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## Citizens Of The Year



Cy & Eileen Young

by Hugh McMillan

"We were absolutely thrilled and never expected..." were the first words from Eileen Young commenting on her and husband Cy's being the recipients of the 1994-1995 Citizens of the Year Award the day after it was presented to them, Saturday, February 25 at the 11th annual ceremony. Cy said, "I couldn't believe it; there were so many others far more deserving..."

Both attributed their receipt of the award to, "the Aisle of Honor," the rows of flags which appear at the Vaughn Cemetery at commemorative events each year. The Youngs were the prime movers in creating the Aisle.

The Awards banquet featured as

keynote speaker Fire Chief Gary Franz. Some 30 certificates were awarded to volunteers and organizations serving the Key Peninsula community by Lion president Marvin Keizur. A unique dinner of smoked turkey was served by members of the Peninsula High School band under the guiding hand of Lion Linda Reid.

"Everyone left the ceremonies with a warm and fuzzy feeling," said event chairman, Joe Barrow.

## 'Back To The Forties' At The Civic Center

What a smashing success the Civic Center's recent "Back To The Forties" dinner/dance was! The event, the brainstorm of Irene Zimmer who organized and staged the evening, was complete with service uniforms, great dance music by the Tempos band from Seattle, and a memory museum put together by Wilma Haines with the assistance of members of V.F.W. Post 4990.

Other features of the evening included a 1940s fashion show put on by the Goodwill from Tacoma; a medley of songs from Women in Song, a trio of Cindy Wilson, Karen Ozmun and Quincy Cook; a barber-shop quartet called Golden Opportunity; and a color guard from Fort Lewis.

Stephanie Zampini and her family cooked dinner, and the RazzMaTazz jazz choir from Peninsula High School served the dinner and also performed a few songs.

With the first notes of "One O'clock Jump" the crowd hit the floor and stayed there dancing for the remainder of the evening.

## Reno Night Fun!

Mark your calendars! Reno night is coming Saturday, March 4th! Once again the Vaughn Civic Center will be transformed into a casino and host a great evening of blackjack, dice, chuck-a-luck, wheel of fortune, and Bingo. Starting at 6:00 pm, over 50 volunteers will be shuffling lucky cards, dealing winning hands, and cooking wonderful food for your enjoyment. What a great way to participate in a Civic Center Fund Raiser.

The action on the floor will be managed by Don Zimmerman, Stephanie Zampini will head up the kitchen crew, Dave Freeman will run the bank, and Terry Thomas will be in charge of "Special Beverages". The excitement begins at 6:00 pm and runs until 12 midnight. A special room will be set up for Bingo, scheduled to start at 6:30 pm and go until 11:30 pm. See you there!



## Stacy's Corner

by Stacy Smith  
Key Peninsula  
Civic Center  
Director



The Civic Center has been hustling right along with the new year. As I looked back over the past year, I was delighted to see that community usership was definitely on the increase. It is nice to know that the Center is still an intricate part of the community, which is right where I aim to keep it. If you look back through the last few months of calendars, you can see just how much programming and rentals have grown, which in itself is exactly what the Center needed to help keep its "community" spirit alive.

Now the Center has grown to include two new organizations under its branches, the Key Peninsula Historical Society, and the Children's Home Society of Washington, both of which we are very pleased to have with us as each organization offers its own unique qualities to the community.

The Historical Society will be unveiling a one-of-a-kind museum very soon in what was formerly known as the library room of the Civic Center's small building. I have been told that the opening may be as soon as April. In the last two months, I have watched as members of the Historical Society have busily made renovations, and I know that I will not be the only curious one to see the completed museum.

The Children's Home Society of Washington has been serving the needs of adoptions for 99 years. However, they have recently branched out their services to include all aspects of family advocacy. At the Civic Center site are two dedicated Children's Home Society staff members, Sandy McFarlane and Kathy Russell. If you are in need of assistance or are in need of information, please give them a call. It is a confi-

dential service. If by chance they cannot personally meet your needs, they will quite often know who can. (For more information please read the article on Children's Home Society in this issue of the Key Peninsula News).

