



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

BARF Sailing Races	Wednesdays	6:30pm	June-August	Beach
WABA Board Mtg.	Monday	7:00pm	July 10 th	TBD
Town Council	2 nd Tuesday	7:00pm	July 11 th	Leider
Town Planning Commission @ Council		7:00pm	July 11 th	Leider
WABA Picnic & events	Saturday	all day	July 29 th	Beach

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Mayor: mayor@beauxarts-wa.gov Town Council: council@beauxarts-wa.gov

ANIMAL LICENSING: Did you know that King County requires all dogs and cats to be licensed? Beaux Arts Village contracts with King County to provide animal-control services, and the cost of that service is offset by the sale of approximately 40 pet licenses each year. In 2016, the revenue to the County for pet licenses sold exceeded the Town's share of the animal-services costs. A big thank you to Villagers who have been responsible and purchased one or more pet licenses. For more information about licensing your pet, please visit: <http://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/regional-animal-services/license-your-pet/license.aspx>.

CLG COMMISSION: The Town is still looking for volunteers for the formation of a five-member Certified Local Government (CLG) Commission, as originally posted in the May newsletter. The Town Council passed Ordinance 428 in March allowing Beaux Arts to become a CLG. The Commission creation is the next step in this 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. Those with an architectural background and/or a passion for historic structures are encouraged to join this new Commission. Interested persons should contact Deputy Clerk Kulp, or Councilmember Paula Dix.

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

- **New Town Marshal:** Mayor Leider announced that he has appointed Jeff Jochums to replace Walter Scott as Town Marshal. Walter recently resigned after more than 10 years of service to the Town. Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster has agreed to continue in his role. Please For those who may not know, the Town Marshal is not a deputized position, but serves primarily as a liaison between the Sheriff's Office and the Council, Oversees the Block Watch program, and alerts residents of crime-related issues that may affect the Village.
- **King County Sheriff's Office:** The Council welcomed Major Greg Thomas, who opened his comments by commending Villagers on their willingness to watch out for each other through the Block Watch (BW) program. Other communities throughout the County are resurrecting simplified forms of the Block Watch program, because neighbors recognize that knowing one another is an important part of reducing neighborhood crime. Major Thomas also remarked that property crimes, including car prowls, continue to be a problem throughout the area and are fueled by an ongoing drug problem. The Council hopes to

arrange a safety-related meeting for Villagers to meet Major Thomas and discuss safety concerns / solutions in more depth. He concluded by sharing his direct contact information (cell phone: (206) 423-1485, email address: greg.thomas@kingcounty.gov) and encouraging Villagers to contact him with non-emergency questions and concerns.

NOTE TO READERS: If you see something suspicious or experience an event for which you need immediate help, PLEASE DIAL 911.

- **Neighborhood Traffic Mitigation:** Traffic-counting devices are now in place on southbound 108th Ave SE, northbound 105th Ave SE, and southbound 104th Ave SE. These counters will collect data on cut-through traffic volumes for Council review and action in deciding when to consider other steps to mitigate the effects of that additional traffic, particularly during the Sound Transit and City of Bellevue project impacting South Bellevue Way.
- **Council Resignation:** Councilmember Cynthia Hudson announced her resignation effective at the end of this Council meeting. She and her family are moving to California (we hope temporarily!). Mayor Leider has appointed Paula Dix to fill Ms. Hudson's unexpired term which continues through December 2019. The Council confirmed the appointment and expressed their appreciation to both Ms. Hudson and Ms. Dix for their willingness to serve the Village.
- **Planning Commission vacancy:** Ms. Dix most recently served on the Planning Commission, so her appointment leaves a vacancy on the Planning Commission. Interested Villagers are encouraged to contact Mayor Leider or Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp for more information.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at 7:00pm on **Tuesday, July 11, 2017** at Richard Leider's house. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

DISTRACTED DRIVING LAW: A new law targeting distracted driving goes into effect on July 23, 2017. The new law, SB 5289, provides that a person operating a motor vehicle while using a cell phone or other personal electronic device is guilty of a traffic infraction. There are two major exemptions included for:

1. Drivers using a device to contact emergency services;
2. Emergency personnel, transit system employees, and commercial truck drivers.

The definition of "using a device" is expanded from current law and includes:

- Holding a device in either hand;
- Using your hand or finger to read, write, or send email, text messages, instant messages, or other electronic data;
- Taking a picture;
- Watching a video.

However, the minimal use of a finger to activate or initiate a function of a device is allowed.

The new law defines the "personal electronic device" as any portable electronic device that is capable of wireless communication or electronic data retrieval and is not manufactured primarily for hands-free use in a motor vehicle. This includes cell phones, tablets, laptops, two-way messaging devices, and electronic games. Excluded from this definition are two-way radios, citizens band (CB) radios, and amateur radio equipment.

