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Photo by Hugh McMillan.

Blue Heron Lagoon back with the people

by Susan Mendenhall

The people of the Key Peninsula finally have the future of an important piece of property back in their hands.

Between 1978 and 1982, the state of Washington purchased 178 acres near Jackson Lake from the Haley family. The potential parkland includes an old second growth forest with wetlands, magnificent cedar groves, a brackish lagoon and a beautiful driftwood beach. It is a veritable wonderland for the animals and waterfowl who reside there and for the humans who visit.

When recent plans were announced to begin aggressive development of this property as an RV campground, local residents banded together to propose an alternative. Over 110 people gathered at a community meeting May 12 at the Key Peninsula Civic Center. A panel consisting of local residents Rivkah Sweedler, Daphne Walker and Susan Mendenhall presented information on the state's purchase and plans and asked for public input. Most comments indicated a desire to redirect the efforts of the state.

A consensus was easily reached to petition the Washington State Parks and recreation Commission to put aside their plans to create an RV campground and to instead pursue classification of the land as a natural area, restricting development to primitive trails and sanitary facilities.

May 20 the state held a public workshop at Vaughn Elementary to discuss the proposal. After presenting the history of the state's involvement in the purchase and planning of what they refer to as the "Haley site," the state encouraged comments from the 120 residents and concerned citizens present. Again, the overwhelming majority agreed that preservation of the land and its wildlife is the most important consideration. While some are opposed to any improvements at all, and a few consider an RV campground to be desirable, most feel that a simple trail and a few

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Road work goes on and on . . . traffic stops

Curious as to what was going on along state highway 302, *The News* phoned the Department of Transportation. They informed us that their office in Port Orchard was in charge of that and gave us the phone number. No one answered at that number after 15 tries—of course— they're out building roads.

But rumor has it that 302 is being straightened and that anyone rash enough to try to get off the peninsula anytime before fall will need to allow extra time and patience....and please consider the possibility of rear ending your neighbor when you see those "flagmen ahead" signs, and take it slow.

Hugh McMillan was in a line with only two cars at a construction site when he realized he'd have plenty of time to get out and shoot some photos. Meanwhile, the line grew. Considering the length of some stops and the size of the slash fires, hot dogs and marshmallows might be just the things to have on hand.

Peter Puget haunts Von Geldern Cove

by Hugh McMillan

As we'd arranged by phone several days earlier, at precisely 12:30 pm on Thursday, May 21, 1992, group leader Michael O'Brien (yes, that's the correct spelling), Rob Hanks and Jack Stewart waded ashore on the Von Geldern Cove beach site where 200 years ago Peter Puget had his first and only hostile confrontation with local Indians.

O'Brien and crew were greeted by friendly natives, my wife Janice and I, and enjoyed a pizza lunch on our deck overlooking the site of those near-hostilities. Earlier, they rowed under the Home bridge

and chatted with Postmaster Terry Moore and Mrs. Donald Jopp and Mrs. Frank Brunette.

The adventure began with a 4 pm departure from Shilshoe Bay on May 19. According to Hanks, "We used sail during the run from Blake Island through Colvos Passage and spent the night in our tent behind a church in Gig Harbor." Hanks said that following their 3 pm departure the following day, "we ran into some nasty rough water and high winds and had to change our plans. We put ashore and spent the night in our tent on Tanglewood Island next to Fox Island."

Stewart said, "We left Tangle-

wood at 6:10 am, proceeded north on Carr Inlet past Cutts Island, across the Inlet to a spot a mile south of Glen Cove and continued south past Maple Hollow where we chatted with some "local natives" off the beach before entering Von Geldern Cove."

The threesome left Home about 2:30 pm, slightly behind schedule, and headed via Penrose Point for "Driftwood Annie's" where they planned to spend the night before proceeding via Keron, McMicken, and Herron Islands to Vaughn Bay and finally Budd Inlet and Olympia on Sunday, May 24.

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Civic Center Board briefs

by Pauline Finn

Fund-raisers and funds are always on the agenda of the Civic Center Association Board and the May 14 meeting was no exception. The November 7 Reno Night was reported to have made \$4500, and Henry Stock reported that overall sales of his Civic Center supporter button had reached approximately \$6500. Henry has sent out letters to all the old Vaughn High School students that he could reach and has received around \$550 so far from that effort. Henry is a champion fundraiser.

New members of the KP News staff were introduced, and revisions to the Statement of Purpose of Key Peninsula News, made by a recently formed Newspaper Committee, were discussed and adopted. Plans are for a member of the Board to act as liaison with the newspaper staff in the future.

Jim Wooldridge, VFW Commander, sent around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to man the July 4 Safe and Sane Fireworks stand at Key Center. The stand will open June 28 and run through the 4th and volunteers are needed to man the booth or stay overnight in the security trailer on site. Cy Young was introduced as the incoming VFW Commander.

New Time Barn Dances will be held twice a month starting in June, one will be the family dance now being held and the second will be an adult only dance.

Citizens Against Crime requested space for their meetings at a special rental rate, and as these special rates are given in exchange for fund-raising on behalf of the Civic Center by the user group, a member of the KPCCA Executive Board will visit with CAC at their next meeting to discuss the request further.

The great news of the evening came in the form of a letter from County Executive Joe Stortini's office, read by Stephanie Zampini, granting the Civic Center \$34,000 for the installation of a new heating system.

A Review Committee presented modifications to KPCCA's by-laws; these will be mailed out to all Board representatives on record as attending in the last three months, and will probably be ratified at the next regular meeting. The new by-laws allow for an Endowment Committee.

Wendy Dolly discussed starting up a summer program for Peninsula children to be conducted on the grounds of the Civic Center. KPCCA authorized a

Civic Center - Cash Flow

INCOME		EXPENSES	
USER FEES	1831.00	CARETAKER	920.00
MISC. INCOME	121.00	MGT. FEES	164.00
INTEREST INC.	123.00	Permits, Txs. Lic. Ins.	
ROLLER SKATING	668.00	SKATING EXP.	1040.00
DONATIONS	3085.00	RENO NIGHT EXP.	877.00
BINGO	1000.00	EASTER	126.00
RENO	4292.00	REPAIRS/MAINT.	604.00
RAFFLE	51.00	ROOFING	90.00
		KPNews LOAN	1000.00
TOTAL INCOME	11,171.00	UTILITIES	414.00
		DONATION EXP.	79.00
		TOT. EXPENSES	5314.00
		NET	5857.00
		Next month! \$12,000 Insurance	

New team at the NEWS

by Pauline Finn, Temp. Ed.

A new line-up of staff is now on board at Key Peninsula News. The KPCCA Executive Board has hired Janice Smith as Editor, Scott Boucher as Ad Sales and Design, and Joan Lawrence as Asst. Editor. Joan will also assist Scott in ad production, thereby providing backup for both positions. Patti Olson remains as bookkeeper, and Nick Nichols of the Civic Center will handle distribution of the paper.

Janice Smith has a degree in journalism and has worked on newspapers at Utah University and commercial newspapers in that region. She is married to a physician, has four children, and lives at Gig Harbor. Joan Lawrence lives at Lakebay, has a word processing and graphics business in her home under the name of PaperWork, and does oil portraits and animal art. Joan studied at the University of Washington and UCLA. Scott Boucher lives at Gig Harbor, is married, and has experience in newspaper layout and ad design with Tacoma Community College. The new staff members were welcomed by the Civic Center Board at the May meeting.

On the volunteer side of staffing, Mollie Tucker will continue to assist in reporting on people and events around the Peninsula, and Kathleen LeBlanc, Amy Larson and other volunteers have made themselves available to undertake several tasks that come up each month during production of the paper. Their "giving" is invaluable and much appreciated.

