



**TOWN OF BEAUX ARTS VILLAGE
TOWN BULLETIN
MAY 2009**

TOWN COUNCIL	7:00pm Tuesday	May 12 th	Rose
WABA	7:00pm Thursday	May 14 th	Bray
PLANNING COMMISSION	7:00pm Thursday	May 21 st	Harpster

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CONGRATULATIONS to our own Pam Lowry, Seattle Yacht Club’s Admiralette for 2009 Opening Day! The annual official parade of boats begins at the Montlake Cut at Noon on Saturday, May 2nd as part of a full day of festivities kicking off the official start to boat season.

TOWN MARSHAL REPORT: Summer is around the corner and besides getting out the lawn mower, you know what that means around here: garages and cars will be canvassed by petty thieves for visible opportunities and unlocked doors. If you leave in view even minor value items, it’s a good bet that eventually a \$500 car window will get smashed for a \$35 pr. of sunglasses. Unlocked cars will be rifled through and relieved of anything of value. Do you leave your house key in your car? If you make a habit of leaving your garage door open or unlocked, you may not have long to worry about that lawnmower.

COUNCIL BUSINESS: At the April 14th Council meeting:

- Councilmember Sharp reported that ten firms responded to a recent Request for Proposals to survey the Town’s existing storm drain system. He and Tom Stowe will review the proposals and pick the one that provides the best value to the Town.
- The Council continued reviewing and discussing an ordinance regulating the use and development of Town rights of way.
- Councilmember Leider reported on his progress investigating the feasibility of a limited amount of higher density housing, limited to “cottage housing” or its equivalent. Included in this report was a proposed work plan, including the forming of a committee chaired by Councilmember Leider. Villagers who have agreed to serve on this committee include Dick Johnson, Tom Stowe, Jan Johnston, and Lynn Hall
- The Council began discussing writing a parking ordinance that moves regulations governing parking on public property out of the Zoning Code, which regulates the use of private property, and into a separate ordinance. The change will allow the Council to respond more rapidly when these rules need to be revised.
- Councilmember Clemett reported that the Town’s Spring Cleanup was well attended and that several project were completed. The Council thanks everyone who helped!

TESTING TIME FOR BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICES: Town regulations require that backflow prevention devices (BFDs) be placed in the water supply lines connected to lawn sprinklers, fire sprinklers, hot tubs and similar devices that are permanently connected to the Town’s water system. These BFDs must be tested annually to ensure that the devices are working properly and that the Town’s water supply is protected from back siphoning. The Town arranges for this testing on behalf of many residents at a reduced price and bills residents for reimbursement of the actual cost of testing.

If you have a BFD that you want the Town to have tested, please notify Clerk-Treasurer Spens by email at townhall@beauxarts-wa.gov. Residents who choose NOT to have their BFDs tested by the Town’s contractor must provide proof that their BFD has been tested by another certified tester and that the BFD has passed the test.

NEW NO-WAKE BUOYS: In the next couple of weeks, residents should notice a big improvement in the buoy line that marks the Town’s no-wake zone. Two aluminum buoys with beacon lights have been purchased to place at the outer corners of the zones. Plastic buoys will be used to fill in the remainder of the boundary line. In the future,

the Council plans to replace more of the plastic buoys with aluminum ones as the budget allows. Aluminum buoys are more expensive than plastic but have a much longer expected life and should be a more economical choice overall.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Town Council will be held at **7:00pm on Tuesday, May 12, 2009** at John Rose's house.

NEXT WABA MEETING: The next regular meeting of the WABA Board of Trustees will be held at **7:00pm on Thursday, May 14, 2009** at Rich Bray's house. At this meeting, the Trustees will continue their discussion of a by-law amendment regarding the issue of adverse possession. Additional information regarding this proposed amendment can be found on the WABA website, <http://www.waba1908.com>.

DOCKMASTER REPORT: *Welcome* Bernard Van de Kamp, who will be taking over the reins of Dock Master in the coming months. Thank you to David Dempster for serving six terrific years as our Dock Master! The water has been turned ON at the beach.

BEACHMASTER REPORT: *Thank you* to all and hello 'Fun Day' members! The beach cleanup was a 'funtastic' success. The Beach Master and the WABA Board greatly appreciates all of your efforts. It was a pleasure to welcome new and long tenured members, including the kids, to the 'Fun', who are all too numerous to name. Together, all of the scheduled projects were accomplished, plus a few fun jobs. I hope your personal gratification for a job well done will enrich your beach spirit this summer!

Be aware in the upcoming weeks the bathrooms may be closed for several days as a new roof is installed.
-Beach Master, Forrest

BEACH VACANCIES:

The following paid summer WABA positions are taking applications now:

Beach Maintenance Person: See Beach Master Forrest Kulp for more information.
Lifeguard: See WABA Board Member Becky Ryals or Beach Mom Nancy Burlingame.

Save the following dates on your calendar for upcoming summer activities:

Meet the Lifeguard: Saturday, June 20th, 2pm - Ice Cream Social and Swim Rules Review
The lifeguard schedule is still to be determined, but usually runs daily between school getting out and school beginning.
Kids Crafts, Games, & Food: Wednesdays, 2pm: July 1, 15, 29, and August 5, 26
Summer Picnic: Saturday, August 8th – also includes a beach sleepover, and kids competitions

The following summer events still need volunteers to chair or co-chair:

Summer Picnic: See WABA Board Member Becky Ryals
Arts & Crafts Fair, date TBD: See WABA Board Member Becky Ryals

THANK YOU to Lisa and Scott Harpster for organizing the Easter Egg Hunt for our youngsters on Easter weekend! Thank you also to all those neighbors that helped and participated. We were spared the rain and a good time was had by all.

BUILDING NEWS- The following permits were issued in April:

2739 – 106th Pl. SE: Variance Granted for Setback Intrusion
10317 SE 28th Place: Building Permit for Garage Repair
10602 SE 29th St.: Street Opening Permit for Sewer Maintenance

LOST AND FOUND: The following items have been found recently at the beach:

Hitachi Flashlight: See Lynn Hall if you think it may be yours
Navy Beach Blanket: See Angela Kulp if you think it may be yours

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 about the building department, permits, variances, or issues before the Planning Commission or Board of Adjustment.

Email: bldgdept@beauxarts-wa.gov

Phone: (425) 269-6985

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- To report Block watch concerns, contact:

Town Marshal Walter Scott: (425) 454-2573

Deputy Marshal Scott Harpster: (425) 746-0757