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by Irene Zinmer

Here's the perfect opportunity for you to enter a time machine back to the 1940's! USO Puget Sound and the Key Peninsula Civic Center have joined together to salute the 54th Anniversary of the USO. This gala evening will be THE event to be seen at in 1995.

Planned entertainment includes a Fashion Show of clothes of the Forties put on by the Ladies from Goodwill Industries, a barbershop quartet called GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY, Big Band dance music provided by THE TEMPOS, and a "Memory Museum" filled with pictures and memorabilia from WWII assembled by the VFW. We've come up with some surprises as well.

Dinner will be an all American meal of salad, roast beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, peas and carrots, biscuits, and apple or cherry pie for dessert.

The entertaining evening will be held at the KEY PENIN-SULA CIVIC CENTER on January 28, 1995.

No-Host cocktail time from 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 6:00 p.m. If you can, dress in Forties style.

If you're a Veteran and can still wear your uniform, please do so. Reservations are necessary, so please make them by calling 884-9330 after 7:00 p.m. or write to Irene Zimmer, P.O. Box 564, Vaughn, WA 98394. Tickets are \$25.00 per person, \$50.00 per couple.

Join us for a wonderful evening!

Key Center Flag Raising Well Attended

by Irene Zimmer

Thanks to the tireless efforts of the Key Peninsula VFW Post 4990 and its' Ladies Auxiliary there is now a new flagpole located at the KC Corral in Key Center. Ceremonies were held on Veteran's Day, November 11, 1994 at KC Corral. More than 150 people turned out to participate in the festivities which included a wonderful performance by the singing group "RAZZ-MA-TAZZ" from Peninsula High School, under the direction of Connie Fenton.

Cy Young acted as Master of Ceremonies for the affair and introduced the featured speaker, John Lee of the Veterans' Administration. The Chaplin, Rhys Wood, gave the Invocation. Wally Cornman, the Commander of VFW 4990, and Wilma Haines the President of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary raised the new flag. The event was capped off with a few rousing tunes played by the Peninsula High School Band.

The new owners of the restaurant in KC Corral gave over their whole building to the crowd and provided coffee and donuts.

Thanks to all of you that came out in the rain to support our community!



Stacy's Corner

by Stacy Smith

Key Peninsula
Civic Center
Director



by Stacy A. Smith

Happy Holidays! It's time to dust off those Christmas decorations, trim the tree, light the lights, and warm up some apple cider for those cold December nights. I will admit that I started putting up decorations a little early this year. Perhaps it had something to do with going to see the remake of "Miracle on 34th Street", which made me cry buckets, and wish that I could live in their house with them, at least for Christmas.

If you want to see a classic Christmas remake, take the family, grab an elderly neighbor, or go alone to see this movie. It truly is a wonderful experience. After all Christmas is about a feeling that we all seem to forget 11 months out of the year. It's not about the lastest gizmo, or the sales and shopping, it's the good it brings out in all of us. That makes us all wish that that we could be ten again and truly believe whole heartily in Santa Claus. We never really have to stop.

have to stop.

Santa Claus is that spirit that we all feel during the Holiday Season. He's one giant elf in a puzzle that makes Christmas special. Each one of has different pieces to fit our own puzzle. The heart of my puzzle is my family with whom I value everything. A smaller piece is snow and Christmas lights glittering on the tree late at night. As we all have different puzzles, we all seem to manage to come together during the holidays. That's why I BELIEVE.

On Thanksgiving at the Center there was a wonderful dinner sponsered by Tacoma's Long Term Care & Aging and area agencies. I received so many calls from wonderful people wishing to Volunteer to spend their Thanksgiving; with those who otherwise would of been alone, that I actually had to began to turn Volunteers away. UNBELIEVEABLE. I was simply overwhelmed. It was such a complete outpouring from the community that it made me realize just how many "good" people are out there.

Many of the calls were from parents who wanted their whole family to help, little ones too. As a way to show their children what Thanksgiving really is. I had always believed that you absolutely could never have enough Volunteers. I had to change that when the recipents of the dinner were outnumber 3:1. Thank you to all those who gave up their Thanksgivings to be here and to those who offered their assistance. It is instances like this that makes you begin to believe in our community all over again with a fresh heart.

lt's truly a pleasure to tell you the

heat is installed, and the gym is now a warming 70 degrees. (We are in the process of trying to DRY out the building.) Which is just in time for the next Bingo night. I have already been told it is too hot. I knew this would happen. It is nice to know we can actually control the temperature in the gym!

with Christmas fast approaching I hope everyone will remember that the December 8th general board

meeting is a potluck open to everyone! It is more like a Christmas party and I would encourage you to bring the whole family down to the Center at 6:30, but remember to give me a call and let the office know how many to expect. This way we will not run out of delicous meat.

It's been a great year here at the Civic Center, and I have truly enjoyed it. Happy Holidays to everyone. Please drive safely during these Holidays and remember to buckle up! May 1995 be filled with much joy and happiness for you and your family!

P.S. Last week I finally used my Flavor of Fall Auction Certificate for Dr. Olsson, DDS of Key Center. And I was truly impressed, the staff was professional, courteous, and friendly. Even though Dr. Olsson is a die-hard Husky fan and I a Cougar this is one Dentist who gets my thumbs up and all my teeth if I don't start flossing every day!

Salatino Christmas Dinner set for Dec 25 at KPCC

Preparations are underway for the Annual Salatino Christmas Dinner/Party according to Bob Schottland, Coordinator of Invitations. Bob indicated that the usual activities will be provided which include a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, singing, entertainment, gifts for each individual, and a parting bag of "goodies".

ual, and a parting bag of "goodies".