There are no big changes in the paper anticipated, although for a while you may find the issues smaller than they have been for some time. This will be part of an effort to get the newspaper on a self-supporting basis and take a firm line on advertising revenues.

budget of \$100 to help with art supplies etc. Wendy emphasized that this was not a "drop your child off" situation, and parents would be expected to participate. More about this elsewhere in the paper.

June 6 has been set for a work party on the tennis courts. New fencing and an entry gate have to be installed and volunteers are needed. Call Nick at the Civic Center (884-3456) if you can help.

June 26 is the date for a Civic Center Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. Invitations are going out in the mail, and if you know of

someone you feel should be included, please call the name in to Terry Thomas, secretary of KPCCA, at 884-4685.

The Easter Egg Hunt was voted a great day, BUT - no more real eggs - they disappoint the kids!

Under the heading of fund-raisers - Bingo is doing well; Pioneer Days will include a Karaoke in the Beer Garden in addition to the usual activities going on that day, and it was decided the Flavor of Fall Auction proceeds this year will be earmarked for the renovation of the gym. Briefly, that is all!

Deadlines for July issue:	copy deadline:	June 10
	ad deadline:	June 16
	print date:	June 22

Letters

To the editor

Re: Moving of Vaughn Post Office.

As a lot of people are not aware yet, the Post Office Dept. is wanting to move our Vaughn Post Office up to the Corner of Hwy 302 and Wright Bliss Rd, behind the Texaco station. They say no one has come forward to build a building in the Vaughn area. This is not altogether true. Jeff Charboneau has said he would build on his land next to the present Post Office. There is a glitch, however.

The present post office is being serviced with water from the Civic Center at no charge. There has been a letter sent to the owner of the present Vaughn Post Office that they have 60 days in which to get a new supply of water or it will be cut off. Mr. Charboneau said he would make sure that the present post office would be supplied with water. It seems to me that this is the solution to our problem with getting a new post office. I have put out some petitions to be signed to keep our post office in Vaughn. It would not be a Vaughn Post Office if it is in Gig Harbor!

Frances Challenger

To the editor

Recently, as property owners, we have been concerned about the impact of county ordinances mandated by the State Growth Management Act. The county passed 91-120S5 (Fish and Wildlife) under which property owners of undeveloped waterfront lots contributed that portion of their property along the water to the county for protection of fish and wildlife habitat. The width of the donation (buffer) depends upon the DNR classification of the river or stream on which it is situated, varying from 35 to 150 feet.

Again, we became concerned with 91-128S3, intended to maintain and enhance the biological and physical functions and values of wetlands: avoiding or mitigating impacts due to development; regulating activities within wetlands or their buffers; establishing buffers of varying widths depending on the classification of the wetland; and providing that, except as otherwise specified, mitigation for unavoidable impacts to wetlands or their buffers, all costs to be borne by the property owners.

Lastly, we became aware that the state proposes to develop the Haley property, including plans to build structures within estuarine wetlands, build roads into

wetlands and their buffers, and pave large areas for roads, parking, RV camp sites and other similar uses. This undeveloped property, while not an untouched wilderness, remains a very nice natural area. It contains a Class I estuarine wetland, including approximately 5 acres of open water with several types of associated wetlands, a number of Douglas fir on the ridges above the lagoon which are old enough to have old growth form with flat tops and dead limbs so favored as roosts by raptors such as the bald eagle.

Given the state and county interest in protecting wetlands, it seems reasonable to me that this property, already owned by the state, should be made into a natural area celebrating the regenerative powers of nature, and that Pierce County give consideration to the rights of property owners taking into account that this park is within the county as are thirteen other public access wetlands. Also, within a one and one-half hour drive from Tacoma are Mount Rainier National Park and Olympic National Park. The Olympic National Park by itself contains more than a million acres of untouched wilderness including mountains, beaches, wild rivers, native wetlands, and

vast areas of old growth forest.
Frank & Colleen Slater

To the editor

Joe Holmquist of Buckley, publisher of Rainier Magazine, will be addressing property loss by way of County ordinances at a meeting to be held in the VFW Room of the Civic Center at 7:00 pm on June 12. Come share your concerns and find out how we may protect the future of our personal properties and their use. The County will be reviewing these issues in the next few months. We need your support to SAVE PROPERTY RIGHTS.

Alma Tramill

To the editor

Shades of Disneyland, Mickey Mouse, et al! What fool or group of fools decided to implement the new voting system? It reminds me of small children drawing animals by connecting the numbers with a pencil.

I have never seen such a childish, ludicrous voting system. Let's get real, Pierce County. Take a good, hard look at the punch card system as used in most of California.

Howard Reynolds

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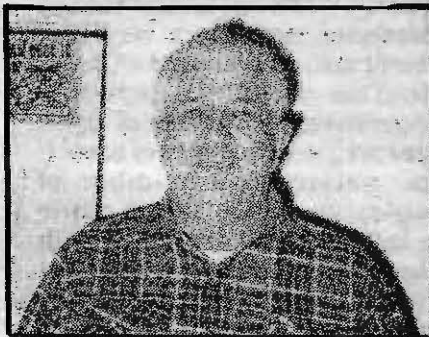
KEY PENINSULA CIVIC CENTER EVENTS - JUNE/JULY 1992

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	JUNE 1 Gym walk 8-10 am Grange 6 pm ABATE 7 pm GED 7 pm	2 Gym walk 8-10am WIC 8:15 am TOPS 6 pm Karate 7 pm NA 7 pm	3 Gym walk 8-10 am Bingo 6:30 pm GED 7 pm	4 Gym walk 8-10 am Seniors 11-4 Karate 7 pm NA 7 pm CAC 7 pm	5 Gym walk 8-10 am Skating 6:30 pm	6 Tennis Court work party Private party, gym closed 6-11 pm
7 KPLF 10:30 am and 6:30 pm Fam.skate 1:30-3:30 Dance recital, Vaughn Elementary	8 Gym walk VFW & AUX 7 pm GED KPCCA Exec. Bd Mtg 7:30 pm	9 Gym walk WIC TOPS NA Karate	10 Gym walk Bingo	11 Gym walk Seniors NA Karate KPCCA Bd Mtg 7:30pm	12 Gym walk VFWR Private Property rights 7 pm	13 Wedding in Whitmore Rm 8 am - 6 pm New Time Barn Dance 7:30
14 KPLF Family skate Gym closed 12-9 pm	15 Gym walk GED	16 Gym walk WIC Aerobics 6 pm TOPS NA Karate	17 Gym walk Aerobics 9 am Bingo	18 Gym walk Seniors Aerobics 6 pm Cootiettes 6:30 pm Karate NA	19 Gym walk Aerobics 9 am	20 New Time Barn Dance 7:30
21 KPLF Father's Day Family skate	22 Gym walk Aerobics 9 am GED	23 Gym walk WIC Aerobics TOPS NA Karate	24 Gym walk Aerobics Bingo	25 Gym walk Seniors Aerobics Karate NA	26 Gym walk Aerobics Volunteer Dinner 6:30 pm	27 Populist Party Function
28 KPLF Family skate	29 Gym walk Aerobics	30 Gym walk WIC Aerobics TOPS NA Karate	JULY 1 Gym walk Aerobics Bingo GED	2 Gym walk Seniors Aerobics CAC Karate	3 Gym walk Aerobics	4 Independence Day
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Benefactor's Page

Contributions are being solicited from donors interested in supporting the maintenance and operating needs of the Key Peninsula Civic Center.

Contributors receive a receipt for their records and those giving amounts equal to \$25, \$50 or \$100 receive buttons suitable for wearing. Heading this effort is Henry Stock (shown at right) who can be reached at 884-3739. Call Henry who will be glad to pick up your donations. Henry could also use some help in picking up contributions.



