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# ALS service underway

The timing was good for the new FD 16 ALS (Advanced Life Support) ambulance service which started promptly at 8 am on Tuesday, June 20. Paramedic Bob Shaw worked the first shift, and by about 10:30 am he joined other department members in caring for a critically ill Key Peninsulan and transporting him to a Tacoma area hospital.

Shaw and the two other new paramedics, Eric Nelson and Ron Wasmund, were hired to provide ALS care for the Key Peninsula until approximately January 30, 1990. Now the Fire District staff and the commissioners are looking for a way to fund the program past the cut-off date.

Fire Chief Horace Kanno is planning to reconvene meetings of the FD Citizens' Advisory Committee to consider the financial needs of the District - not only for the ALS service but also for purchase of new equipment and the repair, remodeling or replacement of one or more aging fire station. Chief Kanno held a preliminary review of the situation with some members of the committee on Wednesday, June 21. They reviewed events to that time and some of the options open for consideration. One possibility is for the Chief to outline a bond proposition to the commissioners at their July 12 meeting. It

would state the various projects the Chief and staff consider necessary to maintain adequate fire and emergency services and the supporting reasons. If the Fire Commissioners accept the proposal or approve it with changes, it will then have to be filed as a ballot issue by August 12 to be presented to the voters of the district in the September 19 primary election.

In order for the issue to be validated at the polls in September a total of 1,607 voters will have to go to the polls. Members of the advisory committee expressed the hope that a funding measure for both ALS service and needed fire equipment will find favor with the voters since the need is clearly justified.

In other FD 16 news, Chief Kanno announced that the department is currently discussing various options with the State of Washington Department of Natural Resources on the fighting of fires on state-owned property such as Robert F. Kennedy Park and Penrose State Park. One possible outcome would be that FD 16 would essentially provide all fire protection to these areas unless such fires become too big or too time-consuming to handle. If such a policy change takes place, the fire district might receive certain tax monies as a consideration.

# Fireworks show in jeopardy by Hugh McMillan

Unless there is a dramatic increase in contributions to support our eighth annual Fireworks Extravaganza, it might well be the last one we have on the Key Peninsula.

As should be well known, anonymous donors have made a generous gift each year to assist in sponsoring this delightful all-community event. Their gift is divided into \$1,500 for fireworks and \$1,000 for purchase of special emergency equipment for the Key Peninsula Fire Department provided our community contributes matching funds of \$1,000 toward the fireworks and \$1,000 toward the equipment purchase by June 15.

This year's show will go on as scheduled. However, this will happen only because the Key Peninsula Firefighters required balance due to meet the deadline - and that balance due is substantial.

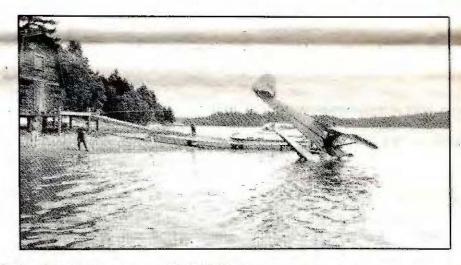
The Firefighters Association uses its funds to purchase special equipment used by the Fire Department. It is not adequately endowed to assume expenses those of us who want the fireworks show should provide.

Proceeds from this year's fund-raising will go toward installation of dry hydrants at various bodies of fresh water on the Peninsula. These hydrants greatly improve our firefighting capability, reduce our response time to fire emergencies and contribute significantly to insure a steady flow of water at the fire scene. We are moving into the time of wildfire



KPFD and KP detachment of PSSR join to right an aircraft downed in Filuci Bay.. Boat shown is responding unit from the KP detachment.

KP NEWS photos by Hugh McMillan



# KPFD and KP sea rescue team save plane

by Hugh McMillan

Members of the Key Peninsula Fire Department and the Key Peninsula Detachment of the Puget Sound Sea Rescue (PSSR) Team got to the scene of a downed aircraft at Filuci Bay, "so fast, I could hardly believe it," said Longbranch resident Conrad Gordon.

Twenty eight year-old Mark Roger Scott of Gig Harbor was practicing landings in a pontoon-equipped 1946 Taylorcraft on Filuci Bay when the right pontoon caught the water and caused the aircraft to slowly pitch over onto its back. Scott suffered injury only to his pride. "He didn't even get his shirt wet," said

Don Lind Jr., visiting at his parents, the Don Linds of Longbranch, hurried to Association loaned the community the ...... Continued on pg 13 . the plane in a small outboard-powered boat as did another person in the area. Together they pulled the capsized plane nearer shore as members of the KP Fire Department and Sea Rescue Team arrived on the scene.

Gordon brought his portable hoist which was hooked to the Taylorcraft by Scott and Bill Howe of the Sea Rescue Team. In less than an hour KPFD personnel Tom Lique, Tony Brentin, Rick Olsen, Dennis Elliot and Mike Shiner, with the assistance of Howe, Gordon and his portable hoist, had rolled the aircraft back onto its pontoons.

Other than a chunk out of the windshield, a dent on the engine cowl, and a six inch vee-shaped tear at the joint of the left wing and fuselage, the plane looked "good as new," said Howe.

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# KP NEWS Deadline

The next issue of KP NEWS will come out on July 17. Please note the deadline for notices, articles and ads for that issue is Monday, July 10.

#### Come to the Land of Oz

We Need You!

Any young people who are 6 years old and up still have time to get in on the fun of being in

"The Wizard of Oz" Just come to practice on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 to 4 pm at the KP Civic Center and talk to Sue Leavitt, Director. There are still parts available!

#### To the Editor

To the Editor

Now that we have our ambulance service back and we have paramedics on board, I would like to thank everyone who helped bring this about.

To the commissioners who made the decisions that sparked the controversy and who have now given us back our transport service and have upgraded to ALS service, I would say thank you. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the advisory committee for all the time and effort they put into their task and final report to the commissioners which was

instrumental in bringing back and upgrading our ambulance service. I also would like to thank all the people who gave their input and support at the public meetings and all those who signed the petition to advise the commissioners to give us ALS ambulance service.

This fall there will be an issue on the ballot to support our ambulance service. Without the passing of this issue we would lose our service. Let us all get out and vote YES to support our ambulance

There will also be an election for the position of Fire Commissioner and I would like to announce my intention to run for that office. I believe I could serve the people of Fire District 16 well. Allen A. Yanity

## Summer Fun '89

There are many volunteers who will be coming out to teach kids things like art, firstaid, karate. Summer Fun '89 kicked off the summer with a three-day session from June 21 to June 23. Sessions are weekly at the Key Peninsula Civic Center (except the 4th of July week) from 10 am to 2 pm. Kids from ages five to eleven are eligible and each week is built around a theme like "kids are cooking," "wet and wild," "sports and games" and "animals, animals, animals."

