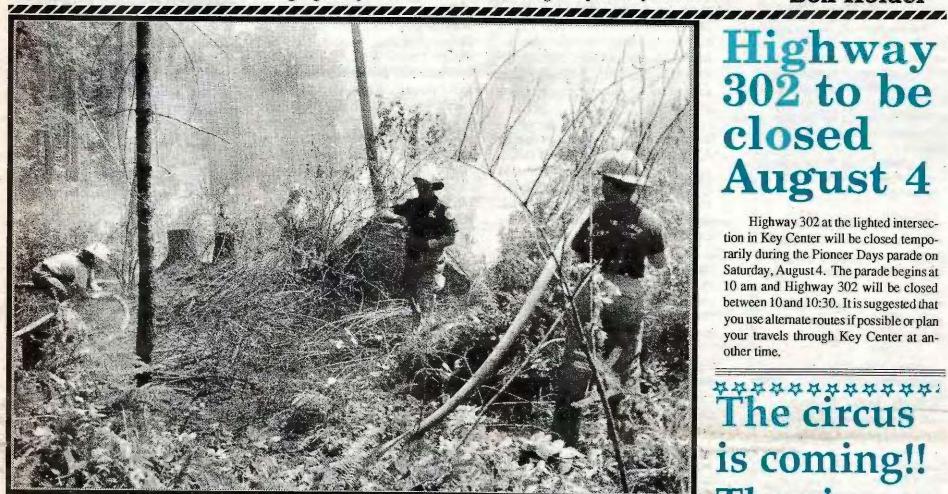
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Firefighters battle one of the recent wildfires.

KP NEWS photo by Hugh McMillan

# **Could a wildfire happen**

by Fire Commissioner Hugh McMillan

On July 18, Key Peninsula firefighters fought three wildfires. One of them restarted again on July 19. On one of those fires, nine firefighters and four vehicles were involved for about two hours.

From June 1 to July 15, 1990, Pierce County Fire Districts 5 and 16 fought 20 wildfires. At least twelve of those were fireworks' related. Fortunately, none of these fires caused loss of life or major damage because firefighters learned of them in time to stop them before they got out of hand.

It can happen here. "It" is the sort of wildland fire that destroyed 357 expensive homes in California this June, 27 homes in the Hangman Hill development near Spokane in 1989, homes throughout the state of Florida on what is called "Black Friday," and in Nevada and Colorado where homes were obliterated in wildfire conflagrations. The right ingredients for a major wildfire disaster prevail on the Key Peninsula.

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, semi-

secluded 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.

Almost all of us living on the Peninsulas 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 disasters 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 fire-retardant 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 are

veritable incendiaries; volatile debris landing on them produced immediate, rapidly burning, and impossible to suppress fires - and exploding shakes threw burning embers over 100 feet onto similar roofs precipitating a chain reaction,

f. homes with leaves or needles accumulated on their roofs and in roof 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 self-created uphill drafts.

Before you burn anything, contact your fire department, and most importantly, pay attention to and carefully follow advice on how to burn properly. Before you dump 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.

You can send for a booklet, "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.

Highway 302 to be closed August 4

Highway 302 at the lighted intersection in Key Center will be closed temporarily during the Pioncer Days parade on Saturday, August 4. The parade begins at 10 am and Highway 302 will be closed between 10 and 10:30. It is suggested that you use alternate routes if possible or plan your travels through Key Center at another time.

The circus is coming!! The circus is coming!!

That's right, we are going to have a real live circus here at Volunteer Park. There will be lions, elephants, snakes, llamas, and of course, clowns and all the fun you'd expect of a big top.

Special attractions include Hermon, the largest Orangutan; Miss Sofie, the youngest trapeze artist, and a knife throwing show with a human target.

The date is Wednesday, August 29, 1990 with 2 performances, one at 4 pm and the other at 7:30 pm. The tickets are \$3 for children and \$5 for adults. This is a pre-sale rate and the tickets can be bought at the Pioneer Days Key Peninsula News Booth or from Sunnycrest Nursery. Tickets at the door will be \$4 and \$6, so plan early and save.

Come join the fun at the first ever circus on the peninsula. The circus is being sponsored by the Key Peninsula Civic Center Association with the help of the Key Peninsula Park District. So mark your calendar and bring all the kids from one to one hundred, to join us in the fun and great times.



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# letters To The Editor

#### To the editor:

Before we can do effective land use planning, we have to agree upon the ultimate goal of the planning. Rules and regulations are only as good as the ultimate vision they are striving for.

A government-mandated commission has been established to define the vision for the entire Puget Sound area. This commission will determine whether our Peninsula is to be developed as a high residential area or whether it is to remain rural and agricultural. It will also determine what kind of transportation options we are given.

Once this decision is made, we will take the next step of determining how we develop within that framework. The vision which most excites me is one called "The Major Centers Alternative." In this vision, growth is contained in urban areas. Rural, agricultural and natural areas are established and protected.

I am opposed to the "Dispersed Growth Alternative" because it slates our Peninsula for high density growth. It is the mass transportation focus of the "Major Center Alternative" which I find exciting for expanding our quality of life.

Wouldn't it be nice to travel by bus to a point where one could then travel by passenger-only ferry to destinations on the Sound, or to a rail station where one could travel by commuter train from Seattle to Olympia, or on a light rail system from Everett to Tacoma/Ft. Lewis?

With improved bus systems serving rail and ferry systems, one could easily travel to the interesting shopping and entertainment districts as well as to the beaches and Parks. Such a transportation system would be convenient and less stressful than congested freeway driving, and much healthier for our environment. It would mean cleaner air, less dependence on automobiles and less need for shipping so much oil. We can do good things for our environment and enjoy travelling around our region at the same time!

There is only one of the five options (as I understand it) being considered. Others do not provide me with such a delightful vision of quality of life.

Copies of the "Vision 2020" supplement can be found at the Public Library or can be requested by calling (206) 464-7532. I recommend you look at the "Vision 2020" and see the five choices we are being given. Write to PSCOG, Grand Central on the Park, 216 First Avenue S., Seattle, WA, 98104. Let them know which vision for the future is your choice.

As 1 understand it, implementation and local land use planning will still be somewhat in our hands, but the framework within which we can work will be determined by which of these five choices is made.

**Rivkah Sweedler** Home

#### To the editor,

I wanted all Key Peninsulans to see . the letter I've sent to Chief Dick Knight of Mason Fire District No. 5 and Chief Meigs of Kitsap Fire District No. 7: Dear Chiefs,

I've been asked by the Key Peninsula Pioneer Days Committee to write and encourage your department to participate in the Tug-of-War contest to be held on Pioneer Days, August 4, 1990 at the Civic Center, Vaughn, WA.

You must have some able-bodied, husky people capable of beating these pansies we have on our team. Their claim to fame is that they are undefeated, after only one year of competition. They boast and rightfully so, that they are unbeatable. No one has come forward to question this claim. Of course I'm not on the team, which could alter the odds. I'll be in the beer garden, involved in the weight-lifting contest, lifting 12 oz. cans.

If you can round up some skinny 200 pounders or fat 300 pounders contact Rick Olsen at 884-2222. Maybe we can both get involved in the weight-lifting contest and let those pansies pull rope. Competitively yours, Ногасе Каппо

Fire Chief, Key Peninsula Fire

#### To the editor,

I was truly embarrassed and ashamed for our community when I read Juanita Short's letter to the editor in the July 1 issue of the Newsletter. I feel her attack on the owners of Alaska Fish and Chips was not only unkind, but unfair. I do not feel her comments are worth quoting here, but I know that my family, and many others on the Key Peninsula have enjoyed the convenience, fair prices, excellent food, and friendly, concerned attitude of the owners of this truly unique and high quality fast food restaurant.

Many of Ms. Short's comments were made in the attitude that the owners of the Alaska Fish and Chips were somehow responsible for the so called misconduct of the owners and operators of Minter Village. I know of no tenants who are (or who ever should be) held responsible for the misdeeds of their landlords.

I also have observed continuous efforts by the owners of Alaska Fish and Chips to improve the apperarance of the land they occupy. Not with asphalt paving and white striping of their parking lot nor bright neon lights that detract from our environment but with attractive and natural log picnic tables and other subtle forms of landscaping.

I believe that if Ms. Short would stop by and try the wonderful food served there and meet the owners of this small business, perhaps she would be able to see past her biases and into the hearts of people

## A note to our readers:

You are now reading what may have been an unexpected issue of the NEWS. After press time last month, it became apparent that merging with the Pioneer Day issue wouldn't work. There are too many other things happening in the community to let two months go by with no NEWS.



### From the Prez:

Pioneer Days is on Saturday, so come and join in the activities during the day starting off with the parade at 10 am. After the parade we have games for the kids in the arena, and the fish pond has grown overnight into a monster of a pond. Hope you all enjoy the fishing. The tug of war has expanded to four fire departments and of course the mud wrestling for all you folks who want to play afterwards.

This year the arena will have a minihorse gaming show with animal judging afterwards; my favorite -- the dress-up of your pet.

New this year is the watermelon eating contest. Of course there will be lots of entertainment and food for everyone.

I want to thank all of the folks who have helped to make this a big success. We are still in need of help with the Pioneer Farms exhibit and with setup on Friday and takedown on Sunday. If you can spare a couple of hours on any of these days, please call me at 884-9821 or the Civic Center at 884-3456.

Oh, before I forget, the large playground toy is ready to be played on, so bring the kids and enjoy.

One of the big things we all have to think about is the Park District levy this year. The money from the levy keeps the doors open at the Civic Center and Park. Without these funds we would all suffer, including the children, seniors and all others that use the facilities. So before you go the the polls please consider what will happen to the buildings and park. Unlike Gig Harbor, we have the facilities, so please keep them going.

for Civic Center program suggestions call the center at 884-3456 or Stephanie Zampini, president, KPCCA 884-9821

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## Lutheran Youth Group to hold rummage sale

Saturday, August 18 there will be a rummage sale at Key Peninsula Lutheran Church. The sale will be sponsored by the High School Youth Group.

The youth group uses the proceeds to educate themselves and to help others. Recent fund-raisers enabled the youths to travel to California for a Western States Conference. While at the conference, the teens participated in a service project to help clean up a wildlife refuge. The group had fun and learned a lot during workshops.

KP Lutheran's youths would appreciate your support on the 18th. The rummage sale will be held from 9 am to 5 pm. Your contributions to this good cause will be very much appreciated.

# Old Timers' Day

from KP Community Services The Key Peninsula Community Services is having the annual Old Timers' Day at Longbranch Improvement Club on August 25.

We will have the logging show again which is always very spectacular; Dale Boquist is very proud of the group.

We will have a lot of articles that have been donated to auction off. The Horseshoe Tournament will be going on as well as the auction. Lots of booth space is available at \$10 a space. You can set up at 7 am. Bring your own table.

The entertainment this year will be the Victory music again from 1 to 4 pm. Then we have a banjo group of between fifteen to twenty people putting on a fantastic show from from 5 to 6 pm. They feature clog, belly and tap dancing. Then to continue the entertainment there will be bluegrass music from 7 to 8 pm.

Raffle tickets will be on sale right up to the night of the drawing. Our prizes this year are: first prize, a three-day stay at Rosario's Resort on Orcas Island (this includes a ferry ticket and \$150 spending money); second prize, a \$150 shopping spree at Walts' in Key Center; third prize, a cord of wood. A home-made quilt will also be raffled.

There will be a dance from 9 to 12 midnight with music provided by the Smoothies. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be served during the dance and mixer and ice will be available, but you must BYOB.

Since this is our main fund raiser, we hope to see everyone come out and enjoy the fun.

