



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE  
TOWN BULLETIN  
JULY 2007**

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**TOWN COUNCIL  
PLANNING COMMISSION  
WABA**

July 10<sup>th</sup>  
July 19<sup>th</sup>  
July/August

Young  
Casey  
Date & Location TBD

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**E-MAIL ADDRESS, Town Hall: [townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov](mailto:townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov)  
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**WEBSITE: [www.beauxarts-wa.gov](http://www.beauxarts-wa.gov)**

**SALES TAX NUMBER: #1703**

*In Sympathy: The atmosphere in Beaux Arts was touched with sadness when we learned of the death of Katie Jo Johnson in early June at the age of 78. She was our friend and neighbor for almost 40 years. Dick and Katie Jo moved here with their children, Kirk and Kirsten, in 1968. They took part in the activities and spirit of the community. They were especially active in the BARF races with their C-15. For years she did a morning walk in the neighborhood; first, at a brisk pace, then a stroll, and finally because of Alzheimer's, she was accompanied by her caregiver. She always brought a depth of commitment and artistry to all she did. She will be missed.*

**FOURTH OF JULY:** Everyone enjoys having fun on the Fourth of July. **Please remember that the discharge of fireworks is prohibited throughout Beaux Arts Village.** Our urban forest thanks you, our pets thank you, and the Bellevue Fire Department thanks you!

**MARSHAL'S REPORT:** (E-Mailed earlier this month)

Notice: In the Village Newsletter, we have been notifying you of minor property crimes that have been occurring in the Village. While there is an annual spike each Spring, this issue seems to be intensifying. For example, in addition to the home burglary, the garage entry/ theft, car prowling and numerous mail thefts previously reported to you, a resident reports attempted garage invasion using a roaming radio frequency device. More distressing, the following have occurred in the past 10 days:

- \*Home burglary (while a resident's child was home alone)
- \*Separate car theft incident.

IN ALL CASES THUS FAR THE AREAS OF THEFT (HOMES, GARAGES, & CARS) WERE LEFT UNLOCKED and in most cases, the thefts occurred late at night (one home burglary, car prowling & all mail thefts occurred during the day) and they are happening in upper & lower Village. So, the obvious conclusions are: Our neighborhoods are being "canvassed" frequently, for easy "opportunities". If you leave your property unlocked, odds are becoming more likely that you will eventually become a victim of this. Things we can do as a Village:

- 1) LOCK YOUR CARS, HOUSES & GARAGES
- 2) Install motion activated exterior lighting

- 3) Make note of unknown people hanging around or walking your street; write down license plates of unknown cars cruising around slowly.
- 4) I encourage you to introduce yourselves to people at the beach that are unknown to you - this discourages unauthorized access and gives you the opportunity to meet many new residents who've moved into the Village recently.

There are less passive methods used by other small towns that we could employ as a community, if this trend continues or the nature of the crimes become more aggressive. These include such things as night-time resident "patrols" and/or cameras at intersections. We are not proposing these actions currently, just laying them out there for your consideration. While we all value our privacy, I can tell you that the victims of these crimes are in favor of further, more invasive measures. Please email Scott or Walter at [townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov](mailto:townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov) if you feel strongly either way about this.

(Please also review the updated Block watch Section (10) of the Green Book that was just sent out)

**OPT OUT OF BLOCKWATCH EMAILS:** (E-Mailed earlier this week)

Town Marshal Walter Scott and Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster want to begin mailing out Block watch-type notices directly to all Villagers themselves (rather than through me or Deputy Clerk Kulp). Because Angela and I collected your email addresses with the understanding that we would not release or reveal them to anyone nor allow them to be used for other than official Town business, we need to know if anyone does NOT wish to receive Block watch-type notices from Walter or Scott directly. You should have received an email explaining this; however, it seems some were not notified.

If you want to continue receiving messages, you do not need to do anything. **If you DO NOT want your email address released to Town Marshal Walter Scott and Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster** for use only in conjunction with Block watch-type notices and other official public-safety notices, please do one of the following **no later than July 31, 2007:**

- respond to the email you received earlier (if you did indeed receive it),
- send an email to [townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov](mailto:townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov), or
- call Clerk-Treasurer Spens at 425.454.8580

To let me know your desire to Opt Out of the Block watch Notice program. (If you think of it, please let me know if you received one of the emailed Opt Out Notices. This may help me find a better way to handle emails that are sent to all residents.) Thanks. – Sue Ann Spens

**A MESSAGE FROM KING COUNTY WASTEWATER TREATMENT DIVISION:**

*Greetings from the King County Wastewater Treatment Division. The Bellevue Way SE sewer pipe installation project finished up last week. King County's construction and detour signs have been removed, the Sweyolocken Boat Launch access road has been repaved, and King County's contractor is no longer on the premises. On behalf of the King County construction team, thanks to you all for your patience and accommodation of this project. Please let me know if you need additional information. Best wishes, Doug Marsano, 206-684-1235*