Residents of the Key Peninsula who will be alone on Christmas Day are encouraged to call Bob at 884-2951 to be sure that their names are on the list of those who will attend. Last year over 100 people enjoyed this event which is sponsored by Mike Salatino and his wife. Over 20 volunteers help prepare and serve the dinner.

All those residents who were in attendance last year will be called to verify their plans to attend this years group. If you know of anyone who would like to be invited, please call Bob and give him their name (s) as soon as possible. There is no charge for this dinner, it is absolutely free!

Halloween Party Update

Halloween was a "HOWLING" experience for young and old alike this last October 31st at the Key Peninsula Civic Center. The booths were sponsored and manned by area organizations such as the Vaughn Volunteer Parent Organization, T.O.P.S., K.P. Lions Club, Family Services, Civic Center, Peninsula Sky Club, and Mary Ann Huntington.

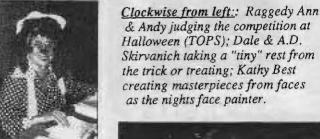
The Peninsula Sky Club, which is an Peninsula High School organization

wasn't only the children that had a great time!

The children were treated to tasty.

The children were treated to tasty popcorn and trick or treats, face painting, cake walks, basketball toss, spinners, pumpkin decorators, clown eat duck and much more!

"Next year we hope to have a Haunted Maze, and at least 15 booths for the children," Stacy Smith Civic Center Director said recently," It was wonderful to have so many area





sponsered through Kiwanis of Gig Harbor dedicated to supporting area service organizations in any way possible, had over 20 members volunteer to help with the Party. The members were dressed up in a variety of combinations from a cow complete with utter, surgeon, cow girls, soccer players, a ghost and even a very big football player. The Sky Club members all agreed that it



organizations turn out for the children of the Peninsula. Since the Civic Center is a private non-profit organization its goals are to essentially be the center of the community, but without the support its just not possible. It's great to have organizations like these that can all work together."

All in all, the Civic Center Halloween Party entertained over 425 children October 31st.

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Mark Clifton has been dancing for over 18 years, and teaching for 15 years. He has won dance competitions, appeared on local television, and danced in professional musical theater. He continuously updates his techniques in Jazz, Tap, Hip-Hop, Ballet, Ballroom, Stretching, and Mivede Balence from Lee Appelos Muscle Balance from Los Angeles

professionals.

Now Mr. Clifton will sharing his love of music and dance with "fun and safe" classes that teach students how to listen, to follow directions,

and how to take care of their bodies. Starting December 12th at the Key Peninsula Civic Center Mr. Clifton will be teaching Hip-Hop every Monday from 5 p.m.- 6 p.m. and Jazz from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.. Tuition will be only \$22.00 per month or \$8.00 for a single class.

Classes are open to children and adults ages 10 and up. For clothing, tights and leotards are preferred, sweat pants and T-Shirts are acceptable as long as they are not extremely baggy. No jeans please. Shoes

KP Business Assoc.

should be ballet slippers or jazz shoes, and bare or stocking feet are not safe at any time.

For more information on dance classes please call Mark Clifton at (206) 871-7126 or (206) 871-5315.

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For information about the Civic Center call 884-3456

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Dec. 2: 7:30 am Home Port Rest. Dec. 16: 12 pm Horseshoe Lk. Rest. Fire Fighters Assoc. Dec. 27:7:00 pm K.C. Fire Station Civic Organizations Dec. 1 : 10: 30 am Dec. 15 : 7: 00 pm K.C. Fire Station Confiettes **KPCCA** KPCCA Potluck Christmas Mtg. Dec8: : 6:30 pm **KPCCA** Dec. 12: 7:30 pm **KPCS** Comm. House Contact Mr.Slater 884-5403 for dates/times **KP** Grange **KP Lions** Dec. 7 & 21: 7 pm Horseshoe Lk. Rest. **Community Services** Adult Literacy Classes Call for Appt. 51-6552 / G.H. Citizens Against Crime Drc. 2 & 16:7 pm Purdy Sheriff Office Food Bank Tues.-Fri. 10 am - 3 pm Comm. House Hot lunch for Seniors Wednes. Noon Comm. House Sundays 2-3 pm Free Brunch Comm. House (also food & clothing assistance, call 884-4440, 884-4512, 857-4780)

WIC (Women's Infants & Children) Tues. 8: 15-4: 15 **KPCCA**

Call for an appt. at 884-3835 Tuesdays

Immunizations Thurs. 9 am- 2 pm GH C. Commerce

Public Meetings KP Fire Comm. Dec. 14: 7:30 pm KC Fire Station Dec. 27: 4:00 pm

Self-Help Groups AA

Sat. & Sun. 8 pm **TOPS** Tues. 6-8 pm KPCCA/VFW Rm. Caregivers Support Dec. 13: 7-9pm Library Brontes Rm Social & Hobby Groups

Mon. & Fri. 6 pm

KP Comm. Services

Bayshore Garden Club Dec. 16: 1 pm Longbra Call Tim Kezelle for information Longbranch Imp. C. Historical Society

Longbranch Imp. Club Dec. 21: Ptlk 7 pm Longbranch Imp. C. Peninsula Neighbors Dec. 13: 10: 30 am Home Comm. Hall Ruth Circle Meet Longbranch Church Dec. 19: Noon Senior Society Lunch Potlk. KPCCA / WM Thurs. : Noon

Dec. 15: Footcare & Blood Pressure Checks VFW & Aux. Dec. 12 & 26:6:30 pm KPCCA BINGO (It's Warm!) Wed. ': 6: 30 pm

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!





KPCCA Board Meeting Minutes - November 10, 1994

The Meeting was called to order by Sylvia Haase, Vice President, at 7:30 p.m. The minutes of October minutes were approved as published. The reasurer's report was approved as presented

VFW: The VFW meet with the Exec. Board Monday. It was agreed that all future fireworks booths would be ran by Wilma Haines whom would have a Chair from both the KPCCA and the VFW who would run each booth under her supervision. The chairs would be responsible for finding their own volunteers, and could also coordinate. Jim Wooldridge stated his wife would like to phone once again. The shed needs repairs inside and out before its next use. Schedule to bring up at the April 1995 meeting.