## Volunteers needed for home repair program

Pierce County has an ongoing program of home repair for low income people. Several types of housing repair programs are included, in which minor home repair is one. This agency office may be contacted at 591-7038. The many requests over the years has produced a long waiting list.

To speed up availability of the program to new applicants a volunteer worker division has been started under the direction of Herb Rowland of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP). Persons who can perform such minor repair work are asked to contact Mr. Rowland at 597-7312. Many of those benefited are elderly low income. Repairing their homes helps them continue living longer at home before entering costly retirement or nursing homes.

The volunteer project, aided by a new Cheney Foundation grant, uses skills of volunteers who are paid a modest travel reimbursement. The home owner or renter must be found eligible by an income test, family size and type and size of repairs needed. Materials for the projects are generally provided with funds from the Cheney grant.

The general program for home repairs may also benefit disabled and certain low income families. Three features of the general program are a maximum limit of \$1000 for one household, need for a physical change to improve use for disabled, and repairs that may be needed for health and safety.

# Home school group to meet

Home schooling is legal and it works! The Greater Gig Harbor Home School Association will have its first meeting of the school year at Horseshoe Lake on Saturday, August 18 at 10 am.

Anyone considering home schooling is welcome. Bring your lunch and beach equipment and even your baseball glove. Show this article and come to the gate between 10 and 10:15 am to be admitted to the park free. Children are welcome.

For more information call 265-8210 or 884-2735.

# When to sign up for Medicare

Sign up for Medicare at least three months before your 65th birthday, it can take that long for your coverage to go into effect. If you don't sign up and you need Medicare coverage before your coverage officially begins, Medicare won't cover any of your medical bills.



The Key Peninsula Firefighters Association will be holding the annual Firefighters Ball on Saturday, August 18 at the Key Peninsula Civic Center.

Dinner, catered by Marty Pederson, will be served from 6 to 8 pm. Marty is, currently deciding on what kind of delicious beef entree he will prepare.

The theme of the dance and dinner will be western with music by Jerry Andal and the Roughriders and western attire. Tickets are available by calling 884-2222.

Funds raised from the dance are used to purchase extra equipment and supplies for the fire department.

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Altrusa	August 14: noon	Shoreline Restaurant	
Caregivers	August 15: 7 pm	KC Library, Brones room	
КРВА	August 3,17: 7:30 am	Huckleberry Inn	
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Allyn Community Assn	August 2: 8 mm	Allyn Inn, Allyn	
Angel Guild Citizens Against Crime	August 27: 10 am	KC Library, Brones room	
Cootiettes	August 2: 7:30 pm August 14	KPCC, Whitmore room	
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	August 28	visit Naval Hospital	
meet at noon in	Key Center to carpool	The manage chospical	
	August 16: 6:30 pm	regular mtg, Whitmore rm	
KPCCA	August 9 7:30 pm	KPCC, Whitmore rm	
KP Community Serv.	August 14: 7 pm	Community House, Home	
KP Health Ctr. Bd.	August 23: 7:30 pm	KC Library, Brones room	
Lions BOD & club	August 13: 7 pm	Community House, Home	
Lions Club	August 1,15 : 7 pm	Huckleberry Inn	
Longbranch Imp. Club	August 15: meeting 7:30 pm	Longbranch Imp. Club	
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VFW & aux.	August 13: 7:30 pm	KPCCA, Whitmore mm	
community servi	ces:		
CPR classes	August 2: 7-10 pm	884-2222 for reservations	
food bank	Tues - Fri: 10 am-3 pm	KPCS bldg,	
hot lunch for seniors	Wednesdays: noon	Community Center, Home	
respite care	Wednesdays: 9 am 3 pm	KC Library, Brones room	
sewing classes	Tuesdays: 1-4 pm	KC library	
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KP Fire Corn, KP Park Board	August 8,20: 7:30 pm	Key Center Fire Station	
Peninsula School Board	August 8: 7:30 pm	KPCC, Whitmore room	
	August 9: 7:30 pm regular monthly meeting	ESC center, Purdy	
	August 14: 7:00 pm		
	1990-91 budget meeting		
	August 28: 8:00 am		
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self-help groups			
Al-Anon	Mondays: 7 pm	Lakebay Community Chur	
Diabetic Support Grp		KP Health Center	
Survivors Group	August 9: 2-3:30 pm	KC Library, Brones room	
social/hobby gro			
Gig Harbor Twirlers,	Mondays: 7:30 - 9:30 pm	Square dance lessons,	
Standard Standard		Burley, next to P.O.	
KP Senior Society	Thursdays: 11 am-4 pm	KPCC, Whitmore room	
Upper Sound Grange	August 6: 6:30 - 9 pm	KPCC, VFW rm	
picnic	August 12: 1 pm	home of Elsie Olson	
events:	Contraction of the second second second		
CAC rummage sale	August 11: 9 am - 5 pm	Sheriff's Dept Purdy	
Firefighter's Ball	August 18: dinner 6 - 8 pm		
	dance 9 pm		
KP Lutheran rummage sale:	August 18: 9 am - 5 pm		
KPCS breakfast	August 19: 8 am - 1 pm	Community House	
Lions rummage sale	August 11: 9 am - 5 pm	KPCC, VFW room	
Old Timer's Day	August 25: all day	KPCS, Home	
Performance Circle	August 3,4,5: 7 pm	Celebrations Meadow,	
"Carousel"		Gig Harbor	
Pioneer Days	August 4: parade 10 am	downtown Key Center	
The Key exhibit	thru month of August	The Key Dining Room,	
paintings by Rebecca Schof	seld	KC Corral	

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who really care about the impact they have on our community. Our community is made up of people with a heart for the special beauty we all share on the peninsula. Life is more than rules and regulations. It has to do with people with needs and feelings. This retired couple is providing a service to the people of our community. Many of us appreciate their committment and love of our area. Is it truly necessary to have rules and regulations that cause the kind of petty attacks made by Ms. Short on people attempting to make a living with a fine product and a positive attitude? I don't think so. Alaska Fish and Chips, we welcome you to our community and enjoy the fine food, service and attitude you contribute to our way of life! Sincerely;

Barbara Standish

#### To the editor;

We would like to thank everyone on the Key Peninsula for the wonderful experience our children and family has had being a part of the Key Peninsula Little League. Considerable effort has been put forth to establish a Little League program and ensure its success.

We would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge some of the people who have contributed many long and thankless hours in providing a successful Little League on the peninsula: John Dierck, President; Dave Pappas, Vice President; Linda Hacker, Secretary; Vicki Miller, Treasurer; Sheryl Brown, Player Agent; Danny Hacker, Safety Agent; Frank Jeffries, Concessions; Linda Nimrick, Fund Raisers; Marcia Edwards, Steve Grimm, Pedro Lay and Debra Oslin, Board Members; David Carr, Senior Manager; John Suzzane, Junior Manager; Al Carlson, Steve Grimm, Rick Coovert, Don Griffey, Dave Wiltfong and Mike Youngchild, Major League Managers; Gary Guintoli, Richard Jacobsen, Tom Marzano, Chuck Oslin, Mike Parker and Wendy Wakeling, Minor League Managers; Pat Gilligan, R.J. Hanson, Ed Hawkins, Betty Hicks and Lu Padella, T-Ball coaches. Almost every team has assistant coaches, team moms and parent volunteers that were not named and also need to be thanked.

Our teams all had sponsors, who gave money to support each team and even extra money for the team to have a party together at the end of the season. These sponsors deserve a big thanks: Angel Guild; Walt's; Gordon, Missner & Robinson, Attorneys-at-law; K.C. Corral; Key Western Building Supply; Action Athletics; North Mason Fiber; Charboneau Supply; Tacoma Telco; Northwest Auto Clinic; Fire Busters; R. & M. Electric; Ribticklers; Lakebay Chevron; Key Center Lions Club and the Key Peninsula Business Association.

The umpires, Ron Brown, Larry Bellona, Chuck Douglas, Larry Hammel, Chris Hansen, Pete Miller, Mark Carlson, Bill Sawaya, Earl Short, Carl Regaldo, Dave Shephard, Shane Imes, Robert Dahm and Chris Thorton were also a key part of our Little League and deserve a bigh thanks for their volunteer services.

Thank you very much to all those mentioned and those who may have been unintentionally overlooked. Good luck Key Peninsula Little League; maybe we will see you in the Little League World Series some day! Mike and Bobbi Parker and Family

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## Fourth of July fireworks were wonderful

#### by Hugh McMillan

Our Key Peninsula Firefighters Association gave us the ninth in a row of spectacular fireworks displays on July 4.

Many thanks to Rick Stout, Karl Bonn, and Kevin Diekman, all certified and licensed pyrotechnicians who volunteered once again to handle the dangerous, hot, smelly job of bringing us this annual pleasure. They not only provided the thrills, they donated in advance, as they have for nine straight years, the money they would otherwise have received for the job - 10 percent of the amount fired off! Thanks guys, for everything.

Almost everything was perfect. The weather, the crowd's behavior, the super food vended by the KPFFA, and the beautiful fireworks' show.

What was short of perfection were a handful of people who caused a disturbance near and on the Home bridge, the ones whose irresponsible use of fireworks caused a brush fire on the property of one of Home's residents, and the ones who left spent fireworks, cans, bottles, and other garbage along A Street in Home. We all ought to follow a golden rule: "leave nothing but footprints, take nothing but photographs."

How did we do with the fund-raising? Many thanks to all who contributed. We are, unfortunately, still a tad short of rc-paying our \$2,000 loan to the KPFFA. A total of all funds received as of July 18: \$1,767.78, or \$232.22 short of our goal. If you forgot to drop a few pennies into the kitty, why not make out a check to the KPFFA, 8911 Key Peninsula Highway, Lakebay, WA 98349.

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## Upper Sound Grange Picnic

Upper Sound Grange #705 will have the August pot luck picnic at the home of Elsie Olson on Sunday, August 12, beginning at 1 pm. Grangers, their families, friends and guests are encouraged to come.

## Rummage sale mania

If rummage sales are your thing, Saturday, August 11, is your day.

Citizens Against Crime (CAC) will hold one in the parking lot at the Purdy Detachment of the Pierce County Sheriff (just past Peninsula High School's baseball field off 144th Street in Purdy), and the Key Peninsula Lions will have theirs in the VFW room at the KP Civic Center in Vaughn. Each of these bargain-hunters dreams will run from 9 am to 5 pm.

The Lions will use the proceeds for their sight, hearing, and drug awareness programs. CAC is determined to get a computer to enhance their crime war. Both deserve your support.

# Roland Nease honored

#### by Hugh McMillan

Roland Nease, an active member of the Key Peninsula Branch of Citizens Against Crime, was honored with a special plaque for outstanding contributions to the Internation Association of Airport and Seaport Police (IAASP) at the closing ceremonies of the twenty-first Annual Conference of that organization at the Tacoma Sheraton Hotel on May 31.

Attending the week-long conference were delegates from Liberia, Japan, Taiwan, Saudi Arabia, England, Canada, South Korea and a number of the other forty IAASP member countries.

The conference dealt with problems of airport security, criminal intelligence, narcotics, V.I.P. security, movement of hazardous materials, seaport security and a new problem, theft of airplanes piece by piece.

Nease, a moving force in IAASP since its inception, chaired the committee which arranged the conference in Ta-coma.

### Additional voter registration sites

Those wishing to register to vote should know that they can do so at the Key Peninsula Fire Department's headquarters at 8911 KP Highway, Key Center and at the Key Center branch of the Pierce County library, in addition to the registration sites noted in the article which appeared on page 4 of the July 1 issue of the KP NEWS.

## New rules on berry picking

The new state regulations will limit 12 and 13 year-olds to harvesting only berries, bulbs, cucumbers and spinach, and then only during non-school weeks.