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Ruth Metzler Whysong



Key Dates

BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

Allyn Comm. Assn. June 4: 7:30am/bkfst; 8am/mtg Allyn Inn
KPBA June 5, 19: 7:30am Huckleberry Inn

CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

Angel Guild June 23: 10 am KC Library/Brones Rm
ASHES June 4: 10:30 am - potluck Key Center fire station
Citizens Against Crime June 7: 7 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm
Cootiettes: June 18: 6:30 pm KPCC Whitmore Rm
and June 9, 16 & 23 Visit Veterans
Meet to carpool at Key Western Hardware parking lot
Longbranch Imp. Club June 17: 7:30 pm - meeting Longbranch Imp. Club
KPCCA Board Mtg. June 11: 7:30 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm
KPCCA Exec. Comm: June 8: 7:30 pm
KPCS Board June 9: 7:30 pm Community House - Home
KP Lions June 3, 17: 7 pm Huck. Inn - Key Center
AARP, Gig Harbor Chapter June 24: 10 am Peninsula Lutheran Church

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Adult Literacy classes Mon. & Wed.: 2-8 pm Purdy Fire Station
sponsored by Altrusa 857-2633 - info
CPR classes June 4: 7-10 pm 884-2222 for reservations
Food bank Tues. - Fri.: 10 am-3 pm Community House - Home
Hot lunch for seniors Wednesdays: noon Community House - Home
Free brunch Sundays 2-3 pm Community House - Home
Also food and clothing assistance; for more info call 884-4514; 857-4780
Key Center Library Programs, exhibits: refer to "In the Library" column
Respite care Wednesdays: 9 am-3 pm KC Library/Brones Rm
WIC Tuesdays: 8:15 am-4:15 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm
Call 884-3835, Tuesdays, for an appointment

OF INTEREST TO PARENTS

Peninsula School Board June 11: 7:30 pm ESC center/Bd Rm Purdy
Family skate Sundays: 2-3:30 pm KPCC Gym
Skating Fridays: 6:30 pm KPCC Gym

PUBLIC MEETINGS

KP Fire Com. June 10, 22: 7:30 pm Key Center Fire Station
KP Park Board June 9: 7:30 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm

SELF HELP GROUPS

AA Mon. & Fri.: 8 pm KP Community Services,
Sun.: 6 pm Lakebay
Narcotics Anonymous Tues. & Thurs.: 7-8:30 pm KPCC/downstairs
Single Parent Support Group June 2: 7 pm Eagles Lodge, 857-7359
TOPS Tuesdays: weigh-in 6:15 KPCC/VFW Rm
mtg. 7-8 pm

SOCIAL/HOBBY GROUPS

ABATE of WA June 1: 7:30 pm KPCC
Bayshore Garden Club June 19: 1pm Longbranch Imp. Club
Longbrancheros June 30 Longbranch Imp. Club
Peninsula Neighbors June 10: 10 am Longbranch Church
Senior Society Thursdays: noon KPCC/Whitmore Rm
foot care and blood pressure
Upper Sound Grange June 1: 6:30-10 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm
VFW & AUX June 8: 7 pm KPCC/VFW Rm

EVENTS

KPCC Tennis Ct work party June 6 KPCC Tennis Court
Dance Recital June 7: 3:00 pm KPCC
Priv. Property rights June 12: 7 pm KPCC, VFW Rm.
New Time Barn Dance June 13, 7:30 pm KPCC
and June 20, 7:30 pm KPCC
Volunteer's Dinner June 26: 6:30 pm KPCC
KP Historical Society
Old Timer's Picnic June 28: 12 noon Jackson Lake Clubhouse

Perspectives

by Frank G. Tucker

At Fort Dix New Jersey in 1973, a class of Army AIT cook school graduates awaited orders for their permanent duty stations. Most were draftees, all from the East Coast. They were hoping for the best East Coast assignments, you know - close to home - and, fearing the worst - to be sent far away, possibly Korea, Germany or the like. Being one of them, I shared the anxiety of waiting for the unknown.

A few fortunate fellows got the coveted East Coast assignments. None that I can recall were sent to the dreaded overseas stations. The majority of names were read off, mine included, followed by our permanent duty station Fort Lewis, Washington. My reaction was instantaneous and exuberant, "Yes, alright!" Quickly, a buddy gave me a jab in the ribs, "What are you so happy about, stupid, do you know where that is? It isn't in Washington D. C., it's all the way across the country!" I answered back, "I know exactly where it is, about sixty miles south of Seattle. I have heard it is wonderful out there."

My expectations were realized. I had a memorable tour of duty at Fort Lewis, fell in love with the Northwest and have lived here ever since. My classmates, however, also had their expectations realized, finding rain and more rain, unfriendly faces, loneliness, and, painfully enduring their enlistment, they returned home none the richer for the experience.

My family and I are somewhat new residents of the Key Peninsula, having bought property here two years ago. "How's it going?" you ask. Very well, thank you. We are diligently pursuing our life's goals for our home, church and community. We have become active participants of the KPCCA, are warmly received by those involved and are working together to better our community. We have found acceptance, friendship, and a general sense of real folks just working together (occasionally spitting like any family but basically getting along). It's great fun, and we as a family have been enjoying the privilege of living in a rural setting. However, I am not surprised. You see, it is what I expected.

Vaughn time

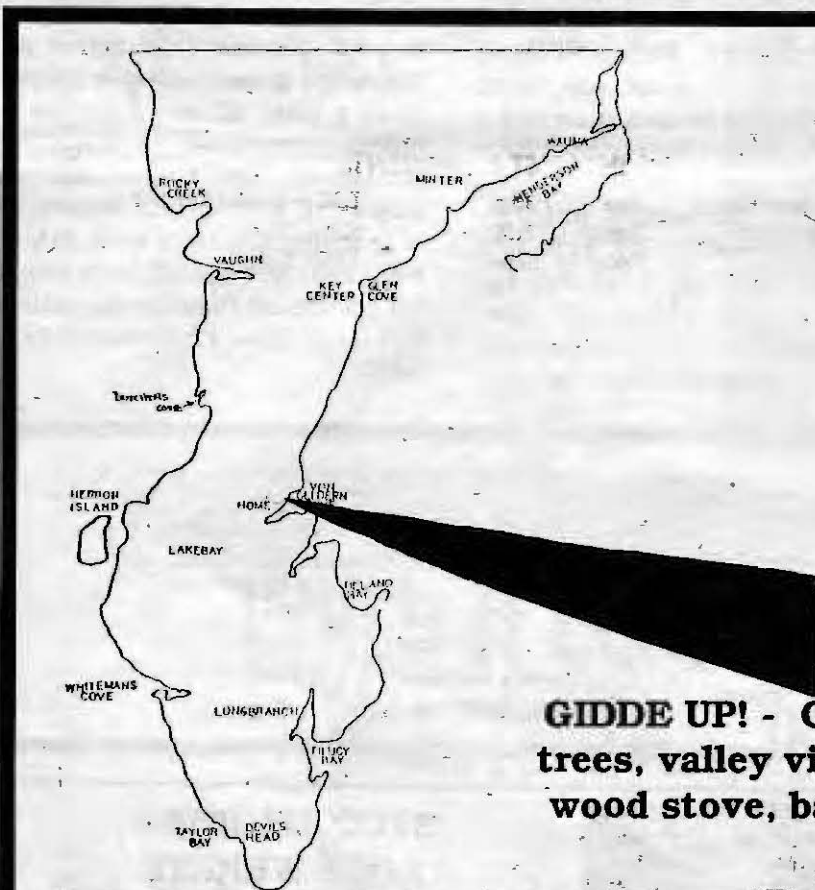
by Mollie Tucker

A young woman, new to the Vaughn area, mentioned in a conversation that I was part of recently, that since she has begun to be involved with the community and its residents through various Civic Center activities, she has, at times, felt as though there were "secrets" behind many statements made in conversations in which she has been involved. The KPCCA president's wife, Pat, responded to this lady in such a unique and impressive manner that I wanted to share her thoughts with all of us who are new residents endeavoring to find our niche. Pat said, "My husband and I have lived in Vaughn for two very happy years, which seems like a reasonable length of tenancy to me. However, in "Vaughn time" it is but a millisecond. The history of the locals goes back to pioneers at the turn of the century, or even earlier. About one hundred years of folks mingled through marrying, working, loving, dying and feuding. All the workings of daily interactions which, like a web, create innumer-