Due to the terrific response to the yoga classes on Wednesday evenings, instructor Diane Bunting will be offering new sessions starting on March 22. Kundalini yoga is a wonderful way to reduce stress and increase energy levels, all while firming the body. I recommend that you don't miss your chance to start yoga with Diane. If you need more information, please give a call to the Civic Center office.

If you're feeling lucky or just in need of a little casino fun, try the upcoming Reno Night on March 4. All proceeds will go directly back into the civic center and will go towards maintenance and programming. I have found that many community members did not know that all the workers at the Civic Center Reno Nights are volunteers. It takes over 40 volunteers the night of each Reno, which does not include those who set up, hand out flyers, or make the phone calls. But with each volunteer, the Civic Center is able to have successful fundraisers like Reno Nights, and although the Center is benefitting, the community is also having a great time.

There are plenty of volunteer opportunities on the Key Peninsula. If you are searching for ways to make a contribution to the community, contact one or more of the following organizations: *Children's Home Society of Washington* 884-5433, *Key Peninsula Civic Center Association* 884-3456, *Key Peninsula Community Services* 884-4440.

### Key Peninsula Civic Center Association Officers

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### New Basketball Hoop

Look in the parking lot at the Civic Center for the new basketball hoop which was recently installed by Dave Freeman, Mike Salatino, Irene Zimmer, and Ann Larson. The mounting pole was filled with concrete for strength. Obtained from Sportland of Tacoma, the hoop is adjustable.

### Yoga Classes Offered at Civic Center

Yoga reduces stress and renews our energy, while toning the body and calming the mind.

Join the Kundalini Yoga class beginning at the Key Peninsula Civic Center. The 8-week evening class meets on Wednesdays, March 22 through May 10, from 7 pm to 8:30 pm, the Whitmore Room, KPCC. The cost for the series is \$44.

Kundalini yoga consists of physical exercises/postures with special breathing, hand gestures, sound and deep relaxation. Each week we will learn a set of postures, as taught by Yogi Bhanan, designed to produce a particular effect (ie. Disease Resistance, Heart Helper, Elimination/Cleansing, Spinal Flexibility). Actual course content will reflect the participants' skill level. BEGINNING and INTERMEDIATE students welcome. Class size is limited, so please register early by calling the instructor, Diane Bunting, at (360)895-2468.

### Happy Kitchen Crews

The installation of a new \$6,000.00 commercial kitchen range at the Civic Center has kitchen helpers cheering. Funds were obtained as part of a grant from the Ben Cheney foundation, which was dedicated to kitchen improvements. The range has 6 burners, 2 ovens, and a full commercial size grill. Extensive electrical work in the building was completed as part of the installation. It has been hard to obtain parts for the old electrical boxes, and some parts had to be flown here from Florida.

In other electrical news, a complete professional survey of all wiring has been completed in preparation for renovation planned in the near future. Future updating will take place as funds become available.

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## Children's Home Society Grows

by Stacy A. Smith

The Children's Home Society of Washington has recently grown. With the addition of new staff member Kathy Russell on the Key Peninsula, they recently made the move to new offices located at the rear of the Key Peninsula Civic Center in Vaughn.

Children's Home Society of Washington has been in operation since 1896. As a statewide non-profit agency, they serve over 12,000 children and parents each year offering programs such as counseling for families, family foster care, foster-adoption placement, adoption support services, parent aid, parent education, parent support groups, and many other programs that are also collaborative efforts with other community organizations.

One of CHSW's collaborative programs is with the Peninsula School District's Family Services, which is the "Readiness to Learn Project" of which family support worker Sandy McFarlane is primarily affili-

ated. Sandy also works extensively with referrals that are placed with CHSW from school counselors also working as an outreach counselor.

Recent arrival Kathy Russell is currently focusing on alcohol and other drug prevention including parent education. She also assists in the "Readiness to Learn Project" on the Key Peninsula. Skill building and parent support are a focus of CHSW and due to the need Kathy Russell has found in the area, she is working hard to set up a Parent Anonymous support group that will meet at the Civic Center on an ongoing basis.

Children's Home Society's commitment is to the family and the community. As such, the staff and board at the Civic Center is delighted to have the organization at the Key Peninsula Community Center.