In addition, the new regulations limit 16 and 17 year-olds to working no more than four hours a day and 28 hours a week when school is in scssion. Fourteen and 15 year-olds can work no more than three hours a day and 21 hours a week during school weeks.

## Hugh McMillan named to state committee

Hugh McMillan of Home was appointed to the Department of Corrections' prc-release site selection committee. The group is made up of some twenty western Washington citizens from law enforcement, the State Legislature, civic, business, and service groups, and meets each Tuesday at the West Precinct of the Pierce County Sheriff's Department in Lakewood.

McMillan is a District 16 Fire Commissioner and president of Citizens Against Crime. He is also active in the Lions' Club and the Washington State Fire Commissioners, as well as a frequent contributor to the NEWS. He will represent the area west of the Narrows bridge.

The pre-release facility serves as quarters and a training center to prepare prisoners serving the last year of sentences to fit back into society.

The group assesses various sites in western Washington, one of which ultimately will be the location of the prerelease facility currently located on the campus of Western State Hospital. In six meetings thus far, some 40 properties have been evaluated, one of which is in Purdy.

## Housing team offers technical assistance

A team of advisors will soon be available to provide technical assistance to communities wishing to provide and preserve affordable housing.

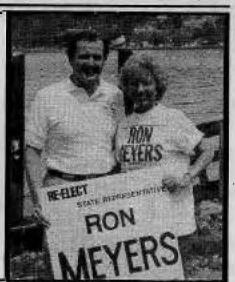
The Housing Resource Team (HRT) will provide a wide range of essential technical assistance to non-profit organizations, local governments, and housing authorities that have specific needs for developing, planning, and increasing affordable housing.

Initially, the top priority of the team will be rural communitiess. "Many of our rural areas don't have the resources or the expertise in housing issues, yet they face many of the same needs for affordable housing as large urban centers," said Governor Booth Gardener.

## Mary Ann Huntington to run campaign

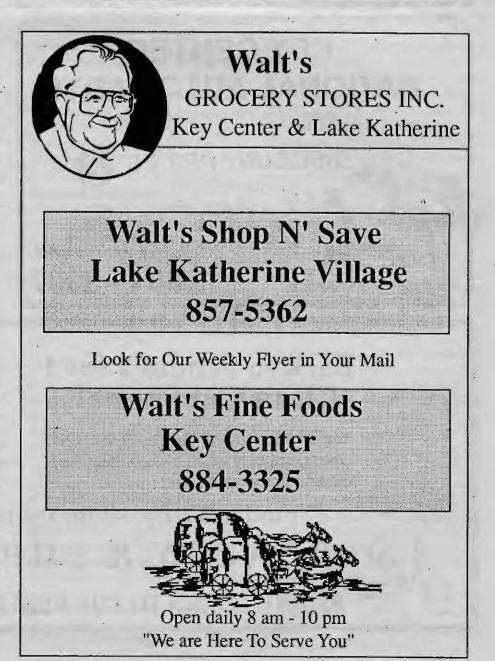
State Representative Ron Meyers announced today that Bremerton Port Commissioner Mary Ann Huntington will head up the Meyers' campaign for the 1990 election.

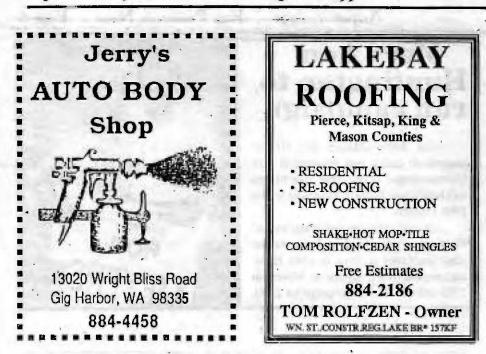
Although Meyers won when he and Huntington went head to head for the same legislative position in 1986, Huntington gave strong support to Meyers in 1988 and will run his campaign for 1990.



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Accidents and traffic control

#### by Megan Aprile

Most of us have been greeted at some time by the familiar yellow-suited firefighter and red cones that are the introduction to the scene of an accident. When an accident occurs, a detailed, dramatic and demanding process is set in motion by the men and women who respond when someone calls 911.

All fire and medical-aid 911 calls go to dispatchers in Lakewood, who then notify our fire department if medical aid is needed. Most of the calls received by Fire District 16 are medical aid calls and many of those medical aid calls involve accidents. FD 16 then notifies the Washington State Patrol and alerts all fire district personnel, who respond if they are near the accident. The WSP is always called and an officer responds. All of these things happen within a very few minutes.

Fire department 16 always sends a response force; an engine, an ambulance and a command vehicle, in full fire-fighting gear, to the scene of an accident. Once there, they must size up the situation quickly. The first and most important question is "How badly are people hurt?" If more than one person is injured, the paramedic must decide who needs care first. He then calls other ambulances and paramedics as needed

Traffic control is another immediate priority. Accident scenes must be left as undisturbed as possible, for reasons which will be explained shortly, and traffic must proceed as safely as possible.

In the meantime, a trooper from the Gig Harbor WSP office who is a trained accident investigator, is arriving at the scene of the collision. When he arrives, he talks with drivers, witnesses and fire personnel and evaluates this preliminary information. His job is to gather information and evidence, provide traffic control and protect the scene while preparing a report.

If he is the first person at the scene, he checks for injuries. It is also his job to determine whether any of the people involved in the accident have been impaired by drugs or alcohol. Since drinking is involved in a majority of fatal accidents, it is one of the first likely possibilities which must be checked. A Washington State Patrol officer may request a driver to undergo blood or breath tests if he feels there is probable cause (aroma of intoxicants, slurred speech or the kind of behavior associated with drinking). If there is a death, blood may be drawn without the driver's consent. Otherwise, a person must give his or her consent, but if consent is refused, the person's driving license is revoked.

The most common drugs tested for are cocaine, heroin, methamphetamines and marijuana. If there is a serious injury or fatal collision, Sgt. Ursino, the department supervisor, may be called, as well as a team of detectives and troopers.

Officers will gather tape recorded statements from people who witnessed the accident if there are any. They then begin carefully documenting the scene and start working on the sixteen forms which must be filled out.

When the forms are completed, they will contain information about the relative sizes and makes of the vehicles, information about the drivers, the extent of injuries and damage, information on the dynamics that caused the collision, a detailed scene diagram showing the location of the vehicles, measurements, damage and debris and an accident graph form for each vehicle. Extensive photographs of the scene, the roadway and any other site relevant to the accident are also taken.

Fire personnel remain at the scene and they also collect information for their documentation. As we drive by, we tend to see an accident as a temporary event. Actually, the effects of an accident can go for years. Besides the injuries that may have occurred, the court hearings or civil suits related to accidents may not take place until much later; up to a year for a criminal trial and up to 3-1/2 to 4 years for a civil trial. Fire personnel and WSP officers are often witnesses and must be able to give accurate and detailed information.

If you are on the road and see that it has been closed, keep in mind that a serious accident has probably occurred and important information has to be obtained. Roads are only closed when absolutely necessary and will be opened again as soon as possible.

In his twenty three years as a Washington State Patrol officer, Jim Sammons has seen hundreds of accidents. So far this year, as of June, on the Key Peninsula there have been 80 accidents, or more than 10 per month. Trooper Sammons says that most collisions fall into a few categories, (head-ons, side-swipes, right-ofway, rear-end collisions, one-car rollovers and off-the-road (weather-related).

Here are some tips to help you avoid an accident. 1. Anticipate what the other driver is going to do; look for an escape route. 2. Brake smoothly in a straight line. 3. Drive more slowly at night, or when the weather is wet. 4. Don't get behind the wheel if you are impaired at any level.

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## Peninsula People Remember

Pioneer Day month seems like a good time to remember our own local pioneers. Read on to find out who they were and what they were like. Thanks to the generous sponsorsbip of Telephone Utilities of Washington, the Friends of the Key Peninsula Library and the Key Peninsula Civic Center Association, you can enjoy the Pioneer Page. Please let these businesses and organizations know if you enjoyed the page, or write to us here at the News.

## Four Generations

by Sharon Winters

My grandfather, Joe Heiman, who I called Zodie, which means grandfather in Yiddish, came to Home in 1899. He and my grandmother Bessie were part of the freethinking community there. My grandparents built and managed the Home Feed and Grocery after first having a store in Lakebay.

My mother, Minnie, remembered delivery days (which I think she said were on Sunday) with the horse and wagon. It was a special day because her father would treat her and her brother Victor with two or three kinds of candies; one kind she always mentioned was called wine balls.

In 1938, my mother married Jim Winters, whose family had settled on McNeil Island. His half-sister Hazel, was Cecil Paul's mother. My children were the fourth generation raised in Home.



## daily living at Vaughn, at the turn of the century and beyond

#### by Margaret Paul

Day-to-day living in my grandparents Harry and Maggie Austin's time was not easy, for everything had to be done by hand. There was no help from electricity or servants. All the pioneers not blessed with a gravity spring on their wells had to pull water up by hand. Chores were difficult, yet with everyone going through the same hardships, one managed somehow.

At times in the summer, Grandma would load the washing atop the old horse and have it carried over a half-mile down onto south Vaughn beach, on Case Inlet, to a spring owned by my paternal grandparents, the Louis Harrimans. Grandma liked the spring water there as it was softer and got the clothes whiter than the well water at home. She would build a big fire on the beach, heat the water and wash the things there, then bring it all home to hang on her line.

There was no kitchen sink, no bathroom, and few cupboards or countertops to work on. A pantry held dishes and silverware while another small room was used to separate the cream from the milk. The cream was skimmed and sold or made into butter and sold. Grandma was a good cook and baked bread that was a delight to the family. With no freezers or refrigerators, food had to be canned, dried, pickled or preserved in some other way.

Grandma sewed, crocheted, knitted, tatted and made beautiful quilts. She somehow found time for cultivating flowers and grew lovely crocus and hyacinth beds in the back yard. Moss roses, lilac, mock orange, and other shrubs flourished under her green thumb. The garden was important to farm people, and the Austins raised everything they could to eat, buying only a little sugar, flour and a few other small items.

Grandma could coax the calf to learn to drink, or cure the problem with chicken lice on the black Minorca rooster. She also an amateur nurse, and would bind wounds, treat earaches, tummyaches and deliver babies. My other grandma, Dad's mother Mary, was also a midwife and for some years lived next door with Grandfather Lou Harriman. My grandmothers delivered each other's babies, in some cases.

Grandma and Grandpa were not regular church-goers, but occasionally altended. I remember going with them as a small child. We would row across Vaughn Bay to the Congregational church, located on the waterfront at Vaughn. Grandma attended Ladies Aid meetings occasionally. She liked to entertain them, and the neighborhood women vied with each other over who could serve the nicest table of goodies with tea.

Old time friends were George and Elizabeth Curl, Dominic and Helen Mills, Tom and Rena Gabrielson, Grandpa and Grandma Buckell, Ella Davidson, Clara Rodman, and Maggie and Henry Hanson.

My Austin grandparents helped start the Vaughn Library along with other public-spirited citizens, and they always followed it's progress with interest. They were pleased when I became library assistant to Mrs. Gabrielson and learned to catalogue, mend and check out books. Grandpa and Grandma were interested in the Vaughn cemetery from its inception, and bought a family plot. Both of them lie there now, along with their grown daughter Nellie and son Stanley. Grandma always enjoyed the tremendous view from the Bayview Cemetery, as it was formally named.