Kevin Larew, a volunteer in a nationwide program which matches students who wish to work in rural areas and run recreation programs with local park districts, has even planned a birthday party at the end of the session for kids with summer birthdays and an unbirthday party for those kids who don't have summer birthdays - this Summer Fun program truly has something for everyone!

Kids can be enrolled for one or more weeks; there are already some kids enrolled for the whole ten-week program. They can be registered the first day of any session. The cost is \$5 per week.

#### Let's Volkswalk!

by Don Tjossem

It is now less than two weeks until the Key Peninsula Lions Volkssport Club will present its very first walk on July 8 and 9

People have already started registerin for this event and it is anticipated that 500 to 1,000 participants will complete the 10 Kilometer walk around the Burley La-

The Key Peninsula Health Board has been working on the food sales for the event. It is undertood that all of the food handlers have received their health department food handlers' permits and that they will have delicious polish sausage with all the condiments available for walkers at the event.

Remember, that's July 8 and 9. You can start this non-competitive event any time between 8 am and 1 pm either day. Completion time is by 4 pm. There are no

#### **KP Lions elect** new board

by Hugh McMillan

At its April 19 meeting the Key Peninsula Lions Club elected its Board of Directors for the 1989-1990 year. The new officers will be inducted into office on July 1 at the Club's annual Installation and Awards Banquet at the Key Peninsula Civic Center. They are: President - Frances Challender Immediate Past President - Marvin Green First Vice President - Rhys Wood Second Vice President - Bob Campy ThirdVice President - Barbara Henderson Secretary - LeRoy Challender Treasurer - R. Marvin Keizur Bulletin Editor - Keith Stiles Two Year Director - Gary Ostlund Two Year Director - Bob Phair One Year Director - Frank Geary One Year Director - Jim Updike Lion Tamer - John White Tail Twister - Hugh McMillan Chaplain - Stan Rippon

The installing officer will be Past District Governor Emerson Bishop of the Kent Lions Club. Master of Ceremonies will be Past Zone Chairman Arch Carpenter of the Gig Harbor Lions. Social hour begins at 6:30 pm, dinner at 7. Tickets are \$5 at the door.

prizes for speed or endurance, only completion and the satisfaction that comes with it.

Any one, any age, is eligible to participate. This is truly an excellent family outing and social event that everyone can enjoy. Pre-registration is not required but if you wish your event award on the day of the event it is recommended.

If you have any questions you may call Hugh McMillan at 884-3319 or Don Tjossem at 884-9345.

Volks-humor Ouotes:

"My doctor recently told me that jogging could add years to my life. I think he was right. I feel ten years older already!" Milton Berle

The trouble with jogging is that by the time you realize you're not in shape for it, it's too far to walk back." Rodney Dangerfield

#### Letters to the Editor

We welcome letters! Must be typed or neatly written with address and telephone number for confirmation.

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#### Spotlight on Camps

by Megan Aprile

Miracle Ranch was purchased in 1962 by CRISTA ministries from Mr. Trenbeath who had operated it as a private resort. They named it Miracle Ranch because of a crisis in funding which CRISTA members felt was solved by prayer. Miracle Ranch and CRISTA are not affiliated with any denomination.

As you drive down the entrance road past corrals, barns and all shapes and sizes of horses, it is obvious that horsemanship is a large part of the Miracle Ranch camping program. The camp is located on Horseshoe Lake and water sports and other outdoor activities are also available.

Miracle Ranch operates horsemanship classes, weekend horsemanship camp and summer day camp. For more information call 622-8583 (Seattle) or 377-1442 (Bremerton).

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#### 'Flavor of Fall' Dinner/Auction

It is time for the second annual "Flavor of Fall" Dinner/Auction, sponsored by the Key Peninsula Civic Center Association. This year the event will be held on September 30 and funds raised will go toward the new heating system at the Civic Center.

Last year we raised over \$4,100 that helped pave the parking lot at the Center. The paving is now done and looks great!

We are asking for your help with a donation of merchandise, gift certificates and/ or services to be auctioned off. All donations are tax deductible and there will be a running list of all donated items and sponsors published in the KP NEWS.

A committee member will contact you soon or you can send your donation to PO Box 86, Vaughn, WA 98394.



Shirley Olson (left), Claudia Loy (center) and Reni Moriarity return victorious from their walk in the 17th annual Sound to Narrows Run.

KP NEWS photo by Joe Aprile

#### Sound to Narrows Run by Megan Aprile

The Key Peninsula was well represented in the recently held seventeenth annual Sound to Narrows Run. Burt and Jill Wells, who have been entrants in every Sound to Narrows Run, were there as well as Bruce and Donna Dailey and their family, Vi Visell and her daughter Julie Bradshaw, Shirley Olson, Claudia Loy and Reni Moriarity.

Shirley Olson commented later, "It (the walking course) was beautiful. It

didn't seem like seven miles." When asked why she had gone, Claudia Loy said, "I wanted a day off and it was the only way I could get it." Reni, a dog lover, vowed to enter with her dog next year and put an entry number around its neck like the ones she had seen at the race. The three women finished the seven-mile course in two hours. "It was a piece of cake." Shirley commented.

#### Burley Galleria features for July

Purdy oil painter Roy V. Benson and stained glass artist Beverly Shipton will display select works in Burley Galleria's main exhibit hall through the month of July. The exhibit can be seen Monday through Friday from 10:30 am to 6:30 pm, weekends from noon to 4 pm. A public reception for the artists will be on Sunday, July 9, from noon to 3 pm.

Benson's work is unusual in two ways. It reflects an experimental technique and uses the canvas to show his concern for the environment. A selftaughtartist, Benson has no concept of the finished canvas when he begins. "I paint my Father's world," he says.

Beverly Shipton has been working with glass since 1971. Grand pianos, simple boxes, churches and more are favorite subjects for her. She works almost exclusively with original patterns and prefers using the finest glass available.

Burley Galleria is located at 14820 Bethel-Burley Rd. SE, Burley. For directions call 857-7479.

## **Business Briefs**

layeth in him who have seen see.

The Blue Tulip has re-opened for the summer season. It is next to Blundell's Chowder House in downtown Longbranch. This is the second year of operation for Ann Williams and Beverly Lee who make 90% of the items sold in the shop. Their emphasis is on quality handmade items, including Longbranch T-shirts and hats, rag dolls, stuffed animals and wooden items. The Blue Tulip's hours are 11 am to 5 pm Wednesday through Sunday.

# Peninsula movings and shakings.....

Monday, July 3 ..

Senior Society Board meeting at KP Civic Center, 10 am.

Upper Sound Grange 705 meets at 7 pm, KPCC.

Webelos Fox Patrol meets in Scout Room, 7 to 8:30 pm.

Al-Anon meets at Longbranch Improvement Club, 7 to 8 pm.

Tuesday, July 4 ..

Wolf Den 4 meets in Scout Room, 3:30 to 5 pm.