If you would like more information or would like to know about volunteer opportunities concerning Children's Home Society, please call 884-5433.

## Heating System Problems

Installation of the new heating system(s) at the Civic Center has been completed more than two years after the initial grant award from the Pierce County Department of Community Development. The department awarded the job to the low bidder, Western Furnace of Tacoma. "It's been a cold and drafty time," stated Civic Center manager Stacy Smith. "I'm glad we have heat again."

The old boiler, with its many temperamental problems, was removed during the installation. New propane fired heat pacs were used in the gym area, and new electric heat pumps have been installed in the balance of the building.

Smith commented about some problems with the new systems; two of the four gym heating units are not working. The Children's Home Society quarters have been without heat for a month. Parts were ordered to repair

the heating unit, but when the parts arrived this week, it was discovered that incorrect items were received. Smith stated a different person is sent out each time there is a problem, and the new people don't seem to understand the systems.

Four different thermostat controls were installed to handle the gym, which is a big room. "I don't know why they didn't give us just one control for the gym," stated Smith. "When I try to program a start and stop sequence, I have to do it on each of the four controls". Members of the building and grounds committee brought this to the attention of the furnace installer when the system was first placed in service. The installer assured them it would work OK. "It doesn't work," said Smith. The equipment is guaranteed, and Civic Center executive members plan to address the problem in their next meeting.

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### KEY DATES

#### Business / Professional Groups

KP Business Assoc.	Mar. 3 : 7:30 am	Home Port Rest.
	Mar. 17 : 12 pm	Horseshoe Lk. Rest.
Fire Fighters Assoc.	Mar. 28 : 7:00 pm	K.C. Fire Station

#### Civic Organizations

ASHES	Mar. 2 : 10:30 am	K.C. Fire Station
Cootiettes	Mar. 16 : 7:00 pm	KPCCA
KPCS	Mar. 13 : 7:30 pm	Comm. House
KP Grange	Contact Mr. Slater 884-5403 for dates/times	
KP Lions	Mar. 1 & 15 : 7 pm	Horseshoe Lk. Rest.

#### Community Services

Adult Literacy Classes	Call for Appt.	51-6552 / G.H.
Citizens Against Crime	Mar. 3 & 17 : 7 pm	Purdy Sheriff Office
Food Bank	Tues.-Fri. 10 am - 3 pm	Comm. House
Hot lunch for Seniors	Wednes. Noon	Comm. House
Free Brunch	Sundays 2-3 pm	Comm. House

(also food & clothing assistance, call 884-4440, 884-4512, 857-4780)

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

Call for an appt. at 884-3835 Tuesdays

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

#### Public Meetings

KP Fire Comm.	Mar. 8 : 7:30 pm	KC Fire Station
	Mar. 21 : 4:00 pm	

#### Self-Help Groups

AA	Mon. & Fri. 6 pm	KP Comm. Services
	Sat. & Sun. 8 pm	
TOPS	Tues. 6-8 pm	KPCCA / VFW Rm.
Caregivers Support	Mar. 14 : 7-9pm	Library Brones Rm

#### Social & Hobby Groups

Bayshore Garden Club	Mar. 17 : 1 pm	Longbranch Imp. C.
Historical Society	Call Tim Kezelle for information	
Longbranch Imp. Club	Mar. 15 : 7 pm	Longbranch Imp. C.
Peninsula Neighbors	Mar. 14 : 10:30 am	Home Comm. Hall
Ruth Circle Meet	Mar. 20 : Noon	Longbranch Church
Senior Society Lunch Potlk.	Thurs. : Noon	KPCCA / WM
VFW & Aux.	13 & 27 : 6:30 pm	KPCCA
<b>BINGO (It's Warm!)</b>	Wed. : 6:30 pm	KPCCA

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# Peninsula School Board Holds A Public Forum

The Peninsula School Board held a public forum at the Key Peninsula Middle School on Tuesday evening, February 21, to listen to parents, patrons, and taxpayers tell why they thought the recent school levy failed.

