

## The Prez Sez ...

by Marty Marcus

We had a great Pioneer Day celebration last month, thanks to the efforts of an effective planning committee chaired by Kathy and Tim Hale and to the efforts of a lot of volunteers. Even the weather cooperated, although it didn't quite come up to what I was told to expect the first time Ann Waldo and I and our reptiles participated in Pioneer Day.

"It's never less than 81 degrees on Pioneer Day", said Stephanie Zampini, a remark I'll never let her forget. Well, at least the 3 B's (Band, Barbecue, and Beer Garden) didn't get flooded out.

It was especially gratifying to see the turnout of donors for the first Pioneer Day Blood Drive. Thirty-three people presented themselves at Cascade Regional Blood Services' set-up in the VFW Room. That was a good response for the first time at this location, but let's try to double that number on August 5th next year.

A special thanks is due to Shirley Olson who not only encouraged other people to donate blood, but was also a donor herself. Those of you who missed out on this great opportunity to help save other people's lives can make up for it by being a blood donor on October 9th during Ciderfest at the fire station in Key Center.

## Billy Hughes, Teacher For A Day, Principal For A Day, And Builder Of Renaissance Catapult For A Summer

by Hugh McMillan

Billy Hughes, a 4th grader in Mrs. Knisley's class at Vaughn Elementary School where he won honors for reading leading to his being the very first "Teacher for the Day" and a "Principal for the Day," added to his accomplishments this summer.

He built a catapult.

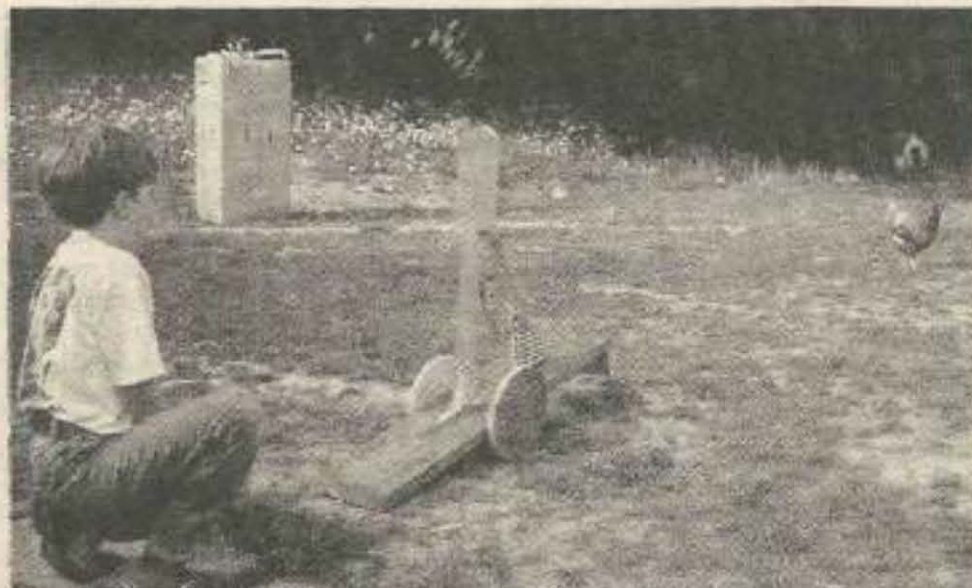
"I saw a model of a catapult at the Renaissance Faire on the 1st of August and decided I'd like to build one," Billy said. The model was just a little thing and Billy wanted one which could really toss something.

He was using it to catapult food to his grandfather's chickens as we spoke.

"My grandpa is always building things and I knew he had lots of pieces of wood and other things I could build it out of," he said, "so that's why I built it here," at grandfather John Killoran's place in Home.

He admitted to having a bit of help with the project from his grandfather and wife, Janet, and his sister Elisa, 11, and cousin Jesse from Oregon. "But Janet and I did most of the work; she used the power tools because I'm too young for that."

Granddad John said, "He's always inventing things to build with Legos and K'nex. He's a very smart young man."



Billy Hughes and his catapult. He's catapulting food to his granddad's chickens  
Photo by Hugh McMillan.

Billy is the 10 year old son of David and Jodi Hughes. David is a volunteer firefighter with the Key Peninsula Fire Department and Jodi is a paramedic at Tacoma General Hospital's Emergency Room.

As part of the Accelerated Reader Program in Knisley's class, Billy, "was never not in the lead," in the competition for Teacher for a Day, said both his mom and Knisley.

To gain the honor, students earn

points based on how long a book is and how hard it is to read. They take a computer generated and scored test. At the end of the test, it tells them how many comprehension questions they got right and how many points they earned. When they get to 5 points they earn a pencil, 10 points, a bookmark, 15 points, an ice cream and name announced on the loud speaker, 20 points, a 1/2 day read-in

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## Flavor Of Fall Update

We hope you are making some groovy plans for the last Flavor of Fall of the 20<sup>th</sup> Century! Come see the old Vaughn High transformed into a cool hangout. For those of you interested, we still are in need of volunteers to help in the following areas, kitchen, decorations, procured items and setting up the night of the auction. We are also looking for some cool 50's props, so if you know of any, please let us know! Tickets are on sale at Sunnycrest Nursery in Key Center. As they used to say, "Be there or be square."

### FLAVOR OF FALL AUCTION ITEMS AND DONORS SO FAR FOR 1999

Cathy Beal - Afghan  
Bill & Karen Smitherman - Cash  
Betty Kelley - Plants  
Vicky McClung - Misc.  
Allen Yanity - 1 cord of wood  
Angel Guild - Misc.  
Harvey Bell - Flight for 2 w/lunch

Tillicum Village - Pass for 1  
Kingsbury Enterprises - Cash  
Tacoma Rainiers - 4 Box Seat Passes  
Dr. Campbell - 1 Chiropractic Exam  
Phil & Kathy Bauer -  
to be announced  
Sylvia Haase - Handmade Ornaments  
Betty Beal - to be announced  
Wreath Works - 1 Christmas Tree  
Harbor Printing  
A Clean Sweep Chimney Service -  
Chimney Cleaning  
Fred & Mary Ramsdell -  
Wood Working Creation  
John VanDeBrooke -  
2 Cases Exotic Micro Brew  
Harm VanSlyke - 1 Cord of Wood  
Martha & Doug Applegate -  
Furnished Doll House  
Ude U-Cut Tree Farm -  
1 Christmas Tree  
Virginia Liebergesell -  
Handmade Boxes  
Robert & Ann Larson -  
Complete Porcelain Nativity Set

Flavor of Fall Committee -  
Mystery Dinner for Eight  
Dr. Hornbeck - Cash  
Mauna Binion - Artwork  
Kristen Bottiger - Plants  
Sandy McFarlane - Cash  
Rose Grant - Color TV  
Tom & Nancy Howard -  
Flight for 2 w/lunch  
Marilyn Perks - Silk Creation  
Seattle Art Museum - 4 Passes  
Lloyd & Sharon Miller -  
Case of Wine  
Active Construction -  
10 Yards Gravel  
Dr. Campbell - 1 Paint Ball Session  
Furniture Clinic - to be announced  
Northwest Trek - 4 Passes  
Dave & Sabra Stratford -  
Case of Wine  
Wreath Works - 1 Christmas Wreath  
Christopher Mathie - Raku  
Peninsula Light -  
Surge Protector & Emergency Kit  
Krys Wylie - Basket

Sandra Peck - 4 Silver  
Sherry Goblets in case.  
Telco Credit Union - Khaki Shirt,  
Large Size.  
Myr-Mar Accounting Service, Inc.  
- Income Tax Service  
Glenn Pszczola - Cash  
Bob & Elsie Vezzani - Cash  
KC Chiropractic -  
Chiropractic Exam & Adj.  
Wall's Fine Foods - Cash  
Capitol Lumber - Char-Broil Grill  
Key Center Tavern -  
Lunch Taco Friday for 6  
A Touch of Country - Hair cut & set  
Riley Auto Parts -  
Oil Change & Lube  
Nails by Lynn Reaves -  
Manicure & Pedicure  
Shear Magic - Haircut, Condition,  
Treatment & Style  
Pizza Plus - (2) 15" Pizzas  
Close To Home Espresso  
Minter Veterinarian Clinic  
Fashions' First  
Almost Home Kennel

## Center News

by Sandy McFarlane

The weather may not be so hot but things at the Civic Center are sizzling. We are pleased to let everyone know that we have several new people working at the Center. Vicky McClung and Sandy McFarlane are job-sharing in the Facility Manager's position. The coffee pot will be on and the door open to anybody wanting to drop by. If you have needs, plans, or ideas please come by and have a cup of coffee with us.

We welcome back again this Fall, Lila Garrison and her crew of volunteers for Friday Night Skating. This group has been doing a remarkable job for the last few years. We all appreciate the work this group does for the Key Peninsula kids. Glad to have you back!

Our Key Peninsula News continues to be a special part of our community. Alice Tramil and her volunteers work very hard every month to make sure we know what is happening in our area. We want to let them know how valuable their contribution is.