Peninsula Social Club potluck, 6:30 pm, Longbranch Church Hall.

Wednesday, July 5 ...

Respite Care meets from 9 am to 4 pm in the Brones Room, KC Library.

Community Center, Home has hot lunch for seniors at noon.

Lions Club meets at the Huckleberry Inn at 7 pm.

Thursday, July 6 ..

KP Senior Society potluck lunch at noon in the Gold Room, KP Civic Center.

Bear Den 3 meets in Scout Room, 3:30 to 5 pm.

Diabetic Support Group for diabetics and families meets at KP Health Center at 7 pm.

Citizens Against Crime meet at 7 pm in the Gold Room, KPCC.

Friday, July 7 ...

KP Business Assn. meets at Huckleberry Inn, 7:30 am.

Family Recreation Night at Longbranch Improvement Club, 6 to 10 pm.

Monday, July 10 .

Webelos Fox Patrol meets in Scout Room 7 to 8:30 pm.

Al-Anon meets at Longbranch Improvement Club, 7 to 8 pm.

VFW and Auxiliary meet at 7:30 pm in VFW Room, KPCC.

Tuesday, July 11 ...

Altrusa meets at Shoreline Restaurant at noon.

Cootiettes 609 visit Cottesmore Nursing Home. Meet at Key Center to carpool.

Wolf Den 4 meets in Scout Room, 3:30 to 5 pm.

Vaughn PTO meets at the school at 7 pm.

KPCCA Executive meeting at 7:30 pm.

Wednesday, July 12 ...

Respite Care meets from 9 am to 4 pm in Brones Room, KC Library.

Community Center, Home has hot lunch for seniors at noon.

Peninsula Neighbors Craft Club meets at 10 am at Longbranch Church.

KP Park Board meets at KPCC at 7:30 pm.

Thursday, July 13 ...
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Survivors meet at 2 pm in the Brones Room of the KC Library.

Bear Den 3 meets in the Scout Room, 3:30 to 5 pm.

KPCCA Board meeting, 7:30 pm at KPCC.

Friday, July 14 ... Family Recreation Night at Longbranch Improvement Club, 6 to 10 pm.

Saturday, July 15.

Twilite Dance Club, 9 pm to 1 am.

Monday, July 17 ...

Ruth Circle has lunch and meeting at noon in Longbranch Church Hall,

Evergreen Eagle Boosters meet at 7 pm at school.

Al-Anon meets at Longbranch Improvement Club, 7 to 8 pm.

Webelos Fox Patrol meets in the Scout Room, 7 to 8:30 pm.

KP Land Use Committee meets at 7:30 pm, Gold Room, KPCC.

Tuesday, July 18 ...

Cootiettes 609 visit Retsil Veterans Home. Meet at Key Center to carpool.

Wolf Den 4 meets in the Scout Room, 3:30 to 5 pm.

#### Dates to mark on your calendar:

July 8 & 9 ... Volkswalk

August 5 ... Pioneer Day

August 26 ... Old Timers' Day

#### **Local Grapho**analyst honored

Key Peninsula Graphoanalyst Marie Brown received an award and recognition from the Washington State Chapter for earning the highest number of qualifying points necessary for an International recognition of chapter achievement given annually at the International Congress held in Chicago. The presentation was made at the Sea-Tac Westcoast Hotel in Seattle on February 18 and was attended by Graphoanalysts from Washington, Montana, Oregon and Idaho.

The award of Graphoanalyst of the Year (highest award given by the State Chapter) was presented to Jeannie Groves of Gig Harbor by Marie Brown, President of the Chapter. Both Jeannie Groves and Marie Brown have a Graphoanalyst practice and give courses in the basic steps of handwriting analysis.

Ms. Brown and Ms. Groves are currently involved in a national study by Graphoanalysts of serial killer Ted Bundy's handwriting. The mystery of his personality, according to Ms. Brown, will be, at last, accurately understood through this scientific method. Results of this study should be available within eight to ten weeks.

#### Be a Centennial pioneer

To the right, here, you see an official entry form for you and your group or organization to be part of the Centennial Pioneer Days Parade. The parade is on August 5 this year and there will be animals, floats, strange vehicles and surprises! Everyone is encouraged to be part of this great annual parade. We need you and your original ideas for the Centennial theme. You can walk, or bring something to push, ride or shoo!

There are more of these forms available at almost all stores and businesses on the Key Peninsula. Remember, the final entry date is July 22. Mail your forms to Shirley Frame, 13012 Frame's Ln. KPN, Gig Harbor, Washington 98335.



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# From our scrapbooks

by Margaret Paul

Tacoma Times, May 1943:

A son was born at Gig Harbor hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Merle Kupka of the Vaughn-Port Orchard area on May 23.

From the Tacoma News Tribune, June 22, 1945:

President Harry Truman visited Paradise Lodge at Mt. Rainier, personally driving an automobile occupied by himself, Gov. Mon C. Wallgren, his aide Gen. Harry Vaughn, and a secret service man.

Peninsula Gateway, July, 1953:

The Vaughn community picnic was held at the Vaughn ball park on the Fourth. There was a good crowd, good eats, and good entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. Lee Challender moved back to their new house on North Vaughn Road. Local vegetables are for sale at Key Center store.

On a recent Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Bob Paul at Meridian had a beach party for 22 friends, many of them from Home and Lakebay. The report is they spent a wonderful evening around a big bonfire, where they enjoyed a plentiful supper which included steamed clams, clam fritters, and crab. The men played ball on the beach, and tossed horseshoes.

Peninsula Gateway, September 1944:

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Various huckleberry buyers of Vaughn and Key Center report they will soon be in the market for the annual huckleberry crop.

A flurry of painting has hit Key Center. Visell's lumber shop, Hipp's Grocery store, Gene Brown's gas station and Rodman's huckleberry shed have all had new coats of paint, and Gabrielson's garage and Olson's hux shed are soon to be repainted.

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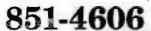
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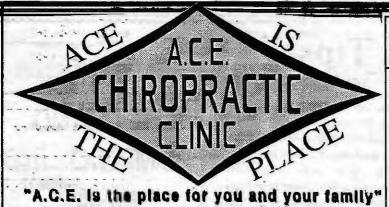
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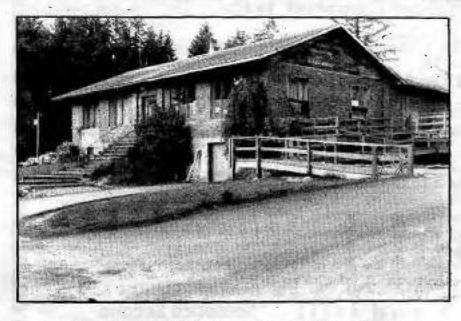
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The recently completed wheelchair ramp at Community House, Home.