During the one and one-half hour session the School Board took notes as an independent moderator led the discussion and encouraged all members of the audience to state their views on public school funding. Those who did not choose to speak were able to express their opinions on forms which were made available.

Gary Goodman, President of the School Board, asked the audience to pose any questions that it might have with regard to school funding and promised that the School Board would report back to the public with written answers in the local news media.

The levy, which was proposed to the voters on February 8, drew a "Yes" vote of approximately 55%, with a 60% "Yes" vote required for successful passage of school funding issues.

Unlike many other states, Washington does not provide "full funding" for public schools, and in recent years approximately 20% of Peninsula School District funds have come from additional levies, which have each covered a two-year period.

Although the Washington State Constitution states that provision for public schools is a primary responsibility of the State, school districts were forced to take the State to court to enforce that provision.

Even at that State funding has slipped again, and there is the possibility that school districts may be forced into the courts again according to various authorities.

A similar public forum was held at Gig Harbor High School on the following evening (February 22) so that the School Board could hear from patrons in both the Key and Gig Harbor peninsulas.

At the February 23 (regular) School Board meeting held at Harbor Heights Middle School, Superintendent Mark Mitrovich announced that the proposed budget for the 1995-96 school year would be redrawn in a different manner

that would provide much additional data for taxpayers. One of the objectives of the redrawn budget presentation would be to present clearly what school services could be provided with state-provided funds only, and what other school services would be dependent upon levy funds if and when any revised levy issue is placed before the voters.

Meetings of the Peninsula School Board are currently held on a twice-a-month basis, the first meeting at the Educational Service Center (near Peninsula High School in Purdy) and the second at one of the

other schools in the District on a rotating schedule. All regular meetings of the Board currently start at 6:30 p.m. and the public is encouraged to attend. A public comment period is provided at the beginning of each meeting for members of the community who may wish to address the Board.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Where will your green be on March 17??			1 BINGO 6:30 WALK 11-12 YOGA 7-8:30 WM Room	2 KP Seniors 10-4 Karate WALK 11-12	3 SKATING 6:30-9:00 PM	4 Funky ftwk VFW room <b>RENO</b> 6PM to 12 AM Public Welcome
5 WM/K 9-1	6 WALK 11-12 KPCCA Exec. 7:30 Karate Dance 5-7 Gym	7 Rhythm WM WIC/TOPS Rhythm WM	8 WALK 11-12 BINGO 6:30 YOGA 7-8:30 WM	9 APCALA Mtg. 11:00 AM WALK 11-12 Seniors/Karate	10 Homeschool Skate 2-3:30 SKATING 6:30-9:00	11 Funky Footwork <b>LADIES NIGHT</b> Male Review 7-10 PM
12 Prvt Skate 12-2 Prvt. Sk 2:30-3:30 WM/K 9-1	13 Dance WALK Karate VFW 6:30-9 WM/VFW	14 TOPS/WIC/Rhythm	15 WALK BINGO 6:30 YOGA 7-8:30 WM	16 WALK Cooliettes Wm 6-9 Karate / Seniors	17 PRVT. SKATE 1-3 PM SKATING	18 Funky Foot. 18 VFW Room Private All Day Function Main Bldg.
19 PRVT. MAIN BLDG. Church VFW 9-1	20 Dance WALK Karate	21 Rhythm WM WIC TOPS WALK	22 WALK BINGO YOGA 7-8:30 WM	23 Historical Mtg. WM / 6:00-10:00 PM Seniors Karate	24 Homeschool Sk. 2-3:30 PM SKATING	25 Funky Footwork VFW Room Prvt. Skate 5-10 WM/E/Skate
26 Prvt Skate 1-5 WM/K/Skate WM/K 9-1	27 Dance 5-7 PM GYM VFW 6:30-9 Karate	28 Rhythm WIC TOPS	29 WALK BINGO YOGA	30 Seniors Karate	31 SKATING	It's here ... <b>SPRING!!</b>

**TO YOUR HEALTH**



by William F. Roes, MD

There have recently been several articles in the newspapers about the possibility of overuse of ear tubes in children with ear infections. Unfortunately, this has caused some confusion for our patients, and the issues need some clarification.