Schools and education were important to the Austins, perhaps because they had so little formal schooling. They were self-educated, and read all the magazines they could afford to subscribe to or have

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# A day in the life of a homestead girl

Ida (Mrs. Henry) Curl was born over ninety years ago in Longbranch. Her husband's parents, Elizabeth and Henry Curl were married in 1889 in Minnesota. The Curl's landed at Vaughn in a rowboat in the year 1899 as part of the great westward migration, which by then was nearly over.

Henry's brother had previously emigrated to the area, and had secured Henry a job at the mill which was then operating on Vaughn Bay. Unfortunately the mill burned down the day before Elizabeth and Henry arrived, so Henry Curl began his life in Washington picking grapes on Stretch Island, rowing across each day if the weather was not stormy.

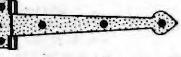
The couple lived in a rented home by the mill. Eventually they bought land in the Longbranch area, and became respected members of the community. Mrs. Curl organized the first Sunday school in Longbranch and was one of the church founders and a long time member of the Longbranch Ladies Aid.

Ida's parents, Julius and Pauline Simon were neighbors of the Curl family. Ida's mother, Pauline, was six when she arrived in Longbranch from Germany. Her father Julius' parents came over from Germany in 1888, when he was nine years old. Ida was born in the brooder house of the homestead in 1907, the oldest of fifteen children.

Ida's memories of a typical day on the homestead bring us the gift of understanding the pioneer way of life. Pauline was up in the morning early to build a fire in the wood cookstove, both for cooking and baking and for heating up the water in the big copper boiler for the daily washing. Julius carried in the water from the well near the cellar. Breakfast was combread, every morning. Pauline also baked three or four loaves of bread every day.

By 7 am the water was heated and had been carried out to the tub on the porch so washing could begin. Summer and winter, the tub stayed on the porch. Soap might be homemade or bought. Clothes were scrubbed on a washboard, wrung out, and rinsed in water in another tub. In sunny weather, clothes were hung outside on the line. In bad weather, they dried on the porch. Either way, as Ida said, "they had to dry quick, because somebody was waiting for them." Each child, (remember there are fifteen) had two outfits. "If I had a clean dress," said Ida, somebody didn't."

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## Personality of a Peninsula Pioneer: Gideon M. Davidson

#### by Marie Brown

Personalites are as unique as fingerprints or snowflakes; there are no duplicates. As a Graphoanalyst I am interested in human behavior and the stuff that individual personalites are made of. Needless to say, I was thrilled and grateful to receive copies of handwriting samples of Gideon Davis, an original settler of the Key Peninsula, and want to express my appreciation to his great-granddaughter, Peggy Dervaes. Mrs. Dervaes was able to furnish me with many samples that are copies of the actual homestead documents, written one hundred years ago, and covering the period from 1889 to 1895. This enables my handwriting study to cover changes in the personality traits during those years, and provides a good amount of insight into the character of this homesteader.

God gave each of us our own talents and tendencies, but it is up to us make the most of life's opportunities. That is exactly what Gideon Davidson did!

Gideon Davidson's homestead is located on Lackey Road, and has been a home all these one hundred years to his descendants. Appparently it is as sturdy as he was. At a time of his life when many other elderly people might wish to slip into a comfortable routine and enjoy peace and quiet, Mr. Dávidson began a project in 1889 at the age of seventy that even some younger folks might not have the gumption to undertake.

While I do have copies of some writing that I assume is Gideon Davidson's, the signatures are the legal and known writing and they are what I will focus the anyalysis on. This is by no means the whole personality, but it is certainly a vital part of it. In examining writing of the documents in 1889 the signature appears to be different than the rest of the writing, and this is not uncommon as our signatures reflect our public selves and our ordinary writing is an expression of our inner self.

The signatures suggest many traits which lend strength to Mr. Davison's desire to homestead. It is not possible to give any adequate lessons on how to perform as a Graphoanyalst in a short article such as this, but my aim is to let you appreciate the components of this man's character, and know something about him as a living, feeling and interesting person.

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him to hang in there when things became tough or frustrating.

We all know that just plain moving from one home to another is often one step forward and one step back. Can you imagine what it must have been for these hardy souls to not only move into a new residence, or even to build one using the methods and services available to day, but to have to build using crude tools, lots of muscle and without blacktopped highways on which to drive automobiles from the peninsula to Tacoma to fill out the many documents. It is for these reasons that I can appreciate what was done one hundred years ago in establishing this wonderful area that we so comfortably live in now. Thank you, Gideon Davidson, and thanks to all of those who had the pioneer spirit and foresight to develop this land.

Marie Brown is a Master Graphoanalyst and resident of Lake Holiday. She gives instruction on analyzing handwriting at the Peninsula High School in the adult evening classes. Mrs. Brown has studied Graphoanalysis for seven years and is a graduate of the Graphoanalysis Institute in Chicago. For information on classes or a higher level of training in this field, you may call Sherol Collins at the Community Education Office at PHS at 857-3511.

## When Calories **Don't Count**

1. If no one sees you eat it.

2. If it's eaten in the dark, or after 9 pm.

3. If it's eaten while standing over the kitchen sink.

- 4. If it's cold leftovers.
- 5. If it's "just a taste".
- 6. If it's immediately washed down with a diet soda.
- 7. If it's broken (broken crackers,
- cookies, cake crumbs, etc.).

8. If it's the last piece on the plate, 9. If it's eaten at the movies or a ball game.

10. If it's eaten for "medicinal reasons" (e.g. "comfort" food eaten after a

stressful day, or when you're bored or depressed).

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## When Cholesterol doesn't count

It is a little-known fact that cholesterol is dissolved when cholesterol-laden food is washed down with a diet pop.

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### Vaughn Village, cont.

passed along to them. They were so happy when my mother, Esther, decided to become a school teacher, and did all they could to promote her education.

Both grandparents were interested in nature, and liked boats and liked exploring the local sandspit and beaches. Grandma knew the local mushrooms and tried to teach my brothers and I the difference between them and the toadstools.

One time Grandma was out in the yard and saw a wondrous sight: shadowy figures of sailboats in a harbor, as a cloud picture in the sky. "Harry, Harry", she called to my grandpa, "come out here and see if you see what I see". It was a mirage, but it faded as they watched. It was something very special, which they talked about for many years after. Scientifically, they knew these looming mirages sometimes happened at sea. The layer of air near the cold ocean is cooler than the air above it. Light that usually would pass overhead is bent down, so sometimes an image of something may be seen that is actually over the horizon."

Neighborhood picnics were sometimes held on good summer days where Vaughn Elementary School now stands. There were baseball games, greased pig contests, sack races and many other games. Young children hunted wildflowers such as blue violets, camas flowers, Indian paint brush and deer-tongue lilies. There was an abundance of good food at these wonderful picnics. It was a fine time for seeing neighbors and friends, of bringing thoughts and deeds together and enjoying the warmth of reunions.

Grandpa Austin was an orchardist, and his fruit was of fine quality. However, prices were never high enough to bring much money into the farm, and life was always a struggle. Like most everyody in those days on the Peninsula, they worked hard and had a sound attitude, much like David Ben-Gurion, who stated, "We don't consider work a curse, or a bitter necessity, not even as a means of making a living. We consider it as a high human function, as a basis of human life, the most dignified thing in the life of the human being, and which ought to be free and creative. Men ought to be proud of it."

Because people in those earlier days were much more isolated than nowadays, they appreciated their neighbors and friends, and depended on each other for. help, comfort and entertainment. It was a good life, though sometimes harsh, and Grandpa and Grandma Austin probably were as content as anyone living today. Certainly it helped them become strong in character and proud of their ability to do what had to be done. There were some pretty wonderful people living on Key Peninsula and it is good to be remembering them through the Historical Society. Time goes by so relentlessly and our memories dim with age. I am grateful to all those who contribute so much in energy and effort to belp us preserve some of these good memories.

#### by Cecil Paul

The second Wednesday in Augus is the date of the next "Annual Ex-McNeil Islander's Picnc." It will be a pot-luck, same as last year, at Radonich's beach.

Because most of the "natives" have joined the senior clan, it is interesting to compare this picnic with those when we were kids.

Most of us will drive to the beach site, in cars that we could not even visualize then. Some will have travelled by air, and crossed to the Peninsula on the Narrows Bridge. Few among us would have even dreamed that a great steel arch would some day span the swift and turbulent Narrows.

McNeil Islanders Picnic

Food will be kept cold in insulated, light-weight chests. Drinks will stay hot or cold for hours in vacuum bottles and jugs. There are propane and gasoline fueled camp stoves that will do a good job for the cook. The goold old wood stove or campfire still is the cooks' favorite for real cooking, and it adds the old time touch we all love. "Mmm! Smell that coffee!" There were no speedy small boats zipping over the water in the old days, or jet planes leaving con-trails across the sky. No radios or tiny TV's competed with those who enjoyed visiting with others. When leaving time came, it might be by foot, horse powered wagon or boat. A lift in an automobile was unthinkable, almost.

There were no plastic tarps to protect things in case of showers, come to think of it. Maybe we missed some things without knowing it!





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## Local musicians to play at 'Diggin' the Gig'

Buck England of Home and Tom Morgan of Longbranch are part of Little Bill and the Bluenotes. Bill Engelhart formed the band over thirty years ago and Buck, who plays Hammond organ and Tom, the drummer, have played off and on with the band since it formed. Kingsman Barry Curtis has said "Actually 'Louie Louie' in the more contemporary version, which has the punch and which most people are familiar with, should be credited to Bill Engelhart".

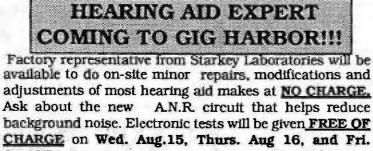
Little Bill and the Bluenotes will be playing this year at Diggin' the Gig in Gig Harbor. The two day festival has been arranged this year with an all-blues day on Saturday August 11 from noon to 8 pm. Other featured acts are James Cotton, Dee Daniels, Joe Houston and Michael Powers.

Diggin' the Gig festival organizer Herb Smith has expressed interest in putting on events on the Key Peninsula. Local ticket sales will demonstrate support. Call 884-3920 for tickets.

## Parking tickets may hold up license

The Department of Licensing has announced that a court may notify the Department of Licensing to withhold renewal of vehicle registration if two or more parking fines are unpaid. Previously, the renewal was withheld if there were three or more unpaid parking fines.

The Legislation also increases the parking ticket surcharge from \$10 to \$15 and changes the mailing of the parking ticket reminder notice from 150 days to 120 days prior to the registration expiration date.



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## New Post Office will still be Wauna

The new post office to be constructed at Lake Kathryn Village will retain the Wauna designation. Carrier routes for local Gig Harbor addresses will also operate from the new facility. According to the post office, "an overwhelming four to one majority" of the respondents mailing back a recent survey wanted to keep their current address designation of Gig Harbor.

Post office official Jon Patton had announced at a recent meeting of the Key Peninsula Business Association that a new zip code has been authorized for Key Peninsula routes with a Gig Harbor address.

# A day in the life of a homestead girl, cont.

By the time the washing was done, it was lunchtime. Lunch was the leftover cornbread from breakfast with some home-canned cherry or prune spread and some kind of meat.

If Julius were working at home that day, the outdoor chores came next. Ida helped her father cut wood, or pull weeds. When she got big enough, she helped him to fell trees. She just "took up the slack" on the two-man saw. In season there might be strawberries or raspberries, potatoes, beets, rutabegas or parsnips to pick. Root vegetables were put in the cellar; fruit was canned.

There might be some time left before dinner to "fight or play with the kids," or there might be housework; dishes to be washed or dried, or more boilers of water to heat for baths. The pigs, cows and chickens were fed by Julius:

Ida remembers feeding the rabbits by collecting dandelions and drying them. Twenty five to thirty rabbits were kept to be butchered and sold to the market which then existed at Purdy. Julius also "moonlighted," digging clams to sell at the markets in Tacoma. Jobs were few, and if a young man could not find, or did not want to, work at logging, as a mill worker, picking brush, farming or in a small business, he had to move on. Julius was also the parent who handled the discipline. "If we didn't do it right, he'd holler." Pauline, on the other hand, "never said a word."