BINGO: The numbers are up. The Cootiettes will do longer be serving at Bingo after January. Irene is looking for a new organization to do the kitchen. It was suggested that two organizations do the kitchen and split the times. A new closet was built to encase all Bingo equipment, for

security purposes.

FURNACE: The furnace will be completed by December.

KP News: Profit for November.

USO DANCE: The dance is scheduled for January 28, 1995 Irene Zimmer is the Chairperson, she has received the first donation.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Has accepted KPCCA's rent offer. They will

move into the library in January.

ELECTIONS: Shirley Olson of the nominating committee nominated Donna Bosch was for Sec., and Stephanie Zampini for the Treas.. The KPCCA is now seeking nominations for the general board.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: Chairperson Terry Thomas was unavailable to give report. Scheduled for November 26, 1994 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., cootiettes will be running the kitchen.

BUDGET COMMITTEE: Stephanie Zampini and Claudia Loy were ap-

pointed they will give a report in Ianuary.

OPERATIONS MANUAL COMMITTEE Mike Salatino, Ed Taylor, and Dave Freeman will meet to set up a operations manual for the KPCCA, to help the Director function efficiently. They will meet before the December

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY: A sexual harassment policy will be sent to all at the November board meeting. It is asked that they read it carefully. It will be put to a vote at the December meeting. It was stated the Civic Center must adopt a policy with the influx of volunteers and employees to insure everyone's best interests are served.

CHRISTMAS DINNER: Salatino's Christmas dinner will be Christmas Day. If anyone know of seniors whom will be alone on that day Mike asked that they please call Bob Shotland as he is the invitation coordinator. Tacoma Transit and Bargreen Ellingson are dinner supporters.

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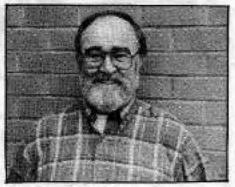
Citizens Of The Year To Be Feted February 25

By Hugh McMillan

Saturday, February 25, the Eleventh annual Key Peninsula Citizens of the Year Awards Banquet will begin at 6:00 pm with a social hour to be followed by dinner at 7:00 pm at the Key Peninsula Civic Center in Vaughn.

You are encouraged to nominate the candidate of your choice for recognition as a Citizen of the Year by using the application form included in this issue of the Key Peninsula News or by providing a brief letter describing the person(s) and your reasons for your choice. Mail to KP Lions Citizens of the Year, P.O. Box 63, Vaughn, WA 98394 on or before January 13, 1995.

With the exception of members of the Lions Club, anyone living, working, or



John Vanderbrooke last year's Key Peninsula Citizen Of The Year.

owning property on the Key Peninsula is eligible to be a candidate for recognition of voluntary contributions to our community

"The keynote address speaker is in the

selection process," said Lion Joe Barrow, chairman of the event. Previous keynoters have included former governor Dixy Lee Ray, United Airlines' Captain Al' Haynes, KIRO radio's Jim French, and Congressman Norm Dicks among others.

KOMO TV, Channel 4, might film the event as a news item.

Please plan come and recognize these citizens who have given so much to make ours a special place to live.

Once again, tickets, \$8.00, or \$15.00 per couple, or \$25.00 per group of four will be available at Sunny Crest Nursery, Key Bank branch in Key Center, Continental Tire, Country Gardens, and all KP Lions' members. At the door: \$9.00 each. A nohost bar will offer a wide variety of your favorites.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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WM/K 9-1 7	WALK 11-12 KPCCA Exec. 7:30 Karate	Rhythm Whitmore Rm WIC /TOPS Walk 11-12	7 WALK 11-12 BINGO 6:30	WALK 11-12 8 KP Senior/Karate KPCCA Christmas Mtg. Potluck Dinner	SKATING 6:30-9:00	Dance Benefit Gym 4:00-10:00
Private Party 11 Ipm - Midnight Gym /WM/ K WM/K 9-1	Dance 5-7 pm/GYM WALK Karate VFW 6:30-9 WM/VFW	Rhythm WIC TOPS WALK	WALK BINGO 6:30	WALK 15 COOTIETTES Karate / Seniors	16 (SKATING)	17
18 WM/K9-1	Dance 5-7 pm GYM WALK Karate	Rhythm 20 WIC TOPS WALK	WALK BINGO	Seniors Karate	NO SKATING	24
25 Christmas Day	VFW Karate	Rhythm WIC TOPS	28 WALK BINGO	Seniors Karate	SKATING To be ANNOUNCED CALL 4-3456	31 NEW YEARS EVE What is your resolution?

KP Historical Society To Open Museum!

For many years there has been talk about establishing a museum on our peninsula to display our books of photographs and to house the many historical artifacts available on the Key Peninsula. After considering several possible sites, Tim Kezele and Shirley Olson negotiated with the Civic Center Board for space at the Civic Center in

At the October meeting of the Society, members voted to rent the former Library Room at the Civic Center for their long awaited museum. The Civic Center Board offered the room for a reduced rent of \$200 per month. It seemed to some members to be a daunting task to raise \$2400 per year plus additional monies for start up and continuing expenses, but the generous gift of \$1,000 from the Angel Guild and the prospect of other grants and gifts makes the project feasible.

The museum can be successful if everyone turns on the enthusiasm to make it go. Committees are being formed to organize the work. These include, Acquisitions, Cataloguing, Design and Construction of displays, and Fund Raising. Several people have already volunteered to serve on one or more of these committees, but more

volunteers are needed to get the project off to a good start.