KP NEWS photo by Joe Aprile

#### News from Home Community Center

The Community House recently elected new directors. They are: Earl Saxer, President; Rhys Wood, Vice President; Gladys Haugen, Secretary; and Stephanie Zampini, Treasurer.

The Community House continues to make improvements to their building with the \$12,000 HUD grant. A new wheelchair ramp was recently completed. Two new bathrooms, a food counter (for food basket pickup), a remodeled sun room and new wiring are planned.

A position for a senior aide is open. The job has age and earning requirements. Interested people may call 884-4440 for information.

Old Timers' Day is scheduled for August 26 and there will be loggers, a talent show and games for the kids. Donations from local businesses or residents are currently being sought to finance the preparation and printing of a pamphlet about Old Timers' Day.

# Tax Tips

by R. Marvin Keizur

It seems that I get calls from time to time about the difference between an employee and an independent contractor. To be quite frank about it - it is as clear as a foggy day. Even with the unsettled situation, involved IRS agents have been instructed to go out and scare up the money because we are talking about \$3.7 billion in delinquent payroll taxes. Generally a worker is an employee if the business can say when and how the work Here is to be done. are some conditions of employee status: Business trains worker and furnishes tools and place to work; business pays the worker by the hour, week or month. The following factors show independent contractor status: Worker has opportunity to make a profit or loss from his efforts; payment is made by the job or straight commission; worker has investment in facility used to make the product; worker has the right to delegate the services to be performed; worker sets own hours for doing the job.

More information on this subject and examples by industry can be found in IRS Publication 539, "Employment Taxes." This is available free from IRS by calling 1-800-424-FORM.

Also, don't forget that all children two and older must have social security numbers for filing on your 1989 tax return. Apply on Form SS-5 to Social Security Administration.

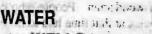
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#### Vaughn Bay

by Megan Aprile

Colonel William Vaughn was, by most accounts, a wily and skilled West Virginia woodsman. People who came this far west at that time had to be smart and fast and skilled in survival, this was still largely Indian country.

Wagon trains were coming west already and William Vaughn came with one traveling to the Pacific Coast in 1851. After arriving in Oregon William joined a gold hunting expedition to Queen Charlotte Islands but came back to the Olympia area after finding no gold. In 1852 William was the first white man to stake a claim on the south side of Vaughn Bay, Washington territory. The late 1880s were a time of enormous westward movement in the US; by 1889 there was a whole community at Vaughn.

The land around the bay was thick with old growth timber right to the water's edge except where settlers cut and dragged logs to build their homes. Timber was already a source of jobs and the first mill had been built. The surrounding woods were home to deer, bear, mountain lions and other animals. The shores were rich with shellfish, and Squaxon, Tahuya and other tribes camped on the sand spit when they were away from their permanent settlements at the Minter sandspit and around Allyn.

So, by 1889 Vaughn Bay had businesses, a social life and the beginnings of a school system. Most of the original settlers either had timber or homestead claims and traded and sold land to one another. A fire in the Hall destroyed many of the original church records, some were lost, some are preserved.

I talked with Peggy Dervaes and Elsie Olson and used information from Parade of the Pioneers, written by Bertha Davidson, to repopulate Vaughn Bay of 1889. From the north side of the bay near Rocky Bay and continuing around to Taynton's Creek were the homes of Griffin, Irwin, Bradley, Mr. John Howe, Maxwell (later Bland), Thompson, Critchfield (whose homestead was sold to or preempted by the Edrington, Coblentz, Prater and Van Slyke families) and the Hall and Taynton families.

The Griffin and Irwin families were related and some of the Irwin land is now part of Vaughn Cemetery. The Bradleys built a house and bakery. Mr. Bradley helped organize the Union Sunday School which was first held at the Wright home at the head of the bay.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Maxwell came from Murdock, Kansas, in 1885 and bought 160 acres next to the Critchfield's. Their niece, Maggie Bland, arrived in 1887 and later inherited the estate. The Van Slyke, Coblentz and Prater families arrived in 1887. Mr. Prater and Mr. Van

Slyke left their families in Tacoma and came looking for homesteads. Coblentz and Van Slyke were close friends in Kansas and decided to go into business together. They opened a store and saw mill. Eventually Coblentz took the store and Van Slyke the mill. The Edrington family planted grapes and later sold their home and arbor to the Buckle family.

From Taynton's Creek, coming around the south side of the bay, was the Wright homestead, Fox, Dufresne (pronounced Doo-frain), Stedeford, Hudson, the original Vaughn homestead which was taken over by the Alverson family and the homes of the Rodman, Basset and Harriman families. The Fox and Rodman families opened a small business in Fox Cove and later imported Olympia and Willapa oysters to grow in the bay.

The Tayntons were originally Londoners. Their home was built on the point of land between Wright's Creek and Taynton's Creek. The Wright family arrived in 1885. Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Critchfield were sisters. It is unfortunate that the Wright home is now gone since it was the site of the first Sunday school and first session of school. The Alversons arrived in 1884 and built their home of local logs still green. They took up the timber claim of William Vaughn which he abandoned in 1860. Dudley Harriman came from Maine. He brought his family west to Olympia, then came looking for a homestead. He chose a 160-acre tract on the south shore of Vaughn Bay next to the sandspit and in 1888 deeded the northern part to his son, Louis.

#### Longbranch club gives water to **Fire Department**

Hal Wolverton, Vice President of the Longbranch Improvement Club, reported to the Fire Commissioners that the Club wished to donate the spring-fed water system they have been using to Fire Station 4 as soon as the well they are working on is completed.

Fire Commissioner Art Fenton commented that eventually there would be costs involved in pumping the water over to the fire station. Mr. Wolverton replied "Oh, we know that, but we want to help in any way we can to keep Fire Station 4

The generosity of Longbranch Improvement Club in providing free water to Longbranch Fire Station 4 was gratefully acknowledged by the Fire Commissioners, and is a unique and important gift to the Longbranch community.

#### **KPFD** discusses private bridges by Keith Stiles

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#### At Home on the Range



by Janice McMillan

Two easy make-ahead recipes for the strawberry season and a delicious salad dressing for a fruit salad:

#### Chocolate-Glazed Strawberry Ice Cream Cake

2 oz. semi-sweet chocolate
1 oz. unsweetened chocolate
1/2 cup heavy cream, whipped
1 pint fresh strawberries
1/2 gallon package vanilla ice cream
(rectangle shaped package)
2 TBSP sliced, toasted almonds
Instant coffee or cream sherry
Chilled serving platter

Melt chocolates over hot water and set aside. Whipcream and flavor to taste with instant coffee (about 1 tsp.) or cream sherry (about 1 TBSP). Wash and hull berries. Cut ice cream into 2 rectangles, horizontally, about 5" x 7". Rewrap one and refrigerate for other use. Place other rectangle on chilled platter and pour all slightly cooled chocolate on top, spread quickly to cover top and sides. Cover top with whipped cream, sprinkle with almonds and put in freezer until serving time. Just before serving cover top with strawberries using some around sides for garnish. Cut in squares. Serves 6.