able interpersonal strings. This leads to the phenomena of trailing sentences and nuances, filled with history we are not privy to and leaves us with unfulfilled speculation. For example, sentences starting; "It goes a long way back....;" "A long time ago there was a problem....;" "He/She has always been a little....;" "You would have to know the family...." Or, what about this one, "You know...." as they look knowingly at each other and nod their heads. Yes, there are Vaughn "secrets." Yet, in spite of the differences, there is a deep feeling of family and community with a sense of belonging, united by a shared land and history. We are so fortunate to live here. Maybe in fifty years or so we may have a little place in "Vaughn time."

Thanks, Pat, we needed that.

Happy Father's Day



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Dept. fears dry fire season

by Hugh McMillan

The Key Peninsula Fire Department has had to fight two brush fires and one uncontrolled fire on the Purdy sand spit since the beginning of May. One of these consumed about half an acre.

"We have had very little rainfall for the past several weeks and none is predicted for the foreseeable future," said firefighter Jim Glass. "The whole Peninsula is tinder dry," he added, "and everyone has got to be extremely careful with fire."

KPFD asks that you report at once via 911 any fires you feel present a hazard and cautions you to remember that any fire doubles in size each minute.



Fire Chief Horace Kanno hopes to avoid brush fires like this one during the coming dry season. Photo by Hugh McMillan

Yes, I want to help the Civic Center!

Name _____

May we thank you in the Key Peninsula NEWS? yes _____ no _____

If donation is a memorial, place name here. Please print. _____

Mail to: KPCCA, P.O. Box 82, Vaughn, WA 98394 - checks may be made payable to KPCCA

Thank you for helping support the Civic Center!

Summer fun for kids coming

"Picnic with pals" at the Civic Center big toy this summer on Wednesdays, 11 am, beginning June 17 and 24. Kids are invited to bring an outdoor toy, sack lunch, blanket or lawn chair and a parent and meet their friends for a fun lunch.

Besides Wednesday lunches, summer activities for kids will include painting a mural for Pioneer's Day. This will start Thurs., June 11, 7 pm, in the Civic Center parking lot. Areas of a large

mural will be divided up for groups or individual kids to paint with tempera. Wendy Dolly, chairperson of summer kid activities, hopes the project will give youngsters a taste of how fun it is to paint.

Wendy also invites families interested in volleyball, especially in teaching it to their kids, to give her a call. She would like to round up interested families for volleyball for all ages. Phone her at 884-9499.

A different donation

The generosity of Key Peninsulans in the effort to keep the Civic Center going is wonderful, and each month we are able to print a new list of donor names. A donation of a different kind was made this month in the form of a yogurt machine, valued at \$2200, given by Ed Clement of Pizza Plus in Key Center. Pizza Plus had no use for it and it was offered to the Civic Center. It should be a great addition at Pioneer Days, or even skating nights. Thank you, PIZZA PLUS!

Reynolds Roost

In Washington, D.C., the CIA is known as the Central Intelligence Agency.

On the Key Peninsula, it is known as Certified Idiots Anonymous.

Wife: "I just got back from the beauty parlor."

Husband: "Too bad they were closed."

Tax tips

by R. Marvin Keizur, CTPO

You can check on your tax refund by calling the IRS Tele-tax toll free number, 800-829-4477. Touch-tone callers can get refund information from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. weekdays. Without touch-tone, call during normal business hours. Know your Social Security number, filing status and exact amount of your refund when you call.

The IRS's out-of-date computers record only about 40 percent of the information taxpayers put on their returns. It takes a large amount of labor to take data off a return and enter it into the computer. IRS workers do it by hand now. The agency's computers won't become more effective until new systems are installed—probably a long way off. Despite this, always make your returns as accurate and complete as possible.

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Cats by Cecil Paul

About five days after Margaret's death, Brown Cat moved into the garage. She had always slept in a chair in the living room before. Although I tried, she insisted on staying there all alone, and refused to come to the house. So I put her food and a water dish in the garage and left her there.

Whenever I went near her, she meowed like a little kitten, which was unusual for her. She had been generally a quiet cat, but now she called long and plaintively so that I thought she was hurting somewhere. However, when I would pet her or scratch her ears,

she would immediately begin to purr and rub my hand. When I took the car out, then returned, Brown Cat would be there with her ears pricked forward and meowing her little greeting.

It finally dawned on me that Brown Cat was looking for her best friend, Margaret, to return and give her the usual special attention that she had learned to expect.

After about a week of garage living, Brown has finally come into the house again and stopped crying for her mamma. A lady visitor, sitting in Margaret's chair,

apparently showed her that sometimes a lady would be there again, maybe even Margaret, so she would stay around and wait.

Cat life is back to normal again. Kitsie, Pixie, and Brown sit and watch me eat, hoping for a scrap of something good to be bullied from me. Patrick, number four cat, who only comes here to eat, sometimes shows up also. He is quite an actor. He rubs, twists and purrs loudly to let me know HE IS THERE. Once fed, Patrick runs home. All is back to normal—almost.



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To Your Health



William F. Roes, MD

I was surprised to learn at a recent conference on skin disorders that the rate of skin cancer called malignant melanoma is increasing faster than any other cancer in the USA. Melanoma is a type of skin cancer that develops in hyperpigmented skin-moles. The pigment that makes moles dark is called melanin, hence the term melanoma for tumors arising from moles. It is currently the sixth most common cause of cancer deaths, and the incidence of melanoma has doubled every decade since the 1930s. It is estimated that a child born in the year 2000 will have a one out of 75 chance of developing a melanoma during his/her lifetime. While no one is sure why doctors are noting the increase, the risk factors are: age (adults are much more likely), race (white), the presence of "Dysplastic Moles" (atypical or abnormal moles), large numbers of moles, congenital moles, and

sun exposure (especially sun-burn). Having a family history of melanoma or dysplastic moles also puts the patient at higher risk.

The speaker at the conference also pointed out that often the patient notices something abnormal about a mole, and brings it to the doctor's attention, so it is important to know what to look for. As is often the case in medicine, there is an anagram to help recall the important characteristics of a melanoma (how else do you think we would remember all this stuff?) A.B.C.D. stands for Asymmetry - development of an irregular shape, Border - irregularity in the borders of the lesion, Color - variation in the color within the mole or lesion, and Diameter greater than 6mm (1/4 inch). These clues are not diagnostic of a melanoma, but if the mole is changing and develops some of these characteristics, it's worth having your health care provider check it out. Removing a small, early melanoma is a simple office procedure and is usually curative.

Back to the risk factors: the only controllable one is sun exposure. So during sunny summer days is important to use sun screens, especially on our children.

More on lagoon from p. 1

interpretive signs are all that is needed.

Randy Person, assistant site planner, and Dick Fankhauser, chief site planner, suggested that it is possible to work toward the designation of a large part of the land as a "natural area" and that they would definitely consider alternatives to their current plan. They were impressed by the high level of concern shown by local residents and expressed interest in working with a local citizen advisory committee. The Blue Heron Lagoon Community Coalition has been formed by the original core committee of Rivkay Sweedler, Daphne Walker and Susan Mendenhall, and will include property owners and representatives of groups such as the Audubon Society and Seattle Mountaineers.