The school Ida attended was a small building staffed by two teachers. Kids were grouped together in grades 1,2,3 and 4 and grades 5 through 8, with about 30 kids in each section.

Ida remembers an incident from her childhood. One of her friends, whose family still lives in the area, took money --went."

from the teacher's desk. The teacher, Mrs. Wigton, discovered the "crime" and slapped both girls' hands with a yardstick. After that, said Ida, she avoided that girl.

When people were sick, they stayed in bed. Pauline's home remedy for illnesses was cooked onion juice. If "almost dead," one might go to Tacoma on the boat to see a doctor. Ida herself made such a trip after developing a complication of the mastoids from measles, from which she recovered after an operation. A brother and sister were not so lucky and were lost within two weeks of each other from an unknown illness. The death of children was also a reality of homestead life. Julius went to town and got a casket for each child and then they were laid in the front room until the funeral. Ida remembers that the deaths of the two children "nearly got the best of Dad."

Christmas was always a special time at the Simons. They always had a Christmas tree, and Ida's father always bought a lot of candy for the children. There was a Thanksgiving celebration and Easter eggs at Easter time.

During Ida's childhood there were about 300 people living in the Longbranch community. People got around by using horses and wagons or boats or by walking. People's ties with each other were close. If someone was sick, or if there was a death in the family, many friends and neighbors would appear, wanting to know what they could do to help.

Basket socials at Penrose Hall were popular events and well-attended. Families went everywhere together, or as Ida says, "where the parents went, the kids went."

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## Women's PAA team will play for state chamionship



The women's PAA baseball team is pictured above as they gathered for a last practice before playing for the state championship on August 4 and 5 at Montlake Terrace. The team, sponsored by Boise Cascade is shown with their trophy for winning the league championship. The team also took the league championship last year.

Pictured in front 1. to r. are: Melissa Kettelhut, back-up catcher and outfielder; Marcia Edwards, second base; Pedro Lay, pitcher; Kathy Whipple, catcher; Leann Phipps, third base; and Jonna Gosnell, left field and first base.

Pictured in the back row l. to r. are: Kirt Mullins, the team manager; Katy Snook, outfield, left and center field; Laura Nepute, outfield; Cindy Mullins, first base; Ann Rodrique, outfield and catcher; Sue Danhoff, outfield; Karen Sietter, short-stop; and Dick Dolan, assistant coach.

In other PAA play, the league championship in the men's veteran (over 35) division was a tie between Lester's and Gig Harbor Ford. In the men's open division, the league championship went to Key Center Tavern. PAA baseball had 118 men's, women's and children's teams this year in our area.

## Volksmarch '90

The Key Peninsula Lions' Volkssport Club teamed up with Citizens Against Crime (CAC) on July 7 and 8 to stage the Volksmarch through "Historic Home."

It seems to be the first Volksmarch in which fifteen sites were identified by posters enabling walkers to learn the history of each. A sample: "the site of the only hostile confrontation Lieutenant Peter Puget of His Majesty's Ship Discovery had with the local Indians." That's pretty heady stuff.

On the first day of the Volksmarch, 573 walkers made the trek. On the second, only 199. The Volksport Club believes that the low number on the second day can be attributed to the incredibly high temperature and the fact that many who had planned to do the march on Mercer Island (also held on July 8), then the Key Peninsula march, simply pooped out.

The KP Lions' Club is happy that its total number of walkers exceeded by far the walks of similar clubs throughout Washington. CAC made a satisfactory number of dollars to move the group closer to its goal, the purchase of a computer to further help the Sheriff's department, and has committed itself to provide food for the 1991 KP Lions Volksmarch which will be held in Penrose State Park.



Jed Lemon picks the winning ticket for the VIP fireworks package, which was won this year by Dale Loy.

# VFW & KPCCA Fireworks

by James Wooldridge

The VFW and Key Peninsula Civic Center Association had a successful Fourth of July fireworks sale. Our VIP package was won by Dale Loy. I wish to thank all who helped to make this a successful year.

Our annual VFW picnic will be held August 13, at 6 pm at Penrose Park. It will be potluck, so bring your own service.



# Attorney General launches crime stoppers grant program

Attorney General Ken Eikenberry has established preliminary guidelines for a statewide Crime Stoppers program.

The 1990 legislature appropriated \$200,000 to the Attorney General for the development of a one-year grant program for local governments. The funds are for the operating expenses of Crime Stoppers programs which increase public awareness and assistance in solving crimes.

Crimes Stoppers is a communitybased program that joins law enforcement, local communities and the media. It has been highly successful in law enforcement officials in solving crimes.

The Attorney General intends to appoint an advisory council to review grant guidelines and applications. The review of grant applications is scheduled to begin in early July with the initial awards to local agencies in August.

Eikenberry urged law enforcement agencies and concerned citizens to consider launching a Crime Stoppers program in their communities. He stressed that this approach is successful in rural areas as well as the larger cities.

"I look forward to working with crime stoppers across the state," said Eikenberry. "Individuals can make a difference if we all join together in our fight against crime."

All Washington law enforcement agencies have received initial grant application information. Further information can be obtained through the Attorney General's office in Olympia, (206) 753-6200.

### Living trust lawsuits filed

Consumer protection lawsuits have been filed against four firms for misrepresentation in the sales of living trusts to senior citizens in Washington.

Named as defendant is American Family Living Trust, a California firm which provides living trust packages to two Washington corporations; American Health Agency, Inc. and National Health Services, Inc. Washington Living Trust, Vargus & Associated, Inc. and Daniel J. Vargus, President of Vargus & Assiciated, Inc. are listed as defendants in one suit.

Inquiries which lead to these lawsuits were first received from senior citizens on the new state Stop Fraud Hotline 1-800-622-0033. Citizens are encouraged to report this or any other suspected fraud to the Hotline.

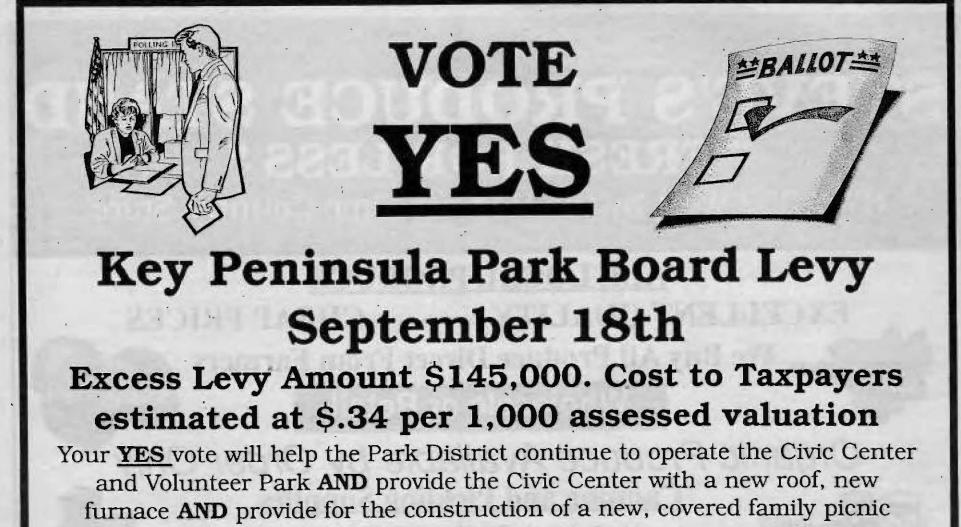


KP NEWS photo by Megan Aprile

The captains of this year's mud wrestling teams meet at the battleground for a little preliminary hostility and boasting. Shown are Jennifer Berlin, Pierce County District 5; Dale Goforth, Kitsap County District 7; Mike Salatino, the living memorial after whom the mudpit is named,;Steve Anderson Mason County District 5; and Rick Olson, Fire District 16.

## Not just Pioneer Day pins

Drop by Puget Sound Bank, the Country Mouse, Blundell's Chowder House, D J's Mini Mart, Walt's, the Angel Guild Thrift Shop or Sunnycrest Nursery to get your Pioneer Day Pin. The decision was made this year to go with a more permanent piece of jewelry that could be worn anytime. The enamel pin in gold, blue and green was designed by Pat Blundell and shows a map of the Key Peninsula with the theme of "a natural beauty."



area at Volunteer Park.

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KP NEWS photo by Megan Aprile

The Key Peninsula Players will thrill audiences at 1 pm with their melodrama written and directed by Ann Sanders, a talented PHS student. Don't miss this!

Shown L to r., front row; "Patricia," Amber White; "Marcy," Leia Martin; "Abigail," Amy Adams; "Melody Myers," Barbara Rippon; "orphans," Mike Batson and Ricky Batson; director and writer Ann Sanders; "Stacy," Lia Aprile; and "orphans" Tricia Batson, Christina Stanfill and Kimmy Stanfill.

Pictured in the back row, l. to r., are "Felix Bailey," Lloyd Boyd; "Miles Forthright," Jerry Benoit; "Sally," Becky Phillips; stagehand, stand-in and signmaker Frannie Clayton; introducer Zac Schramer; "Mayor," Joe Aprile; "Samantha," Sandra Diedrich, "Joan," Lee Stiles; and "Clyde," Daryn McKeown. Not pictured are "Joan's husband," Keith Stiles and "Robin," Jade Baldwin.



#### by Rick Oldenburg

The Key Peninsula Civic Center has been home to Pioneer Days, which was organized to commemorate our northwest roots, for nearly 20 years.

Parade and Opening Ceremonies

The Key Peninsula Business Association sponsored parade begins at 10 am. The parade originates in downtown Key Center, then winds a mile down highway 302 to the Key Peninsula Civic Center. Opening ceremonies begin promptly at 11:30 am at the flag pole.

#### Arts and Crafts,

Pioneer Farm Display

Children's arts and crafts will be on exhibit inside the Civic Center, and the Ohop Valley Pioneer Farm exhibit will be set up in the gymnasium. Five dozen hands-on activities from eight learning centers will highlight food, toys, clothing, tools, canoe building and Native American and pioneer skills and crafts. A magnificent exhibition of tools will be on display.

#### Junior Olympics

The Pioneer Days Junior Olympics offers games for kids of all ages from noon to 1:30 pm in the new enlarged arena.

Animal Exhibits and Judging

Animals of all sizes and colors will be exhibited and judged in the new arena from 3 pm to 6 pm. Everybody wins something for their efforts.

Horseshoe Throwing Contest The horseshoe throwing contest gets under way at noon beside the tennis courts. Horseshoe competitions from all areas are welcome to come unseat the perennial champs from the Longbranch area of our Key Peninsula.

Beer Garden

The tennis courts will again be transformed into the "Summer Fest" Open Air Beer Garden, complete with action packed Bingo in the afternoon and stage entertainment in the evening until midnight. The tiny lights strung over the top of the tennis courts magically transfigure the beer garden at night into an intimate area where one can enjoy entertainment, the company and joviality of others or quietly stargaze into the expansive heavens overhead.