If you haven't already volunteered, this is the time for you to become involved in this worthy project. Please call the representative for your area: Vaughn; Phyllis Anker, 884-2256 or Lee Stiles, 884-3379: Key Center; Joyce Nieman, 884-3702 or Shirley Olson, 884-2448: Home; Bill Evans, 884-4401: Lakebay; Virginia Seavy, 884-2938 or Mary Seidelman, 884-3716: Longbranch; Audrey Tritle, 884-3768 or Jean Humphreys, 884-3716 or Marge Radonich, 884-3758.

"Show and Tell" meetings in the past proved that we have lots of artifacts on the Peninsula to go with the several items already in storage and waiting for the museum. Please let the representatives know about items you are willing to donate to the display. Donation of money will also be welcomed. Checks should be made out to the Key Peninsula Historical Society and mailed to the treasurer, Evelyn Evans, PO Box 321, Lakebay, WA 948349. Let's all jump on the band wagon so

that we can be ready to organize the museum when the room at the Civic Center becomes available in January.

Obituaries ?

Reverend Edward Wagner

The Reverend Edward Wagner, 80, passed away in Tacoma, November 3, 1994. He was born in Max, North Dakota on April 30, 1914. He graduated from Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa, and from Wartburg Seminary in Dubuque. He was ordained as a Lutheran minister in 1941, and served Lutheran churches in Kansas City, Missouri, and in Washington at Reardon, Cheney, Walla Walla, Marysville and at Key Center Lutheran Church in

Lakebay.

He is survived by his wife, Marian; children and their spouses: John and Carol Wagner, Hoquim; Anne and Gordon Pease, Silvana; Paul and Shane Bryant, Middletown, California; and seven grandchildren.

Memorial services were held Mon-day, November 7, at Luther Memorial Church, Tacoma, with the Reverend Chuck Harris presiding. The family has asked that memorials be made to Luther Memorial Church, 909 South 5th Street, Tacoma 948405. Arrangement were made by Haven of Rest, Gig

by R. Marvin Keizur CTF

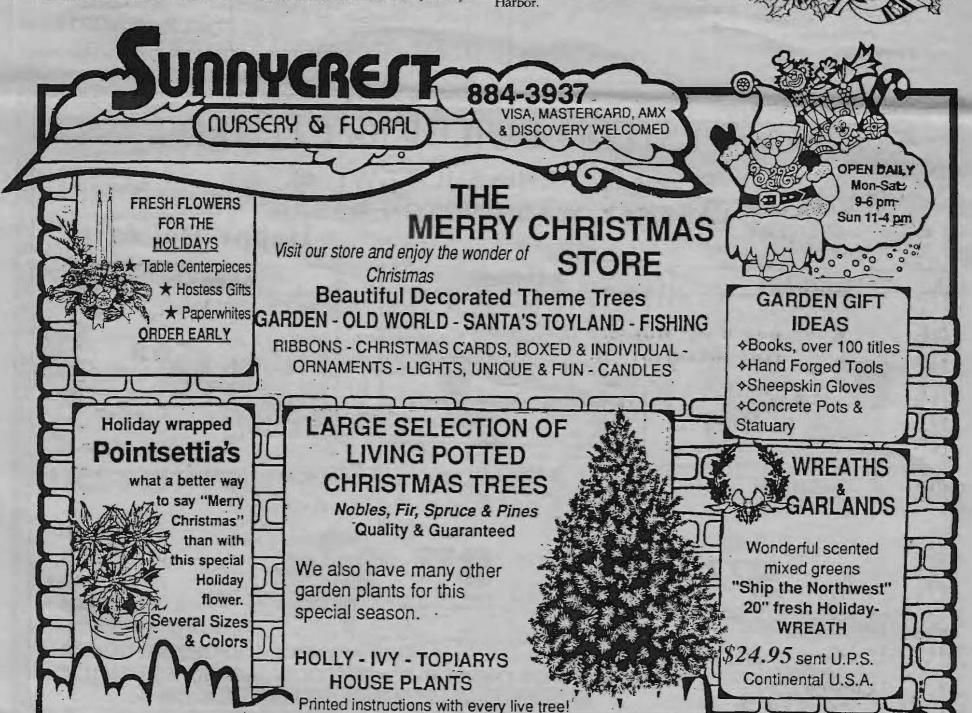
With the approach of the holidays, we also are approaching the end of the year which means that Income Tax time is upon us again. You need to be thinking about what you must do to keep your taxes as low as possible.

Now is the time to make sure that you have paid in enough withholding tax or established tax to avoid under payment penalties. Make your charitable contributions and be sure to have your documentation to support your contribution. A check for more than \$250 is no longer an acceptable proof of your

Time your payments and plan to see whichever time is best to claim a deduction-this year or next. Payments made this year by credit card are deductible this year. Seek out your tax preparer and do some planning.
HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL OF MY

READERS AND CLIENTS!!!!





<u>LLAUGHN</u>

A first aid/CPR class will be offered at Vaughn for staff members. If any parents are interested in taking the class, please call or send a note to the school nurse, Diane Yelish. We can include parents in the class or if enough are interested arrange for an additional class. Class is scheduled for Friday, January 28 from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm in the Vaughn staff room.

The Gig Harbor Athletic Club wishes to support the fund raising activity of the Peninsula School District. For the period of December 1, 1994 to December 31, 1994, the club will donate a portion of new membership funds to the school generating the new membership. They have prepared a fund raising sponsorship form which can be distributed by the Boosters, parents or students. The new member would bring the form to the club and sign the appropriate membership form to activate the donation. The form has an area wherein the new member names the school to receive the funds.

Library News - The library is suf-fering from a severe case of Too Many Overdue Books. Please help your son or daughter find and return library books. Classes visit the Library on a weekly basis, but children may return books during recesses and before school.