You can't help but notice the beau-

tiful gardens that are springing up around the Civic Center. Once again we have a group of volunteers to thank for these wonderful improvements. The gardens are so pleasant to spend a little time just walking by and through them.

Last but certainly not least, we must mention the countless hours our volunteer Board of Directors put in to keep the Center running. Many of you may have noticed the wonderful new renovations that have been completed in the building. Many more plans are in the working stages to fix some of the problem areas at the Center. We are grateful for all the time and energy the Board offers to our community.

We are all aware of how successful our skate nights are. They started with somebody's idea. If you have ideas for how the Civic Center might be used or would like to volunteer to offer a class, come on by and let us know. We look forward to offering many more programs and having more members of the community become a part of our valuable volunteer team.

### A TRAILER FREE...IS NOT TO BE

by Vicky McClung

An old tired trailer with one tire flat  
No lights or battery and holes in the back  
This little treasure had become ours free  
Oh, a trailer free is simply not to be.

Betty and I tried to get it out to Vaughn Bay  
But no brake control unit delayed us a day  
Dave's truck not good either so Kristen's we took  
We needed to be legal and go by the book.

The dealer's laughter followed us as we bounced away  
By taking this 20' piece of work, we had made their day  
The troubles we were facing were not yet in our sights  
All we were concerned with was having good tail lights.

Lloyd and Sharon came to take this little prized possession  
To look it over, check it out, it would become a lesson  
They hauled it to their house to check its systems well  
What they did not expect was an experience from hell.

A water system check on his list was at the top  
But he quickly was running at full speed for a mop  
As the trailer quickly flooded and he went from leak to leak  
Pipe after pipe burst open — oh, this was looking bleak.

Removing the shower and toilet what was found below?  
Everything was rotten, broken, bent and had to go  
Lloyd circled the refrigerator and we could hear him moan  
Gas circulation system gone — the reefer must be thrown.

Sharon checked the stovetop and yes the burners light  
But what happened next certainly sent her into flight  
As flames shot from the oven and set her hair ablaze  
She quickly fled the scene — we haven't seen her for days.

She is here tonight, her blistered fingers sore  
But no longer interested in helping with this chore.  
With the cost at nothing what could we lose?  
Getting what you pay for — Lloyd and Sharon paid our dues.



## The Children's Home Society's FAMILY ROOM

Now that our Summer Fun Youth Program is done, we at the Children's Home Society Key Peninsula Family Resource Center wish to thank the many people and organizations who contributed to the success of the program. The children who attended had a great time, and they were a joy to us as well.

First of all, we thank our dedicated and talented part-time staff: Jennifer Bayeur, Lynne Cassella-Blackburn, Diane Duggan, Shannon Fairbanks, Tami Miller, Jennifer Sorenson, Emily Stocking, and Linda Youngchild. Next, we sincerely thank our valuable and irreplaceable adult volunteers: Beverly Campese, Pam Cottrell, Desiree Dickenson, Kim Gebhardt, Elaine Gurr, Patricia Mauldin, Doreen Minter, Cathy Oberts, Rachelle Ottosen; Karen Payseno, Becky Pitt, Susan Ritchie, Joan Ryan, Stacy Shake, Denise Smith, Randy Stocking, Linda Sutherland, Kimberly Wood, and Barb Wakefield.

Very special thanks and kudos go out to our teen volunteers (who chose to give their time and energy when they could have been sleeping late): Jamie Bayeur, Dannielle Bray, Megan Doty, Chris Elliott, Michael Glowski, Candace Hegseth, Jillian Jepsen, Caitlin Kezele, Jaymie Minter, Maggie Morgan, Jaymee Niemann, Christina Olds, Heidi Saar, Justine Torres, and Michelle Wood.

Groups and individuals who generously presented programs and information to our campers: Don Brevik of the Morgan Family YMCA and his Teens Against Tobacco Use, Pierce County Environmental Services, Mary Bridge Children's Hospital

Center for Childhood Safety staff, Diane Everson and Danny Collier, Ranger Dave Roe of Penrose Point State Park, Cherri Thaheler of South Kitsap Public Schools, the drum circle folks (Dale Loy, Dianna Gnegy, Voski Sprague, Tom Morgan, Sonja Morgan, Amber Larson), and Marty Marcus.

Thanks for special support from the Peninsula School District, especially Jan Berg and Gary Culbertson, the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, especially Kathy Harsch, Nancy Pullen and JoDee Mosely, and to Hugh McMillan. We also greatly appreciate the donation of facilities use by the Key Peninsula Civic Center and the Longbranch Improvement Club.

We sincerely thank all of the above-mentioned people, and if we missed anyone, please accept our apology and our thanks. We could not have done the program without you!

If your child participated in the Summer Fun Program, and you are missing any items of clothing, please come in and check our extensive lost and found collection.

Remember our Clothing Bank is open during office hours, Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. We would welcome donations of clothing, baby items (diapers), school supplies and personal hygiene products.

Watch for our new and resuming programs: Little Buddies, Healthy Families, Indoor Park, Toddler Art, Relatives Raising Children, and more, in the near future.

The Staff of the  
Children's Home Society of Washington  
Key Peninsula Family Resource Center

## Special Notice To KPCCA Board Members

Anyone wishing to comment about employees, volunteers or Board members is urged to put the comments in writing and send them to:

Personnel Committee  
Key Peninsula Civic Center  
P. O. Box 82

Vaughn, WA 98394

Please mark the envelope

CONFIDENTIAL. The members of the Personnel Committee are:

Betty Kelley, Chairperson  
Rose Grant  
Virginia Liebergesell  
Marty Marcus

The 1999 Revision of the KPCCA Bylaws will be discussed at the Sept. 9th Board meeting. The Bylaws Committee has worked for several months to clarify the Bylaws and to include revisions in keeping with the actual practices of KPCCA.

If you have not received a copy of the revisions, please contact one of us—Mike Salatino (851-4556), Rose Grant (851-4306), or Ann Waldo (884-2213).

And please attend the September meeting to give your input and, hopefully, your approval.

## Pioneer Day, Last Of The Millennium

by Hugh McMillan

VFW Post 4990, which traditionally performs the flag raising ceremony for the opening of the annual Key Peninsula Pioneer Day celebration, did so again. But this time, the ceremony was full and formal and accompanied by bugler Brett Zimmermann playing the Star Spangled Banner and a chorus made up of the Key Singers with a moving rendition of America the Beautiful.

"This will be the last time he'll (Zimmermann) be doing this," said Eileen Young, wife of VFW Post 4990 Commandant, Cy Young, "he's off to college in September."

All of this was preceded by the 19 entrants, some of which were multiple vehicles for a single entry, to the annual parade which, "for the zillionth time," said master of ceremonies Rhys Wood, "got started a bit late," on its route from Key Center to the KP Civic Center in Vaughn.

"Gosh I don't know," said the 1999 Pioneer Day chair, Kathy Hale of Lake Holiday. But together with her husband Tim, estimated that, "probably more than 600 people attended," the event.

In the tennis courts-turned-into-beer-garden, J.T.'s Barbecue of Gig Harbor was on hand to provide a va-

riety of barbecued goodies to add flair to the beer and the place was filled almost throughout the day and evening. The Black River Falls band kept playing for dancers until midnight despite an occasional sprinkle from the clouding evening skies.

Key Peninsula Lions' Al Twidt and Austin Miller believed this to have been the jolliest crowd ever to attend the annual doings. "Probably because we had so many things for kids," opined Lion Coral Oreiko.

It was a very successful Pioneer Day.

## Vaughn Bay Garden Club

The annual "Welcome Back Tea" of the Vaughn Bay Garden club will be held on September 15<sup>th</sup> at the home of Peggy Dervaes. Joyce Niemann will co-host.

Peggy and Kathie du Priest will present a program on bending rebar for decorative garden use.

Visitors or prospective members are welcome. For further information, call 884-9303 or 884-3702.



## A View From Home

by Marty Marcus

Whenever our country starts to pay special attention to what are perceived to be national problems, we tend to name these campaigns with some catchy title, usually one that begins with the word "War". Within the last half of this century we've experienced the "War on Poverty", the "War on Crime", the "War on Drugs" and the "War on Cancer".

We're now in the midst of another campaign, but for some reason it hasn't been given a name. Maybe that's because the most appropriate name is the "War on Children". This war is proceeding on several fronts, and I hope you'll stick with me to look at a few of them.

One of these "fronts" has some of the characteristics of a real war. As I pointed out in my column in the June issue of *K.P. News*, every day in the United States an average of thirteen children die from gunshot wounds. That's nearly five thousand deaths per year. Most of them get no special media attention or have dignitaries attend their funerals. So what are we doing about it?

Do we really want gun violence to become the latest public health epidemic? Are we really pleased with the information that more teenage boys die from gunshot wounds than any other cause of death? Do we really want our pediatricians to get more experience treating gunshot wounds than treating childhood diseases? If you can answer NO! to these questions, have you told your representatives at the state and federal levels how you feel?