*Community Relations Planner, King County Wastewater Treatment Division*

**COUNCIL BUSINESS:** At the June Council meeting:

- Steve Eulau was appointed to the Town Council replacing Tom Robinson, who resigned when he moved to Seattle. Thank you Steve for your willingness to serve your fellow Villagers!
- The Council asked Clerk-Treasurer Spens to poll residents about whether they wanted to be removed from the distribution list for Block watch and similar email notices if the distribution list is provided to the Town Marshal. Because resident email addresses were collected with the understanding that they would NOT be shared, the Council is doing this to protect the privacy of any resident who does NOT want the Clerk-Treasurer to share their email address with the Town Marshal or Deputy Marshal.
- The Council discussed language proposed by the Planning Commission to clarify how setbacks will be measured to allow the encroachment of eaves and small chimneys. It was the consensus of the Council that the proposed language needs more work and that Town Planner Mona Green should be asked to assist in this endeavor.
- Councilmember Clemett provided a detailed update on the activities of the Tree Committee. The Tree

Committee has identified conifers, evergreens and madronas as the focus of its efforts and that the committee has produced a list of the largest trees of these species in the Village. The committee is looking at regulating the cutting of trees in three possible categories: landmark trees (trunk diameter greater than 3 feet), historic trees (trunk diameter between 2 and 3 feet), and significant trees (trunk diameter between 1 and 2 feet).

- Councilmember Leider gave a presentation outlining the costs and benefits of undergrounding utilities in the Village. It was the consensus of the Council to proceed with pre-engineering estimates of the project costs as there is no financial burden of doing so.
- Councilmember Sharp reported that the Town will soon receive money from FEMA to offset some of the extraordinary costs incurred during the December 2006 Winter Storm.

**WABA BUSINESS-**

The annual Summer Picnic will be held *Saturday, July 28<sup>th</sup>* and details will follow soon. Save the date for this fun all-day family event! There will be a fishing derby, triathlon, scavenger hunt, pet parade and cake contest IF we get all the needed volunteers! See Julia Morse if you can help. We also still need volunteers for summer beach kid activities including the sandcastle contest, rock diving, water balloon toss, and kites.

This week a *new water slide* will be installed on the swim dock. The old slide was beyond repair. Please heed safety information provided by lifeguard Michael Hallak before using the slide. Otherwise, enjoy the swim area!

*The Dock Master reports* that there is one 40 foot slip opening at this time. BARF races are underway and take place every Wednesday evening through the summer. Please be aware that the north picnic area is used after the races by the crews. Any party of more than twelve people wishing to use the north or south barbeque areas should check with the member-at-large ([juliamorse@comcast.net](mailto:juliamorse@comcast.net)) to avoid 'double booking' these facilities.

WABA would like to congratulate our newly appointed WOODLANDS MANAGER, *Sheila Justus*, who was elected by the board upon their unanimous approval of the Commons Planning Committee's proposed Vision for the Woodlands and Vegetation Management Plan. Expect to hear more soon about the implementation of the plan for the woodlands!

It has come to the WABA's attention that many of the lighting fixtures on the shoreline are often requiring constant maintenance. If you have any information about this problem, please contact Jan Johnston or a board member.

Welcome baby *Alexander Andrea Nassisi*! He joins parents Andrea and Amy, along with big sister Isabella. Alexander was born June 23rd, at 9#, 7oz., 20-3/4" long.

The next WABA meeting will be for July/August, the last week of July. Date and location are soon to be determined. If you did not receive a new member directory or guest parking pass recently, please let Julia know. THANK YOU!

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**CENTENNIAL UPDATE:**  
*We are planning many exciting events for 2008! If you have any questions or would like to join us, please contact Angela Kulp. If you can help us with contact information, please see Sylvia Hobbs.*  
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**NOTARY-** Angela Kulp is now a Notary; Gail D’Alessio will continue being a Notary through this year, and Clerk-Treasurer Spens is also a Notary. If you need a signature notarized, please make an appointment with one of us! There is no charge.

**MATH TUTOR-** If you are in need of a Math Tutor this summer or fall, please contact lifeguard Michael Hallak down at the beach.

**LOST KEY-** If you lost a single car key about mid-May, see Angela Kulp.

**POOL PARTY-** Thank you to the Van Wyk’s for hosting a pool party complete with hot dogs, for all the kids on Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>!

**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](mailto:townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov)  
Phone: (425) 454-8580  
Mail: 10550 SE 27<sup>th</sup> Street, Beaux Arts, WA 98004.
- Contact **Deputy Clerk Angela Kulp** if you have questions about the building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Board of Adjustment.  
Email: [bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov](mailto:bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov)  
Phone: (425) 269-6985  
Mail: 10550 SE 27<sup>th</sup> 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