



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
MAY 2017**

WABA Board Mtg.	Monday	7:00pm	May 8 th	Bowen
Town Council	2 nd Tuesday	7:00pm	May 9 th	Gillem
Town Planning Commission	3 rd Thursday	7:00pm	May 18 th	Kendall

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CLG COMMISSION: At their March meeting, the Town Council passed Ordinance 428 allowing Beaux Arts to become a Certified Local Government (CLG). This is the first step in a process which, when complete, will allow owners to voluntarily place their own home on a Village registry of historic homes **AND** to take advantage of the State's tax incentives for the preservation of older structures. The next step in the CLG process requires the formation of a five-member Commission. Those with architectural background and/or a passion for historic structures are encouraged to join this new group. Interested persons should contact Deputy Clerk Kulp, or Planning Commissioner Paula Dix.

COUNCIL BUSINESS: The following discussions took place at the Council's April meeting:

- Village Hall: One consistent response from Villagers polled about the possibility of a Village Hall was "what will it look like and how much will it cost?" The Council is working on simple concept plans to help answer those questions.
- Neighborhood Traffic Mitigation: Beaux Arts is fortunate to have three residents involved in this committee: Council members Cynthia Hudson and Tom Stowe, and Eugenia Yen. They report that the process has been frustrating at best. The Council has decided to purchase traffic counting equipment to help determine how much traffic is currently impacting the Town and to measure and mitigate any increases in cut-through traffic that result from the South Transit East Link project.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at 7:00pm on **Tuesday, May 9, 2017** at John Gillem's house. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

CANDIDATE FILING: Four positions on the Town Council will be up for election this fall, including the mayor and three council members. Anyone interested in serving on the Town Council is encouraged to contact Mayor Leider or any of the current Council members to learn more about the important work this body does on behalf of all Villagers. For information about filing to stand for election, please visit: <https://info.kingcounty.gov/kcelections/candidatefiling>.

EAST LINK CONSTRUCTION – SOUND TRANSIT UPDATES: Park-and-Rides scheduled to close: Overlake Transit Center on May 1, 2017 and South Bellevue P&R on May 30, 2017.

When East Link opens in 2023, Eastside commuters will be able to travel from downtown Bellevue to downtown Seattle in 20 minutes. However, the period between construction and opening day will bring challenges and change. For the next few years, getting to and from your destination may involve taking two bus trips in the place of one. Or, you may choose to pair your bus commute with another mode such as walking, bicycling or joining a King County Metro VanShare group. Sound Transit is working to expedite the delivery of congestion-free train services and build new light rail stations with more parking. The expansion of light rail and bus service on the east side will be a game-changer for our rapidly growing community. Sound Transit thanks you for your patience.

There are over 50 park-and-rides on the Eastside. Visit the King County Metro [Park-and-Ride Information page](#) to learn more about existing park-and-ride options. Sound Transit will continue to explore opportunities to lease park-and-ride lots served by ST Route 550. Find more information about park-and-ride options during East Link construction on the East Link [Park-and-Ride Closure page](#). Sound Transit routes 550 and 555/556 will continue to serve stops on Bellevue Way SE adjacent to the South Bellevue Park-and-Ride site during East Link construction. These routes, as well as King County Metro Route 241, will move to new temporary bus stops during construction. The southbound bus stop will be on the west side of Bellevue Way SE, just north of 112th Avenue SE. Northbound buses will continue to serve the existing stop as usual.

Sound Transit, in partnership with King County Metro's *Just One Trip* program ([Resources](#)), as well as other local community based programs such as *Choose Your Way Bellevue* and *Go Redmond*, will help you find alternatives to driving alone. Learn about these and other trip options at: [Just One Trip](#):

- **King County Metro VanShare:** [King County Metro's VanShare page](#).
- **Park-and-Ride Permit Parking:** [Carpool Parking Permit Page](#).
- **Plan your trip:** kingcounty.gov/metro, 206-553-3000, Metro [Trip Planner app](#), or [Commute Inquiry Form](#). Learn about bike parking at [Sound Transit](#) and [King County Metro](#).

Sound Transit will host a construction open house later this spring so you can meet the contractor and learn more about the upcoming construction. For a detailed look at the light rail route and station designs, visit Sound Transit's [East Link page](#). One of the first construction activities in the area will be closing the South Bellevue Park-and-Ride. This site will serve as the construction hub for staging equipment and building the light rail station, track and new parking garage. For more information, contact:

- soundtransit.org/eastlink
- Outreach team, 206-398-LINK or eastlink@soundtransit.org
- 24-hour construction hotline: 888-298-2395

HOV LANE: The City of Bellevue staff made a recommendation to their City Council in April on “Option 4” “Narrow” on the proposed HOV lane from the “Y” at 112th Ave. SE to I-90 after their year of design option analysis and public outreach. For more details, visit their project website at: www.bellevuewa.gov/bellevue-way-hov-lane.htm. Thank you to all that participated in the process.