Winter Program - An evening musical program by primary students is planned for Monday, December 12th at 7 pm. A daytime dress rehearsal is scheduled for 9:20 am the same day.

Health News - Vision and hearing screening will be held December 5th at school for grades 1st through 5th.

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KPMS Cougar Corner

By Margo MacDonald The KPVPO would like to thank all those people who helped make our fund raiser a success. We made close to \$700 in this effort and are still accepting donations. The money raised will go to various school programs. We are in the midst of placing volunteers in the school, planning events for the year and developing our parent group to be responsive to parent and school issues.

Congratulations are in order! First to the winners of the October and November Student of the Month Awards. These students were chosen by their teachers for demonstrating exemplary qualities. October: Anna Larson for Cooperation, November: Jennifer Martin for effort. Congratulations also to

"Holiday Concert December 14"

our eighth graders for their improved CTBS scores; the Peninsula scored at the top for the country in these State mandated tests. Good job students!

December is a busy month at KPMS Our basketball team has games on Mondays and the wrestling team has matches on Thursdays. Call the school if you want more information on times and places. Our Holiday concert is scheduled for December 14 at 7:30 pm. The school is open to students for Ac-

tivity Nights on December 2 and 16. This time of year we intensify our efforts to the needy in our community by collecting for our food drive. If you wish to contribute non-perishables, please drop off your gifts at the school.



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"We're really pleased with the progress being make on the new fire stations," said Key Peninsula Fire Chief, Fred Ramsdell. And we should be. Here are views of work in progress on Station 3 in Home, and the two builders making it possible, Doug Torgerson and Brian Hogman. "Station 5 (at Wright Bliss and SR 302) is moving right along as well," Ramsdell said. He added, "Permits for Pierce County enabling us to proceed with the bid process for construction of Station 1 at Lake Kathryn Village and Station 4 in Longbranch are expected within the next few week.s. photo courtesy of Hugh McMillan



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Small Business Assistance Available

Workshops by Robert Ryan, C.P.A. are available at the Gig Harbor / Peninsula Area Chamber of Commerce Building located at 3125 Judson Street in Gig Harbor. You can learn how to improve your business profits in a practical workshop that shows you how to successfully analyze and understand gross profits, break-even points and gross sales. Learn how to prepare a bank loan request for your business and how to get the best possible response when applying for a business loan.

Other seminars that will be available during the first quarter of 1995 are:

- * "Selling In The Real World", by Dave Westin.
- * "Retirement Planning for busi-

ness Owners", by Peter Stefanic.

- * "Interviewing Job Applicants", by Marilyn Hoppen.
- * "Business Plans", by Paul Patterson of TCC Downtown.
- * "Selection and Use of Computers for Small Businesses".

The Small Business Assistance Center can provide quality, accessible resources and services to support the success of local small businesses. The SBAC is administered by the Chamber of Commerce and Tacoma Community College. For additional information call 851-4633 or 851-6865.

Pre-register one day before the workshop you wish to attend and receive a 10% discount!



Community Services Holiday Happenings

It's that time of year again! With a successful Thanksgiving behind them, the folks at Key Peninsula Community Services are setting their sights on an equally successful Christmas time. Marge Adams, manager of KPCS, told the KP News that they expect to distribute a minimum of 100 food baskets containing turkeys and all the ancillary items that will provide a good holiday meal for their clients. Santa will also make a stop and there will be many gifts shared with neighbors.

The second annual financial appeal is currently underway. Letters have been sent to all the residences on the Peninsula, and the Board of Directors is hoping that it will be as successful as last year. In excess of \$5,500 was re-ceived last year from 4 percent of the homes contacted, The goal this year is to have 5 percent participate. The Board feels that while the financial response is very important, it is equally important for the people to respond in numbers to reinforce the social aspects of helping one's neighbors.

Capping off December's activities will be the annual New Year's Eve dance held by KPCS at the Longbranch Improvement Club. Music will be provided by "Pressure Ridge" and tickets will be \$10 per person. It will be a BYOB affair and will begin at 9 pm. The new year will be usbered in with a The new year will be ushered in with a full breakfast being served shortly after midnight. The cost of the breakfast is included in the price of admission. It's a great way to end 1994 and bring in 1995. All proceeds will go to benefit the food bank. Tickets will be available at Community House and at the door.

Holiday **Activities**

The Key Peninsula Community is cordially invited to celebrate the Holidays with the Lakebay Community Church. A number of Holiday activities are planned in addition to the regular Sunday morning worship to help celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. Call the church office at 884-3899 with inquiries or to make reservations for the dinner.

Friday, December 2nd, at 6:30 pm, "Adult Christmas Dinner": Sunday, December 4th, at 7 pm, "The Story of the Christmas Tree", refreshments provided: Sunday, December 11th, at 7 pm, "Children's Christmas Program", refreshments provided: Sunday, December 18th, at 7 pm, "Caroling", refreshments provided: Saturday, December 24th, at 5:30 pm, "Christmas Eve Candle Lighting Service": Sunday,



T.O.P.S. News

The local chapter of TOPS was proud to honor the best loser of October, Laural Johnson. She reportedly lost over 40 pounds, and is over half-way to her goal. Kathy Best was runner-up for the month. Kathy has lost every week since she joined the chapter.

Next month Verna Bergman, a nutritionalist from Gig Harbor will be speaking at their December 13 meeting, and guests are welcome to come and listen to her speak and learn more about TOPS.

If you have 5 to 500 pounds to lose, TOPS will give you menu ideas and help you reach your goal. Men, women and children over the age of seven are eligible to join. The meeting are held in the V.F.W. room at the Civic Center, with weigh-in beginning at 6:30pm, followed by the meeting at 7pm. If you would like more information call

Chorus To Perform

The Peninsula Community Chorus, directed by Wayne Lackman, will be performing Antonio Vivaldi's GLO-RIA and a collection of Holiday pieces at the United Methodist Church located at 7400 Pioneer Way in Gig Harbor. Performance dates for this annual Holiday Concert are Saturday, December 3rd at 8:00 pm and Sunday, December 4th at 4:00 pm.