#### Strawberry Refrigerator Cake

7-8 whole ladyfingers

1 six oz. package strawberry flavor Jello 1-1/2 cups crushed strawberries

1 TBSP. lemon juice

1/2 cup sugar

1/8 tsp. salt

2 cups heavy cream

Additional whipped cream for garnish Additional whole strawberries for gar-

nish

Put a 3 inch strip of waxed paper around inside of 8" or 9" springform cake pan. Split ladyfingers and cut tip from one end so halves will stand in pan. Arrange around edge of pan, rounded end up. Add 2 cups boiling water to Jello and stir until dissolved. Mix next four ingredients and

add to Jello. Chill until mixture begins to set, then whip cream and fold into Jello mixture. Carefully spoon into lined pan and chill at least 5 hours or overnight until firm. Remove sides of pan and put cake on serving plate. Decorate with whipped cream and whole berries. Makes 10 or more servings.

#### **Honey-Lime Salad Dressing**

Mix grated rind of 1 orange, 1 small piece whole ginger and 2 TBSP lime juice; let stand 15 minutes. Strain off juice and mix with 1/2 tsp. salt, dash of cayenne, 2 TBSP honey and 1/4 cup peanut oil. Serve with fruit salad.



Early chainsaws

Compared to today's wonderful, lightweight saws, those of the early forties were real monsters. Cousin Bob and I had the pleasure of 'rassling a couple of them. Bob Davidson bought a brand new Titan. It had two opposed cylinders, two wheelbarrow-like handles, a five foot bar, a "stinger" on the saw end and the early "chewer" style chain.

Because of the stinger, the saw could not be withdrawn from a cut, and of course it could not "bore" into a log either. You had best not get it stuck in a cut, you might have to saw it out with a regular "Swedish Fiddle."

We were instructed to mix McMillan Ring Free Oil into the gas to lubricate the engine's innards. For whatever reason the engine did not fare well on its diet. We were not told to clean the exhaust ports twice a day, as we later learned to do. As a result the poor thing got weaker and weaker and, finally, with a wheezy groan

it quit - with flames squirting out both exhausts like twin blowtorches. We finally learned to make the thing run, most of the time. But it was almost as hard as hand falling and twice as stinky and noisy. It took three men to operate it; one to swamp out, one to run the engine, and one on the stinger.

Later Bob brought us a used I.E.L., a Canadian eleven-horse, one-cylinder monster. That would have been a cutting fool but it still had the old style "chewer chain" that made ant dust instead of sawdust. It was even heavier than the Titan and had a rope starter. Told to oil the gear case, one fellow filled the crankcase with heavy grease. When he called for help, he had a six inch pile of short lengths of broken starter rope lying on the ground. It took a while to get the grease out of the crankcase. Oh, yes, that motor kicked like a Missouri mule, hence the broken starter rope pieces. Still, we felled some trees, off and on.



Marianne Huntington (right) and Lee Hagen serve at the breakfast for Peninsula High School Seniors given by the KP Lions.

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#### Recycling efforts rewarded

When Julie Dolly got the recycling packet in her third grade class, she and her mother read through it and her mom said (as mothers will), "What a good project for a Sunday afternoon!"

Julie spent the afternoon working on her poster and slogan. She had to do it "A whole bunch of times" to find something she liked. The contest rules were that children had to draw Joey, the kangaroo the county has picked to represent its recycling campaign. Julie drew Joey, a bunny, a dog and a bird carrying sacks of garbage, with a sky full of rainbows and the slogan, "It's up to you to join the recycle crew, and have fun with Joey, too!" Julie didn't think she'd win but she sent in her entry. The good news came when she was at school, and her dad met



Julie Dolly, winner of a poster contest on recycling held by Pierce County. KP NEWS photo by Joe Aprile

her at the bus stop.

Pierce County Executive Joe Stortini and Councilman Paul Cyr presented Julie and twelve other winners (from 300 entries) with a book and gift certificates. The winning posters will be printed as a calendar to encourage recycling.

#### Gold Room renamed

When Oliver F. Whitmore, known as Ollie, was serving in the US military, stationed in Japan, he decided that when he got back home to the Key Peninsula he would do something for the community.

Shortly after Ollie came home the Vaughn High School was closed. The new high school had been built and the district put the old high school building up for sale. It was the early 1950s, the price was \$14,700.

Ollie saw a unique opportunity and he

and his wife Aggie went to work. They held a meeting and presented their plan: to organize and hold a pledge drive to collect enough money to buy the building and use it as a community center. Most of the people at that meeting pledged one hundred dollars that night. From then on the drive continued. Ollie and Aggie, in her words "wore out a couple of cars" working on the drive. They only had a year to collect the money.

As time went on Ollie and Aggie got concerned that not enough money would be raised and went in secret to see the head of the Peninsula Bank, which was the

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#### In the Library

The current edition of Writer's Northwest Handbook is now available. It is a guide to the Northwest's writing and publishing industry issued by Media Weavers, Blue Heron Publishing in Hillsboro, Oregon. It contains more than 2,600 listings of book and periodical publishers, freelance markets, 500 resources, how-to articles and interviews. In addition, the library receives Writer's N.W., a quarterly update of the Handbook.

Some of the articles and features in the Summer 1989 issue include: Writing from the Edge; Native American Writers; Northwest Periodicals Offer Seniors Opportunity for Publication; book reviews; publishing resources; calendar of summer writers' workshops, conferences, literary and media events in the Northwest.

The summer reading program, The Washington Connection, is under way. Posters are available for all children. Storytimes for ages 6 and up through August 3 are Thursday at 1 pm.

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With summer finally here, most of us are planning to spend more time enjoying the outdoors. As with other seasons summer has its own set of health related problems, and the most common one we see is probably bee stings. Each year millions of Americans are stung and the vast majority of them experience some discomfort but annually there are approximately 200 reported fatalities attributed to Hymenoptera stings.

Hymenoptera is the genus of flying, stinging insects which includes bees, wasps and hornets. The common honeybee literally gives his all when he stings, the posterior part of his abdomen is attached to the stinger and frequently comes off in the victim. As a result, the bee dies but leaves the stinger and the venom sack

embedded. This should be removed using a needle or pin; if you use tweezers to pick it out you can inject more venom into the unfortunate victim. Other members of the order have the capability to sting multiple times but do not usually leave the stinger embedded

Most people react to bee stings by developing local swelling, pain or itching. These symptoms are due to the venom and do not represent true allergic reactions. An allergic reaction is one that is widespread or occurs in a different area from the sting. The most serious type of allergic reaction is called an anaphalactic reaction, and this can be life-threatening. People with anaphalactic reactions uaually develop wheezing and shortness of breath, often with tightness in the throat or chest, and can rapidly become unconscious. This represents a true medical emergency and in such a situation 911 should be called.