MAIL SCAN AVAILABLE: The United States Postal Service (USPS at your local Post Office) now has a mail scan service available named *Informed Delivery*. You can participate in this new USPS® service enhancement and get detailed images of your incoming mail sent to your email each day using black and white images of your actual letter-sized mail pieces, processed by USPS® sorting equipment. Flat -sized pieces, such as catalogues or magazines, may be added in the future. To sign up or learn more, check out: <https://informeddelivery.usps.com/box/pages/intro/start.action> or contact your local post office.

MARSHAL REPORT: Nicer weather and longer daylight seems to bring everyone outside! Consider the Town's working hours for noise impact to your neighbors with any work you do.

Remember thieves are also looking for open garages and windows, unlocked vehicles, and items of high value left in sight. One garage in the lower village was accessed one early morning mid-April with a garage door opener left in an unlocked vehicle in the driveway when the owners were home but it appears their dog scared them away. Some Enatai residents have been burglarized recently where access was by breaking a garage door window.

If you will be gone for a while, consider informing a close neighbor or the marshals of your travel schedule to go by your home during your absence once a day to pick up packages & newspapers (or have them stopped during your trip), visually check the windows and doors, and to have a neighbor occasionally park in the driveway- which really throws off those casing the neighborhood.

Mail and identify theft reports continue around us so remember to pick up your mail and packages promptly. Also if you received a package you didn't order, check the automated package return address for fraud per a popular scam circulating now. If you're away often, consider delivery to an office or post office box, or add a front-door camera. Consider switching to electronic statements, and opt out of junk mail through on-line services to minimize what you do have delivered. These are all great ways to help us all watch out for each other!

April activity in Beaux Arts/Enatai area included:

- King County Sheriff's office reports crimes occurred per their map: <https://www.crimereports.com/>
- Bellevue Police department reports the following crimes occurred in per Bellevue's Crime map: <http://spotcrime.com/wa/bellevue> or <http://www.crimemapping.com/map/wa/bellevue>
- NextDoor Enatai members report incidents around us every month, including theft, vandalism, etc. Next Door Enatai now has a private sub-group just for Beaux Arts residents. For complete details, residents may log in with a password to the local blog, <https://enataisurreydowns.nextdoor.com/login/>.

PROPERTY BOUNDARIES: The streets and pathways in Beaux Arts are narrow and tree-lined, but they actually meander through very generous Town rights-of-way with century-old fir trees in our urban forest. The Town's ROW Code applies to all Town property in and around these streets and pathways: <http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/BeauxArts/#!/BeauxArts12/BeauxArts1215.html#12.15>. WABA also owns land bordering the village. As a reminder, what might appear to be yard or driveway might actually be Town or WABA property. Please get to know your property lines before you plan any personal projects for land that may actually not belong to you. Hint: The water meters and power poles are on public property.

ROW FOLIAGE: Many Villagers have placed shrubs and other plants on Town right-of-way (ROW); in fact, the Town encourages such plantings, and all Villagers enjoy the lush verdance of these spaces. At times though, these plantings need to be trimmed back from street signs, paved roadways, and walking spaces. Spring is, of course, one of those times. Please take a few moments to evaluate the foliage on all ROWs adjacent to your property and trim it back, as needed.

SEWER UPGRADE: King County's Sewer Upgrade for Beaux Arts through the North Mercer Island/Enatai project is in the final design phase and held a public meeting April 24th at BHS. If you missed that meeting, have questions about this project or want to know more about it, check out their link at: <http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/wtd/capital-projects/active/north-merc-island-enatai-sewer-upgrade.aspx>.

THREADCYCLE CAMPAIGN: This past month, you may have notice ads or heard news stories about the *Threadcycle* Campaign. The campaign may have ended, but the opportunity to recycle clothing/textiles goes on. Here's the best part – it's SUPER SIMPLE! Just take old clothes, fabric remnants (yes, even the "waste" from sewing projects) and other used cloth to any of the seven partner collection sites: Big Brothers Big Sisters, Goodwill, Northwest Center, Salvation Army, TexGreen, usagain, or Value Village. They sort everything into saleable items and "scrap" textiles, which means your old items will either be reused or recycled! For more info, please visit: <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/ecoconsumer/threadcycle.asp>.

TOWN BUILDING NEWS: The following permits were issued by the Building Dept. in April for:
10010 SE 28th Grading for the Center BBQ and drainage at mid-beach
2808- 107th Ave. SE Window replacements
The Town's Building Department reminds residents that most work requires permits; thank you to those that double-check before starting any work: http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg_dept.htm.