Another "front" in this "War on Children" is the economic one. As talk of a major cut in federal income taxes gets more and more media at-

tention, we hear less and less of the consequences, especially for children. I guess we learned from our last attempt to cut taxes while increasing spending on the military that tripling our national debt was not such a good idea, so this time we're going to keep that from happening. How? By cutting spending on domestic programs.

Right now, today, as you read this, there are 14 million children, almost one out of every four, growing up poor in our country. Nearly half of them are in households with incomes less than half the poverty level. Yes, it costs money to do something about this, but consider the alternatives if we don't do something.

We know that the time between birth and three years is the critical period for proper development of the brain. Early Head Start, a program for children under 3, presently covers just 1% of eligible toddlers. Head Start, which stimulates the imagination for reading, writing and working with numbers is now funded for only 40% of eligible children. Working mothers, who have recently left welfare for jobs, earn an average of \$6.69 an hour. What kind of childcare can they provide for the time they're at work? This is a picture of the situation today, before we adopt a tax cut that gives 20% of the money to the wealthiest 1% of the taxpayers, before we boost defense spending by more than 300 billion dollars, and before we cut domestic spending by another 300 billion dollars to keep from going deeper into debt.

We hear a lot of talk about our commitment to children. Isn't it about time we acted as if we really meant what we say?

## Living And Learning On The Key Peninsula

Key Peninsula Historical Society

We want to thank everyone for a very successful Pioneer Day. We had many new and returning visitors to the Museum. The Historical Society board would especially like to thank Caitlin Kezele and AD Skrivanich for carrying the Museum banner in the parade. The Historical Society has been asked for any information on Cramer Road. If you know anything about the naming, building or interesting stories about the people who lived on this road please contact Addie McMenamin, 884-9230. Attention, if you lived on the Key Peninsula during WWII the museum is looking for pictures and any information on the three air raid watch towers which were located on the peninsula. Contact Keith Stiles (884-3379) or Dale Skrivanich (884-2712) if you have any information or would like to

help with this project.

Reserve October 22 for the fall meeting and potluck dinner. Bring your own plate, cup, silverware and potluck item to share. The meeting will be at the Civic Center, 6:30 for dinner and the meeting and program will start at 7:30. Come early and see the new post office items added to the museum over the summer. The Museum store is marking down their nice tote bags from \$13.95 to \$8.00, they would make great Christmas presents. We are also planning to republish the Key Peninsula Cook Book and will have it ready by November.

**REMEMBER THE MUSEUM IS OPEN THURSDAY AND SATURDAY, FROM 1:00 - 4:00 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT, CALL 884-4538.**

### 1999 CHRISTMAS BAZAAR NOVEMBER 27TH - 9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

The Key Peninsula Civic Center presents the 1999 Christmas Bazaar in Vaughn, Washington. You can participate in the Bazaar by filling out this form and returning it by **NOVEMBER 20th, 1999**, with the appropriate payment to:

THE KEY PENINSULA CIVIC CENTER  
P.O. BOX 82  
VAUGHN, WA 98394  
Phone: 253-884-3456 or  
253-884-4370 or FAX: 253-884-4053



Tables are reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. Please read all conditions carefully and sign below. Make checks or Money Orders out to "K.P.C.C.A."

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: HOME ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ WORK ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

MARK HOW MANY TABLES AND/OR SPACES NEEDED.

\_\_\_\_\_ 6 FOOT TABLE(S) - (use our tables) - - - - - \$20.00 each

\_\_\_\_\_ 6 FOOT TABLE SPACE - Provide own table - - - - - \$15.00 each

DESCRIBE ITEMS FOR SALE:

**NO SALES OF HOME-MADE EDIBLE ITEMS WITHOUT AN INDIVIDUAL FOOD PERMIT FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT. A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL BE PRESENT TO MAKE SURE THESE RULES ARE FOLLOWED.**

Each vendor is responsible for set up and clean up of the area used.

**This is considered to be a binding contract when signed.**

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

# Friday Night Skate At The KP Civic Center

We will be having a Parent Volunteer meeting on Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM. If you wish to be a parent volunteer please come join us!

September 10<sup>th</sup> will be our first Friday Night Skate from 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM. Cost will be \$3.00 per child, parents skate for free!

Ages 7 and below will need to be supervised by a parent! NOT an older sibling or babysitter. NO 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders!

Just a reminder: Skate at your own risk! We are not responsible for lost or stolen items! Please do not bring skates that have been used outside! We do have skates, and run a full kitchen as well. Check your children in with the door monitor and come inside to pick your children up. No parking lot drop offs!

We also will continue with our Sunday Family skate on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month. We will begin on September 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM. Cost will be \$2.50 per skater including parents! Parents must stay with children at all times! No drop offs!

## LIST OF CIVIC CENTER SKATE RULES

1. Parents must supervise children at ALL times!!!
2. We ask that you respect the building and obey the rules and volunteers, they are here to help you!
3. No in and out privileges, parents escort child out of building without skates on!
4. No pushing, tripping, tag playing, running, jumping, or other forms of rough housing.
5. Leave orange cones on gym floor in place, skate outside of cones! Do not jump over cones!
6. Foul or abusive language or actions will not be tolerated!
7. Stairs to upper balcony, kitchen, stage and stereo are off limits! (Sitting on edge of stage is permitted).
8. No food on stage or gym floor!
9. No skate boards or balls inside the building!
10. Restroom doors will be propped open and lights on. (No water games).
11. Keep gym doors closed at all times!
12. All skates brought into the building are subject to inspection. If

your own skates have been used on roads, gravel or cement - they may NOT be used on our floors.

13. NO GUM! Tobacco, smoking or drugs, of any kind, including alcohol - you will be asked to leave. This rule applies to adults as well.

14. If rules are broken you may be asked to leave and not return to skating.

## FRIDAY ADDITIONAL SKATE RULES

1. Ages: 14 and below only, (ages 15 - 18 are not allowed into building on Friday night).
2. Grades: K - 8<sup>th</sup> only, (9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grades are not allowed).
3. Also children ages 7 and below need to be supervised by a parent

- NOT a babysitter or older sibling.

4. Do not put on skates until you have paid!
5. No parties of any kind/No food brought in!
6. Please read rules before entering - if rules are broken, written notice is given, parents are called, and child is sent home! If parent is unavailable/cannot be reached, child will be placed into a time out area until parent arrives.
7. Due to overcrowding, we have a 150 limit capacity.

We also offer: Movies (donated by KP Video), Hokey Pokey, Games, Couple Skate and a full kitchen.

## KEY DATES

### BUSINESS / PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

<b>KP Business Assoc.</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Friday - 7:30 AM	Home Port Rest.
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday - Noon	Horseshoe Lake Rest.
<b>Fire Fighters Assoc.</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday - 7:00 PM	Key Center Fire Sta.
<b>Amnesty International</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday at 7:00 PM	Key Center Library
<b>Ashes</b>	Sept. 2 - 10:30 AM	Key Center Fire Station
<b>Boy Scout Troop #220</b>	Tuesday-6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	KPCC Whitmore Rm.
<b>Coolletten</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday at 7:00 PM	KPCC/Whitmore Rm.
<b>KPCCA Exec. Board</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday - 7:00 PM	Civic Center
<b>KPCCA Board</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday - 7:30 PM	KPCC/Whitmore Rm.
<b>KPCS Board</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday - 10:00 AM	Comm. House - Home
<b>KPHC Board</b>	4 Thursday - 7:30 PM	Health Center
<b>KP Lions Club</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed. - 6:30 PM	KPCC/Whitmore Rm.
<b>VFW &amp; Auxiliary</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Mon. - 7:00 PM	CC/VFW Room/WM Rm.

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

<b>Adult Literacy Classes</b>	Call for Appointment	851-6552 - Gig Harbor
<b>Angel Guild</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday - 10:00 AM	Brones Rm./KC Library
<b>Cancer Support Group</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday - 1:00 PM	Brones Rm./KC Library
<b>Children's Home Society Family Resource Center</b>	Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Key Peninsula Civic Center, Lower Level - Call: 884-5433	
<b>Food Bank</b>	Tues. through Fri., 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM	Comm. House - Home
<b>Hot Lunch for Seniors</b>	on Wednesdays at Noon - Community House - Home	
	Also food & clothing assistance. For More Information, call 884-4440, 884-4514, or 857-4780.	

**Immunizations (FREE)** Thursday, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM at **Urgent Care**, Gig Harbor

**The Key Peninsula Well Child Clinic** at the office of Dr. Roes every Tuesday at 9:00 AM

**Key Center Library** 884-2242 - HOURS: Tuesday & Wednesday 1 - 8 PM, Thursday & Friday 1 - 6 PM, Saturday Noon - 4 PM

**KP Baptist Bible Study** Wednesday - 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM KP Civic Center

**KP Baptist AWANA** OVER UNTIL SEPTEMBER

**Overeaters Anonymous** Wednesday - 7:30 PM St. Nicholas Church

**Seniors Exercise Program** Tues. & Thurs. - 8:30 to 9 PM Comm. House - Home

**WIC (Women, Infants & Children)** Every Tuesday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Civic Center, in the Whitmore Room. Call: 884-3835 on Tuesdays for an appointment.