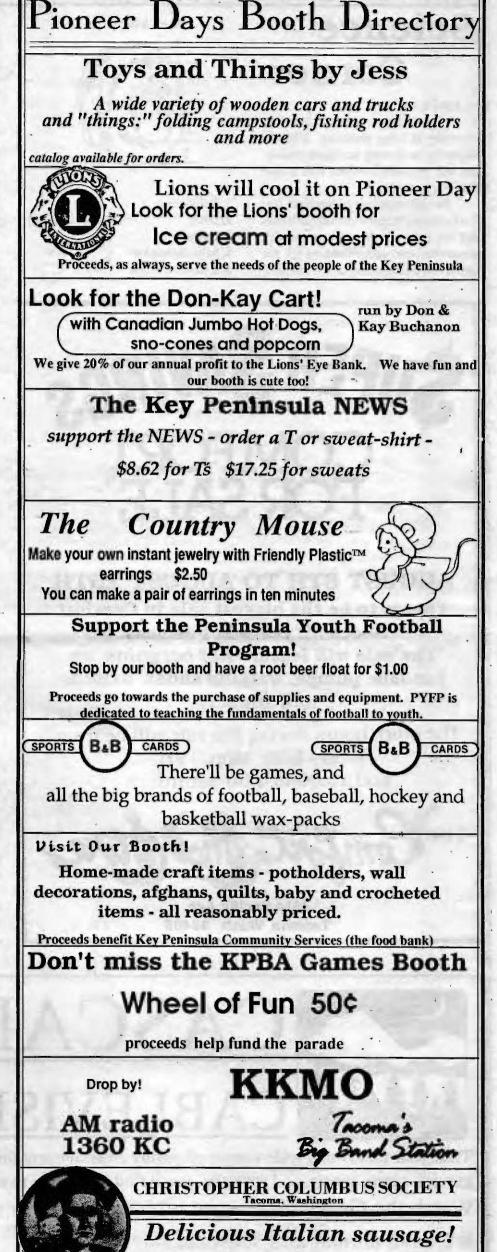
#### Entertainment

As a special entertainment treat, the Tacoma Banjo Band will be appearing from 5 pm to 6 pm on the main stage in fromt of the Civic Center. That notable group "The Whistling Navels" will return for a surprise performance in the beer garden, so plan accordingly.

Mud and Fishin'

Pioneer Days boasts a new, permanent cement fish pond (40' X 12") and the much gooier and improved Salatino Memorial Mud Pit for even more tug-ofwar action by the Volunteer Fire Departments from Gig Harbor, Key Center, Allyn and South Kitsap.

Bring your family, friends and neighbors to the 1990 Pioneer Days Celebration. It's at the top of the Key Peninsula's social calendar.





by Joseph Aprile

Biochemistry is the study of the chemistry of living processes. It had its beginning in the early twentieth century, and was primarily involved with animal nutrition studies.

An understanding of nutrition, (the food or energy requirements of our bodies and the cells of which we are made), requires some understanding of the underlying biochemistry of cell function.

The Living Cell

1. Ribosomes 2. DNA 3. Nucleus 4. Mitochondrion

5. Cell Membrane



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Thousands of different chemical reactions take place in the cell. These reactions are involved in growth, maintenance, repair and regulation of cellular functions.

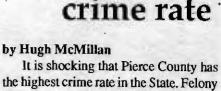
Living cells are highly organized structures (see diagram) existing in a hostile environment. It takes a great deal of energy and "building materials" to maintain this level of organization. Food supplies us with both a source of fuel and the necessary substances for growth and maintenance. Every cell in the body must be supplied in this way.

The food we take in must first be chemically changed by our digestive system into a form that can enter the bloodstream and be used by the individual cells. Proteins are degraded into amino acids, fats into fatty acids and starch into simple sugars. Many simple sugars need no further processing, and quickly find their way into the bloodstream.

The simple sugars and fatty acids that are made from the digestion of carbohydrates (sugars and starch) and fats are mainly used to provide energy to the cells. All sugars and fatty acids that are used for energy, are literally burned to produce that energy. This burning requires oxygen and is complete i.e. each molecule is ultimately degraded to carbon dioxide and water (which is expelled in the breath). The cell has a structure called the mitochondrion (see diagram) in which the energy from the burning of sugars and fatty acids is produced. As one might expect, muscle cells have many, many of these structures. The marvel of the cell is that this burning is accomplished at exceedingly low, temperatures i.e. 37 C (98.6 F). This feat is accomplished with the help of very specialized proteins called enzymes.

Amino acids, which come from the proteins in our diet, are used by the cells as the building blocks for many important human proteins. Some, such as those found in muscle fiber and other tissues, provide structural support for the body. Others, such as hemoglobin, mediate many important chemical reactions in the cells.

Together these reactions are referred to as metabolism. The metabolism of the living cell is very dynamic, and the object of much intensive study.



the highest crime rate in the State. Felony filings in our county have increased increased over 90% since 1985. Drugrelated felony filings have increased 650% since 1980.

**Pierce County** 

has highest

Citizens Against Crime works closely with law enforcement to stop criminal activity in our community, but it's pretty frustrating to learn that criminals who have been arrested are all too often back on the street within days because jail facilities are not available.

Our court facilities are overloaded to near gridlock. Our Superior Courts are trying only 33% of the State average for felony trials because they do not have enough courtrooms.

Our County jail, designed to hold 508 prisoners, a number predicted to be accurate through the 1990s, now averages a population of nearly 1,000 - and the figure continues to grow!

Today, juveniles commit 40% of Pierce County's violent crimes and 50% of property crimes. Yet the juvenile detention center at Remann Hall has no means of separating "hardcore" criminals, including gang members and violent repeat offenders, from those who can be helped on a course toward responsible citizenship.

County Government is confronted with a Catch-22. If additional jail space is not provided now, too many criminals walk. County law enforcement officers, judges, and prosecutors unanimously agree that several hundred law violators who should be in jail are doing just that.

If they are incarcerated in dangerously overcrowded facilities, our self-insured County faces a high possibility of costly litigation.

The County Prosecutor filed 2200 cases in 1985; today it is 5500 and climbing. This forces plea bargaining with too many criminals who deserve a lot more than they get.

The juvenile court facility lacks basic safety, security and treatment features which are critical to performing its mission of diverting youth from criminal lifestyles.

The bond issue, Proposition 1, is the best and least expensive plan available to fix the system. It will provide funds for construction of a 600 - 700 prisoner jail next to the existing facility in Tacoma; a safe, secure center for intervention, treatment, and detention of youthful offenders by remodeling Remann Hall; and a remodeling of the County City Building, to provide more courtroom space. Cost to the owner of an average \$80,000 home would be \$23.75 in additional property tax.

Two citizens of Home, Dennis Crowley and Hugh McMillan, are working in support of Pierce County's "Cells Yes!" campaign to pass a jail and justice facilities bond at the September 18 election.



As you're packing the car for your August vacation, don't forget to pack your medicine.

I frequently get calls from my patients visiting California, saying they forgot their blood pressure medicine or arthritis pills. While it is technically possible to phone in prescriptions out of state, it takes numerous long distance phone calls and a hassle for both of us.

It's also a good idea to take those medicines you only use occasionally — a day at the beach can be spoiled by an allergic reaction just as easily as torrents of rain. Antihistamines, eyedrops and your usual over the counter pain medication should be in your medicine kit.

It's best not to leave your medications in a hot car for too long, as excessive temperatures can alter some chemicals and actually melt capsules and suppositories.

Also a word on the so called "seasickness patch," or Transderm Scopalamine. This is a very useful medication, but can also have significant side effects.

Among them are exacerbations of acute glaucoma, and if you develop severe eye pain or significant visual disturbance after applying the patch it should be removed immediately and medical attention sought.

Similarly, older men with prostrate problems can experience problems with acute urinary obstruction (inability to void) from the patch. Rarely people on this medication can develop confusion, but commonly a dry mouth and a small amount of blurred vision are associated with it. This is one medicine you don't want to borrow from your fishing buddy unless you've discussed it with your doctor.

Last but not least, the end of August heralds the beginning of sports practice and thoughts of back to school. Beat the beginning of the school year rush and get your school/sports physical now.

# Burn safely to prevent wildfire

A recreational or campground fire is allowed without a permit if the fire is less than 4 feet across and you have a shovel nearby. Attend your fire at all times until it is dead out.

Do not have a fire within 50 feet of any structure.

When burning debris without a permit do not have a fire larger than 10 feet across and use a legal burn barrel (with a wire mesh overlapping the top) whenever possible.

Keep a shovel and five gallons of water on hand at all times.

Have the permission of the landowner to burn if it is not your property.



RP NEWS photo by Joe Aprile Amy in her walking cast.

## Tel-Med, free health tips

Tel-Med is a library of tape recorded health messages covering approximately 300 subjects. From 10 am to 8 pm, Monday through Friday, your telephone gives you immediate access to almost any health topic on which you'd like information — for free.

Each tape is 3 to 5 minutes long, carefully prepared and screened by a panel of physicians and other health care experts for accuracy, and presented in a straightforward, easy-to-understand manner.

Tel-Med is a public service. It's designated to help you stay healthy, recognize early signs of illness and adjust to serious illness. It is not designed to replace professional medical or dental care. And, it should not be used in an emergency or to diagnose an illness.

Gig Harbor/Peninsula area can call the operator and ask for Zenith 8103.

# Many older people not taking drugs correctly

Forty percent of the tens of thousands of Americans who have drug overdoses and reactions each year are over 60 years old. This is according to Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), which call the widespread legal misuse of pescribed medications by older Americans, "the other drug problem."

According to HHS, one study has shown that 23% of all nursing home admissions are traced to misused drugs. "Older people don't take too many pills to get high," says Robert W. Windom, M.D. of HHS, "they take too many pills to get well."

The greatest number of adverse drug reactions involve medicines taken for cardiovascular conditions (heart disease, high blood pressure, etc.). Undermedication is also a problem. As many as 33% of all older patients fail to get prescriptions filled or refilled.

from the American Medical News

# The right stuff

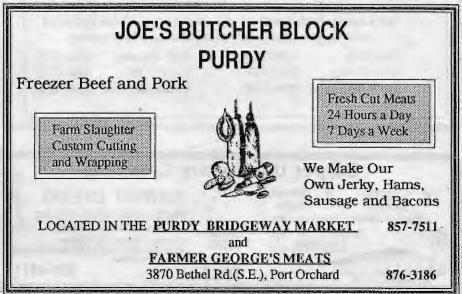
#### by Megan Aprile

Thirteen-year-old Amy Rose is the second baseman for the Junior division Little League team sponsored by the Key Peninsula Lions. At the June 16 game, Amy was sliding into home plate when her cleat evidently caught on the plate and twisted her leg around, breaking it in two places.

Amy's foot was suddenly facing the wrong way and Amy herself was lying in the dirt at home plate. The pain was so intense that Amy drifted in and out of consciousness, but she had some important questions for her mom as she lay waiting for the ambulance to arrive. The first thing she wanted to know was, "Will I still be able to play?" Her mom said no, she didn't think so, because her leg was broken. A few minutes later, when Amy came to again, she asked "Mom, did I get a run?" With spirit like that, Amy will probably be able to score runs at just about anything she puts her mind to.