For the majority, local treatment of the signs of reaction is adequate. This includes removal of the stinger if it is still present, applying a paste of baking soda and water or meat tenderizer and water, and an ice pack. Often an antihistamine can also reduce local swelling. If you have previously had a true allergic or anaphalactic reaction to bee stings, stronger medications will be needed. In this situation many doctors prescribe Epinepherine (Adrenaline) in the form of a preloaded syringe for injection. If you have a history of this type of reaction, you should have an "Anaphalyctic Kit" available to you at all times when you are around bees. The local fire department also carries this medication in all their vehicles. There are other medications used by medical personnel in the event of a severe allergic reaction, but the first and most important is Epinepherine and time is of the essence in its usage.

As with most of medicine, however, prevention is nine tenths of the cure. Avoiding bees and their habitat and being careful around them is the key. For people with true allergies it is important to have an Anaphalyctic Kit as well as considering a course of injections to immunize you against bee venom.

#### Home Bridge to be replaced

by Megan Aprile

The Home Bridge, though rated as structurally sound, is showing its age. Part of the paving has a hole completely through where you can see the water underneath and another section shows the wooden slats under the paving.

Pierce County Councilman Paul Cyr confirmed that the bridge is scheduled to be replaced, with preliminary work to begin late this year. The \$1.5 million cost will be paid for with a \$1.2 million Federal Transportation grant and \$300,000 in Pierce County funds. Construction is scheduled to be finished in 1990.

Councilman Cyr noted that this is the only bridge replacement to be funded in the Annual Road Plan developed each year by Pierce County. The Western Home bridge near the Herron Island ferry dock is scheduled to be replaced in 1992 at a cost of \$235,000.

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# Peninsula scholarship recipients by Megan Aprile

There are many organizations and businesses on the Key Peninsula who quietly award scholarships each year to graduates of Peninsula High School.

Most outstanding is the SAVE group, whose members operate the thriftshop on school grounds. SAVE has become a substantial benefactor of PHS students. Scholarships in a variety of areas were awarded by SAVE to: Jeff Davis, Sarah Kenefick, Julie Slone, Aaron Lindholm, Terri MacLeod, Todd Gunnell, Jennifer Winey, Debbie Hill, Jenny Slatten, Marlene Laughlin, Chenelle Bremont, Cari Foundation, Rochelle Ryan, Alisa Leaf, Aaron Murphy, Rachel Carr, Laura Black, Scott Carroll, Howard Vicars, Michele Cromie, Heather Kincaid, Jessica Lowery, Cari Geier, Becky Borders,

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Parent organizations at area elementary schools have also established scholarships. Kari Flintoff and Carl Diedrich received the Vaughn Elementary scholarship, Sarah Kenefick received the Purdy Elementary scholarship and Michele Cromie received the Minter Creek Elementary scholarship. Jane Greenwood received the PHS Alumni Association scholarship.

Peninsula area organizations have also provided scholarships. Teresa Jopp received the Key Peninsula Historical Society scholarship and Matt Erdman and Jason Smith received scholarships from the KP Lions. Chris Easley received a scholarship from the KP Business Association, Heather Kincaid received the Fire District 16 scholarship and Elaine Best received the Savanne Shirley Memorial Scholarship.

Peninsula businesses support education by providing scholarships as well. Peninsula dentists including Dr. Olsson awarded this year's scholarship to Matt Baebler. Tacoma Telso Credit Union awarded their scholarship to Alicia Lemon. Active Contruction awarded scholarships to Carl Diedrich and Dana Linsey. Key Western Building Center's scholarship went to Jeff Davis and the DJ Tires scholarship went to Matt Erdman.

The young people who have shown the responsibility and achievement level to be awarded scholarships are to be congratulated. Not all could be listed here, there were over 115 scholarships presented at the awards ceremony.

The parent organizations, civic organizations and businesses who support higher education are making a very important contribution to society and deserve our thanks and support.



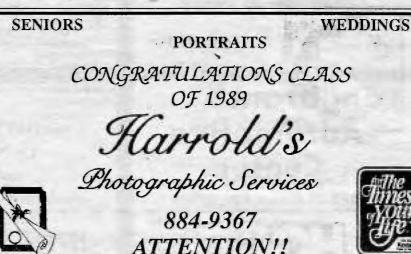
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# Spotlight on camps... continued from pg 2

Sound View Presbyterian Camp is a 110-acre camp with 1,800 feet of beach front located on Devil's Head in Longbranch. The camp was purchased two years ago by the Presbyteria of Olympia, representing the 50 Presbyterian churches in the area.

Curricula and programs for the summer camp are developed by the Presbyteria. They include windsurfing, sailing, archery, crafts and other camp-type programs and kids from second through twelfth grade are accepted. Junior and senior camps have a variety of off-site trips - camping, backpacking, bicycling through the San Juans, horsepacking and rock climbing.

There is a four week summer camp session and the camp is available for rent to other non-profit organizations throughout the year. For more information call Sound View at 884-9202 or Seattle, 762-1911.

Camp Woodworth began in 1945 when Mr. and Mrs. Harold Woodworth donated some property to Northwest Bible Ministries. The present 10-acre site is located near Penrose State Park, with 400 feet of saltwater frontage on Delano Beach. Northwest Bible Ministries conducts the camp for the use of Evangelical Christian groups. The camp is managed by Tom and Shirley Cromie.

A highlight of each year is the "Battle of the Churches," an all-day event with

competing teams from different churches. This year's event featured many types of competition, including boat races.

A series of weekly camps begins in July. For information call 884-2365.

Driftwood Point is a privately owned 57-acre camp with 2,000 feet of water-front near Penrose State Park which is available for lease by any church or non-profit group.

It is unique in that it is a primitive setting. There are no cabins. The camp provides the setting, firewood, water, electrical connections for recreational vehicles and a place to meet. Groups bring their own food and program. For information call 884-4761.

Miracle Ranch was purchased in 1962 by CRISTA ministries from Mr. Trenbeath who had operated it as a private resort. They named it Miracle Ranch because of a crisis in funding which CRISTA members felt was solved by prayer. Miracle Ranch and CRISTA are not affiliated with any denomination.

As you drive down the entrance road past corrals, barns and all shapes and sizes of horses, it is obvious that horsemanship is a large part of the Miracle Ranch camping program. The camp is located on Horseshoe Lake and water sports and other outdoor activities are also available.

Miracle Ranch operates horsemanship classes, weekend horsemanship camp and summer day camp. For more information call 622-8583 (Seattle) or 377-1442 (Bremerton).