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

**KP Fire Commissioners** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday - 7:30 PM Key Center Fire Sta.

Sept. 27 - 4:00 PM Key Center Fire Sta.

**KP Parks & Rec.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday - 7:00 PM Volunteer Park Annex

### SELF-HELP GROUPS

**Alcoholics Anonymous** - Mon. through Fri. 8:00 PM - Sat. & Sun. - 6:00 AM at the Key Peninsula Community Services in Home

**Peninsula ALANON** - King of Grace Lutheran Church, Purdy - Tuesday 1:30 PM

**Caregivers Support** Sept. 12 - 7:00 PM Brones Rm./KC Library

**Grandparents Group** Sept. 4 - 1:00 to 3:00 PM Brones Rm./KC Library

Contact Norma at 884-2205 for more information.

**T.O.P.S.** - Tuesday Evening Weigh-in 6:15 PM - Meeting at 7:00 PM - Civic Center

### SOCIAL & HOBBY GROUPS

**Bayshore Garden Club** Sept. 17 - Meeting Longbranch Improvement

**Cancer Support Group** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday - 1 - 3 PM Brones Rm./KC Library

**KP Historical Society** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday - 7:30 PM KP Historical Museum.

**MUSEUM OPEN Thursday and Saturday from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM**

**LB Improvement Club** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday - 7:00 PM Longbranch Improvement

**Peninsula Neighbors** 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday - 10:00 AM Longbranch Improvement

**Lakebay Fuchsia Society** 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday - 7:00 PM Brones Rm./KC Library

**Ruth Circle Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday - 10:00 AM Bible Study, lunch and

meeting at 12:00 Noon at the Longbranch Church

**Senior Society Luncheon** Thursdays - Noon KPCC/Whitmore Room

**Vaughn Bay Garden Club** September - Call 884-5403 for more information.

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# Healthy People, Healthy Neighborhoods

Here is the second in our series of articles on health topics for you. This information comes from Linda Gillis who is the dental hygienist at the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department. At the end of this article look for details on the SmileSavers clinic that is returning to Key Center this October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.

Early attention to dental health is the best way to a healthy and happy smile. Care given at an early age prevents "Baby Bottle Tooth Decay" and teaches children to drink water from a bottle instead of sweet drinks and fruit juices.

Children who show signs of "Baby Bottle Tooth Decay" develop cavities usually on the front teeth or have small brown spots on their teeth. When these spots are left untreated

the bacteria and acid in the mouth break down the teeth, get to the root of the tooth and cause a lot of pain.

Many people believe that tooth decay in small children is OK. "The baby teeth will fall out!" Those teeth are meant to hold the place for the permanent teeth and should be treated with care. Cavities in the baby teeth can be very painful. Sometimes young children have to be hospitalized to care for and repair their cavities.

Here are a few simple tips to care for your child's teeth:

- Wipe a newborn's gums with a soft cloth every day.
- When a child takes a nap only give water in the bottle and never juice, milk or fruit drinks and by age one trade the bottle for a "Tippee cup".

- Teach your child how to use a soft toothbrush as soon as he or she is able to grip a handle, and make sure you brush your child's teeth once a day. Set a good example by letting your child see you brush and floss every day.
- Ask your child's doctor about fluoride tablets or drops and schedule the first dental appointment at age one.
- Choose snacks that are low in sugar.

One more important fact for parents and other adults is this: TOBACCO (smoked or chewed) is very harmful to your gums, lips, tongue, and inside cheeks not to mention your heart and lungs. Now is the time to stop when your children are young. Children are great imitators and will want to be like you as they grow up including

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There is a wonderful opportunity for dental care this October. SmileSavers returns to Key Center on October 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> at Fire Station #16. Services include exams, cleanings, fluoride treatment, sealants, extractions, fillings, root canal, crowns, and X-rays. All children ages 1-18 and their parents are eligible for care. Medical coupons, insurance, and Basic Health Plus or a sliding fee scale are accepted as payment. To insure that you will be seen call SmileSavers for an appointment. The number is 1-800-473-6326.

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## Veterans Of Foreign Wars 1999 - 2000 Voice Of Democracy Competition

by DeaBee Blum and  
Debbie Simon  
Ladies Auxiliary #4990

Did you know that the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4990 of Vaughn and its Ladies Auxiliary offer an annual scholarship program for students in your school?

The program is called the VOICE OF DEMOCRACY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM and it is available to all 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th graders.

The National Audio Essay Competition is designed to give high school students the opportunity to voice their opinion on America and their commitment to our future.

Local, District, State and National awards are available. National awards are now totaling over \$125,000 with first place at \$20,000.

This year's theme is "America's Role for the Next Century".

Student deadline to Post/Auxiliary for local judging is November 1, 1999.

Complete information can be gotten through your school representative or through Gary Hemlick at 884-2442.

In addition to the Voice of Democracy, a Youth Essay Program for grades 3 through 8 is also offered by the Auxiliary. The theme is "How Should We Honor America's Veterans".

Participants must compose their own essay. The essay must be clearly handwritten, typed or computer prepared.

Since this program is completely voluntary, a student does not have to go through his/her school to participate. Home schooled students are also eligible. Student deadline to the Auxiliary is also November 1, 1999.

Prizes will be awarded on Local, District and State levels.

Additional information and entry forms with parent signatures must accompany the essays. These forms can be gotten through your school or by calling DeaBee Blum at 884-9982.

## Ashes Rummage Sale

The Auxiliary to the Fire Department No. 16 will hold its Annual rummage Sale at the Fire Hall in Key Center. This will be the same day as the Cider Fest on October 9<sup>th</sup>, 1999.

The Rummage Sale will be held Saturday at 9:00 AM. We will set up on Friday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. Our membership is dwindling! If any of you ladies want to join us, we are glad to have you! We meet at 10:30, the first Thursday of each month, and it's a pot luck. We will be meeting on Thursday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please come.

Loretta Jewitt will be chairperson for the Rummage Sale. If you have any questions call Loretta at 884-4811. Other members you may call: Darlene Brown at 884-3091 or Alicia Palmer 884-3882 or Marie Schwenka at 884-2221. *And please! We want clean, usable things.*

### Tax Tips



by R. Marvin Keizur CTP

There are ways that a person can use a family business to reduce the tax liability of that business. The use of family members as employees can reduce the net profit of the business but still allowing the family to enjoy the rewards (money).

There is no Social Security tax due on the income of a child under the age of 18 who is employed by a parent's unincorporated business.

Another way is using a pass-through entity which passes the taxable income directly to the owners' returns. This can be accomplished by giving shares to family members in which each person pays his or her tax according to his/her tax bracket. The business does not pay the tax. Also the principal owner worker can get a deductible to the business salary.

Check with your tax preparer for more information on the various ways to make your tax burden easier to accept.

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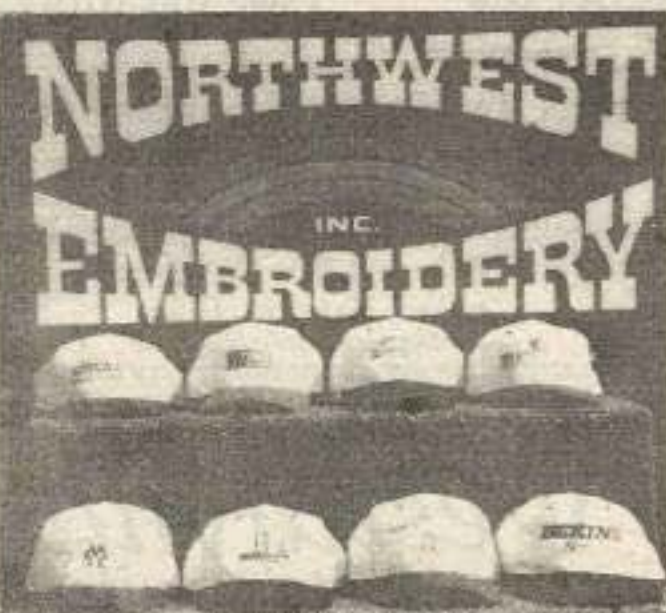
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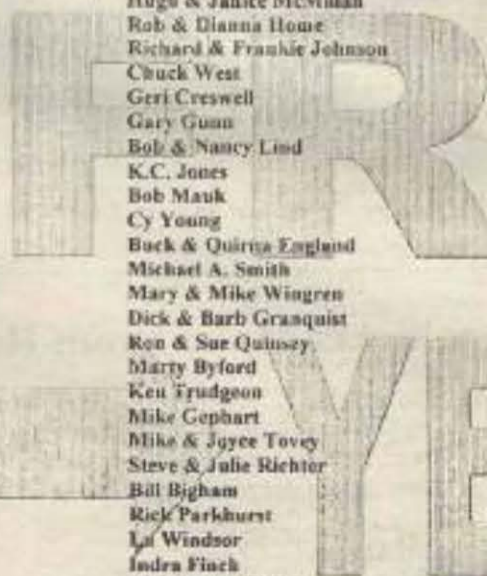
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**Don't Be Fooled—On November 2, Make The Intelligent Choice**

# Longbranch Summer Festival

by Hugh McMillan

The Longbranch Improvement Club sponsored its first annual "Longbranch Summer Festival" on Sunday, a day which began with rain and more rain. Hardly an augury for success.

