scar with eyeliner, tuck an arm or leg into your outfit as a missing limb, tattered slacks or shorts (tear some edges on bottom), floppy big white shirt, or use tooth blackout for missing teeth.

There will be awards for: Most authentic outfit, best performer, super sleuth, most missing teeth, most amount of blackmail & bribery money won, and more. Plan on arriving between 5:30p.m. and no later than 6p.m. Bring your favorite appetizer to accompany provided hot dogs and hamburgers and beverage. A \$5 donation would be appreciated.

To RSVP or get more information about this Kala Point FunNGames event call Nita Edgcombe at 379-1635.

food costs in perspective

Markets, values, and comparisons

By Jay Burcham

The value of commodities in general, including but not limited to food associated commodities, have been increasing rapidly during the past few years. For years the value of commodities lagged behind the moderate inflation which was occurring. This situation is now being influenced and corrected by many factors. At least two significant factors are accelerating the correction.

The demand for all commodities has increased as national economies and their middle classes have developed and prospered. **As the standard of living increases, the demand for commodities goes up.** With respect to food, the demand is for more protein and vegetable oils. Notable and often cited examples are India and China but there are also others such as Brazil which has a rapidly developing agricultural economy close to rivaling that of the United States. Supply and demand remains a powerful fundamental factor in establishing the price of all commodities. Food associated commodities, like all commodities, are now part of a global economy.

Another significant factor is the **massive inflow of investment money into the commodity markets.** Traditionally, large institutional investors, such as pension funds and endowment funds, invested in stocks and bonds. In 2003 there was only an estimated \$13 billion of this type of money invested in the commodity markets. Today that same type of investment exceeds \$260 billion. One factor affecting food prices is that these funds are responding to commodity investments as though they are investing in stocks and bonds. Much of the run-up in prices and volatility in today's food related commodities seems to be the result of the investment fund managers responding more to current

happenings and short range considerations rather than the long term fundamentals which used to shape the grain and live stock markets. Those managers are under tremendous pressure to make a profit for their funds. Are the investment funds speculating? No more than their expectation and response to anticipated prices that is a common element of their stock and bond trading

Headlines are shouting about the record prices of grain. Is this really the case? In 1981, the price of corn was as high as \$ 3.21 per bushel. **In today's dollars corn would be \$7.98.** The cash price for corn, the price available to the farmer selling his crop, is only \$6.47 per bushel for July 2008 delivery. And how many farmers are benefitting from today's prices? For the first three months of the 2007-2008 marketing year, the average price farmers received was \$3.34 per bushel. Much of the 2007 crop was forward contracted at prices well under \$4.00 or sold early in 2008 for less than \$5.00. Great prices historically but well below today's actual prices.

Some news reports point the finger at farmers as the cause of rising food prices. The farmer's share of the retail dollar for food has been in the 19% to 25% range since 1970. If anything their share is decreasing as the costs of processing, transportation, distribution and retailing increase. At \$6.75 per bushel the value of corn in each 18 oz. box of corn flakes is about 10 cents. At \$3.30 per box the farmer gets less than 3%. There is only 2 cents worth of corn in an egg and only 18 cents of corn in a quarter pound of hamburger. **The farmer is a price taker not a maker.** As any business does, he tries to get the best price available for his product but has little if any influence over that price.

The American consumer enjoys the least expensive, most diversified, best quality and most

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abundant food supply of any nation in the world. Their **average cost for food now is about 10% of family income.** It was only 7.2% in 2006. However, as examples, in Poland it was 22% and in Egypt and Vietnam it was 40% of family income. If food prices in the United States soars 10% this year the American family will be paying 11% of their income for food. Still a bargain and mostly because of the productivity of the American farmer!

summer band concerts

The Port Townsend Summer Band will be playing at Chetzemoka Park Concert on Sunday afternoon, August 24th at 3:00 p.m. Bring along a chair or blanket (and maybe an umbrella) to the park.



An additional band concert will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, August 16th on the lawn of the Port Townsend Community Center building during the Uptown Fair.