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Camp Seymour is a large acre YMCA camp on the shores of Glen Cove. There are mini camp sessions for second and third graders, a sports camp and a week-long "classic" camp for third through eighth graders and two-week camps with an included trip by canoe, kayak or backpack for sixth through eighth graders. For more information call the Tacoma YMCA at 564-9622.

# Fireworks in jeopardy... continued from pg 1

threats and these hydrants could spell the difference between disaster and successful fire supression.

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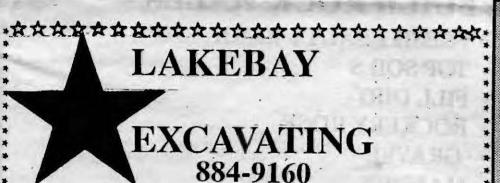
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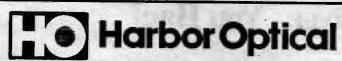
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#### Evergreen kids graduate from DARE

by Hugh McMillan

At a packed gathering of enthusiastically applauding Evergreen Elementary School students, 39 fifth graders received diplomas of graduation from the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program on June 15.

In conducting the ceremony, school principal Dave Trochim praised the kids for their seriousness and enthusiasm in the seventeen-week program and reminded them of what they had been learning: drugs and alcohol destroy lives.

Gig Harbor Police Chief Denny Richards, who authorized and encouraged his Department's sponsorship of DARE throughout the Peninsula School District, spoke to the graduates. He ended his praise-filled talk with the question, "Want to come out back with me and we'll do some drugs?" Their response was an explosion of unified young voices yelling, "NO!"

In an interview, Gig Harbor police officer Mark Galligan explained that the DARE program in the Peninsula School District began in September 1988 at Harbor Heights and Discovery schools in Gig Harbor. "The program was so successful," he said, "that the School Board asked to have it throughout the District."

Galligan has presented the program to Evergreen's fifth graders every-Thursday for the past 17 weeks. "The kids have worked hard on the program," he said. "We do role playing and each student has a DARE notebook." He added with obvious pride and confidence, "They've made the decision never to take drugs."

Galligan said the fifth graders have practiced, "refusal skills, building self-esteem, learning to be assertive in saying NO! to drugs, and believing that 'We're all special."

Graduates Mathew Harmeson and Ragan Mendenhall read papers they wrote on how to fight drugs. Theirs were voted the best of the best by their peers.

There was no questioning the respect and affection the kids have for Officer Galligan - no movie star could have been accorded a more enthusiastic welcome as he stepped to the microphone. Together Principal Trochim, Chief Richards and Officer Galligan presented diplomas to the graduates to the cheering and applause of the kids sitting on the floor, on chairs and standing. Two girls presented Officer Galligan with a letter of appreciation for his work with the fifth graders.

Chief Richards and Officer Galligan presented the school with a large DARE banner which will be prominently displayed to, "let the drug dealers know they're not wanted at Evergreen," said Chief Richards.

Graduating DARE fifth graders: Steven Alison, Dana Asper, Jamie Bainter, Alyssa Barrett, Michael Batson, Brandy Bierce, Jeffrey Bischoff, Hilda



Evergreen Elementary fifth graders graduate from the DARE program sponsored by the Pierce County Sheriff's Department. KP NEWS photo by Hugh McMillan

Common Ground

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#### **Common Ground**

by Walter H. Barkas II

When I drive along Lackey Road and up the steep hill toward Vaughn, I often remember some history my late father told about this grade.

He grew up on Lackey Road during the 1920s. My father, Walter, his brother Earl and some Nordquist and Movall kids traveled to school in Vaughn in various ways over the years: walking a path through the woods, sometimes with a sled, even on horseback.

At one period a local farmer and school board member, whose name I cannot recollect, started a school bus line and got the franchise to carry students to Vaughn. As rolling stock, this gentleman had purchased several surplus WWI ambulances. Were they Studebakers? Anyway, with these vehicles providing

spare parts for each other, the bus service went ahead. In those simpler times the man in charge could stay home and run his farm; any of the older boys became bus drivers as twelve year-olds often drove the family Model T locally.

The hill on Lackey Road was even a steeper grade then than now, and wasn't paved until many years later. Vehicles of those times often lacked fuel pumps, the gasoline reached the engine by gravity flow. Some cars had to take hills backward to keep the fuel going to the engine. For some reason this would not work with the school "buses." Instead, one of the boys, often my father, assisted the driver.

The driver would try to gain momentum as he neared the bottom of the hill, then the bus would climb ever more slowly, gasping from gasoline starvation. At that point the driver's assistant would

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remove the gas cap, which was on the floor near the rear of the ambulance, lie prone, apply his lips, and blow and blow. The air pressure would force fuel from the tank to the engine rather as in a pump-up camp stove. This would be the breath of life for the engine, which wheezed and struggled to pull the school bus up the grade.

Meanwhile the poor driver's assistant, gasping with oxygen starvation, struggled to keep air pressure in the tank. The gasoline fumes were the worst of it, according to my father. Sometimes one boy would have to be pushed aside and replaced by a fresh blower. At last the bus reached the top! It was downhill the rest of the way. The blower-boys would arrive at school dizzy, sick, and retching from gas fumes - talk about substance abuse!

#### Obituary

William Simeon Short (68) died at home on June 20 after a lengthy illness. He was a resident of the Minter area since 1978, moving from Iowa after retirement from John Deere in DesMoines, Iowa. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, the NRA and Local 450 of the UAW.

He is survived by wife Juanita of Minter, daughters Caryl Kingery and Connie Seddon of DesMoines, Iowa, step-daughter Lynnette Jacobson of Stanwood, Washington, one brother, one sister and four granddaughters. At William's request, no services were held. Remembrances may be made to KP Health Center, 8903 KP Hwy N, Lakebay, Washington 98349.

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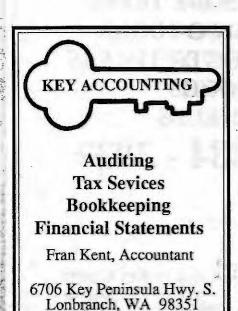
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You do not have to register if you don't use the waters of this state, and vessels from out of state have sixty days to use Washington waters before registration is required. Vessels must be registered by July 1, 1989. For further information call 1-800-521-9319 or the local county auditor's office or licensing agent.



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#### **New Games Day**

Vaughn Elementary School students cheered in New Games Day VII following a parade of students on Friday, June 16.

The students were encouraged by Kathy Johnson, marathon runner, to follow their dreams with determination. World Frisbee Champ Don Fogle agreed that each of us can do whatever we want if we try hard enough. Then he shouted, "Let the games begin!"

The dunk tank allowed third, fourth and fifth graders to dunk their fellows. Further cooling was available at the water slide and the Ferry Crossing, water balloon bowling and squirt gun target shoot-



ing.

For the artistic there was feet and finger painting and for team sports there was a marshmellow throw. The day was completed with wonderful barbequed hamburgers.

