



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
JULY 2011**

WABA –Kids Activity	2:00pm	Wednesday	July 6 th and 20 th	Beach
<u>WABA BOARD MTG.</u>	7:00pm	Thursday	July 7 th	Ryals
<u>PLANNING COMMISSION</u>	7:00pm	Thursday	July 14 th and 21 st	Johnston
Centennial Home, Open House	3:00pm-5pm	Saturday	July 16 th	Toad Hall
<u>TOWN COUNCIL MTG.</u>	7:00pm	Tuesday	July 19 th	Stowe
WABA Summer Picnic & Kids Sleepover		Saturday	July 23 rd	Beach

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HOORAY FOR OUR VILLAGERS!

For those who haven't heard, we had a little excitement in the Village on Saturday June 18th. A tree came down on 105th, which pulled down the electrical service to the Solibakke home. Cyndy Park was the first on scene and called 911. Matt Leber then called PSE directly to report the downed wire and was told they'd send a tech immediately. Over the next hour and a half we had a response from Bellevue and King County Police, King County Metro, Bellevue Fire, and two PSE wire crews. The whole mess was cleaned up with power, but not phone or cable service, restored to the Solibakke residence in about an hour and a half. Thank you Cyndy and Matt for jumping into action so quickly! Truly this epitomizes the spirit of community among those who live in Beaux Arts!



NO FIREWORKS: Please remember Fireworks are prohibited in Beaux Arts. **Ordinance 211** prohibits the discharge of fireworks except by licensed professionals, and then only when authorized by the Council. Enjoy watching the fireworks professionally put on by nearby jurisdictions, and have a fun, safe Fourth of July!

COUNCIL BUSINESS: At the June 14, 2011 meeting, the Council:

- Reviewed a proposal for participating with King County and its cities in the Community Development Block Grant program. The proposal was approved pending further review by the Town Attorney.
- Reviewed a proposal by WABA to commemorate historic homes, i.e. homes built more than 100 years ago, with small bronze plaques that would be placed in the Town ROW immediately adjacent to

the celebrated home. The Council recognized that these plaques are decorative in nature (rather than signs) and will serve to enhance the character of the Village.

- Learned that the project to upgrade the ROW along Beaux Arts' portion of 108th Ave SE is proceeding on pace with 80% of the design plans complete. Councilmember Stowe, who is coordinating this project for the Town, reported that the number of underground utilities in this right-of-way may hinder the Town's ability to develop a stormwater drain field in this area. He is working with the various utilities involved to determine whether the Town should contract for potholing.
- Concurred with Mayor Leider's choice of Sound Law Center as the provider of the Town's Hearing Examiner services.
- Heard from Mayor Leider about the status of contract negotiations with the City of Bellevue for fire services.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at **7:00pm on Tuesday, July 19, 2011** at Tom Stowe's house. This meeting has been continued to a date one week later than usual.

TOWN MARSHAL REPORT: About 2pm on June 22nd a white pickup leaving the north beach parking lot backed into some WABA trees causing some damage to the trees, and the pickup. Eye witnesses believe the truck had some blue lettering on the side reading "Tri-tech" or something similar. If you have any information that could assist in locating this pickup, please contact the Town Marshal.

BIKING EVENT: Here's a heads up – the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation will hold its 2nd Annual *Cycle For Life* event on Sunday, July 31st. Based on the length of the course and the event's starting time, they estimate that Villagers may see cyclists along the 104th/105th corridor between 10:30am and noon. The starting gate is at the Columbia Winery in Woodinville, so participants in this fundraising event will be spread out and should have minimal impact on traffic by the time they reach Beaux Arts.

DEPT. OF HEALTH AERIAL SURVEY: The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) will oversee an aerial radiological survey of Seattle, Bellevue and outlying areas during July 11-28, 2011. The survey will be conducted using radiation-detection equipment mounted on a helicopter flying a series of serpentine patterns at an altitude of 300 feet and ground speed of 70 mph. The survey will be performed under contract by the U.S. Department of Energy's Aerial Measurement Service and will result in a baseline of the background radiation within the surveyed area. This baseline will be used to compare potential radioactive contamination effects if a radiological emergency affects this area. The DOH will be adding information to its website: <http://www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/rp/default.htm>. Please visit if you'd like to learn more.

SR-520 FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT: If you wish to view the Final EIS for the SR-520 Bridge Replacement, please visit www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects/sr520bridge/15toMedina. Hard copies of the document are available for viewing at your local library or may be purchased by calling 206.770.3500 or by emailing sr520bridge@wsdot.wa.gov.