Ticket prices are \$7 for adults and \$4 for students. For more information contact choir relations manager Haldean Windsor at 549-4900 or director Wayne Lackman at 265-3021.



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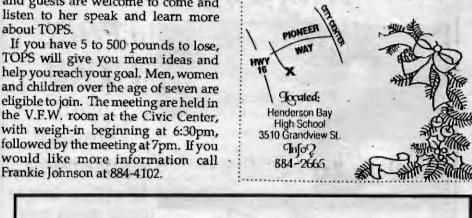
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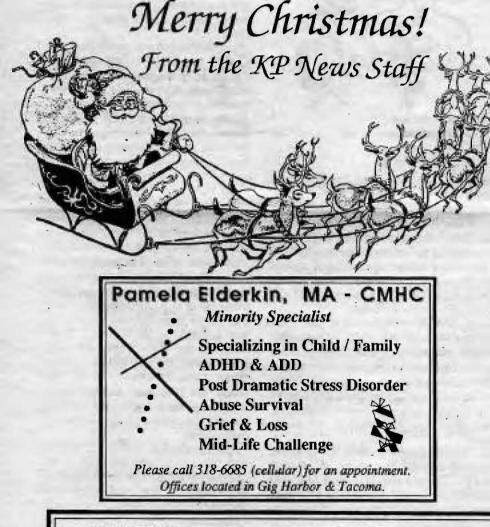
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Performance Circle To Present -"Christmas Cavalier"

By Shirley Coffin

The Performance Circle is presenting as its Holiday show, a new format for its Pierce County audiences. We are importing a British Pantomine. It will be a United States premier!

Pantomines in the United Kingdom are a traditional part of their Holiday entertainment. We in the US think of Marcel Marceau when we say pantomine, when in actuality pantomine has some very definite links to vaudeville and Commedia dell' Arte.

The principal boy and principal girl (British terms) are played as straight roles of romantic interest. The roles of gross, obnoxious women of aggressive characters are played by males. Trained animals like dancing bears are usually found in these pantomines.

The villans are hissed and booed. The "good guys" are cheered and supported by the audience through its verbal participation. Audience participation is very important.

Our production, a United States premier, is "Christmas Cavalier". It relates to that time in history when King Charles fought with his parliaments, and in the course of events lost his head. The Puritan, Cromwell, who was intent on

purging the church of excessive pomp and ritual, came into power and thence began the witch hunts.

Our story commences at this point, when our villan turns his purging to the banning of all Christmas festivities. Dame Dumpling, who has planned a holiday party for the whole village is likely to be charged with being a witch —And you know what happened to witches—burned at the stake—! Emma Sweetly, Dame Dumpling's niece saves aunty by confessing that she is the guilty one and is carried off to the dungeon. Sounds like a melodrama doesn't it?

Of course, Sir Daniel, our hero, must rescue Emma — he does and, of course, the holidays are celebrated as usual.

This is a cast of adults and children and one huge dancing bear.

The production opens Friday, November 25th and continues thru December 18th. Performances are on Fridays and Saturdays at 7 pm, and a matinee on Sundays at 2 pm. The cost is adults \$7, teens \$5, and children \$3.50. Tickets by mail to PO Box 4, Gig Harbor, WA 98335 or call 851-PLAY. The Performance Circle is located at 6615-38th Ave. NW, just off of Hwy 16 at City Center Exit.

An Adventure From Head To Toe!!!

citing. It takes something as complex as and noon to 4pm on Sunday. Cost is \$3.25 the body and explains it from a child's a person, children under two are free. point of view. Visitors to the Children's Group and party rates are available. For Museum of Tacoma, 925 Court C, will be more information you can call 627-6031. able to examine internal organs made of fabric and take a "walking tour" of the human brain, stomach, and ribcage at the Museum's new exhibit which opened

November 22.

"The exhibit will present scientific facts about the human body in a whimsical, fun setting that provides many opportunities for "hands on learning," said Jackie Gretzinger. She directs the museum with Jacquie Boyd. "Every area within the exhibit will help children understand the functions of their bodies and what they



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can do to keep themselves healthy," said

A creative play space will contain an operating room, health clinic and "Stomach Cafe." Removable fabric organs will be attached by Velcro to the "innards" of a like-sized soft-sculptured doll created by Corky Brown, a fiber artist of Enumclaw who is a member of the museum's advisory board.

Your adventure begins when you enter a larger-than-life mouth over a padded tongue passageway that leads to other parts of the body. Once inside, you and your kinds can tackle challenging activities in the Brain Center, plan and a serve nutritious meal in the Heart-Throb Cafe, take apart anatomy models and much

Each body center is designed to blend learning and fun in unique, interactive ways. There's also one area that will change every few months and feature special programs on topics such as safety and dental health.

There's so much to see and do, kids will be beside themselves with enthusiasm.