VILLAGE HALL: The Beaux Arts Village Hall Committee wants to thank the many residents who carved time from their busy schedules to attend one of the three Village Hall Listening Tour meetings. Your time was appreciated and the Committee was able to compile a report of the many ideas, thoughts, and brainstorming that were shared at the meetings. The report given to the Town Council after the conclusion of the meetings has been sent to residents summarizing the goal, objectives, methodology, and findings. The conclusions and recommendations are now under review by Town Council.

WABA / Western Academy of Beaux Arts NEWS:

BEACH PARENTS: Marji Jochums, Jenn Heintz, and Candice Soderquist are serving as our Beach Parents this summer. They have hired 3 certified lifeguards with specific training in lake lifeguarding for the summer, but are still in need of a few substitutes to fill in as needed. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact the WABA Clerk.

BOARD MEETING: Due to travel schedules, the May Board meeting will be held on Monday, May 8th, at 7:00pm at the Bowen residence.

CENTER BBQ REBUILD: Permits have been issued for rebuilding the Center BBQ and addressing drainage in the area, with a target date for work to take place in mid-May and completed before school gets out. For now, the Center BBQ is closed for reservations until June leaving the North and very South areas available. Reservations will be available in the Center once work has been finished, but the dates are still flexible at this time.

MASTERS REPORTS: From the WABA volunteers that tirelessly oversee and manage our community waterfront assets.

- **BEACHMASTER:** Thank you to the 35 families that turned out for the annual beach cleanup fun party! Their efforts cleaned up two downed trees and other vegetation, once again filling the 40 yard dumpster. Other major projects completed were:
 - A new south BBQ bring pad
 - Repaired the broken concrete swim dock step
 - Replaced rotten deck boards on the swim dock.
 See Beach Master Forrest Kulp with any beach maintenance questions or to report any concerns. Thanks in advance to all residents who pick up after themselves or others throughout the year.
- **DOCKMASTER REPORT:** Thanks to all the folks who participated in the beach and dock clean-up on April 29th. Again, just a reminder - all of our permanent slips are full and there continue to be wait lists for all sized slips. If you currently have a slip and rarely use your boat, please consider vacating the slip and allowing a neighbor the chance to enjoy the benefits of using the marina. Also, if you are planning any boat lift changes this year, or have any questions about the docks or moorage facilities, please contact Dock Master Jay Jacobsen.
- **WOODLANDS REPORT:** See Julia Morse with any questions.

SUMMER DOG RULES in effect starting Memorial Day: Restrictions on dog walking and dog swimming are in effect from **Memorial Day through Labor Day:**

- a. Dogs are never allowed at the swim beach or dock during the summer.
- b. Any unaccompanied dog found at the swim beach during the summer will be tied up in the south parking lot by the lifeguard and, if the owner cannot be located, will be released when the lifeguard goes off duty.
- c. Dogs are allowed on the north end of the beach and lawn extending from the northern boundary of the Town of Beaux Arts to a boundary extending from the opening in the break wall to the southwest corner of the tennis court.
- d. Dogs may be walked from the northern part of the beach to the southern access road using a 10-foot strip along the eastern edge of the lawn.
- e. The summer dog swimming area is located at the opening in the break wall.

SUMMER PICNIC: The Annual Summer Picnic will be on **Saturday, July 29th, please save the date!** The day usually includes several fun, annual events. Trish Gillem and Cyndy Park will be coordinating; please let them know if you can help.

THANK YOU: Volunteers keep this community moving; appreciation goes out to those that assisted with the latest events as follows:

- **Easter Egg Hunt:** Thank you to Cynthia Hudson, who did a fantastic job coordinating the Egg Hunts this year; they were a HUGE success!
- **Beach Cleanup – Saturday, April 29th:** Thank you to all those that showed up for the annual beach clean-up and hot dog lunch. The beach, docks and woodlands look really great, we all had a good time re-connecting and are ready for another season!

NEED TO CONTACT TOWN STAFF?

- Contact **Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens** if you have questions or concerns about issues before the Council, general Town business, or Water-Dept.: townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov or (425) 454-8580.
- Contact **Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp** if you have questions about the building department (including permits and variances), issues before the Planning Commission or Hearing Examiner, or this newsletter:

- Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov (425) 269-6985
- To report **Block Watch** concerns, contact:
 - Town Marshal Walter Scott (425) 454-2573
 - Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster (425) 746-0757
 - KCSO Non-Emergency Line** **(206) 296-3311**

NEED TO CONTACT WABA? WABA Members may contact **WABA Clerk Kristin Mange** for any concerns or questions you have about the Western Academy of Beaux Arts, regarding the beach or its use (including reservations and parking stickers), the Green Book, WABA social events or issues before the WABA Board of Trustees: wabaclerk@gmail.com (425) 502-7382

Web address: <http://waba1908.com/>

Mailing address: Western Academy of Beaux Arts, 10010 SE 28th Place, Beaux Arts, WA 98004