



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
APRIL 2018**

WABA Board Mtg.	Tuesday	7:00pm	April 3 rd	Tegeler
Town Council	2 nd Tuesday	7:00pm	April 10 th	Howes
Town Planning Commission	3 rd Thursday	7:00pm	April 19 th	Tegeler
WABA Beach Clean-up	Saturday	8:00am-Noon	April 28 th	Beach

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

COUNCIL BUSINESS: The following discussions took place at the most recent Council meeting:

- Neighborhood Traffic Mitigation: The Council continues to monitor changes in traffic counts and patterns through South Bellevue and Beaux Arts resulting from Sound Transit construction. Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp distributed traffic-data reports compiled from the Town’s traffic counters and asked the Council to consider how they wish to review data on an ongoing basis.
- Segregation of Council Duties: The Council completed this discussion and decided on the following:
 1. Councilmember Aletha Howes will take over work as the Town’s Emergency Coordinator, including Blockwatch and emergency preparedness.
 2. Councilmember Stowe will continue his work monitoring/managing the Street and Water Departments, including work to upgrade the Town’s Storm Water system.
 3. Councilmember Dix will take over work maintaining the Towns rights-of-way, including Tree Maintenance and Town Clean Ups, and will act as the Council’s liaison to WABA.
 4. Councilmember Juhle will take over financial duties, including reviewing quarterly Treasurer’s Reports, budgeting, and audit coordination.
 5. A fifth Councilmember (soon to be appointed and confirmed) will take over work on franchise agreements and utility/land-use issues and will act as the Council’s liaison to the Planning Commission.
- Strategic Plan: Mayor Gillem asked the Council to review a summary of the Council’s last Strategic Plan and consider how they wish to refresh it, noting that it feeds into the Town’s Capital Improvement Plan and Annual Budget processes, which will begin again shortly.
- Pocket Libraries: Councilmember Dix asked about interest in developing one or more Pocket Libraries in the Village. You may have seen these in other places: small boxes mounted in neighborhoods that allow neighbors to exchange books on an informal basis. She will continue gathering information for future discussions. If you want to discuss further, please contact her at pdix@beauxarts-wa.gov.
- Right of Way (ROW) Maintenance: Councilmember Juhle shared that he and several other residents are concerned that some of the Town’s ROWs appear neglected and unkempt. He would like the Council to consider developing a more formal plan for managing the Town’s ROWs, particularly maintaining them. The Council will continue this discussion over the next several months to allow time to collect input from Villagers and to review State public-works rules that may affect who/how we hire for the needed work.

COUNCIL - NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at 7:00pm on **Tuesday April 10, 2018** at Aletha Howes' house. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

EAST LINK CONSTRUCTION – SOUND TRANSIT: Early April updates show night and weekend ramp or lane closures, and ongoing weekday construction delays in the work zone. Weekly construction updates are available through Sound Transit's website at: <https://www.soundtransit.org/eastlink> where you can sign up to receive their electronic updates.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS: Has your block had its MYN meeting? This month's tip: **EARTHQUAKES** cause broken glass and those shards are a leading cause of injury. Don't become a statistic. Keep gloves and a solid pair of shoes right by your bed – immediately ready to use when needed.

MARSHAL REPORT: If you have anything to report, please contact **Marshal Jeff Jochums** at townmarshal@beauxarts-wa.gov. **March** activity in this 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>. Bellevue has a new integrated crime unit focusing on the most common crimes like car prowls, with the biggest offenders, often linked to Seattle gangs and identity theft.
- 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/>.

TOWN BUILDING NEWS: The following new permits were issued by the Building Dept. in March:
2715 – 106th Pl. SE Mechanical for gas work

The Town's Building Department reminds residents that most work requires permits; thank you to those that double-check before starting any work. Please check our website at: http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov/bldg_dept.htm for details, or a link to our codes. You may also contact Deputy Clerk Kulp.

WABA / Western Academy of Beaux Arts NEWS:

ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS: The WABA Annual Assessment payments will be due on or before May 15th, 2018. Assessment letters will go out via USPS in mid-April this year.

BEACH CLEAN-UP: The Spring Beach Clean-Up will be on Saturday, April 28th from 8:00am-Noon. There are plenty of tasks for all abilities and ages, come meet and greet your neighbors! Start your day with donuts and coffee, and at noon enjoy a picnic lunch!