But we Puget Sounders turned out in large enough numbers to ensure that the event, "at least will break even," said Glen Erhardt, chair for the event.

"Hey, it's great," said John Turner of Gig Harbor's J.T.'s Bar B Que, "a little rain won't stop us from having fun."

The event was open to the public. Fifty percent of the proceeds from the \$5.00 admission (children under 12 were admitted free), and any tips or other donations were dedicated to the Longbranch Improvement Club's high school scholarship fund, with the balance going to maintenance of the facility.

Announced as a rain or shine event, most of the action took place outdoors and included live music from 1:00 - 2:30 by the Filucy Hootchie Kootchie Band and from 5:30 - 7:00 PM by the Michael Powers Group playing everything from jazz to Mediterranean to blues.

The beer and wine garden which faced the covered stage for performances was filled with foot-stomping patrons, some with, some without umbrellas. The frequent rains were briskly brushed off tables so that listeners could enjoy their barbecue and beverage to the rhythms of the performers.

Rick Van Cise, of KOMO TV, emceed civic awards.

The children's game court had games, a dunking contest, horse rides, and fire trucks on display. An "Almost Newlywed Game" starring local couples, Joannie and David Dahl, Vernon and Barbara Merrill, and Marlise and Dick Van Cise was hilarious.

New Yorker Michael Powers was drawn to Seattle for a conservatory education at Cornish College. Since then his jazz career has included backing up such acts as Herbie Hancock, Ray Charles, Diane Schuur, and Gladys Knight and the Pips. He describes his music as influenced by Jimi Hendrix, Carlos Santana, and George Benson. Powers has performed the national anthem at Mariners, Sonics, and Seahawks games, and boasts that their winnings are 90% when he plays.

The popular Filucy Hootchie Kootchie Band includes an accordionist, guitarist, horn player, and bassist, with all four adding vocals. The group has been described as, "like a tour of Old MacDonald's Farm by Monte Python."

We'll be there.



The Michael Powers Trio. On drums, Steve Hill; guitar Michael Powers; keyboard and MIDI (Musical Instrument digital Interface), Paul Richardson.



Crazy "Fire Engine" with Ron Van Somern at the wheel and Jack Laskowski clowning around.  
Photos by Hugh McMillan

## Art Exhibit - New Again Art Made From Recycled Materials

"We are quite excited about this first-time Gig Harbor event" said Shirley Tomasi, Gig Harbor Key Peninsula Cultural Arts Commission (CAC) Executive Director. CAC, in collaboration with Sustainable Pierce County, will host an Art Exhibit of products made from recycled materials only.

The exhibit will be held Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 1999 at the INN at Gig Harbor main ballroom, 10:00 AM

- 6:00 PM. Admission is free to children, students, nursing home residents. Adults are asked for a donation at the door. CAC encourages family participation.

More than thirty artists will be exhibiting. "There will be tapestry made from rags, wall designs from brown paper bags that will astound you, metalwork, art made from electric wire, and much more", said Tomasi. "Also, the artists are looking forward

to seeing what the other artists have created as well".

All proceeds will be donated to the Cultural Arts Commission, a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization. Funds will be used to offset program and operating expenses and provide small grants for member organizations.

If you would like to participate as an artist, or have questions, please call Shirley Tomasi at 851-9462, or Liz Mullin at 853-3661 for further details.



## KP's Scout Troop 200 Shines At Camp Thunderbird

by Hugh McMillan

Key Peninsula's Boy Scout Troop 220 spent the week of August 1 - 6 at Camp Thunderbird on Summit Lake near Olympia. It was the Troop's fourth year at Thunderbird.

Twenty-five of the Troop's 30 registered boys spent the week honing their scout skills and earning merit badges. Some earned as many as 6 or 7 merit badges during the week. Most averaged two or three.

Each boy wishing to attain the rank of Eagle Scout must earn a minimum of 21 merit badges. Twelve of these must come from a required list which includes swimming, camping, emergency preparedness, and environmental science.

During the week each scout followed a plan of action or "advancement plan" worked out with his parents and scoutmasters before coming to camp.

"We want the boys to build a sense of accomplishment at camp. The advancement plan is one tool that has worked well for us in the past," said Bill Macaras, Troop 220's scoutmaster.

After arriving on Sunday, the Scouts spent the first few hours making the campsite "their own." They lashed together a ten foot observation tower and lined paths with downed

limbs and twigs.

The first two items of camp business were medical form check-in and then swim check. Every one got wet and found out how well they swim.

From then on, it's camp as usual with activities like, lifesaving, sailing, archery, black powder rifles, mountain biking and orienteering just to name a few.

The Boy Scouts of America recognizes about 120 different merit badges from American Business to Woodworking. Camp Thunderbird, along with its sister Camp Hahobas near Dewatto on Hood Canal, offers nearly half of those 120.

At the end of the week, a camp-wide athletic competition known as the Boy Scout Triathlon was held. This consisted of a team of boys with one swimmer, two canoeists and two runners over a measured course.

Troop 220 fielded two teams and finished 1st & 4th out of 20 teams participating.

Parents were invited to join the boys at the end of the week and shared a potluck dinner as Scoutmaster Bill Macaras announced each boy's accomplishments and described personality traits or camp occurrences. It was all humorous and very positive.



Photos by Larry Darbyshire

"All the boys then performed skits and songs at 'Camp Firebow' and great fun was had by all scouts," said scout leader Lethaniel Ray, "but most importantly the boys went away from camp with a feeling of accomplishment, not only for themselves but for their Troop."

For information on how to join Boy Scouts or Cub Scouts, call Macaras at 884-3133 or Ray at 857-7667.



## Cub Scout Day Camp '99

by Hugh McMillan

From Monday through Friday, July 19 - 23, Key Peninsula's Volunteer Park was filled with delighted squeals and laughter of 80 Cub Scouts and their siblings. Their parents, many of whom were there to make things a success, did their best to behave as adults ... longing to be kids again.

The occasion was the second annual Key Peninsula Cub Scout Pack 220-sponsored Cub Scout Day Camp at the Park.

Lethaniel Ray, Parent Committee Chair for Pack 220 and, with his wife Jackie, Camp Directors, said, "our Cub Scout Day Camp is one of several held in Pierce County this summer. However," he said, "the one at Volunteer Park is the only one on this side of the Narrows."

"In 1998, there was a Gig Harbor Day Camp. This year, the Gig Harbor group was unable to find a sponsor facility comparable to KP's Volunteer Park. As a consequence, the 45 boys we served last year at Volunteer Park swelled to 80 boys this year with the increased participation of Gig Harbor Cub Scout Packs."

Each day, the camp ran from 8:30am until 3:30pm and consisted of

five one hour sessions for each group of boys or dens. These were field sports, crafts, scouting skills, range sports, and rank advancement. The only session that was the same day after day was range sports, archery and air rifle safety and target practice.

Field sports range from soccer to kick ball to Frisbee baseball and capture the flag, a long time scout favorite.

"In Crafts this year," Ray said, "we had two leather projects in which the kids made a name tag and a pouch which they decorated with hand-hammered patterns." Also in Crafts," Ray said, "there were two wood projects. One involved the assembly of yo-yo parts and construction of a stool." The parts for these projects were pre-cut the night before by Ray and parent cub leaders Robert Shaw, and Walter Archer.

"New this year," said Ray, "we have a plastic pipe (PVC) project, in which the kids assemble a rack to store CDs and/or video tapes."

In Scouting Skills, experts in the fields of outdoor cooking, map & compass reading, fire building, and first aid led the cubs through the learning process.

Rank Advancement sessions in-

cluded some of the outdoor requirements for each boy's respective rank.

Cub Scouts include boys in first through fifth grade, the elementary school years. First graders are Tiger Cubs, second graders are Wolf Cubs, third graders are Bear Cubs and fourth & fifth graders are Webelos.

The Day Camp was hosted and run by parents from Key Peninsula's Pack 220 and is made up of families from Evergreen, Vaughn and Minter Creek Elementary schools who staffed all the sessions and most of the dens of boys. All staff and den leaders are volunteers. Many parents take this week off from work.

"Talk about 'quality time' with your children," said a mom, "nothing tops this."

Several volunteer Boy Scouts from local troops like Key Peninsula's 220 and 212 & 282 from Gig Harbor pitched in to help and encourage their younger scouting friends.

"This is the only way to bring a high quality program to the boys at a reasonable cost," said Ray, "about 50 dollars for five days. For those families unable to afford this cost, we make arrangements for scholarships to ensure that no deserving boy is left out."

"But all the dedicated volunteers and challenging programs are stuck if they cannot secure an adequate facility in which to hold the event," he continued. "On the Key Peninsula, we are blessed to have the "superior facility" of Volunteer Park," he said.