There is no public access to the property now except by small boat or kayak. The first step for the coalition will be to work toward providing minimal impact public access from the Jackson Lake Road boundary so that people can view the land they are working to preserve.

Air bags can be dangerous

by Hugh McMillan

Auto theft investigators in the U.S. and Canada have experienced health problems after investigating vehicles equipped with air bags.

Air bags use sodium azide to activate the bag. Exposure to the dust may produce medical problems or death. When the air bag is activated, a by-product of sodium azide called sodium hydroxide, the main ingredient in DRANO, forms dust on the bag's exterior. The steering wheel also becomes very hot. Chrysler, GM, and Ford advise that no approach be made to vehicles following an accident for at least 20 minutes and that, should it be necessary to perform a rescue, emergency personnel should use full turnout gear and self-contained breathing apparatus.

In a fire situation, the bag can act like a cannon. Time should be allowed for the vehicle to cool.

Sodium azide is an explosive solid and is highly poisonous. It will affect the human body through touch, ingestion, or inhalation.

The above information was contained in the "Slamhammer," the newsletter of the Texas Association of Vehicle theft investigators, and detailed two cases in which investigators were hospitalized in intensive care and, in one case, off work for five months following exposure to sodium azide.

Literacy program

One out of seven adults cannot read. The Adult Literacy Program serves about 300 people and needs volunteers to expand its program. For information on how to help or get help, phone 383-3951.

Senior Society invites you

Thursdays at noon, seniors 55 and over meet at the Civic Center for a potluck, games and occasional trips and picnics, sponsored by the Senior Society.

Zoe Sanders, publicity chairperson, invites all seniors to join in the Whitmore Room of the Civic Center. Games include pinochle, bridge, backgammon, Chicken-foot dominoes, scrabble, Pictionary, canasta and head and foot and any others anyone would like to bring.

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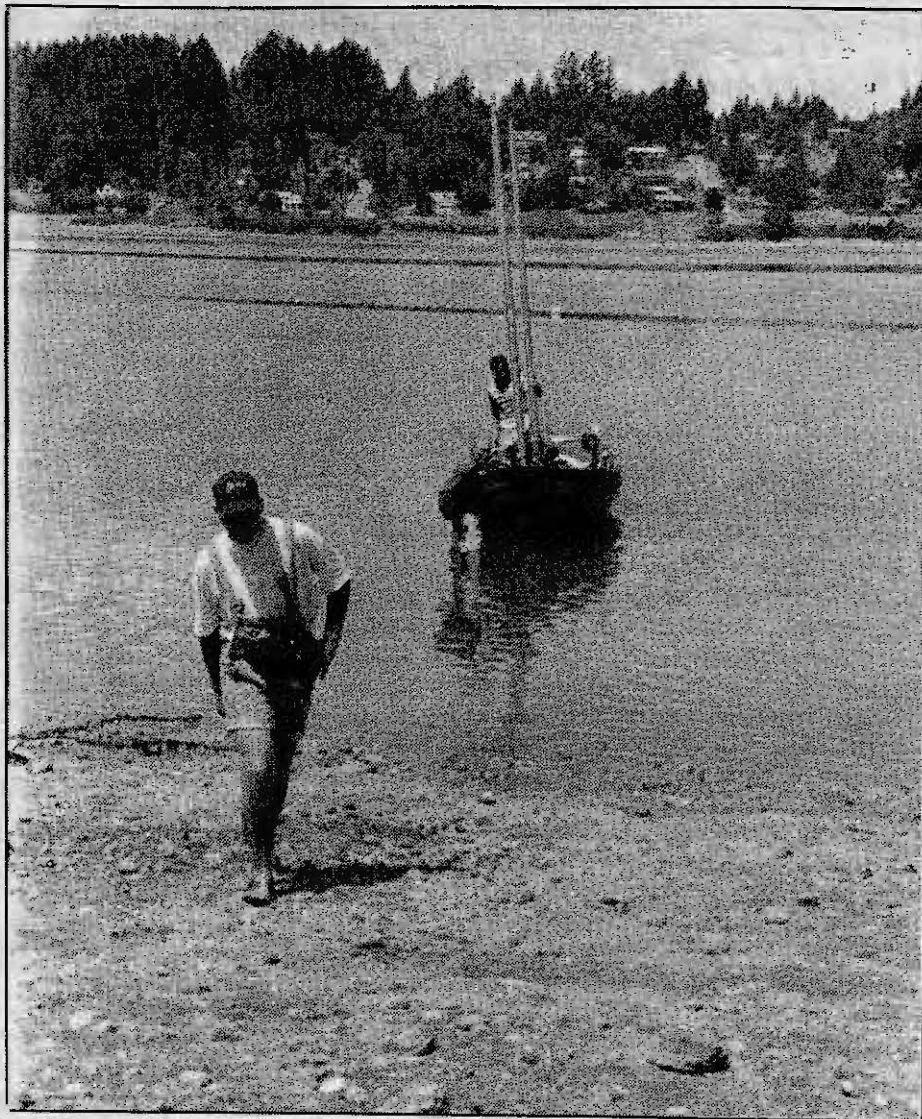
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Rob Hanks walks ashore ahead of Michael O'Brien as Jack Stewart prepares to leave their boat in Von Geldern Cove.

photo by Hugh McMillan

More on Peter Puget from p. 1

Interestingly, none of the three travelers had previously seen a copy of Robert Wing's book, "Peter Puget," and swore that they would find a copy of the now-out-of-print classic. "You know," said O'Brien, "that Wing lives in Longbranch." We didn't, but have since then made arrangements for a near future meeting with the author.

The re-tracing of the 1792 exploratory trip by crewmembers of His Majesty's Ship Discovery under the leadership of Lt. Peter Puget, is part of the Wake of the Explorers International Maritime Bicentennial Reenactment Expedition for which O'Brien credits Greg Foster of Whaler Bay, Galiano Islands, British Columbia.

"Greg planned the reenactment for years," said O'Brien. "He designed our boat, the *Ariadne*, which is a 15.5 foot version of the larger boat used by Peter Puget.

He also designed and built a pure replica of the original launch which is housed on Vashon Island under the supervision of the Pure Sound Society headed by Vashon resident Brad Whetmore."

Foster also coordinates activities of Wake of the Explorers-affiliates from the Oregon and the Washington State and British Columbia Historical Societies, according to O'Brien. They plan to duplicate all of HMS Discovery's explorations from the Columbia River, through the Straits of Juan de Fuca and Puget Sound, to the waterways of British Columbia.

Births

Eric and Molly Moody of Lakebay had a baby girl on April 12.

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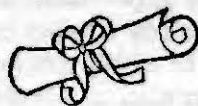
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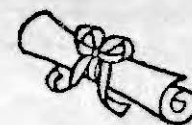
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KP teachers in spotlight

The Peninsula School Board didn't need to look any farther than the Key Peninsula to find teachers to honor at this month's meeting.

The board recognized Becky Austell Freeman, Multiple Age Primary teacher at Minter Creek Elementary, as Washington state's winner of the Christa McAuliffe Fellows award. She will be spending a year at Harvard as a result of winning this recognition and accompanying grant.

While his parents and aunt and uncle looked proudly on, Dave Tarabochia, math teacher at Key Peninsula Middle School, received the Ellen Fay award for educational excellence. Tom Hulst, superintendent, noted in presenting the award that "We pay Dave for teaching math, but there isn't enough money anywhere to pay for what he does for kids." Comments that accompanied his award called Dave Tarabochia "kind, caring and student-oriented."

Student journalists

Cain Claxton, editor of *The Peninsula Outlook*, took top honors recently in competition sponsored by Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

Claxton's winning story "Forever a Seahawk," spotlighted Paul Skansi, former Peninsula and Seattle Seahawk.