BOARD MEETING: The next meeting of the WABA Board of Trustees will be **Tuesday, April 3, 2018** at 7:00pm at the Tegeler residence.

IN MEMORIAM: It is with great sadness we share the passing of long-time villager Ann Boynton. We extend our deepest sympathies to Ann's family; a service was held earlier this month. Moving to Beaux Arts in 1961, Ann lived her life with much spunk, adventure and humor. She was an inspiration and joy to many, and will be missed. Ann loved to play tennis, and looked forward to playing at the beach every summer. <http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/seattletimes/obituary.aspx?n=ann-elliott-boynton&pid=188423604>.

HISTORY COMMITTEE REPORT: More than a century ago, the Western Academy of Beaux Arts established an artist community here. We are fortunate enough to still have a handful of our original homes packed full of history. These unique dwellings are as much a part of the village as our community spirit that lives on, just as our founders intended.

One of our original homes is 'Toad Hall', which Ann Boynton owned for almost 57 years. As we mourn the loss of our dear neighbor, it seems appropriate to also remember her home. Ann threw a "tea party" for 'Toad Hall' on its centennial and her 50th ownership anniversary. Built in 1911 by Frank Baker, this home was known originally as the *Baker* house. Village architects Frank Baker, Joshua Vogel and Albert Roush were neighbors first, and later partners in an architectural firm called Baker, Vogel, and Roush Architects in the Smith Tower, working together from 1922-1933. Ann's late husband Jim was a big fan of the children's classic storybook, *Wind in the Willows*, first published in 1908, and appropriately named their home 'Toad Hall'. Times and homes have changed, but 'Toad Hall' retains its storybook charm and still has its original thick, long cedar shingle siding – something you can't buy today.

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

- **BEACHMASTER:** I'm looking forward to seeing many of you on Saturday, April 28th for our annual Spring Beach Clean-up! It's a great way to meet your neighbors, and show pride in our community property as our beach season begins again. Label the tools you bring, and come ready to get the projects done! We'll keep you fed, but leave the dogs at home. See Forrest Kulp with questions or to volunteer for a specific task.
- **DOCKMASTER:** There are some good spring clean-up jobs for the docks on April 28th! We need 2 or 3 folks with pressure washers to help clean the docks for the boating season during our annual spring cleanup. If you can help and/or if you have a pressure washer we can use for the day, it would be much appreciated. Please let Jay know if you can help.

Also, this is a good time to check that the safety equipment on your boat is ready for the boating season including life jackets and a fire extinguisher. For moored boats: be sure to secure your lines and have rubber snubbers on all 4 "corner tie" mooring lines to prevent any damage to your boat or the docks. Be safe and enjoy the water! - Dockmaster Jay Jacobsen

- **WOODLANDS:** Check out the path above the mid-beach for all the progress made recently on clearing & tree/trail work! More work continues this spring, and during the clean-up; see Julia Morse for details.

SUMMER PICNIC: The annual Summer picnic will be on Saturday, July 28th. We're working on a roster of traditional favorite activities (fishing derby, pet parade, campout) and maybe some new ones. The Rib Mafia will again be catering the evening dinner at a very reasonable cost. Villagers, we also welcome your salads and desserts to make sure no one goes home hungry. If you're in town, mark your calendars and stay tuned for details. Please contact Eugenia Yen if you'd like to help with any of the upcoming events.

SUMMER PLANS: As we look ahead to summer, we know it's hard to beat relaxing on our beautiful private beach. Marji and Ali Jochums have rounded up a great team of lifeguards. Tell us what else you'd like to see at the beach for your kids and family. A brief survey will be going out shortly via email to help us determine how to best plan for this summer. Please be sure to respond by April 9th!

THANK YOU: Thank you to Aletha Howes for organizing the annual Easter Egg hunt! All of the treat donations were much appreciated. Special thanks to the army of volunteers who got up early to assist the Easter bunny with hiding all the eggs. Donuts and hot beverages were a terrific start for this community tradition on such a beautiful spring day.

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 townmarshal@beauxarts-wa.gov or see the WABA 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 private beach or its use (including reservations and parking stickers), the Green Book Directory, 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