As an exhibit co-sponsor, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital is providing funding and marketing support for the exhibit. It

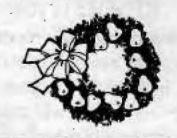
Kids are curious - especially about what will continue through August of 1996. goes on inside of them. That's what Hours are 10am to 5pm, Tuesday makes Body Basic - The Inside Story so ex-through Friday; 10am to 4pm Saturday,

New Fire Chief For Peninsula Fire Department

Last week you may have seen a new face around the Peninsula Area, and around the Fire Department. His name is Gary Franz and he is the new Fire Chief for the Peninsula Fire Department. Gary comes to us from Blaine, along with his wife Colleen and their three children. He has moved to the Peninsula in the last few weeks and will move his family here after the school year is over in

How did he come to be the new Fire Chief? As told by Hugh McMillan, Chairman of the Board of Fire Commissioners, there was a lot of sole searching that happened, along with a long, agonizing process. This all started a couple of months ago when the word went out all over the nation that the position was open. Sixteen application were sent in from as far away as California and New York, along with several from Washington. The process of whittling down those sixteen to the top seven was endured by the Board of Fire Commissioners. The process continued when the applicants were brought together before an Assessment Panel made up of two Commissioners and five Chiefs from different counties to face a day-long assessment. From there the top three applicants were interviewed by the Board. From what Commissioner McMillan stated the vote was unanimous to offer the position to Gary Franz who was the top contender in all areas of the process

Commissioner McMillan stated that "Our final selection was made not merely for the Key Peninsula Fire Department, it was made mainly in the best interest of the Key Peninsula Community."



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Accidents and Traffic Control!

By Fred Ramsdell Deputy Chief, PCFD #16

It's that time of year again when our roadways are dark and often times wet or icy. This and the added amount of vehicle traffic on our roads leads to more accidents.

The Fire Department is responding to more and more automobile accidents each year, and where most auto accidents in the Peninsula area used to involve only one car, we are seeing an increase of multi-car accidents. The greater number of vehicles and people in an accident, the greater amount of time is needed in cleaning up the incident scene. Even in fairly minor accidents the Washington State Patrol investigation is time consuming, and if there is a fatality or a possible fatality, the investigation can take as much as five hours. All this can lead to the need to block off the roadway for the investigation and for the safety of emergency

personnel tending to the accident victims.

By law, the Fire Department is not responsible for traffic control, that is the job of law enforcement agencies, but many times the Department takes on that duty to lessen your delays when the State Patrol personnel are limited. In the initial fifteen to twenty minutes, patient care has priority, and traffic control takes place when personnel becomes available. It takes time for the volunteers to respond to the station or to the scene from their homes or places of employment.

We realize that some of the detour

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routes you are sent down do not have markings and can be confusing if you are unfamiliar with the road. The Department is working o methods to improve and mark such routes in the future.

Some tips: the use of your turn signal to indicate the direction you would like to go helps the traffic controller when there are optional ways to go. Stopping to ask the traffic controller information about the accidents delays everyone and they probably do not have the information. And remembering that most of the traffic controllers are volunteers who have left a warm, dry house to go out on that windy, wet, cold night to help you.

If you have a complaint or some contribution on how we can do a better job, please call us at 884-2222. As the only business in the Key Peninsula where no business is good business, please drive safely. We want to know you as a

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Your outstanding coverage of the "Aisle of Honor" at the Vaughn cemetery has also generated a lot of interest in our community. With your continued help it is our sincere hope that allegiance and patriotism in our great country will flourish.

Respectfully, Wally R. Cornman, Commander DeaBee Blum, **Publicity Chairman**

Dear Editor,

This is not a political letter, though it may seem like it coming so soon after an election.

The support that I have received from this community as your Acting Fire Chief at times made me wonder if my name was on the ballot somewhere.

Fortunately or unfortunately, whichever way you believe, the Chief's position is not an elected position. A fairly elaborate hiring process is used to fill the position, with the Board of Commissioners making the final choice.

The District received numerous applications from all over the Nation. The top seven applicants participated in assessment center testing. The three top candidates of these seven went before the Board of Commissioners for oral interviews and the selection made.

It is my hope that the community will support the new Chief and continue to support the Fire Department as it has in the past many years.

I am still here and have a few more years until retirement. I an looking forward to working with everyone in the future for our community.

Fred Ramsdell



Frosty's Donated Tree Again!!

For the third year in a row Dave Simms of "Frosty's" has donated and delivered a wonderful Christmas tree for the Civic Center. Dave sets up camp next to Country Gardens each year to sell trees and will again this year. We wish to thank Dave for his generous gift and hope that he has a successful selling season.

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A musical event for the entire family will be held Wednesday, December 14, 7 pm at the Key Center Library. THREE PLAY, a chamber ensemble consisting of Karen and Paul Pew on flute and keyboard, and Karen Bredberg on cello will perform classical, Celtic, and improvisational music. THREE PLAY is known for their unpredictable interweaving of dissimilar musical material. The instruments combine acoustic and electronic texture. This free program is sponsored by the Friends of the Key Center Library and the Key Center Branch of Key Bank.

An outstanding exhibit of fiber art by

members of the Tacoma Weavers Guild is on display at the Key Center Library throughout the month of December. Pieces include vests, scarves, tote bags, jackets, dish towels, table runners, coverlets, rugs, tapestries, and baskets. Many of the pieces are by local residents: Harriet Rogers, Janet Levick, Margo MacDonald, Janet Cormly, Marie Magnuson, and Britta Brones. Information about the activities of th Tacoma Weavers Guild is also available at the Library.

A file of community organizations is now online via the Public Access Computer modules at the Pierce County Library branches. If your organization would like to be included. stop by the Library for more informa-

The Pierce County Library and all of its branches will be closed Saturday, December 24.

Filucy Hootchie Kootchie Band To Perform

Filucy Hootchie Kootchie Band, four musicians from Longbranch with big horns, kazoos, harmonic, guitar, piano, accordion, and imaginary livestock will be appearing in concert on Satur-day, December 31 between 5pm and 7pm as part of Tacoma's First Night, the third annual celebration of the arts of Tacoma-Pierce County. This performance will take place at the Broadway Center for the Performing Arts Rehearsal Hall, 901 Broadway, Tacoma. Admission will be free. The Filucy Hootchie Kootchie Band

mixes a precarious array of styles of music. They bring with them an imaginary troupe of polka-ing pigs, tango-ing cattle, a rock n' roll singing seagull, and a tongue in cheek look at the rural Pacific Northwest.