NO CELL TOWER: T-Mobile has notified the City of Bellevue that they are withdrawing the Enatai cell tower application at the Bellevue Christian Church on 108th Ave. SE.

NEXT WABA BOARD MEETING: The next meeting of the Western Academy of Beaux Arts Board of Trustees will be held at **7:00pm on Thursday, July 7, 2011** at Becky Ryals' home.

WABA BUDGET COMMITTEE: The Board of Trustees has created a special committee to consider issues relating to WABA budgets. The attached memo spells out in detail the scope of the committee. If you are interested in applying for this committee, please provide an email to Kristin Mange - WABA Clerk at wabaclerk@gmail.com describing why you would like to be a part of the committee and what specialized knowledge or experience you can bring to the issues described in the attached committee memo. It is the Board's goal to appoint the committee at the July Board meeting. Please ensure you provide your reply in time to be considered by the Board before the meeting on July 7th.

WELCOME to David, Aude, and Mahaut Sun! They are renting the Pressey's house.

CELEBRATE A HOME THAT'S OLDER THAN ITS OWNER! Village residents are cordially invited to celebrate the 100th birthday of one of the original Beaux Arts Village residences. Ann Boynton, owner-in-residence, who claims she is only slightly younger than the house, is hosting a beer, wine and light hors d'oeuvres reception for her neighbors. Incidentally, Ann is also celebrating her 50th year in her home! Join her from **3:00pm to 5:00pm, Saturday, July 16, 2011** at the Boynton residence, on the corner of 28th and 103rd. Ann's home was built in 1911 by Frank Baker and it was known as the Baker house. It's now more often known as "Toad Hall", as named by her late husband Jim, a big fan of *Wind in the Willows*.

GREEN BOOK DIRECTORY: The village resident directory has been posted on the WABA website (www.waba1908.com under Member Resources after you log in) and is available to download and print. If you would like a paper copy please request one from the WABA Clerk at wabaclerk@gmail.com or 425.502.7382. If there are additions or corrections needed please contact the WABA Clerk.

SUMMER BEACH ACTIVITIES: Summer is here and so are the beach activities! Children ages 2 to 12 are welcome. Mark your calendars for upcoming fun!

Date & Time: Every other Wednesday from 2:00pm to 4:00pm

Location: South Beach (Children's play area)

- July 6th: Prepare centerpieces for the summer picnic/Becky Ryals
- July 20th: Decorate Votive Candles/ Julia Morse
- August 3rd: Wooden Photo Frame /Marji Jochums
- August 17th: Art bracelets or Key Chains/ Amy Nassisi
- August 31st: "Lifeguard Farewell"

Any questions or you would like to volunteer for an activity, please contact either Beach Mother Kathy Bray or Amy Reller.

WABA BEACH REMINDERS: With summer here, please remember the rules including:

- **Fireworks are prohibited.**
- **Curfew: The beach is closed to all but WABA members after 10:30 pm.** After 10:30 p.m. **any** non-WABA member, at the beach or docks must be directly accompanied by a WABA member. This applies to all members' children as well, as members are the adult property owners. So thank you village parents, for accompanying your children, including teenagers, after curfew.
- **All guests must be accompanied at the beach by a WABA member, or a child of a WABA member** who resides with his or her parents.
- **Display a WABA sticker in a prominent place on or in each of your cars.** This not only reinforces that our beach and parking facilities are private, but also helps in spotting cars that do

not belong there. **Cars parked in the beach parking lots without WABA stickers or a Guest Parking Pass will be ticketed and may be towed.**

- **See WABA Clerk Kristin Mange** for any new WABA parking stickers, or reservation guest parking passes you may need.
- If you would like to make a **beach reservation**, or have any questions about making reservations, please contact WABA Clerk Kristin Mange. Reservation forms are available to print on the WABA website under Member Resources, after you log in. *Reservations are needed for any groups over 12 people* that want to use any WABA facilities. Current beach reservations are noted on the WABA calendar on WABA's website home page.
- **Introduce yourself to strangers and ensure they are Villagers.** If they are, you'll meet new neighbors. If they're not, you can explain to them the private nature of our beach and request that they leave. Again, you are ensuring that we keep what we have.
- **Always report suspicious sightings** to the WABA trustees or the Town Marshall to assist in our own self policing actions that complement the King County Police patrols and our security service.
- The lifeguards have copies of the revised **swimming rules**. In addition they are posted on the WABA website (www.waba1908.com under Member Resources after you log in). Please take a minute to review them with your children if you have not already done so.
- **Dogs** are allowed only off-leash in the swim area on the north beach between Memorial Day and Labor Day. Dogs must otherwise be on leash, and are never allowed in the swim area during these summer months. Any unaccompanied dog found roaming in or near the swim area will be tied up, and the owner called for immediate pickup.