The monetary penalty for the first distracted driving infraction is \$136 and the penalty almost doubles to \$235 on the second and subsequent offenses. The law also included preemption language that preempt local governments from passing laws, ordinances, or rules governing the use of personal electronic devices in motor vehicles while driving.

EAST LINK CONSTRUCTION – SOUND TRANSIT UPDATES: With East Link light rail construction beginning now at the South Bellevue Park and Ride location, traffic has been reduced to one lane on Bellevue Way SE frequently on weekdays, and closed along with ramps to I-90 for three weekends in June. Future traffic detours could follow the same pattern; see the map at:

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/WASOUND/bulletins/1a26298>. For all the latest from Sound Transit about I-90 construction, discounted summer teen ORCA cards and more, check out their latest publication, *The Platform*, at: <https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/WASOUND/bulletins/1a617f1>.

FIREWORKS: Residents are reminded that Chapter 9.05.010 of the Beaux Arts Village Municipal Code <http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/BeauxArts/> prohibits the discharge of fireworks (this includes the beach!), and are encouraged to enjoy the holiday safely by attending one of several public fireworks displays in the area. Follow these tips from Bellevue's Fire Marshal to enjoy a family-friendly fourth:

- Respect Bellevue's ban on fireworks (this includes the parks!); they are illegal and may be prosecuted as a misdemeanor or civil violation. Bellevue Police and Fire will conduct fireworks safety patrols and enforcement.
- Practice fire safety! Each year Washington State reports hundreds of injuries from fireworks and fires caused by fireworks.
- Keep your pets safely indoors with some distraction or a quiet place. Use a leash if you must be outside with your pet, have proper ID tags and practice safety as pets may try to sniff or eat fireworks and pet hair can easily catch fire.
- Enjoy public displays in and around Bellevue on July 4, including the Bellevue Family 4th at Downtown Park, or in Newcastle or Kirkland: <http://bellevue.com/fireworks.php>.

FOURTH with KILLARNEY CIRCLE PARADE: Join the Killarney Circle neighborhood in their annual 4th of July celebration! Kids can bring decorated bikes, dogs and even decorate themselves; there will be prizes awarded for the most patriotic! Parking is limited so walking is encouraged! Meet at SE 23rd and 104th Place SE on July 4th at 10:30am to hear the Killarney Circle Band perform, and then follow the Bellevue Fire Dept. in the parade around the Circle!

MARSHAL REPORT: See Marshal Jeff Jochums or Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster for questions.

June 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/>.

MED-PROJECT: The MED-Project has supplied us with mail-back envelopes for all King County residents to use upon request for unwanted, expired or unused medications. Medications will be accepted in any dosage form in their original container or sealed bag. For more details, contact Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp for an envelope or see their website at: <http://med-project.org/locations/king-county/mail-back>.

PHONE CALL DIALING REMINDER: Just a reminder that this month begins a new 10 digit dialing requirement even for all local calls, in advance of an additional area code. Details were announced in

January and the six month grace period has ended: <http://www.king5.com/news/local/10-digit-dialing-in-western-washington-starts-this-summer/393641462>.

ROW MAINTENANCE: The Town's Right-Of-Way Code addresses permitted uses and maintenance requirements for all of the Town's unpaved Rights-Of-Way, including on planting strips and pathways at: <http://www.codepublishing.com/WA/BeauxArts/#!/BeauxArts12/BeauxArts1215.html#12.15>. Know your property boundaries and this code before doing any work. Thank you to those that assist in the maintenance of the public land around you; it saves the Town money and is a great way to contribute to your community! Bi-annual work parties are scheduled in the spring and fall, but work is needed year-round. See Deputy Clerk Kulp if you have any questions, need assistance or would like contribute to this maintenance as a volunteer throughout the year. Teens may earn community service hours!

TOWN BUILDING NEWS: There were no permits were issued by the Building Dept. in June. The Town's Building Department reminds residents that most work inside your home or in your yard usually requires permits; thank you to those that double-check before starting any work. Code enforcement carries stiff penalties for work that required a permit. Please check our website at: http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg_dept.htm for details, a link to our codes or call Deputy Clerk with any questions.

VOLUNTEERS: We contract out what we must, but otherwise this community runs on volunteers! For over a century, it's been a great way to know our neighbors and keep our community strong. How would you like to serve your community? The Town has a Council, Planning Commission, Water department, two annual Town ROW clean-ups, and needs to form a CLG Commission (see top of page 1). The Western Academy of Beaux Arts (WABA) has a private Board, Masters to oversee the beach, docks and woodlands, a History Committee, an annual beach clean-up and several social events throughout the year. See Town Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp or WABA Clerk Kristin Mange for more details in how to match up your interests and skills with our need for assistance!

WATER DEPT. SURVEY: The Town's water department wants to know who in the town has a filtration system on their home water, what kind it is and how well it works. Please email Bob Durr, Water Dept. Supervisor, or Deputy Clerk Kulp to pass onto Bob. Thank you!