On Sunday, August 31st (Labor Day Sunday) the band will play a 3 p.m. concert at the Union Wharf on Taylor Street for the Port Townsend Main Street Program's ParTy in Port Townsend, and on Nov. 11 at 10:30 a.m. before the American Legion Post's annual Veterans Day

Ceremonies beginning at 11:00 a.m. at their Post building on the corner of Monroe and Water Streets.

Conductor Karl Bach begins his 8th season with the Summer Band this year. He welcomes all band musicians who can play high school-level music. The 35-piece band includes teen-age musicians through musicians *way past* 80 years of age! Rehearsals are held on Tuesday evenings at 7 p.m. at the Port Townsend Community Center.

Log on to the band's website for more information: www.ptsummerband.org; contact Mr. Bach by telephone: 344-3658 or by e-mail: flam@cablespeed.com.

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*from the jefferson county
administrator's desk:*

Greetings to you! I trust you're enjoying the warm weather and all the nice things that accompany summer. This month I thought I'd share some information with you about ways Jefferson County is working toward shortening the path to a Growth Management Act (GMA)-compliant Irondale/Port Hadlock Urban Growth Area and finalizing the Sewer Facility Plan.

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) recently approved several amendments to the Jefferson County Comprehensive Plan with the expectation that the County will take another step closer to having a State-approved unincorporated Urban Growth Area (UGA) in the Irondale/Port Hadlock planning area. Three minor compliance issues which were raised by Irondale Community Action Neighbors (ICAN) to the Western Washington Hearings Board were addressed in an ordinance approved by the BOCC in early July amending language in the Comprehensive Plan.

Simultaneously the County is moving forward with finalizing the Sewer Facility Plan for the Irondale/Port Hadlock UGA as required by the State GMA. The County's Department of Public Works has prepared a Draft Sewer Facility Plan that defines a proposed wastewater treatment and re-use system describing potential financing strategies. Goals for building a wastewater treatment system include: supporting commercial growth and affordable housing in the Irondale/Port Hadlock UGA, helping to protect water quality, and providing additional water in Chimacum Creek.

Adoption of the Sewer Facility Plan, along with planning work being done by the County's Department of Community Development, will

allow the County to finalize the Irondale/Port Hadlock UGA. Urban development regulations must be adopted to complete the UGA, as mentioned above. The process of reviewing the proposed development regulations before adoption will be well advertised so that everyone can participate in the public process. It is anticipated that regulations to implement the UGA will be adopted during the spring of 2009.

For more information on the Irondale/Port Hadlock UGA, contact Joel Peterson in the Department of Community Development at 379.4450, via e-mail at



Port Hadlock UGA - Sewer Facility Plan

jpeterson@co.jefferson.wa.us or visit the County's Web site at www.co.jefferson.wa.us/commdevelopment.htm. For more information about the sewer project, contact Richard Johnson at 385.9213 or via e-mail at rjohnson@co.jefferson.wa.us or visit www.porthadlocksewer.org.

And, of course, if you'd like to contact me with any questions, please feel free to call me at 385.9100 or e-mail me at drichards@co.jefferson.wa.us.

-Dennis (Denny) Richards,
Interim County Administrator

kala point theater lovers

Drowsy Chaperone: Reserve Your Ticket and Seat On The Bus!

by Nita Edgcombe

Attention all you theater lovers! On Saturday, Nov. 15th we are going to the 2 p.m. matinee at the 5th Avenue Theater to see The Drowsy Chaperone. The Drowsy Chaperone is a new musical comedy with tons of laughs and the most 2006 Tony Awards of any musical on Broadway!

It all begins when a die-hard musical fan plays his favorite cast album, a 1928 smash



hit called "The Drowsy Chaperone," and the show magically bursts to life. You will instantly be

immersed in the glamorous, hilarious tale of a celebrity bride and her uproarious wedding day, complete with thrills and surprises that take both the cast (literally) and the audience (metaphorically) soaring into the rafters.