This year's T-shirt logo was designed by fifth grader Jesse Tayler. Among banners announcing names of classrooms participating were ones wishing Vaughn's Principal Larry Hawkins and teachers Mrs. Auge and Mr. Fallcochio good luck at their new schools next fall. They will be missed by everyone at Vaughn.

Everyone agreed that New Games Day VII was a success.

# **Boy Scout Centennial expedition**

To celebrate Washington's Centennial, Boy Scouts from Washington and Texas will follow 44 miles of the 1889-90 Press Expedition's trip through the Olympic Mountains. The eight-day trip commemorates the expedition's discovery of what actually lies in the center of the Olympic Peninsula. A hundred years ago no one knew for sure what lay in the center of the Olympics - not until James H. Christie answered Governor Elisha P.

Ferry's call for men to explore this region. Christie led the press expedition which was funded by the Seattle Press newspaper.

The trek begins on July 13 at Whiskey Bend, the trailhead of the Elwha River Trail. At the 10 am ceremony a centennial plaque will be presented and placed at the trailhead. The event will formally designate the trail as one of Washington's 25 Centennial Trails, selected by the Washington Trails Association.

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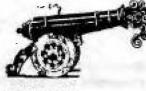
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#### State wildfire conference - Wildfire hits home

by Hugh McMillan

Two representatives of the Key Peninsula Fire Department were among more than 250 attendees at the first annual Statewide Wildfire Conference at the SeaTac Marriott Hotel on June 16.

The conference, sponsored by the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the Washington Fire Commissioners Association, the Washington Association of Fire Chiefs and the United States Forest Service, lasted from 9 am to 5 pm and featured, in addition to excellent (and frightening) audio-visual materials, such speakers as Washington Commissioner of Public Lands Brian J. Boyle, Bill Baden of the National Fire Protection Association, Harry Wappler of KIRO TV and radio, gardening expert Ed Hume, Nevada Fire Department Chief Gene LaBlanc, John Bethea of the Florida State Forestry Department, Spokane Fire Chief Don Hunt, Howard Thronson of DNR, Ken Schram of KOMO TV and radio, Jim McFadden of the California Department of Forestry and Stan Biles of DNR.

Wildfire involves an interlaced combination of factors, among other things, plant life, weather, terrain, accessibility and availability of firefighting equipment and trained personnel, as well as the media, communications, incident command and logistics.

The thrust of the conference message (as this writer sees it) is that it can happen here. And "it" is the sort of wildland fire that destroyed many expensive homes in the Hangman Hill development in the Spokane area, throughout the State of Florida on what is called "Black Friday," in Nevada and in California - to mention but a few in the very recent past. The motto for this conference was Wildfire hits home! "A very frightening thing to contemplate," commented one fire commissioner at the end of the fast-paced, highly professional presentations.

A May 3, 1989 column in Tacoma's Morning News Tribune accurately summarized the situation:

"The chances of homes burning in a forest fire are greater today than two years ago. Next year they will be greater still. The risk will increase every year as more

and more urbanites and suburbanites move into nice, woodsy suburbs, semisecluded housing clusters or isolated single homes .... Sooner or later, Washington will have a truly catastrophic fire like the fires that some of our old-timers still remember with a shudder. Homes will be lost. Lots of them. Expensive homes, built by good solid citizens. You can count on it.'

So, what to do? Almost all of us living on the Key Peninsula are here because we love to be surrounded by the cool, beautiful greenery of our forest environment. So did the many people whose homes were destroyed in the conflagrations noted above. Among the lessons learned in those tragedies:

- a) Homes that had a 50 foot cleared zone surrounding them had a much better survival rate than those with overhanging trees or trees next to them;
- b) Homes which had fire-resistant trees (such as maples and birch) located in the cleared area, but not near the structure, were in much less peril;
- c) Homes which had ground covers like ice plant, cotton lavender, vinca minor and California lilac were protected from rapidly advancing ground wildfire;
- d) Homes with composition roofs had a much better chance of survival; they did not immediately flare into flame when

burning embers landed on them;

- e) Homes with split shake roofs became incendiaries; volatile debris which landed on them produced immediate, rapidly burning and impossible to sup-
- f) Homes with leaves or needles accumulated on their roofs and in gutters had a much higher flamability rate than those with clean roofs and gutters;
- g) Homes located on slopes were in considerably greater danger; fire spreads faster as slope steepens; and
- h) Homes located in natural draws are in what could become a "fire chimney" in which fires burn more intensely and spread rapidly with uphill drafts.

These examples are but the tip of the

In another and very disturbing lesson, Florida State Forestry Department's John Bethea noted that, "ninety percent of

wildfires are caused by man. God is responsible for a mere 10 percent." Most man-made wildfires are the result of trash burning and many are caused by outdoor cooking.

Please! Before you burn anything, contact your fire department, obtain a burn permit and - most importantly - pay attention to and carefully follow the advice your firefighters give you on how to burn properly. And, before you dump that charcoal from your outdoor barbecue, make sure it is out. If you can hold your bare hand in the charcoal without fear, you're probably safe in disposing of it.

KPFD recommends that all citizens obtain a booklet entitled Planning for Survival, how to protect your home from wildfire by writing the Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Public Lands Building, Mail Stop QW 21, Olympia, Washington 98504.



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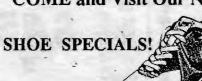
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When all the work was finished a victory dinner was held and Senator Scoop Jackson came to speak. It was a proud moment for the community and the birth of the Key Peninsula Civic Center.

To honor the Whitmores the Key Peninsula Civic Center Association recently voted to rename the Gold Room, the Center's main meeting room, the Whitmore Room.

Ollie Whitmore is gone now, but the lasting contribution made by him and Aggie and the many other people to our community should never be fortgotten. Mrs. Aggie Whitmore said that if Ollie were here "He would have liked for everybody's name to be on it. Oh, there were so many that helped!"

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9	Aerobics Rocky Bay Webelos VFW & Auxiliary 7-9 p NA	Wolf Den 4 Karate NA KPCCA Exec Board 7:30 pm	Aerobics Rocky Bay Fun Night Park Board 7:30 pm	KP Seniors Bear Den 3 Karate KPCCA Board 7:30 pm	Aerobics Rocky Bay Skating AA	Twilite Dance Club 9 pm-1 am
16	Aerobics Rocky Bay Webelos NA	Wolf Den 4 Karate NA Road Use Com. 7:30p	Aerobics Rocky Bay Fun Night	Senior Society Bear Den 3 Karate Teen NA Cootiettes	Aerobics Rocky Bay Skating AA	22
23/30	Aerobics Rocky Bay Webelos Paul Cyr 7 pm Aerobics NA Rocky Bay Webelos NA	Wolf Den 4 Karate NA	Aerobics Rocky Bay Fun Night	KP Seniors Karate Teen NA Bear Den 3	Aerobics Rocky Bay Skating AA	29

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