WABA / Western Academy of Beaux Arts NEWS:

BOARD MEETING: Due to travel schedules, the July Board meeting will be held on Monday, July 10th, at 7:00pm; the location is TBD and will be posted soon.

CENTER BBQ REBUILD: The electrical work has been completed and the grills will be installed in the next few days; a notice will go out when the BBQ can be used for cooking and fires.

FIREWORKS: NO Fireworks! Fireworks are banned in King County and are prohibited at the beach! They put our boats, docks, and trees at risk so please go enjoy a safe, public display instead!

HISTORY CORNER: Long before there were multiple boat docks for so many kinds of boats, and tennis courts, a playground, parking lots, outbuildings, restrooms, barbeque areas or a swim dock, there was a ferry dock in Beaux Arts. The Beaux Arts ferry dock was at least 40 minutes from downtown Seattle by steam launch to Leschi and then by the Yesler trolley line. There was no electricity or phone service, and water was carried from the lake by bucket. Groceries had to be purchased when the grocery scow docked once a week

or were delivered by wagon from a grocery in Midlakes. See <http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/history.htm> for more fun history details! Here is a photo of that old ferry dock; thanks to the Stefan's for capturing this photo they saw in Wells Fargo Bank! Any old timers here remember the years or the beach location of this ferry dock? Submit answers to Angela or Julia with the History Committee and we'll include next month! Have a story or question for the History Committee? Please let us know!



LIFEGUARD HOURS: The regular lifeguard hours will be from June 27th - September 4th/Labor Day:
Sunday-Thursday 1:00-6:00pm and Friday-Saturday 1:00-7:00pm.
There will be a sign posted at the swim dock with information should this schedule change due to inclement weather or other circumstances and email notices will go out whenever possible.

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

- **BEACHMASTER:** The new BBQ is almost ready for use. In the mean time please don't use movable fire pits on the grass. The fire produces so much heat the grass will die or can start on fire. Thanks! See Beachmaster Forrest Kulp with further beach questions.
- **DOCKMASTER REPORT:** See Dockmaster Jay Jacobsen with dock questions.
- **WOODLANDS REPORT:** See Julia Morse with any woodlands questions.

PARKING in the Beach Parking Lots: Please be sure your vehicles (including golf carts) are properly identified as members with a sticker, guest tag, or WABA approved guest pass. If you need a replacement sticker, please contact the WABA Clerk with the vehicle/plate info and a new one will be issued to you. To ensure there is space for everyone who needs to park, please plan to carpool, shuttle, or walk down to the beach with your guests as much as possible.

RESERVATIONS: Beach Reservations are filling up! If you have a special birthday or other celebration you'd like to host at the beach, please check the WABA calendar on the WABA website www.waba1908.com to see what dates and times are still available. You can download the reservation form off the website as well; it's in the 'Member Resource' section under 'Beach Reservations'. Groups of 12 or more require a reservation, however smaller groups may also reserve if guest parking passes are needed. A reservation allows you two guest parking passes.

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 WABA Village Picnic is **Saturday July 29th** with traditional activities - Fishing Derby, Pet Parade, Milk Carton Derby, Junior Regatta, Arts & Crafts Fair, Dinner/Dessert, & Annual Kids Camp out on the Beach. Please **RSVP to the WABA Clerk by July 10th** with the number of Adults & Kids so we have an accurate count. Dinner will be *catered* with Traditional BBQ Fare. You can pay in advance or payment day of - Individuals \$10, couples \$20, Families \$40. Expect a selection including: Pulled pork, ribs, chicken, and hot dogs for kids, & sides of beans, Mac-n-cheese, cornbread, & watermelon. Please Note: Bringing picnic food for your own table is perfectly acceptable should you prefer something else or have specific dietary requirements. Kids – don't forget to start planning your dessert for the Kids Dessert Challenge – Family Favorite with a Twist! Looking forward to seeing everyone on the 29th!!

WELCOME: We have many new faces in our community; take a moment to introduce yourself to those you don't recognize. It's a great way to meet new neighbors or get re-aquainted with those we haven't seen in a while! Please help us welcome our newest WABA members:

Gary and Diane Marshall purchased Dick Johnson's house and will be moving in shortly. They're looking forward to being a part of the neighborhood and have already met several residents and are excited to get to know many more as the summer progresses.

Trudi and Henning Hagen along with their two daughters Nova and Luna are renting the Brookhart's house while their current home undergoes major repairs. Both girls would love to meet some neighborhood friends, so please be sure to stop by and say hello!

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.:

Clerk-Treasurer Sue Ann Spens townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov (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 Jeff Jochums or Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster (see the Green Book)

KCSO Non-Emergency Line **(206) 296-3311**

Major Greg Thomas greg.thomas@kingcounty.gov (206) 423-1485

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