Tickets will be for the Orchestra/Grand Tier section and are offered at approximately \$70 or less. This is a savings of at least \$9.50 or more depending on how many people sign up.

You also need to decide if you want to take advantage of the bus that includes a driver for transportation to and from the show. If we get 14 people, the price for the bus, round trip, will be \$35 per person.

Here is what you need to do: If you want to go to the show AND take the bus you need to send in a \$75 deposit per person. If you only want to go to the show, send in a \$55 deposit per person. If you don't want to go to the show

but want to take a fun trip into Seattle, send in a \$20 deposit. **Deposits must be received by September 26th.** Send your deposit to Nita Edgcombe at 121 Cedarview Drive, Port Townsend, WA. 98368.

You will be invoiced for the balance due and payment will need to be received by October 15th. The tickets for the show and/or the bus are non-refundable. If for some reason you cannot go, you are responsible to sell your ticket.

The approximate timetable for the day is: Departure from Kala Point will be around 9:30 a.m., arriving in Seattle at 11:30 a.m. allowing approximately 2 hours for lunch at Palomino's before the show. After the show at approx. 4:30 p.m. we will depart Seattle arriving back in Kala Point at around 7:30 p.m. A more precise timetable will be provided in October.

If you enjoy going to the show, a musical, or concert, then come join the new Kala Point Theater Lovers! The larger the group, the better the price of the tickets and carpooling is fun and economical. What could be better than going to an event with the ease of having a professional driver at the wheel? We welcome individuals or couples.

Contact Nita Edgcombe at 379-1635 or tupnee9@yahoo.com for questions or to get on the email roster to receive updates and information.

JUST FOR LAUGHS

- ◆ Every day more money is printed for Monopoly than the U.S. Treasury.
- ◆ Coca-Cola was originally green.
- ◆ It is impossible to lick your elbow.
- ◆ The State with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska



Pickleball Schedule

The schedule right now for pickleball is on Thursday's and Sunday's at 4:00pm

on the courts close to the water tanks near Pinecrest. 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 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.

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

For those of you who have sons & those of you who are happy that you don't.



And you also find out interesting things when you have sons, like:

- 1.) A king size waterbed holds enough water to fill a 2000 sq. ft. house 4 inches deep.
- 2.) If you spray hair spray on dust bunnies and run over them with roller blades, they can ignite.
- 3.) A 3-year old Boy's voice is louder than 200 adults in a crowded restaurant.
- 4.) If you hook a dog leash over a ceiling fan, the motor is not strong enough to rotate a 42 pound Boy wearing Batman underwear and a Superman cape. It is strong enough, however, if tied to a paint can, to spread paint on all four walls of a 20x20 ft. room.
- 5.) You should not throw baseballs up when the ceiling fan is on. When using a ceiling fan as a bat, you have to throw the ball up a few times before you get a hit. A ceiling fan can hit a baseball a long way.
- 6.) The glass in windows (even double-pane) doesn't stop a baseball hit by a ceiling fan.
- 7.) When you hear the toilet flush and the words "uh oh", it's already too late.
- 8.) Brake fluid mixed with Clorox makes smoke, and lots of it.



personal finance

Dividend Investing

By: Hank Krist

I've just finished reading a financial article which mentioned that the S&P 500

index reached a low of 1214 during the week of July 13th which was within a few points of that level on the same day in July, 1998. As I've mentioned in a previous article, the overall stock market has historically shown a 9-10% annual return with dividends making up 40% of that figure. Studies going back to 1920 have confirmed this. From 1920 to the present, periods of rapid price increases in the stock market have generally been followed by below average returns or even price declines resulting in the stock market "reverting to the mean."

During periods of no or below average growth, dividends become very important unless you are a superb stock picker. In today's market, I believe the average, long-term investor should concentrate on large, well-capitalized companies paying dividends of at least 4-5%.