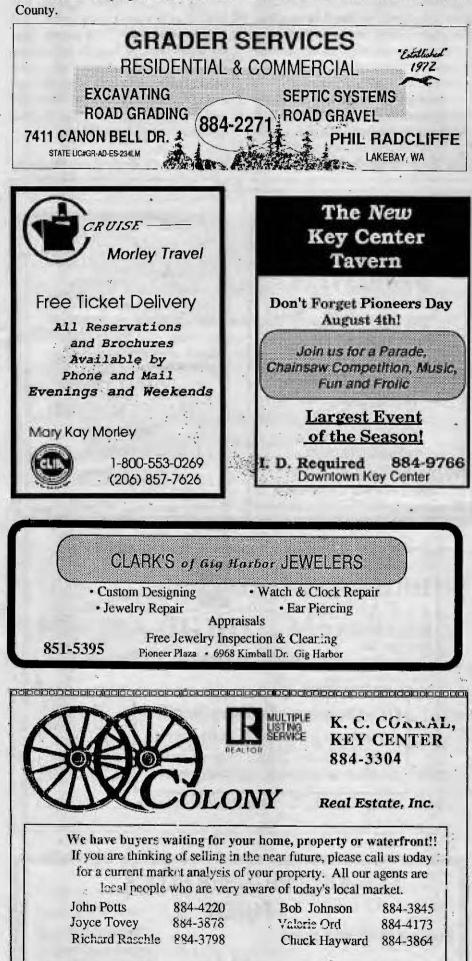




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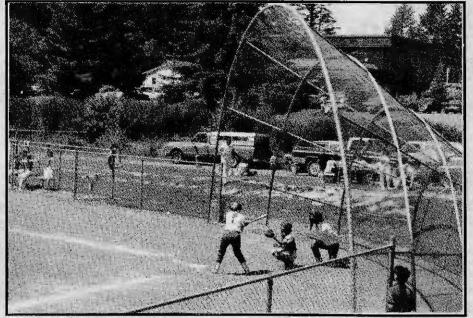
Washington State University Pierce County Cooperative Extension has trained Food Advisors ready to help you with food preservation questions. To talk to a Food advisor, call 591-7180, weekdays from 9 am to 4 pm, through October 15.

Food preservation bulletins are also available by calling the same number. Cooperative Extension programs and information are available free to all citizens of Pierce County.





## Key Peninsula Little League Final Standings



Final standings for the Key Peninsula Little League at the end of season were as follows: The T-Ball teams; Angel Guild I, Angel Guild II, Angel Guild III, GM & R Mets, Walts were all tied for all games.

In the Minor League, the Action Athletics took the league with 10 wins and 2 losses.

In the Major League, the Rib Ticklers and the Firebusters tied with 12 wins and 4 losses each.

The junior league team, sponsored by the Lions Club had a season record of 10 and 10. The senior team, sponsored by the Key Peninsula Business Association had 7 wins and 10 losses.

## Local middle schoolers take part in Goodwill Games

#### by Megan Aprile

I talked recently with Heather Gilson, who along with Brandon Showalter, Julie McDonald, Koby Fenton, Jenny Bitow, Ember Carroll and Sarah Tauscher participated in the opening ceremonies of the Goodwill Games. Brandon's mother, an active parent at KPMS, first read about the opportunity for schools to participate. It wasn't possible to get a group representing the school organized in time for the games, so Brandon asked several of his friends to go.

Heather was just about to leave for a long day of practice; four hours in the morning and two hours in the afternoon; with hundreds of other kids who had also wanted to get involved. All of them had folded 1,000 paper cranes as part of the million crane project.

One thousand paper cranes (folded Origami style) are a peace message. The cranes were folded mostly in dark blue, light blue, red and white. The white cranes had a message written in them, Heather said, like "Happiness in your life" or "Peace now" and were to be presented to the athletes. Many of the others were carried loose in baskets and tossed out in the audience by the kids.

Although practicing marching all day was tiring, Heather said it was also a lot of fun and she felt honored to be chosen.

# Art Notes

Balletacoma is holding open auditions for experienced male and female dancers on August 22 and 23 at the Jan Collum School of Classical Ballet, 508 6th Avenue, Tacoma. Audition class will be from 6:30 pm to 8 pm both days. Students must be 13 or older.

Requirements for BalleTacoma Company members include five classes weekly, as well as rehersals. Schedules will be provided at the audition. Dancers are selected for apprenticeship, corps members, first dancers and principal dancers.

Attire for the audition is black leotard, pink tights, ballet slippers and pointe shoes for women; white t-shirt, black tights, black socks and ballet shoes for men.

BalleTacoma is celebrating its 35th Season under the artistic direction of Jan Collum. The Compnay is known throughout the region for adventurous choreography, as well as classical story ballet.

Gallery Row, a working studio gallery shared by Ann Carlson, Sandy Newhouse and Lois Tucci is located in Gig Harbor, next to Neville's Shoreline Restaurant.

The three artists do watercolors, collage, monoprints and other types of work. Ann Carlson is the featured artist for August, September and October.

The landscape paintings of Rebecca Schofield will be at the Key Dining Room during August.

## **Kid's Page** Do what you Junior High Cool want to do!

In the fall, the Citizens Against Crime organization (CAC) is going to be asking you middle-schoolers a lot of the right kind of questions. The kind of questions you wish your parents would ask real often, like "what can we do for you?" and "Do you need a ride?"

The CAC people want to run an program for kids, and being very smart people, they would rather find out from the kids what they want to instead of making up something themselves.

They will be distributing a survey after school starts in the fall asking for your opinions and suggestions on some activities. Please take the time from now until then to think about what you would like. Thanks!



Flower drying is a fun way to save summer flowers and leaves. There are several methods of drying flowers, depending on the type of flowers or leaves. They all work by nature's way of drying evaporation.

If you wish for dried flowers in the winter, then you will have to start the drying process in the summer. Choose flowers and leaves on a warm day. Don't pick flowers or leaves that are damp or have dew on them. Delicate or large flowers are best when air dried. Tie flowers in bunches and hang upside down in the dark. These items should be dried in a week to ten days.

Some flowers and leaves with flat blossoms can be dried by pressing. Cut sheets of newspaper on a hard surface where they won't be disturbed for several weeks. Lay out your flowers and leaves on the newspaper. Now weigh down the newspaper and plants with a brick or large book. For the first few days change the paper once a day. In about two weeks check to see that all the moisture is out of the plants.

Dried flowers can be arranged in a vase for table decoration or wrapped in tissue for a gift. Glue dried flower heads to a basket and use the basket for barrettes or pencils. Pressed flowers can be glued to paper and used for stationery. Pressed flowers make wonderful greeting cards. Fold paper to form card, then arrange flowers on front and glue down. Write your own birthday or Christmas greeting inside. Have fun,

for guys

Sports: baseball, basketball, soccer. Best baseball positions: third base, pitcher. Best soccer positions: wing, forward. Best sports to watch on TV: baseball, basketball and football.

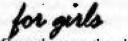
Food: pizza, lasagne, TV dinners. Cool grooming for hair: brush, comb

and water. Clothes: "anything baggy;" shorts

and baggy shirts, certain brands of name athletic shoes.

Coolest Group Activity: having a party on the beach, co-ed.

We talk about: sports and girls sources: Robert Rolfzen, Raph Barry and Julian Aprile



The kid's page is brought to you by: Sunnycrest Nursery, Walt's Fine Foods, Key

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Cool Grooming: mouthwash, shampoo, conditioner, hairspray, hair spritz, mousse, hair clips, barrettes.

Make-up: "a natural look" with eyeliner, lush, lipstick. Cool lipstick shades "pale pink" (Sarah Tauscher), "maroon" (Stacy Beech).

Clothes: "cottonish tight shorts underneath baggy shorts and it shows a little bit" (Jody Sammons); baggy socks, jeans and sweaters, Keds™,"my leather jacket cause I always wear it," (Sarah Tauscher).

We talk about: boys, clothes, things that are going on.

sources: Stacy Beech, Sophia Bisceglia, Sarah Tauscher, Jody



Hawaii. I would like to go sightseeing, snorkling, swimming and I would like to go on a tour of Pearl Harbor. I think Pearl Harbor is interesting because that's where part of the war took place.

Sophia Bisceglia

Hawaii. I really like animals and stuff and there is a zoo there where you can go Sarah Tauscher

Australia. It's different, not a lot of people think about it. It's like nobody lives there. Stacy Beech

I always thought London would be a nice place to go, because it is a different culture and country and it seems to be a nice place. Mike Fultz

Australia, 'cause of all the animals and the countryside.

David Tubbs

# Read a good book

The library has some really good children's books for the summer.

On The Far Side of the Mountain by Jean George is a just published sequel to My Side of the Mountain. In the first story, Sam leaves the city and his family to live as close to nature as is humanly possible on a mountain farm owned by his family for many generations. He succeeds wonderfully. The sequel is equally exciting and adventurous involving a peregrine falcon, and good diagrams on how to make things from scratch.

adults is Tom Brown's Tracker. It's been around for awhile. But if you haven't read it and like a good adventure that is top-of-the-line armchair nature reading, this is the book for you.

A more subdued story is the 1980 Newberry winner, A Gathering of Days, a New England Girl's Journal, 1830-1832, a novel by Joan Blos. Thirteen-year-old Catherine cares for the household and her young sister after her mother dies. It is a time of pioneer farms and concern about slavery, the book being a vivid description of life at that time, At 83, Catherine is bequeathing her journal to her great grandchild and namesake.

Totem Pole by Hoyt-Goldsmith is a nonfiction book in which David, a member of the Tsimshian tribe, describes the craft of his father, a woodcarver of masks, fish hooks, animal figures, and totem poles. Each step is explained, from finding the right tree to the Carver's Dance which celebrates the completion of the totem pole.

# YOUm unn

The front page story in this issue is about wildfire. There is also a story about burning outdoors on page 15. You can be a partner to your parent or parents in fire prevention and safety.

Since you are home more in the summer, spend one of those days helping detect a fire before it starts. Stay alert, search for dangers, and report your findings to an adult.

unun \* First, Make a Plan - Know exactly what steps to take in case fire breaks out. Discover two ways out of every room in case smoke or flames block one.

\* Make a Meeting Place - Have a place outside for everyone to meet.

\* Get Out, Stay Out - Once alerted to danger, don't waste a second. Leave immediately and go to your meeting place. Don't even think about going back inside - not for anything!

mm Get Down, Crawl Low - If you smell smoke or see flames, drop to the floor and crawl to your nearest way out. Smoke and heat rise up while cooler, easy to breathe air stays low, near your knees.

\* Stop, Drop and Roll - what you should do if your clothes catch fire. Stop everything. Drop to the floor or ground. And roll over and over. Don't forget to cover your face with your hands.

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Ashtrays Everywhere Make sure there are plenty of large, deep ashtrays in all the rooms used by people who smoke. And make sure ashes are cool before they are put in trash cans.

\* Put Matches and Lighters Away out of reach of younger brothers and sisters. Let an adult know if anyone is playing with fire.

Case the Cushions - Look behind, under and all around a sofa or chair where anyone has been smoking. Coming across a smoldering match or cigarette butt could mean you have prevented a fire caused by one of the biggest crimes of all - carelessness.

mm \* Avoid Kitchen Dangers - If pots are on the stove, make sure their handles are not sticking out so younger brothers or sisters can pull anything down. And if you discover a pan on fire, tell an adult immediately.

\* Check Out Cords and Wires - Loose cords or broken wires are evidence of very real danger. Electrical fires should be avoided at any expense even if it means buying a new appliance. Most outlets have two receptacles for plugs; check that each receptacle has only one thing plugged into it at a time.

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swimming with the dolphins. -

A true story for older children and

#### letters to the editor, cont'd

#### To the editor

In reply to; "who's in charge of landuseblights:" I owe a large thank you to the party who wrote this article.

To be placed in such a distinguished group of "hawkers" is great. All one has to do is look back at history to such hawkers as George Washington who sold a nation on itself, Henry Ford who replaced the horse; P.T. Barnum who entertained us, and let us not forget Col. Sanders who showed us a new way to look at chicken.

I never thought of myself as a hawker, however I am a licensed businessman who is trying to service an area which has little in fast foods, I am using 100% pure beef hot dogs and hamburgers, quality Alaskan cod, and the finest products available.

little business to the publics eye. Alaska Jim, Jim Pinocchio Minter village

Kids do! We have roller skating, Easter-egg hunts, summer fun, Halloween parties, Pioneer Days, cub scouts, boy scouts, brownies and girl scouts. Adults do! We have bingo, Reno night, dances, dinners, senior lunches, bazaars, Mother's Day brunch, and plays. People play basketball, volleyball, and learn Karate here. Community meetings on crime prevention, zoning, weatherization and politics are held here.