The competition attracted 11,437 entries from high schools, colleges and universities throughout the United States. Congratulations, Cain.

The Outlook also earned first place in state competition for the eighth straight year. The award came in the 500-1,000 enrollment division of the Western Washington chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists. Four staff members also earned individual awards in a contest sponsored by the Washington Press Association.

Adviser Paul Spadoni said the awards were particularly gratifying since the 26-member staff has only six students from last year.

Local Adriatic Club runner is winner

Bowie Sagle of Lakebay, a graduate of Peninsula High School, won the one mile race at Poulsbo's 15th Annual Viking Fest road race. Bowie won with a time of 4.45, beating his last year's winning time of 4.51. There was a total of 151 runners in the race.

Also from Lakebay, and a member of the Adriatic Running Club, was Jim Latteri, who finished 10th overall with a time of 5.53.

Learn to Sync Swim

Puget Sound Aquatic Club is offering a six-week recreational program on Mondays and Wednesdays from 7 to 8:30 pm, beginning June 15, at Peninsula High School pool. The program is open to all girls 6 years and up and will introduce synchronized swimming skills and culminate in a performance at the Washington State Games. For more information call Barb Thompson at 851-3459.


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Peninsula High School's Scholarship Committee, which operates the S.A.V.E. (Seahawks Academic and Vocational Education) Thrift Store, has given two hundred and fifty scholarships to this year's graduating seniors. Over ninety of those scholarships were funded by the S.A.V.E. Thrift Store. Chris Carroll, the committee's chairperson, extends a big "Thank You" to all those who have supported and volunteered to make this program work. The balance of scholarships were funded through the generous donations of local businesses who really care about our kids and their future, and a perpetual funds program.

The criteria for being granted a scholarship is a broad based one. Scholarships are not based on academic excellence necessarily, or for only the college bound. They are, for example, for the student who is "most improved." Students are asked to make application and put together a notebook. This year one hundred and thirty-five students applied.

Teen summer program starting up

Key Peninsula Life Fellowship will begin a summer fun teen program, starting June 5, which will run every Friday night. For more information, contact Pastor Frank at 884-9379.



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Fishing regulations change

Washington anglers face many new size and catch limits, season dates, and other changes this year when Washington Department of Wildlife 1992-93 fishing regulations go into effect April 16.

Some of the most significant changes are listed on page 22 of the new regulations pamphlet now available at fishing license dealerships and WDW offices.

All specific changes are under statewide, regional, or specific waterway rules and most changes are designed to protect declining fish populations from the effects of habitat loss and overharvest that come with Washington's human population growth.

Some new restrictions, like bait bans, are meant to boost natural reproduction of spawning size and age of fish. Other changes expand fishing opportunity on abundant fish populations or restrict some kinds of fishing to develop higher quality or "trophy" fisheries.

All of the changes were subject to the most extensive public review process ever held by the department. Hundreds of anglers participated in the proc-

ess which began with review of draft proposals beginning last June through the adoption of the regulations by the Washington Wildlife Commission decisions in October.

Some of the most significant changes are for particular fish species: Dolly Varden/Bull trout, Sea-run cutthroat trout, Steelhead trout.

In other fishing news:

--Steelhead anglers can get a \$5 credit towards that day's purchase of any license, tag, stamp or permit by returning their 1991-92 permit cards to any Washington Department of Wildlife license dealer by June 1.

--Beginning June 1, wild steelhead caught in western Washington streams must be released unharmed. This regulation will be in effect from June 1 to Nov. 30.

--The weekend of June 6,7, is Free Fishing Weekend, compliments of the Washington Department of Wildlife. No fishing license is needed for anyone fishing in Washington's lakes and streams.

--Since May 21, the daily limit of sport halibut catches on Washington's north coast has been one instead of two. This action affects halibut anglers only, fishing in the LaPush and Neah Bay area west of the Bonilla Point/Tatoosh line.

Straight Talk

by Robert B. Campbell D.C.



The term "scoliosis" means "curvature of the spine." The type of scoliosis we will talk about this month is **idiopathic scoliosis**. The term "idiopathic" means "of unknown origin." When idiopathic scoliosis was named, the origin was unknown. Research has shown the cause of this type of scoliosis to be an imbalance of the muscular support to the spine from imbalanced nerve function, or from imbalance of other energy patterns.

The key to correcting the condition is to find the problem early, before irreversible changes take place.

The curvature of the spine develops because the muscles that support the spine have unequal strength from side to side. The muscles that are strong (normal) on one side naturally pull the spine over when there is no opposing pull from weak muscles on the opposite side. Correction of the condition is dependent upon regaining normal strength in the

weak muscles. It is difficult to obtain correction when the scoliosis has progressed far enough for bone adaptation to take place. Scoliosis usually begins developing in pre-teen or early teen years, when the body is growing rapidly. As a result of the spinal curvature during this rapid growth period, the vertebrae—which are normally square and level—grow in a wedge shape. When the bones form in this position, it is almost impossible to obtain correction. Of course, treatment at this advanced stage can retard or halt the progress of the scoliosis, but total correction is not obtainable. The obvious answer to the problem is to find the imbalance when it first develops, to prevent the abnormal bone formation.

The key is to recognize an imbalance early in its development, and obtain evaluation and possible correction. The prevention of scoliosis is extremely important to your child's future health and general well-being.

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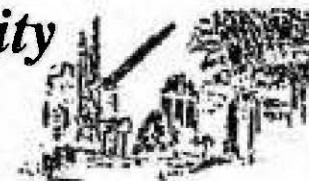
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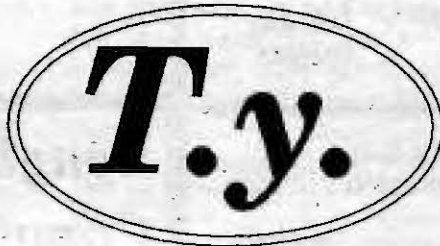
Reward being given...

by Mollie Tucker

Approximately \$10,000 worth of damage was done at Lake Kathryn Village late Friday night, May 1. Two teenagers and one adult were seen stripping the leaves and branches off of several decorative trees in the parking lot, others were cut in half. The vandals then went after the sprinkler heads, breaking them completely off, and finished by shooting out the lights. The Sheriff's Dept. has confirmed the suspects. Two juveniles were picked up, one is being held. A warrant is out on the adult. Pharmacist Don Zimmerman of Costless Drugs says they will be giving the one thousand dollar reward out after a court hearing. Other reported property damage close to Lake Kathryn that night is attributed to the same persons.

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It's important to say thanks publicly at times, and to recognize the important contributions made by others. Such notices will appear in "T.y.," which is short for Thank You. If you would like to thank a person or group for their work, contribution or generosity, send your letter to the Key Peninsula NEWS, P.O. Box 3, Vaughn, WA 98394.

Obituaries

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

Judah David Mikelsen

of Port Orchard died in Seattle at the age of 13 on May 14, 1992. Judah was a student at Cedar Heights High School in Port Orchard. Born December 2, 1978, Judah had an avid interest in computers with a special affection for Nintendo. Judah is survived by his parents, Carol and David Mikelsen, sister

Richard Allen Craft

A resident of Vaughn, Richard Allen Craft, 43, died on May 14, 1992, in San Francisco. A Marine Engineer, Mr. Craft was a veteran of the U.S. Army, having served in Viet Nam. He is survived by his wife, Carolyn, and sons Joshua and Erick.

Bikes allowed on buses

As part of a three-month demonstration of alternatives for commuting, Pierce Transit is now allowing bikes on buses.