"This is the second year in a row that the Key Peninsula Park Board of Directors has allowed its Chairman to permit our Cub Scouts to use Park facilities," said Ray. "The Board has never charged us a fee."

"In exchange," Ray explained, "the cubs have carried out several service projects for the Park like picnic area development and site clearing. This year, Cubs and parents assisted by older Troop 220 Boy Scouts are building four new picnic tables and rehabilitating several other similar tables. This way, the boys can feel they have earned their use of the park. They want to earn their way."

Parents wishing to know more about opportunities on the Peninsula for Cub Scouts in first through the fifth grades or Boy Scouts from ages eleven through their eighteenth birthday, please call the Narrows District Executive, Bill Couthran, in Tacoma at 752-7731 or leave a message at 468-8238.



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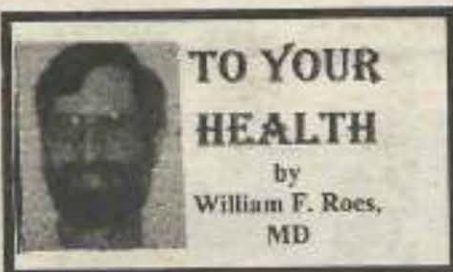
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**TO YOUR HEALTH**  
by  
**William F. Roes, MD**

As we head into a new century, I've been reviewing some of the changes that have affected medicine since 1900. It would be an error to say there have been significant changes in medical insurance in the 20<sup>th</sup> century as it didn't really exist before then. At the turn of the century medical care was either charity (free) or "Fee for Service", the patient was responsible for paying the doctor for the service provided, in money, chickens, or whatever they agreed upon.

The old Western Clinic in Tacoma was one of the first organizations that routinely collected money from workers in advance, then guaranteed care for the worker, at the rate of \$1 per month. Other groups such as veterans were covered for future medical treatments based on their service through the Veterans Hospitals, but each city of any size had its charity hospital where poor people were given care for free.

In the thirties Social Security was set up as part of the New Deal, but it did not include medical care until 1964 when Medicare was set up as part of Lyndon Johnson's Great Society. Following this was the state supported but federally mandated Medicaid program for medical insurance coverage of low income people, accompanied by the closure of most charity hospitals. By the mid-century many private insurance companies has also come into the market, but the government programs as well as the private ones still paid based on the fee for service principle.

About mid-century physicians in Seattle started Group Health Cooperative, one of the first Health Maintenance Organizations (HMO) with a

different philosophy of care and method of payment. The traditional focus of the first HMO's was more geared toward prevention than treatment, and people insured by the HMO were members whose fixed monthly payment covered all medical contingencies but they were limited to physicians and specialists practicing within that HMO.

The 1990's brought an explosion of options to the medical insurance arena, most of them some form of managed care. Facing costs and charges that were increasing much faster than inflation, the industry and payers of insurance sought ways to limit the cost increases. Many settled upon the concept of managed care - this is if care were directed through a "gatekeeper", (usually a primary care physician) only necessary tests, surgeries, and procedures would be run. This has effectively shifted some of the work from the insurance office to the doctor's (or more likely his employers') office. Even in a small one doctor office like ours, it takes one full time person to handle the managed care referrals - a job that didn't even exist 10 years ago.

In this series I've tried to look into the future of the medical topic to predict where we are heading in the next century. In regards to insurance I haven't a clue. The current insurance programs are overwhelming for both patients and physicians. Nobody likes them and nobody seems to have any power to change them. I'm waiting for them to implode into a simpler system, but I may be dreaming. There are days when I'd consider trading a couple of chickens for a physical. Maybe the Y2K bug will force a new simplification on us all.

**School Starts  
September 2<sup>nd</sup>**

## Immunizations

Have you ever wondered why you don't read about children dying of polio, measles, or mumps like in the past? While these deadly diseases once affected many of the children in the United States, they are now rare. Why? Because many parents now have their children routinely immunized against these deadly and crippling diseases.

Thanks to immunizations, these diseases are now rare, but the viruses and bacteria that cause the diseases and death still exist. The best, and only, protection for your child and the community is to continue to obtain the immunizations. Many children are becoming seriously ill again because some parents fail to have their children immunized.

Some people are concerned about the vaccines. The vaccines are very safe. Millions of children worldwide have received the vaccinations since the 1930's. Occasionally, vaccines do cause minor side effects such as a low-grade temperature and pain at the injection site. However, major, or serious side effects, are extremely rare. The benefits to both the individual and the community far outweigh the risks of serious side effects.

Your baby needs immunizations at 2 months, 4 months, 6 months, and then again between 12 and 15 months to be current and fully protected by age 2. Booster immunizations are then recommended at various ages. The timetable is a lot to remember, so ask your child's health care provider at every visit (even when your child is sick) if the vaccinations are up to date. Your child can receive most immunizations even during minor illnesses such as ear infections, colds, and low grade fevers. Be sure to keep a permanent record of your child's immunizations for your records. You will be asked for proof of immunizations for childcare, preschool, and school.

Well Child Clinic at the office of William F. Roes, MD, for those families located south of the Purdy bridge. Every Tuesday morning at Key Center. Physical exams and immunizations are provided for well children, up to the age of 12 years, on a first come, first served basis until a limit of nine is reached for the morning. No appointment is necessary, but you must be there by 9:00 AM. The total fee is \$10 per child. No medical coupons or other insurance accepted for this clinic; cash or check only. Phone: 884-9221.

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## Grace Presbyterian Church Events For September

Grace Presbyterian Church, at Wauna, will hold an outdoor worship service on September 5<sup>th</sup> at Horseshoe Lake County Park. A picnic will follow the worship service which begins at 10:30 AM.

Rally Day will be on September 12<sup>th</sup>, with the re-start of Sunday School, choir and a buffet brunch after worship.

A new Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

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## Purdy Correction Center Helps Rocky Creek Natural Area

by Hugh McMillan

Wednesday, August 11, ten inmates from the Purdy Women's Correction Center together with their supervisor, Paul Rosengren, were hard at work clearing underbrush and fallen branches from the assembly site of the Rocky Creek Natural Area on the Key Peninsula.

"We're preserving 224 acres of natural forest," said Bill Stovner, a member of the Friends of Rocky Creek group.

"We're clearing a meeting place and picnic area. This place will serve as the hub of three walking trails. They go to Rocky Creek itself, South to Elgin Clifton Road, and one will eventually go East around the wetlands," said Nancy Lind, Chair of Friends of Rocky Creek.

The inmates all agreed that, "working in the woods makes us feel good about ourselves; we're accomplishing something." They were

Shelly Fairman, Juanita Dalton, Rena Younce Skilton, Brandy Vaughn, Candice Knutson, Katherine Morrison, Alicia Eves, Christi Burk, Michelle Walker, and Wendy Driscoll.

"These girls are doing a fantastic job; they're great workers," said Stovner.

The area is on the regular patrol route for Citizens Against Crime's Citizens' Patrol. Patrol members Gene Schultz, Bob Cole, and Tim Berthiaume passed through during the work period. "We're checking for dumpers and four wheelers tearing up the creek bed which several of us are working hard to restore as a natural salmon run," said Schultz.

Anyone with information on persons dumping refuse in the natural area or tearing up the creek bed with four wheel (or other) drive vehicles should contact the Pierce County Sheriff's Peninsula Detachment at 857-3700.



L to R: Inmates Juanita Dalton, Christi Burk, Wendy Driscoll, Katherine Morrison, and Michelle Walker clear land. Photo by Hugh McMillan

## KP Adult Co-ed Softball

by Hugh McMillan

Each year, beginning in July and continuing through September, the Key Peninsula Parks and Recreation's Adult Co-Ed Softball League plays at KP's Volunteer Park.

These folk play very good baseball. I was expecting bloopers and dropped balls. I saw stuff that would make Junior jealous. Hard hitting. Impossible to make - but made - catches. Comet speed dashes around the bases.

Remarking on this to Ed Hardesty whose team had just finished playing and who made sure I got the names of players right for the photos I was shooting, he replied, "Oh they're very competitive. They play to win."

What an understatement!

Yet it's all conducted in good humor and not a single "disturbing word" was heard.

Hardesty explained that the season started with nine teams but, for reasons unknown, one dropped out to leave the competition to eight teams.

The rules to a neophyte like me are ludicrous. But the players regard them as gospel. For example, before arriving at the plate, a batter has a count of one ball and one strike. Hardesty explained that, "This makes the games go faster."

"Men and women alternate in the lineup," said Hardesty. "If a man is walked, he goes to second base. If there are two outs, the woman following him has a choice of batting or taking an automatic walk ... but only when there are two outs. Otherwise she has to bat," he said.

Each team has 10 players on the



Jeremy Nimrick hitting.



Glenda Pestana coming into third base. Photos by Hugh McMillan

field. Of these, there must be two men and two women in the infield and two and two in the outfield. The pitcher and catcher have to be mixed, meaning a male pitcher has a female catcher and vice-versa. Fourteen players can bat in the line-up.