If the stock market is flat over the next few years, a steady dividend of 4-5% will probably be better than the return derived from most fixed income investments such as treasury obligations, money market accounts or certificates of deposit. In addition, many dividend paying companies in the electric utility or pharmaceutical industries have a tendency to raise their dividends on a regular basis. Also, please remember that "qualified dividends" are taxed at a maximum federal rate of 15% compared to a maximum rate of 35% for interest income.

Following are the names of few companies which are well capitalized and are steady dividend payers:

AT&T, Bank of America, Bristol-Myer Squibb, BP PLC, Consolidated Edison, Duke Energy, GlaxoSmithKline, Hawaiian Electric, Pfizer, Southern Co. and Verizon. I could name some other companies, but I would have to charge you for my services. Many of the commercial banks are currently paying very high dividends, but some of those banks are going to have to reduce their dividends in the near future to preserve capital.

As I've said before "be careful out there."

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coordinate a variety of events including: hiking, kayaking, bicycling, fishing, and last but not least relaxing and having fun!



A couple of destinations being considered are Salt Creek State Park, Lake Ozette, and other very popular Olympic Peninsula destinations.

If you are interested in participating and joining in, contact Allen Vaa at allenvaa@hotmail.com. If you

have a favorite spot or secret get-a-way, please let us know that too!

For the rest of the hiking season, we are looking for hiking leaders to help lead the weekly hikes, starting in September. Please contact Allen Vaa at allenvaa@hotmail.com if you can volunteer as a hike leader and the dates that you would be available. Also, send us your ideas if you have a favorite hike you would like to go on.

After a wet and cold spring, we are all ready to go out and enjoy the outdoors and all that our area offers. The best weather is still ahead of us!



port ludlow garden club

**Annual Port Ludlow Garden Tour
Wed. August 13th 10 am - 3 pm**

By Pattie Cole

This garden tour is a "must see" for spectacular gardens in a beautiful setting. You'll have a chance to check out the beautiful houses in Port Ludlow too.

This year we are featuring seven diverse and spectacular local gardens to explore on a self-guided tour.

On the day of the tour, participant members will check in at the Bay Club starting at 9:30 a.m. Self-guided maps and brochures of the gardens will be distributed.



Participants are encouraged to form car pools, as parking at some of the gardens is limited. Please wear comfortable shoes and bring a sack lunch, your own refreshment and, perhaps, a sun hat! (Note: No food or drinks will be provided at the gardens this year.)

To sign up for this fun and relaxing day: call the Bay Club reception desk at 360-437-2208 by August 4th.

This is one of the garden clubs favorite garden tour for garden club members only! If you are currently not a member or know someone that is not a member but wishes to attend, please mail a check for the annual dues of \$20.00 made payable to: PLGC, P.O. Box 65235, Port Ludlow, WA 98365. State on the check (lower, left side) if you wish to attend the Garden Tour.

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Holds 2nd KPAG Art Show - October 12th

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Join Us In Our 2ND KPAG Art Show

By Joanie Reynolds

Our first Sidewalk Show was held in May of this year.

It was a HUGE SUCCESS! This was due to all our wonderful Kala Point Artists. From the successfulness of that show came the concept to do a Fall Art Show held at the Dream City & Market Cafe'.

The date is, Sunday, October 12, 2008. They are normally closed on Sundays. We have space for 20 artists. We will be occupying inside their dining area and outside under their canopy. Old Farmer's Almanac calls for 55 degrees and sunny.



So we will be good to go. All we need is you!!!! One of the owner's, Joann will be there to maintain the deli for those who wish purchase coffee and pastries.

Please join us. We have such fine artists in our community. We would love the privilege to display your art in KPAG Fall Art Show. Remember there is no fee paid to KPAG or me to be in our events. There is however, a fee for all ads and flyers, etc to announce our show.

To insure placement of our next show, please come by 223 Foxfield Drive to pick up an entry form. They are on my front porch. Also, know that due to all ads, etc. placed, I will need the entry fee as soon as possible. Go on our web site of www.kpag.org to check the new event page to see all about our next show. For any questions, please feel free to call me at 385-1699.