Middle ear infections, or Otitis Media, is one of the most common infections of young children. This is frequently the sequelae of a cold or respiratory illness which blocks the internal tube that drains the middle ear to the back of the throat. For many anatomical reasons, this commonly leads to viral and bacterial infections of the middle ear in kids, with the typical complaints of ear pain usually in the middle of the night or on the weekend. The examination of the child reveals a fever and a red swollen eardrum. The majority of these infections respond well to antibiotics, but some children have recurrent infections, or infections which fail to clear with antibiotics. The usual treatment is consideration of a surgical procedure called myringotomy with

tubes; that is, under anesthesia an ENT surgeon makes a small incision in the eardrum and places a small tube shaped like a sewing machine bobbin in the eardrum. This allows any fluid trapped in the middle ear to drain, and with the drainage of the infected fluid the infection is cleared. Usually after a period of several months the ventilation tubes "grow out" of the eardrum and are found in the ear canal, although sometimes they have to be removed.

National guidelines released by the US Department of Health in September suggested that children with fluid in the middle ear without any signs of infection do not need ventilation tubes, but the newspaper reports suggested that they were not useful in the case of infections as well. This is clearly not the case for children with recurrent episodes of Otitis Media or symptomatic middle ear fluid (effusions). Putting a small child under general anesthesia is never a decision that should be taken lightly, but there are definitely times when the judicious use of myringotomy with tubes can save your child's hearing and reduce his/or her suffering.

**IN THE LIBRARY**

Author and naturalist Susan Zwinger will present the program **STALKING THE ICE DRAGON, AN ALASKAN JOURNEY**, at the Key Center Library, Wednesday, March 8, 7 pm. Susan Zwinger traveled to Alaska intending to "...live close to an elemental power, close to what is essential." In her book, **STALKING THE ICE DRAGON**, she chronicles this journey, capturing the culture and environment of Alaska as well as her unique poetic perceptions. Her appearance in Key Center will dovetail with her return from the desert areas of Utah, Arizona, and Southern California. Thus this presentation will also include plant adaptation compared in the desert and the Alaskan tundra, the subject of her next book.

The author has combined her interest in the natural world, her skill in teaching, and her talent as writer and artist in both professional and volunteer work. She has taught in museums, secondary schools, and university settings. In 1992, she received the Governor's Writer's Award.

Her home is near Langley on Whidbey Island.

This free program is sponsored by the Friends of the Key Center Library and the Washington Commission for the Humanities. A business meeting of the Friends will precede the program at 5:45 pm.

For several years now, local resident Earl Sorrels has displayed his exceptionally beautiful hand crafted spinning wheels at the Key Center Library during the month of March 1995 is no exception.

Mr. Sorrels learned his art by researching and studying as many books as possible on the subject through the library. He will also discuss the evolution of spinning wheels, and the many styles that are characteristic of different countries on Saturday, March 25, at 3 pm.

**Writing With Friends**

**WRITING WITH FRIENDS**, Creating a Community of Writers. A seven week writing workshop led by Lindsey C. Craig, March 18-May 6, Saturday, 1:00-2:30. Lecture topics: Characters of the Heart, Scene Reflections, Dialogue that Tantalizes, Plot and the Impossible Dream, Tremendous Climax, The Art of Discovery, and Developing the Creative Source. Please register at Key Center Library or call 884-2242 by March 15. A free creative workshop sponsored by the Friends of the Key Center Library.

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Each month the Key Peninsula Fire Department offers classes in CPR and First Aid for interested persons. Also being taught just one time this year is Health Care Provider CPR Update scheduled for Thursday, March 23, 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm.

Citizen CPR is taught from 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm on the following dates: March 16, April 6, April 20, May 4, May 18, June 1, June 15, July 6, and July 20. Community First Aid Training, which includes CPR, is taught Saturdays from 8:30 am until 5:00 pm on the following dates: April 8, June 3, September 30, and December 9. All classes are taught at the Key Penin-

sula Fire Department, and students are asked to make a donation of \$5 for CPR and \$20 for First Aid to the Department to help defer the cost of materials. Information, 884-2222.