The game I saw was played by the Key Peninsula Tigers and Gig Harbor Vets, the latter of which is sponsored by the Gig Harbor Veterinarian Hospital. The Tigers have no sponsor. Other teams are the Beefcakes, Master Batters, Trinity Fire, Sit-N-Sip Tavern, Minter Vet, and Tongue & Groove.

The Tigers for this game were Tom Marzano, coach, Jim Marzano, Lynn Marzano, Linda Nimrick, Cindy Moore, Glenda and Pat Pestana, Jeremy Nimrick, Dave Carroway, Erin Crabtree, Brian Vialore, Carrie Epstein, Lois Freedman, and Donna Weedmark.

The Gig Harbor Vets were Wayne DeMent, coach, Debbie and Jelson Domingez, Scott and Vicki Swenning, Scott and Lori Schendle, Sonya Barney, Gene Wheeler, Rusty Squeich, Tara Cappa, Aaron Bachaud, Brian Therman, Wendy Larson, Jeren Eaton, Dina DeMent, Kathy Camp, and Laurie Cappa.

Regularly scheduled games were held at KP's Volunteer Park August 17, 19, 24, 26, and 31. September's games will be on the 2, 7, 9, and 16. The Mud Bowl tournament will be September 11 and 12. The regular season tournament takes place September 18 and 19.

The public is welcome and it's free.

# KPCCA Board Meeting Minutes

(Unapproved)

August 12, 1999

President Marty Marcus called the meeting to order at 7:40 PM.

MSC: July 9, 1999 minutes approved.

Agenda was revised to hear a request and proposal by Christen Saseen, representing WIC/State Dept. of Health. She wants to include KPCCA in a Federal Grant proposal to remodel the VFW Room to better accommodate the WIC program and other users. In exchange for approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000 in improvements, KPCCA would waive rental for 3 years. Such an agreement is necessary to justify putting money into KPCCA because WIC does not own the building. Angel Guild currently pays rent of \$3,000 per year.

MSC to form a committee immediately to work out details with WIC/Angel Guild, including VFW and other users.

MSC to go ahead with the project after internal questions are dealt with.

Winter Visuals, Feb. 2, 2000: CAC has received a grant and will be able to reimburse the Center for use of the facility.

There will be no more Outreach Bible Fellowship on Sundays, but the Sunday Night Dinner will continue. Gene Schultz is in charge. (884-9931)

MSC Treasurer's Report.

Newspaper Report: Lori Deacon reported that it is cost effective to print and mail the KPCCA News to the larger Peninsula community, and the Newspaper Committee will do this for the next two months. John Kirk is working on ad sales again, with approximately \$2,000 in ads each month offsetting the extra mailing and printing costs. There will be an

increase in Ad Rates for new advertisers. Alice Tramil is acting Editor for September.

MSC: The Officers of the Board, employees of "The News", and the committee that oversees "The News" be instructed: 1) no favoritism is to be shown to any candidate and no deadline will be extended for any candidate, 2) no political information or copy be shared with the camp of another candidate and 3) all news stories concerning the K. P. Fire Dept. will exclude candidate information until after the election.

Bylaws: The revision of the Bylaws was presented to those present for a first reading. It will be mailed to Board members not present. Discussion and vote is planned for the Sept. 9th meeting. We must have a 2/3 vote to approve changes.

MSC: Allow up to \$200 for Halloween Party.

MSC: Flavor of Fall budget not to exceed \$7,000.

MSC: To provide \$125 weekly salary to the Security employee in lieu of security apartment housing until it is available. Work party scheduled for Monday, Aug. 16th, 5 PM.

MSC: To accept Vicky and Sandy as interim Facility Coordinator for maximum of 6 months, or until position is filled. Both will resign Board positions. Lloyd Miller will fill VP position.

MSC: Lila Garrison will be paid 7.00 per hour for work in the office beginning 8-13-99.

The Cotton Candy Machine will be loaned to Evergreen Elementary, with a \$50 deposit.

Meeting adjourned at 10:08 PM.

## Let Us Help You Clean House

The Gig Harbor Key Peninsula Cultural Arts Commission (CAC) asks for community support for our first ever "Arts Bizarre". Look in your closets, garages, secret storage places for new and nearly new items. Once the items are gathered, call CAC to pick up or drop-off instructions. CAC will sell items and use proceeds for operations expense and small grants to our member organizations.

If your looking for craft, photo, or music books for the children, instruments, unique art pieces, we invite you to stop by and see the wonderful items our community has offered. We asked for new or "nearly new" so everything is of high quality and worth your visit.

The Art Bizarre will be held Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM, at the Pleasure Craft marina, 3215 Harborview Drive, Gig Harbor. Pinocchio's Restaurant will serve an outdoor lunch in support of this project, donating proceeds to CAC. In addition, Tony Pinocchio is donating a playing organ.

Peninsula Music Association, Peninsula Art League, and other non-profits will join the Art Bizarre in offering items for sale with which their organizations hope to raise funds. Items for sale include: a playing organ, art books, instruments, vases, silver plated wine goblets, framed-

glassed poster paintings, pottery, glass trays, needlework items, antique frames, opera librettos, tole painted birdhouses, PAL Tee-Shirts, and so much more.

"This will be an experience the whole family will enjoy", said Shirley Tomasi, CAC Executive director. "Come, have lunch, shop and benefit your community through supporting the arts."

For questions about donation offers, please call Shirley at 851-9462, or Angie Picchi at 853-5941.

## Burley Amateur Radio Club Offers Class

by Hugh McMillan

The Burley Amateur Radio Club is offering classes for the No-Code

Technician License beginning September 18 and running one night each week for 11-12 weeks. There is no cost for the class; the final test costs \$6.25. Those interested in these classes should contact

Mark Yordy, president, PARET (Peninsula Amateur Radio Emergency Team), at (253) 857-5123, or via e-mail at

KC7BBO@JUNO.COM, or the instructor, Dave Brooks, at ddbrooks@hotmail.com. Maximum class size is 15 and it is recommended that those interested apply early.



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## THE LAW COLUMN

by Michael Misner

After returning to the office from my vacation in Oregon's Wallowa Mountains, I found myself reading the recent copy of the Washington State Bar News.

In the section titled "Awards and Honors," I read that Kathleen M. Taft of Spokane had been recently awarded the Gonzaga University Law Medal for her work in improving access to the civil justice system. Ms. Taft was admitted to practice law in this state in 1935 - sixty-four years ago! My friendship with Ms. Taft began in the spring of 1972 as I was beginning my second semester of Law School at Gonzaga. I was 24 years old and Ms. Taft was in her early 60's.

I had just seen "A Clockwork Orange" at a local theatre and was heading back to my green '63 VW bug, which I had parked down on Garland Avenue, a couple of blocks from the movie house. As I was trying to shake those awful images from the movie out of my mind, I noticed that my car was parked in front of a law office. The gold-gilt letters in the

front window pane read, "Kathleen M. Taft Attorney at Law." That night I vowed that I would never see another Stanley Kubrick film and that I would see Ms. Taft about a job the following Monday.

On Monday I walked into Ms. Taft's office without an appointment and asked her secretary if I could interview for a job. She told me to take a seat and that she would discuss my request with her boss. In a minute or two, a head of bright red hair plopped atop a 5' 0" body came around the corner and told me to tell her why she should hire me. She proceeded to tell me that I didn't know a "damn thing" since I had only been in school about 10 weeks.

I did my best to explain my enthusiasm for my chosen profession and that I would do anything, including painting the walls and washing the floors, if I could just be inside a law office to get a feel for such a place.

Ms. Taft listened unconvinced and then, after thinking a minute asked, "Can you type?"

Having been a Yeoman 3<sup>rd</sup> Class aboard the Navy's submarine, the USS Dixon (SS349), I said, "Yes."

She replied, "You're hired. Come in Saturday mornings and you can be my secretary from 9:00 to 12:00."

That was it - I was hired. For the next year each Saturday, I would go to the Garland Bakery, order a bag of cinnamon donut holes and return to the office to get the coffee ready. From 8:30 AM until 9:00, Ms. Taft would sip coffee, eat pastry and spend thirty minutes telling me what an S.O.B. Richard Nixon was. She was a fiery Democrat, a genuine New Dealer who felt that the only good Republican was the one just voted out of office. This passion burned from within despite the fact that her much loved recently deceased husband, Duke, was a legendary Republican mayor of Spokane.

In that year, I truly came to love this grand lady. I answered her phones, greeted her clients, typed redrafts of wills and other legal documents and learned, first hand, the stress that a legal secretary faces as detailed work gets done in a pressure cooker. I have not forgotten those lessons that I now know, Ms. Taft wanted me to learn before I passed the Bar and began my own legal career.

Ms. Taft must be nearly 90 now and I am certainly way past being anything close to 24. Despite the

years, I look back at the very beginning of my legal career with a tremendous amount of affection and respect for that redhead.

I am truly pleased that my alma mater honored such a wonderful woman and attorney and that she lived long enough to see the tremendous respect that the people of Spokane have for her.