They may be stowed in the area for wheelchairs or wide aisles. Cyclists are asked to bring a tow strap or bungee cord to secure their bikes on the buses. If it becomes popular, the program will be improved and expanded.

Pierce Transit is installing bike racks on Route 10 buses and bike racks at its Lakewood Mall Transit Center to further encourage bike commuting.

Fourth Week Standings of area Little League:

- Boyd's— 6 wins, 0 losses
- North Mason Fiber— 5 wins, 12 loss
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CATS... AND OTHER NON SEQUITURS

by Joan Lawrence

Infonders tell us there are more people who own cats than dogs. Now, does this mean that there are more people out there who own cats than there are people who own dogs... or that there are more people who own cats than there are dogs who own cats? The answer is, neither. People don't actually own cats. (And of course, a dog cannot own a cat, though many have tried. A case of manipulation transversing species.)

"If man could be crossed with the cat, it would improve man but deteriorate the cat." (Mark Twain) I want to do a little conceptual cat crossing. (If you think cats are on a lower plane than are humans, you've committed what I call "intellectual trespass," you've crossed my premise, and you're invited to an early bail-out. I'm not here to argue, I'm here to pontificate.

Leaning close enough to detect the aroma of mouse on the breaths of the two furry units (a.k.a. the huddled masses yearning to be fed) wrapped around each other on my couch, I hear the purring usually associated with contentment. As I anthropomorphize about them, I wonder how they perceive me. I wonder why these lithe little self-sufficient hunters choose to live in concert with giant (from their viewpoint), clumsy homo sapiens. I wonder about their sense of community. Cats are not as aloof as some would have you believe, often they seek out company. They don't always get involved, sometimes they just like to watch. I've even seen cat committees.

Which brings me, in a catatonic way ("catatonic" has something to do with milk—I'll try to share what I know of cat language with you as I go along), to Community. I have a theory about our community. It seems to be made up of old-timers (many of whom are isolationists of choice) and immigrants from large communities (used to being isolationists out of self-defense) who may be intimidated by intimacy, who prefer to keep a large cushion of air between themselves and their neighbors.

Recently a Key Center businessperson lamented to me, "People here are not friendly. This is a small town, I had expected people in a small town would be friendly."

A big chunk of the American populace consists of people whose families have been away from the motherland (be it Ireland or Iran, Zimbabwe or the banks of the Zuider Zee) for a long time. Generations. Not huddled masses so much as massing inmates.

Freedom is not isolation. The best, most progressive and meaningful advances of civilization have been wrought not by isolationists but by strong-willed, intelligent individuals gathered together in groups. For example, the founding fathers. (Each of whom had a founding mother, by the way... but that's another column.)

So, carpe diem (I understand this means "seize the fish"), stop concentrating on the pavement. Lift up your face. That's right, that boldly-going, bumpy, shiny thing you call your face, that smile stimulator, that beacon of humanity you've been keeping on low beam. Zap it up to high, check out the reaction, warm to your Key Peninsula confederates. What good is sitting alone in your room? Come to the Civic Center. Life may be a cabaret, or it may be Wednesday night bingo.

Next month, Cat aerobics and time management: how to get the most out of sleep.

Flavor of Fall 1992 by Mollie Tucker

Last month we had our annual kick-off for this year's "Flavor of Fall" auction and dinner! Already there are many interested donors. We encourage everyone to participate. If you have never donated a service or item, now's the time! All the proceeds from this year's auction will be used to refurbish the Civic Center gym.

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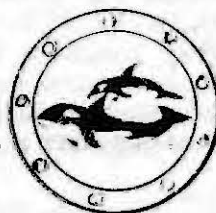
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Add your name to next month's growing list of donors! Contact any of the following to make your donation. Mollie 884-9379, Ann 884-3562, Marcy 884-3456, Claudia 884-3937 or Shirl 884-2481.

More information on how to get tickets for the dinner and auction will be given in next month's issue.

New Business

Country Touch... is a new home crafts business venture by Laurie Joyce. Laurie sells unique baskets which are available in a wide variety of styles to suit anyone's decorative flair such as Victorian, Contemporary, African, etc.! For information on how to have your home party call Laurie at 857-4678.



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In the library

Tweed Meyer is featured artist at the library for June. Her style is impressionism, her subjects often local beaches, homes and gardens that she hopes to capture on canvas before they change or are developed. Besides painting in oil, pastel, pencil and watercolor, Tweed enjoys weaving, basketry, stained glass and pottery.

Her work has been exhibited at Cottesmore Nursing Home and also at area llama fairs. A Gig Harbor native, she is now raising three children and attending Northwest College of Art in Poulsbo.

Travel, geography, multi-cultures and the environment are all part of the 1992 Pierce County Library summer reading program "Going Places." Stickers for posters that record each book a child reads will be available in June. Storytimes for ages 6 and up are Thursdays, 1 pm, July 2 through Aug. 6. So pack your bags, lace up your walking shoes, dust off your travel books, and away we go

Attention poets

Prizes totalling \$12,000 will be awarded this year to 250 poets in the North American Open Poetry Contest. Deadline is June 30.

Any poet can enter for free. Send entries to National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Dr., P.O. Box 704-ZA, Owings Mills, MD 21117. Poems must be 20 lines or less with poet's name and address on top of the page. A new contest opens July 1.

toward another summer full of reading adventure.

"The Unhuggables," a program for children ages 6 and up, will be Friday, June 26, 1 p.m. at Key Center Library. Tom Weathers of the Nature Center at Snake Lake will demonstrate fascinating features and important qualities of slugs, snakes, spiders and skunks.

Home band rides again

In preparation for the Pioneer's Day Celebration Aug. 1, 1992, a group of would-be musicians will be resurrecting the legendary **Home Band** to play in the parade. The band is open to anyone who plays an instrument that could have been part of the original band from the Home Colony. The first meeting/practice will be at the Key Peninsula Health Center (Key Center Library Building) 7pm, June 11. We also need to borrow a trumpet and a piccolo. For more information call Dr. Roes at 884-9221.

Free preschool

Free preschool for children from families with limited income is available through the Peninsula School District.

Eligible children must be four years old before the end of August and from families that qualify as low income. For details, contact Jan Rogers or Barb Standish at 884-4928 or 858-5570. The Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program is at 14015 62nd Ave. NW, Gig Harbor.

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Ridgefield is for the birds

by Hugh McMillan

In about two hours from Key Peninsula on I-5 you can reach the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge, Washington. It's roughly 40 miles north of Vancouver. And whether or not you're a serious bird watcher (which I am not), the trip is well worthwhile.

We had the advantage of making the visit on a beautiful sunny March 25 in the company of John and Ellie Friars of Vashon Island, a pair of expert birders. Before day's end, they assured us we'd seen and identified 51 species of bird from the Rufous-sided Towhee, meadowlarks, a variety of blackbirds, and orioles, jays, swallows, wrens, kinglets, and killedeers, cormorants, egrets, herons, harriers, falcons, and hawks, and a vast assortment of what I think of as ducks and geese. But the highpoint of the day was spotting a huge field of sandhill cranes, which were the sought-after target of the day.

There is no charge to enjoy the 4,627 acres of marshes, grasslands, woodlands, lakes, and forests, the latter of which have some magnificent ancient oaks, and ash, firs, and assorted deciduous trees offering sanctuary to assorted birdlife. Many of the trails throughout the refuge are built to accommodate easy access for the disabled.

The refuge was established in 1965 to provide, among other things, secure wintering areas for Canada geese whose natural nesting place along Alaska's Copper River Delta was all but obliterated by 1964's violent earthquake which lifted the area six feet and changed the once marshland into higher drier land covered with shrub thickets. This made perfect cover for hungry brown bears and coyotes allowing them to approach nesting geese undetected. The resulting predation greatly reduced the geese's ability to successfully hatch and raise their young.