### Rummage Sale

Ashes, auxiliary to Fire District #16, announced that their annual Spring Rummage Sale will be held April 8th, 9 am until 4 pm, at Fire District #16 in Key Center, with set-up scheduled for April 7th, 10 am until 3 pm. As in the past, they ask for donations from the public, and that those donations be only clean, usable articles. Proceeds from the last sale went to purchase two chainsaws for the Department, a much needed item especially during the storms that the area experienced this winter.

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### Caregivers Support Group

The Caregivers Support Group will meet March 9th in the Brontes Room at the Key Center Library. The meeting will begin at 7pm. Guest Speaker will be Lisa Merry from DSHS and former coordinator of the caregiver support group.

We are urging all caregivers within the area to attend this meeting. We will attempt to structure these monthly meetings to meet your personal needs, with training and information. We are looking forward to your attendance and input. Refreshments will be served. For more information contact: Barbara Nimrick at 857-5325.

### Obituaries



#### Larry Jay Cook

Larry Jay Cook, 58, a Vaughn resident for eight years, died at his home on January 29, 1995. He was born in Tacoma, March 28, 1936. Larry worked as an electrician at Totem Electric and for the Tacoma Public Schools. He was a member of IBEW #76 and was an avid outdoorsman and loved sailing.

Family members include: wife, Zita Marie, Vaughn; sons, Aaron, Enumclaw; Mathew, Seattle; Scott, Phoenix; and Monte, Eugene; mother, Roberta Cook, Puyallup; sisters, Sherry Pallette, Auburn; Lorraine Barber, Burley; brothers, Norman Cook, Puyallup; Walter Cook, Mississippi; granddaughters, Kelsi and Madison Cook.

Memorial services were held February 1, 1995, at Haven of Rest Chapel, with inurnment at Vaughn Bay Cemetery. Remembrances may be made to St. Joseph Hospice, PO Box 1502, Tacoma 98401.



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# Tax Tips

by R. Marvin Keizer CTP

We are again into the season when it seems there is a tax preparer sign on every corner. One thing concerns me, where are these signs after April 15th? We would like to suggest that you consult a tax preparer whose sign is there the year round. This means that the tax preparer or accountant is there the year round.

If you have a small part-time business and it shows you are attempting to make a profit, even though in the year you are reporting the business to the IRS you show a loss, then you are entitled to take the loss on your tax return.

It is good business to get your tax return prepared early and filed on time to avoid penalties and interest if you cannot pay the tax due on time. File for an installment payment plan with the IRS. Remember this will cost you extra, but maybe not as much as filing late.

## Kindergarten Registration

Registration for 1995-96 Peninsula School District kindergartners will take place during the week of March 27-March 31, 1995, from 9:15 am to 3:00 pm at all district elementary schools. All eight district elementary schools will be open for registration, including Artondale, Discovery, Evergreen, Harbor Heights, Minter Creek, Purdy, Vaughn, and Voyager. Children must be five years of age by August 31, 1995. All parents who wish to enroll their children are asked to bring the child's birth certificate, immunization records, social security number, and emergency telephone numbers. Parents should register their student at their local elementary school. Questions regarding boundaries may be addressed to the individual schools or to the District Office at (206) 857-6171.

## Longbranch Community Church

Longbranch Community Church is proud to announce that Rev. Robert (Bob) W. Olmsted will become their new pastor, as of March 5th. Rev. Olmsted is a retired Presbyterian Minister. He has served congregations in CA., OR., ID., WA., and Canada. He lives in Gig Harbor, with his wife Marge.



## VAUGHN HUSKIES

FREE HEALTH ASSESSMENT will be held on Saturday, March 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Goodman Middle School. There will be free immunizations for children 2 months to 16 years old.