They have released two albums which have had airplay on radiostations in twenty states and four other countries. This is family entertainment, so bring the kids. Contact Steve or Kristi Nebel at 884-9705 for more information





by William F. Roes, MD

When the FDA allows a drug, previously only available by prescription, to be sold over the counter, there is always a flurry of advertising in the lay press touting its merits. Is this new release bound to be the wonder drug of the 90s, or a minor variant in a familiar tune? In the case of Aleve, (Naproxen Sodium 200 mg) I'm afraid it's closer to the latter than the former.

Naproxen has been available for years under the prescription brand Anaprox. It is one of a large number of drugs called NSAIDS, short for Non-Steriodal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs. There are minor variants between them, but more similarities. All of them work to decrease inflammation, and also relieve pain and to some extent reduce the fever reaction. All of them cause stomach upset to some extent, and none should be taken concurrently with aspirin, the grandaddy of over-the-counter NSAIDS. Currently there are over twenty NSAIDS available by prescription, but only three over the

counter: aspirin, ibuprofen (Advil, Motrin), and now naproxen (Aleve). While I would recommend Aleve for musice strain or painful cramps, I don't think it is inherently better that the other anti-inflammatory medications. Whatever is cheapest, safest, and works best for your pains would be my prescription.

I do want to express our best wishes for the holiday season, as well as the best for 1995. We appreciate the community support we have received in the past and hope to be bringing in another doctor in 1995 to better serve the Key Peninsula.



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Goin' Out

by Janice McMillan

A couple of Sundays ago my dear companion and I and two friends went to North by Northwest for Sunday Brunch, which is served from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. The cost is\$8.95 for the "all you can eat buffet" and kids under 12 are only \$4.95. This is certaiunly a bargain considering the quality and variety of the food. In a world where many brunches are in the \$14.95 range it is especially pleasing to find a reasonably priced meal such as that offered at North by Northwest. And, it is nearby, too! North by Northwest is located on top of Peacock Hill in Gig Harbor, at 9916 Peacock Hill Ave.

North by Northwest is known for its interesting, innovative menu. This might scare off some people expecting exotic combinations. They do innovative things but the chef always seems to have a feeling for the food and what is sensible and appro-

At the brunch three different fritattas (a fritatta is similiar to a quiche but without the crust) were an excellent example of this. One fritatta was with subtle herbs and a variety of mushrooms. This simple dish was extraordinary without the outra-geous combinations of ingredients. North by Northwest seems to emphasize fresh and best quality food done with flair to make it special. The place even grows all its own herbs outside the kitchen door.

The buffet included granola and cream, a beautiful fresh fruit platter, bagels with large pots of herb and plain cream cheeses, Caesar salad, the three different fritattas with a tomatoey sauce if you desire ... don't

- the flavors need no help, a wonderful assortment of breads, muffins, sweet rolls and crumb cake beautiful enough for the window of any bakery, very different style home fried potatoes (excellent!), plain scrambled eggs, scrambled eggs with salmon; crispy sugar cured, hickory smoked, bacon (I had seconds), apple cinnamon sausages, "carved for you" Virginia baked ham and roast beef.. Drinks are extra.

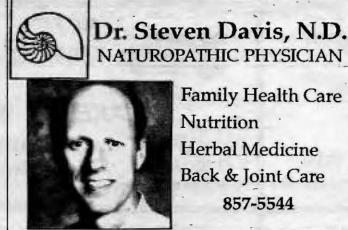
I'd recommend a bold notice near the salmon scrambled eggs; I love salmon but was taken unawares when I bit into eggs tasting of fish ... when not expecting it. (Had I been wearing my glasses when making selections might have made for a less surprising first bite.) Our only other negative comment is that some items could have been hotter.

Service at North by Northwest was excellent - very friendly without being phoney - and nobody asked us, "how is your food?" when we had our mouths full. We chose to eat in the cozy bar with a blazing fireplace and three tables for four. This is also the only smoking area. The narrow but comfortable dining room has large windows offering a pleasant

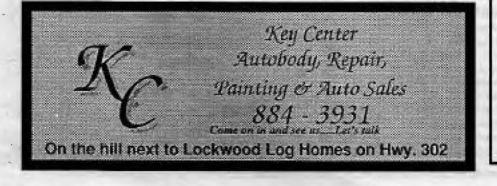
Our waitress suggested we come on Thursday evening to try the new grilled pizza. This dish is said to be extra special. Price is \$5.95 to \$6.95. Be sure to check North by Northwest's different specials for each day such as "All You Can Eat" pasta for \$6.95 on Tuesdays.

I think North by Northwest is really worth the drive to Gig Harbor. Excellent quality and some real bargains. Right now.

The Annual "Tree Lighting Ceremony" December 4th at the K.C. Corral.



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Volunteer of the Month Irene Zimmer

Congratulations Irene!

Many know Irene as the "Bingo Lady" others know her as a loyal Civic Center em ployee. But, many may not realize the quanity of time she volunteers for the Center and its activities due to her fondess for the Center. She is always ready to lend a hand for those in need whether it be for Reno, Flavor of Fall, the Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, or for donating outdoor Christmas Decorations. Her latest "project" will be the upcoming Forties style USO Dinner Dance in Janurary, which will be a fundraiser for the Center.

Our hats are off to you! Your efforts are truly appreciated!

Volunteer of the Month Janurary 1995

Phyllis Jardin

Mrs. Jardin is a dedicated member of the Key Peninsula Civic Center's Bingo Team. And on every Wednesday you can find her loyally giving her time and energies to Bingo customers as her special way of contributing to the Center, never expecting nor asking for anything in return. This is our way of showing Mrs. Jardin our appreciation for her efforts. Thank you!



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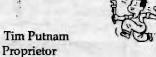
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