For a copy of these **rules** and others, please consult your **green book (Section 11)**, or see WABA Clerk Kristin Mange for another copy.

BEACHMASTER REPORT: In addition to the above reminders and also noted in Section 11 of the Green Book rules, please remember **children of WABA members (regardless of age, teenagers and adult children) who reside with their parents may have no more than 3 guests at a time unless accompanied by a WABA member (property owner).**

ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC/KIDS SLEEPOVER: Volunteers are needed to help out with the Summer Picnic and Kids Sleepover! Please see Trustee Becky Ryals, if you can help with the picnic, sleepover or any other annual event such as the arts & crafts fair, kids' games or fishing derby. Depending on volunteers for all these activities, they will be held on **Saturday, July 23rd** beginning in the morning, and finishing up the next morning. Watch mailbox stands and your email for hopefully a complete schedule of fun!

SEAFAIR NOTICE: Reminder, Sea-Fair weekend, August 6th & 7th, we will again have Beach-road security, limiting beach and parking access. We will also not take any beach reservations August 5th, 6th or 7th so it will be first come, first served for members use.

DOCK MASTER REPORT: Repairs to the docks, including the swim dock, are expected in August. More information will be communicated as the construction timeframe firms up. For villagers interested in boating there are several slip openings: a 40 foot year-round slip, platform and rack slips for canoes and kayaks, and several seasonal (shallow) slips. There are also a few remaining boat lift permits that have not been claimed. - Dockmaster van de Kamp

WOODLANDS MANAGER REPORT: Summer work is available for Village teens. Anyone middle school or older can earn money by helping in the woodlands. We need watering, ivy removal and

weeding. We pay very well and work can be done on your own time. All work is paid on a piece method; not hourly. This allows you to work at your own pace and helps us with supervision. Please call Sheila Justus if interested.

PHOTOS WANTED: If you happen to snap any photos of recent or upcoming village events, such as the summer activities, please consider sending a copy to Janet Griswold or Kristin Mange to add to the WABA website, and the next Winter Dinner slideshow. Thank you!

HISTORY COMMITTEE UPDATE: We have 7 homes that have recently hit or will be marking their centennial soon! The Beaux Arts History Committee has approval from the homes' current owners, the WABA Board and the Town Council for 5x7 cast resin plaques in a bronze patina to be mounted in the Town's ROW near each home to commemorate these centennial beauties as *Beaux Arts Centennial Homes*. Thank you, Mayor Leider, for the affordable supplier suggestion! The plaques have been ordered for summer delivery, and we hope all will be mounted for display this year.

The original homes included are: Renfro 1908, Thorpe 1910, Lewis 1910, Ditty 1911, Baker 1911, Whaley 1911, and Calvert 1912. Renfro and Calvert were the only founders that built homes here; the others were some of our earliest resident members. We will do plaques in the coming years for an additional handful of homes built between 1913 and 1916 that are also still standing, as they commemorate their centennials. The current owners were recognized at the Winter Dinner, and we hope to have the plaques in time for the summer picnic for recognition again.

The Beaux Arts History Committee is also looking for a volunteer to work on archival scrapbooks of our history; please see Angela Kulp if you are interested.

TOWN BUILDING NEWS- All required permits were issued in June by the Beaux Arts Building Department for:

108th Ave. SE Street Opening for potholing facilities
10308 SE 27th St. Landscape rockery, drainage and driveway

LOST & FOUND: See Deputy Clerk Kulp or Beach Master Forrest if you have anything to turn in or claim as found, or report anything as lost. Nothing is reported as lost at this time.

Found: Two pairs of plastic sunglasses found at the beach in June.

Still unclaimed 2009-10: keys, a film camera

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

Contact Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens if you have questions about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Department concerns.

Email: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov

Phone: (425) 454-8580

Mail: 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

- Contact Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp if you have questions or submissions for this newsletter, the building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or the Hearing Examiner.

Email: bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov

Phone: (425) 269-6985

Mail: 10550 SE 27th Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.

- To report Block Watch concerns, contact:
Town Marshal Walter Scott: (425) 454-2573

Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster: (425) 746-0757