### COMING UP:

- March 8th - VPTO Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- March 15th - Talent Show, 6:30 p.m.
- March 17th - No School, State In-service Day
- March 23rd - Math Night, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
- March 29th - Group Pictures
- April 3rd-7th - Spring Break
- April 12th - VPTO Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
- April 24th - Reptile Assembly, Afternoon & Evening

## TOPS Invites You As Their Guest

TOPS open house February 14, 1995, had to be cancelled due to snow. They invite all interested persons to attend any meeting as their guest. March 13, 1995, at 7:00 pm, they will have a special guest speaker, Gary Wellington. Gary is a past Washington State "King" which means he lost the most weight and reached his goal weight to be so honored. He has maintained his weight loss for five years, and is the leader of the Pierce County KOPS (keep off pounds sensibly) Society. He was featured on Evening Magazine, KING TV, when he climbed Mt. Rainier for "TOPS Walks Washington". Come and hear his story and be inspired. The chapter has grown a lot lately, and welcomes their new members and all others wanting their support.

To join TOPS costs \$16.00 for national dues, which includes a subscription to the TOPS News Magazine. It is \$3.00 per month for local dues. TOPS is a non-profit organization and doesn't promote food sales and other products.

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## National Merit Scholars

National Merit Scholars represent the top one half of one percent of graduating seniors nationwide. Scholarship winners are judged on academic record, scores on standardized tests, participation in school activities, and contribution to the community. In Peninsula School district, four outstanding students have recently received the distinction of National Merit Scholar finalist.

Finalist Jeff Dick, a senior at Gig Harbor High School, is the son of Robert and Carol Olsen-Dick. When he graduates this June, he will have earned an AA Degree from T.C.C. through a program offered by the District that allows talented students to earn college credit while still in high school. His long range goal is to attend medical school at the University of Washington or Johns Hopkins University and to become a geneticist.

Finalist Chris Bachmann, a senior at Peninsula High School, is the son of Edward and Donna Bachmann. He has worked on the Peninsula Outlook staff for three years, and has been co-editor for one year. Bachmann has participated in the

Knowledge Bowl, the math team, and tennis, and has taken Japanese for three years. Having exceeded the PHS Math program in two years, Bachmann took math and computer science at the U.P.S. his junior and senior years. Bachmann plans to major in computer science or pre-med.

Finalist Max Kalton, a senior at Peninsula High School, is the son of Michael and Margaret Kalton. He has been involved in choir, drama, speech and the Knowledge Bowl. An Eagle Scout, Kalton's other interests include sailing, politics, and ecology. Based on his SAT scores, he is also a candidate for the Presidential Scholars program. Kalton intends to major in biology to facilitate a career in marine biology.

Finalist Mark Thomason, a senior at Peninsula High School, is the son of Stephen and Barbara Thomason. He is a member of the Peninsula Outlook staff and a Junior Statesman. Thomason is an Eagle Scout, a Peninsula Athletic Association soccer referee, and a volunteer with the Harbor Ridge drama program. Thomason will major in theatre and computer science, in pursuit of a

career in journalism or technical theatre.

Peninsula School District congratulates these National Merit Scholar finalists, and wishes each the continued academic success they have achieved in the District.

## Cider Fest '95

Plans are now in progress for "Cider Fest '95" sponsored by the Key Peninsula Business Association and the Key Peninsula Lions Club. It will be held on Saturday, October 14, 1995, and is being moved to Key Center this year. A street fair atmosphere is being planned with the usual pumpkin contest and apple presses available to make apple cider. Craft, educational, and food booths will be featured in addition to other fun events. Questions or suggestions can be directed to committee members Fred Ramsdell, Barbara Granquist, Claudia Loy, Barbara Heard, or Linda Reed. Watch the Key Peninsula News for further information as plans progress.

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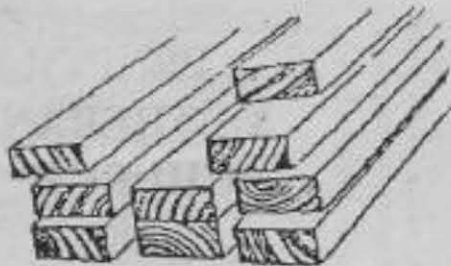
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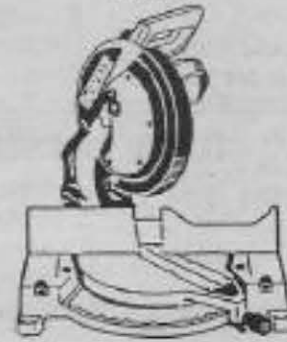
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