There was no evidence of a declining goose population at Ridgeway during our visit. At times the skies were darkened



Photo by Hugh McMillan

with their massed V-formation flights, and no rock concert was ever noisier than the babble of calls as they flew or covered large fields with their numbers.

While we spotted only one painted turtle, we found muskrat and nutria swimming lazily in

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We plan return visits to the refuge and the quaint, tidy, little town of Ridgeway. Boaters should know that a marina and launch facility is available affording easy access to the Columbia River of which the refuge is a part.

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In the Garden

by Olive Bell Reid

June is the time we gardeners can reap our rewards for all that frantic hard work we did in April and May. The very best way to see each plant and to know it well is to weed and water. Getting down on one's knees brings us nose-to-nose with them and we become familiar with otherwise unseen details. Check out the tiny "pleats" and "smocking" of the Granny-bonnett columbine; drink in the heady fragrance of wallflowers, stocks and honeysuckle; feel the ever-so-soft leaves of Lamb's Ears (*Stachys*) and the prickly buds on the Globe Thistles (*Echinops*). If you want to keep ahead of the weeds, you need to stir up the soil around plants at least once a week. This keeps weed seeds from germinating and allows free movement of air and water. Take along a bucket of compost and work it in as you weed. Take care if you see any signs of morning glory or buttercup, as cutting them off will compound the problem. Each cut piece will produce another plant. Each plant must be dug up on its entirety, or use a contact killer on them. We accidentally imported some morning glory. The moment I saw this dreaded weed, I got a paper cup, put a hole in the bottom and pulled the whole vine up through the hole and into the

paper cup. Then I sprayed weed killer on it and covered it with plastic wrap (leaving its root in the ground). The weed killer went down through the roots and the morning glory never reappeared. The cup protected all the surrounding plants from harm.

Apply a second application of ammonium to your blueberries about June 15. Spread evenly to cover root zone, away from crown and out to drip line. Water well and mulch. Do not fertilize new blueberries just planted.

You can still sow nasturtium, marigolds, portulaca and zinnias. Make a second planting of lettuce, carrots and beets. In case you need to keep busy, there are several other June jobs to be undertaken:

Deadhead campanula, columbine, centaurea, calundula, etc., in your perennial/annual borders—also rhodies and lilacs.

Pinch back michaelmas daisies, chrysanthemums, aster, dahlias and fuchsia.

Feed German iris after bloom 1/2 handful of 5-10-10 per clump. Scatter it near rhizomes, not on them, and water well. Peonies like 3 or 4 handfuls of 10-10-10 after flowering plus a little bonemeal. Mulch with compost or well-rotted manure.

Spray roses, hollyhocks, dogwood, peonies, iris with fungicide twice a month all summer.

Pick a pretty bouquet for your

breakfast table, or take flowers to a friend, to church, or to a nursing home.

P.S. Don't start hot pepper seeds on a heating pad. The only seeds that germinated were around the edge. See you next month.

Longbranch Community Church

by Mollie Tucker

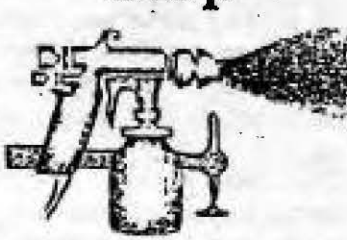
Retired minister Lowell "Dick" Torgerson is to be installed as the new pastor of Lakebay Community Church on June 7, 1992. Rev. Torgerson graduated from Luther Theological Seminary located in St. Paul, MN in 1954. He has had

a full ministerial career including much overseas travel. Rev. Torgerson lives on Fox Island with his wife. The Torgersons have four children, their two oldest, son and daughter respectively, are PLU graduates and are currently pursuing careers in social reform and education here in Washington state. Their second eldest daughter is attending PLU, while their youngest son is still in high school.

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ABATE and what it is

by KA Harker,
Chapter Secretary


You may have noticed a new listing in the Key Dates section of the KP News the last few months. ABATE of Washington's Puget Sound Chapter has been holding meetings at the Civic Center since January of this year. You may also have wondered what ABATE stands for. Or perhaps you've heard conflicting stories of what ABATE is all about. In any case, we'd like to set the record straight and informally introduce ourselves to the community many of us call home.

ABATE is an anagram for "A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments." The purposes and objectives for which the corporation was organized are to promote motorcycle safety education programs, motorcycle awareness programs and motorcycle rider training. Studies have shown this is a valid priority as the majority of accidents involve inexperienced riders. ABATE of Washington also promotes fair motorcycle legislation and works to prevent enact-

ment or to repeal existing unfair legislation regarding motorcycles. It also supports local efforts to help low income families in the Key Peninsula area.

The ABATE of Washington Board of Directors is made up of representatives from each of the chapters which are spread statewide. Olympia Chapter's annual Toy Run to the capitol each December often receives local news coverage. Last year over 2,000 motorcyclists participated, bringing either a toy or a cash donation for the Salvation Army. Other chapters also sponsor toy runs and other events to benefit those in need. Puget Sound Chapter has shown support to other chapters in their endeavors.

Our chapter is made up largely of Key Peninsula residents and our meetings are open to the public and interested persons are welcome to attend. Business meetings are scheduled for 7 pm the first Monday of each month at the Civic Center.



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Father's Day?
How about taking your father to
Michael G's for brunch,
He eats for half price! What a deal!*

June 21 10 AM to 3 PM

Prime Rib	Scrambled Eggs
Dork Roast with Peaches	Eggs Benedict
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To the Editor.....

As most of you know, the state
would like to put a state park on
the Haley land on the Key Penin-
sula. Some residents of the penin-
sula do not want a full park with a
full-time ranger, these people
want another park like RFK with
no park ranger.

Most of us on the peninsula
know what kind of problems there
were at RFK. The vandalism was
horrible. That was one of the
reasons I moved away from that
area.

I feel that a park with a park
ranger would be the way to go.
That way there would be someone
with authority there at all times.
This is what the peninsula needs,
this would be a park for everyone
to enjoy, not another park that
can be destroyed by vandalism
with no supervision available.

So please call the State Park
Department and encourage them
to build us a beautiful park that
will be fully manned with a ranger.
Thank you.
Kevin

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- frequent ear aches
- frequent colds & flu
- colic
- malabsorption
- allergies
- lack of weight gain
- stomach aches
- spinal curvature
- bedwetting
- frequent fevers

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"PINCHED" NERVES may cause:

- Headaches
- Dizziness
- Earaches
- Allergies
- Pain, numbness, & tingling in arms
- Pain, cramps, & tingling in legs
- Asthma
- Bronchitis
- Low back pain
- Digestive problems

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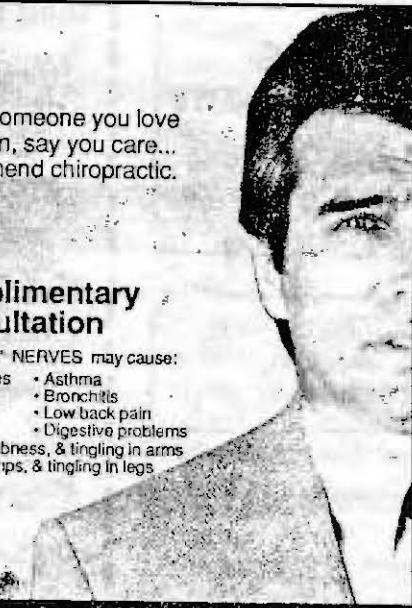
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When arthritis keeps you from doing the things you used to do, call for HELP.

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If you have been told to take medication and learn to live with arthritis, please call this office immediately. Arthritis sufferers across the country have reported many degrees of relief through chiropractic care. Come see us and give us the opportunity to explain how we may be able to help with your arthritis problem.

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