Who uses the Civic Center?

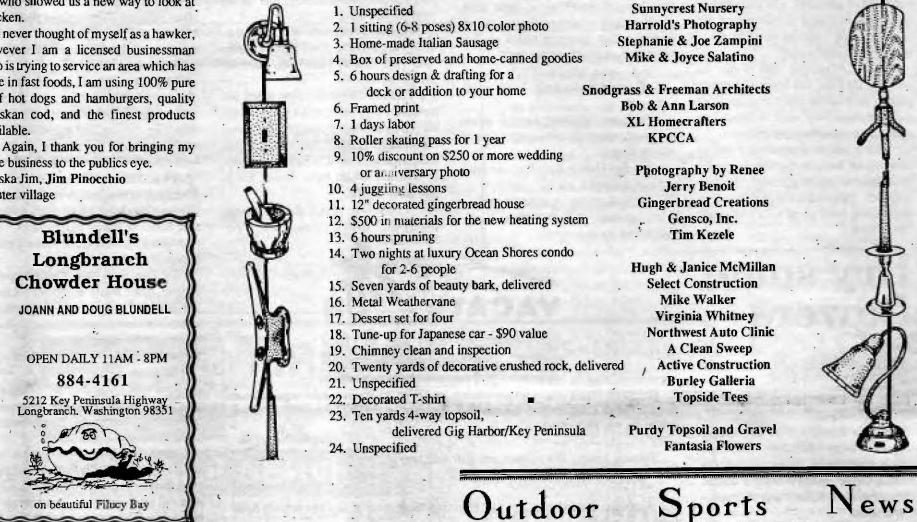
Who uses the Key Peninsula Civic Center? The people of Key Peninsula do! Won't you make a donation and help us heat our center?

Summer is here but fall is just around the corner. So is the third annual "Flavor of Fall" auction. Mark October 6 on your calendars.

**Civic Center Auction** 

All proceeds will be added to the \$5400 raised last year and will be used for a new heating system at our Civic Center.

To donate, please call Claudia Loy 884-3937 or Ann Larson 884-3562.







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#### **Buoy-10 Season Set**

As the result of discussions between salmon managers from Washington and Oregon, the Buoy-10 sport salmon fishing season at the mouth of the Columbia River will open on Monday, August 13, 1990.

The dicision was based on a total coho allocation of 140,000, of which 110,000 are available from the season opener through September 2. The remaining 30,000 is available for fishing opportunities at Buoy-10 after September 2, 1990.

Fishing regulations are similar to 1989 at Buoy-10 including a two salmon per day limit, one rod per angler, open seven day per week and minimum sizes for chinook of 24-inches and 16- inches for coho. Barbed hooks are allowed in the fishery.

### **Regional Salmon Enhancement Groups to form**

The Washington Department of Fisheries unveiled plans to develop twelve regional salmon enhancement groups each covering different watersheds throughout the state and composed of citizens from each of the twelve areas.

The program, called the Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group Program was initiated by the 1989 Legislature.

Each group will propose salmon enhancement projects to an advisory board that will review and make recommendations to the Director of Fisheries.

The budget for projects will be generated by surcharges on sport salmon licenses \$100 on commercial salmon licenses and \$100 on charterboat licenses and private contributions. The surcharges begin in 1991. The projected annual revenues created from the surcharges is about \$765,000.

The program begins by a group of citizens applying to be a regional enhancement group. Requests for applications to the salmon enhancement group or general information about the new program or existing organizational efforts should be directed to the program coodinator Loren Stern (206) 586-6267.

The mailing address is: Washington Department of Fisheries, Attn: Loren Stern, 115 General Administration Building, Olympia Washington, 98504.

## business briefs

Wayne Pound, owner of Belfair Glass and Radiator, has recently extended his service area to the Key Peninsula. Belfair Glass and Radiator handles radiators and windshields for all foreign and domestic cars, as well as glass, mirrors and screens for homes and businesses. Free estimates are available and there is no additional trip charge for Key Peninsula area residents. Except for insulated glass widnows, the shop can almost always porvide same day service with competitive prices.

Mr. Pound established his business eleven years ago. He lives in Tahuya with his wife and son Ted. Ted works at the shop with his father.

Jo Frey is an attorney in our area who recently joined the NEWS advertisers.

Born and raised in Seattle, she spent her summers here on the Key Peninsula. When she decided she needed a change from hectic city life she chose to live here.

She is now in the process of restoring and re-modeling a Delano beach home.

She handles real estate planning and family practice and has a strong background in corporate law.

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#### by R. Marvin Keizur

A late filer may escape penalties because the IRS has no way of checking whether or not a person filed an extension request on time. The General Accounting Office reports that the IRS has no procedures for tracking Form 4868 extensions. "As a matter of policy," the IRS generally does not assess failure-to-file penalties because of this lack. Some shrewd taxpayers have avoided penalties by producing copies of extensions that were "purportedly" filed on time, says the GAO.

Tax Tips

If you move, be sure to file new IRS Form 8822 to report your change of address. Tax notices sent to old addresses

Pet hotline

emergency allotment of pet food.

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have been ruled to be valid, even if never received. Another good reason to file the change of address; your tax refund may never reach you if you don't.

If you rent all or part of your home out to a tenant for fewer than 15 days during the year, your rental income is completely tax free. If your community hosts a special event (such as a convention, fair or sporting event, (Goodwill Games,) which attracts visitors or tourists for a limited period, you can rent your home for tax free income.

We have a few tax alerts left over each month and would be glad to send one to anyone desiring it. Send your request to the Key Peninsula News, PO Box 3, Vaughn, WA 98394 and the request will be forwarded to me.

## And now, for a little nap...



KP NEWS photo by Joe Aprile

The warm sun and the doubleheader baseball game proved to be a very soothing combination for twelve year old Chris Micone.

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The Pierce County Humane Society has a hotline for people with questions about

The Humane Society also has a new program, co-sponsored by Ralston-Purina, to

Pet owners who are temporarily in need of help may come to the Humane Society

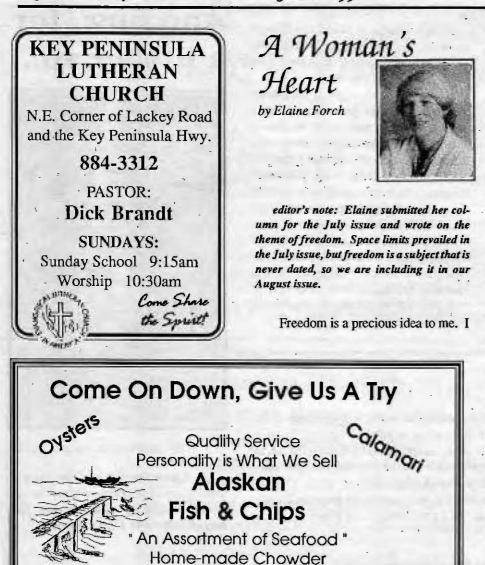
help match senior citizens with pets. The program is free; all adoption and veterinary

shelter at 2608 Center Street between 10 am and 2 pm Mondays and Thursdays for an

their pet's behavior problems. 383-CARE will put you in touch.

fees are covered by Purina. For more information call 383-2733.

(from Brief Paws, published by the Pierce County Humane Society)



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United States and I think I understand how blessed we are. I don't even pretend to understand the rapidly changing status of freedom in other parts of the world, but I applaud the changes. People have always struggled to be free and I guess they always will. It's important to feel free not only in the big, important ways we choose to live our lives and the ideas that we choose to believe, but also in the small, private areas that may in the end be the most liberating of all.

Recently, I have begun to recognize and enjoy one of these simple, private little freedoms - the freedom to really be myself.

My personal liberation started with an innocent decision to change my hairstyle. For years I wore my hair short, simple and structured because I needed to - and the hair style suited my career image. My life was busy and hectic with very little time to spend on myself and my hair. I was on the road by six in the morning and ran all day until six at night. My noon exercise session demanded a hair style that would take abuse and still be presentable in the afternoon. I wanted to be promoted so I needed to look efficient and professional and I needed to fit the image of what others thought I should appear to be.

But one morning, the approval of others, even powerful others, wasn't enough. I didn't like the way I looked. I felt unfeminine and blunt. I wanted to feel pretty and soft and free - the way I felt inside. My kids were grown and gone, my husband loved me any way I was and for the first time in my life, I could please myself.

So I let my hair grow and I got a perm and I loved it! There was no structure to my hair now. It ran over all the boundaries of efficiency and control and matched the way I was feeling perfectly.

My daughter said I looked great! My husband looked a little scared and my coworkers ask me why? My bosses vocally disapproved, but 1 got the promotion anyway. Frankly, I was surprised that a hairstyle could cause such a stir and I do not understand why anyone would care so much about the way another chooses to wear their hair, but care they did. The liberation came when I realized that I didn't care that they cared. And what a great liberation it was!

The hair was just the first to go. I see myself wearing long, comfortable skirtsand sandals and big floppy hats. I want to throw away all of my career high-heeled shoes and wear those wonderful flats that my podiatrist recommended years ago. Comfort is the keyword now. I choose cotton, creamy silks and anything that feels good next to my skin. Out go the scratchy, stiff and practical and fabrics that refuse to breathe.

Looking the way I want and feeling good about the way I look, regardless of the opinions of others, is a great way to start the next part of my life. It's a new freedom that I treasure and one that makes me feel as liberated as I feel when my hair blows wildly in the wind.

# Obituaries

It is with deep regret that we report the deaths of our Peninsula friends and neighbors . . .

Callie Vera Vincze died June 21, 1990. Born on November 16, 1925 in Drumright,Okalahoma, she had resided in the Longbranch area for over 10 years. She was a housewife/homemaker and a member of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses of Home, Washington. She was active in church activities and enjoyed gardening. She was previously employed as a nurse's aide at Western State Hospital for about 10 years.

She is survived by her husband Imra Vincze of Longbranch; sisters Ruth Montgomery of Texas, Eva Klock of Texas, Mary Mills of Tacoma, WA., Maudie Rolland of Lakewood, and June Seick of Longbranch.

Services were held June 25, 1990 at Kingdom Hall, Home, WA. Remembrances may be made to the Memorial Fund - Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, Home, WA.

Alden J. "Bud" Walls died July 7 at the age of 81. Born June 24, 1909 on Vashon Island he had been a resident of the Key Center area for 15 years. He had been previously employed as a custodian and bus driver for Vashon Island school district for 15 years. He is survived by his son Bob Walls of Seattle; daughters Louise VanAntwerp of Seattle; Roberta Hunt of Auburn; Penny Zimmerman of Bastrop, Texas; Charlene Inks of Kent; sister-in-law Mildred Binford of Lacey; aunt Clara Gill of North Dakota; ten grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, July 10.

Emmajean Seifert, aged 68, died on July 19, 1990. She was born October 19, 1921 in Moro, Oregon. She moved to Tacoma in 1937 where she graduated from Stadium High School. She moved to Gig Harbor in 1963. She had retired from her job as the administrative assistant at the Purdy Women's Treatment Center. She was a member of Lakebay Community Church and a loving grandmother to her ten grandchildren.

She is survived by her husband, Carl A. Seifert of Gig Harbor, her sons Carl E. of Colorada Springs, Colorado; Donald R. of Maple Valley; and Jeffrey A. of Gig Harbor; her brother Ross E. Everett of Tacoma; and her sister Mary Alice Kirk of Tacoma.

A memorial service was held July 23 at Lakebay Community Church.





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