## Middle School Sports Physicals

The Key Peninsula Health Center in conjunction with Dr. Roes will be providing sports physicals for middle school students who are otherwise unable to have a physical done. The physicals will be done at Dr. Roes's office at 15610 89<sup>th</sup> Street in beautiful downtown Key Center starting at 3:00 PM on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 1999. The cost will be \$15 with sliding scale available if needed. The money will go to the Key Peninsula Health Center to support its programs. Students need to bring a signed parental consent form (available at the middle school), or be accompanied by a parent. Students are encouraged to wear t-shirts and shorts to facilitate the examinations. Immunizations will not be available at this event, but are available through the Tuesday morning Well Child Clinic also held at Dr. Roes's office.

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Billy earned 182.5 points, exceeded his goal by 342.2%, read 47 books at an average level of 7.1 (seventh grade) and had a comprehension test score average of 96%.

Billy liked the accelerated reader program, "because it is a challenge and makes us (Billy and his classmates) read better. I enjoy a lot of different books now, like "20,000 Leagues Under The Sea," "Castle in the Attic," and other favorites."

Right now he's reading "Lasers and Holograms" and books on cameras. He also reads comic books.

Besides reading, Billy likes making up and playing games with best friend, Joe Gazabat, and playing baseball.

Thanks to a family move, Billy will be attending Minter Elementary this next school year. "They're just starting the Accelerated Reader Program," he said. "I'll be in it."

### **ECEAP Preschool Programs Are Now Enrolling Preschool Age Children**

Vaughn and Evergreen Elementary Schools are sites for ECEAP Preschool Programs. Enrollment to attend either program site is taking place now. ECEAP, Early Childhood Education and Assistance program, is a family development preschool program that provides many free services to eligible children and their families. Families who are eligible are those who receive public assistance grants and children in foster care, also families who have limited income who are working or in school. The majority of children are four years old by August 31 but enrollment applications are also being taken for children three years of age.

ECEAP provides a preschool experience geared to the individual child with activities that build self-esteem, social skills and physical skills. Family-style meals are provided as well as health and nutrition screenings and education. Parents are also given opportunities for personal growth, empowerment and leadership.

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by Howard Reynolds

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2. Policeman: "Hey Jones, where you going at four in the morning?" Jones (turning into his driveway): "To a lecture."

**Bayshore Garden Club**

The Bayshore Garden Club begins a new exciting year under the leadership of president Dolores Argabright. We meet every third Friday of the month at the Longbranch Improvement Club. Members rotate responsibility for lunch at noon, and presentations by members and visiting experts follow at 1:00 PM. Our theme this year is "Native Wild Flowers". The program on September 17th features Tom Bertram, speaking on Noxious Weeds, demonstrations in flower arrangements and design, and a discussion on conservation by members Doris Boudreau and Doris Hoover.

Come and see what we do!!



**VETERAN'S VOICES**

By Eileen Young

Only two darling hummingbirds left in the garden which in itself is winding down. The time of flowering abundance seems so short and the wait so long. It does however give us something to look forward to next season.

School will soon be in full swing and the VFW folks are busy gearing up for the many essay programs. The youth program, for grades 3 through 8, with the theme "How should we honor America's Veterans", will be in the schools September 1st and on the internet for home schoolers. This year will also include the grade schools in Belfair. For information call Dee Bea Blum at 884-9982 or co-chair Debbie Simon at 884-9156. Deadline is November 1st, 1999.

For the 12-15 year olds there is the Young Volunteer of the Year award. Information and applications are in the schools or call 884-9982.

Patriotic Art is another category of competition for grades 9-12. 1st place winners go on to the State level. Deadline is January 3rd, 2000 and is also in the schools and open to home schoolers.

The Voice of Democracy, also for grades 9-12 will have as its theme 'Americas Role in the Next Century'. Deadline is November 1st and will this year include Peninsula High and Belfair's North Mason High school. Gary Helmick is chairman with information available. Call him at 884-2442. This competition can lead to a large scholarship and a trip to Washington D C so encourage your young folks to participate.

Time now to hand out some accolades to deserving folks, namely our newly formed Color Guard, the concept of Gary Helmick. You saw them lead the Pioneer day parade but they really shone at the flag ceremony at the Civic Center. Under the command of Commander Cy, Gary Helmick, Billye Smith, Joe Cerney and Tim Hale did the VFW great justice in their presentation of Colors. President Roxy represented the auxiliary and Brett Zimmermann with his trumpet brought the crowd to attention. Add to all this the magnificent voices of the Longbranch choir and you have one for the memory books. Congratulations to all.

A big welcome to Ray Kiser, Henry Gillard, Ernest Anderson and Steve Morris, new members of Post 4990.

Please do take time to put these folks on your prayer list and wish them good health. They are Mary Wiler, Peggy Taylor, Judy Wilson, Calvin Hawthorne, Jean Barnes, Ernie Shreve and Don Palmer. We are happy to report that Richard Raschle is much-improved while our sincere condolences go to Glen Pszczola on the passing of his father Stanley.

A notice to all VFW members, post and auxiliary, please pay your dues. Remember, you are the active voices for those who are in hospitals and nursing homes. There, but for the grace of God, go you.

Enjoy what is left of summer, keep happy, see you next month and remember; Age is not important unless you are a cheese!

**Summer Youth Program  
At KP Civic Center**

by Hugh McMillan

Friday, July 30, the Key Peninsula Civic Center provided games, hands-on reptile shows, songs, awards, and ice cream ~ rooms full of excited, laughing, singing, running, dancing youngsters ranging from kindergarten to sixth grade. They were part of the nearly two hundred children signed up for the day camp sponsored by the Children's Home Society of Washington's Family Resource Center on the Key Peninsula.

The group put on a five-week-long Summer Youth Program at two sites from June 28th to July 30th at the Key Peninsula Civic Center and the Longbranch Improvement Club.

This year, the camp added a new component for birth to five year old children which required parents to participate with their children. The

camp included the Mary Bridge Safety group, anti-drug and anti-smoking programs, Pierce County Environmental Services, a week at Penrose State Park, and a marimba musical group.

Said group leader, Edie Morgan, "We look forward to next year, and will continue to offer special programs for children and families on the Key Peninsula."

The overall aura of this event was that of a "love in" between parents, children, volunteers, staff, and even Marty Marcus' reptiles. It was a learning experience, a social experience, a lesson in mutual respect and cooperation and was dominated by a rush of friendship flowing in all directions. Given all the negative news in which we wallow, it was a refreshing breath of fresh air.

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## The 4-H Differences "We Make A Difference"

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The 4-H Differences began six years ago and since then have grown to a club of more than 40 members. We have been involved in various community service projects from seeding geoducks on the Purdy Spit, planting at the Home and Longbranch Fire Stations, providing Christmas gifts to needy families through the Children's Home Society, serving meals at the friendship meal at the Civic Center in Vaughn, and our most recent project, providing fresh produce to the Home Community House through the Tahoma Gleaning Project.

We recently participated in the Mason County Fair with many members

receiving special awards and qualifying to participate in the State Fair at Puyallup. After the fair many of our members spent a week at Panhandle Lake for camp. Several of our members were counselors and our parent volunteers acted as camp nurse, cook, and chaperones. We all had lots of fun and very little sleep.

A special congratulations goes out to Danielle Higgins who recently won the State Fashion Revue Invitational, and now has the privilege of being a Washington State Delegate at 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia. Our club will be having several local fund raising activities to help send her on her way.

We are often asked what the four H's of 4-H stand for. The 4-H pledge should answer that question.

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## Work Proceeds To Save Salmon Run On Herron Creek

by Hugh McMillan

According to Larry Oathout of Peninsula Salmon Restoration, "work is being done to replace two three foot culverts on Herron Creek with an aluminum arch measuring six feet high by 10 feet wide to recreate a natural stream bed for salmon to regain unimpeded access to upper Herron Creek for spawning purposes. The crew working the project," he said, "is from Sumner and is sponsored by the Washington State Conservation District."

Completion of the culvert replacement project was scheduled for not later than July 29.

Starting in the Fall of 1998, the

stream was to be monitored at least twice a week to check for the presence of salmon. In December, 1998, more than ten salmon were observed in one section of the stream, but an accurate count was not possible to obtain because of the inaccessible nature of the area. Monitoring is planned for at least two more years to see if the improvement in the water flow has resulted in an improvement in the size of the salmon run.

Oathout pointed out the many downed trees and foliage, "which will be allowed to decay naturally to provide nutrients for the salmon to grab," he said.

## Emergency Water Barrels Available

by Hugh McMillan

Sales of emergency water supply barrels will be held Saturday, Sept 11 (because of labor day), from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Haven of Rest Cemetery on highway 16, 1 mile west of the Gig Harbor City Center exit; access is from westbound lanes only. The sales are sponsored by PEP-C (Peninsula Emergency Preparedness Committee).

Prices for the barrels are 15 gallon barrels, \$10; 55 and 60 gallon barrels \$15; open top barrels available for

rain barrels or dry goods storage are \$15.

Water is one thing everyone needs to store!

PEP-C also has Mylar blankets for \$2 and Peninsula Light Emergency Kits: \$31.32 - Pen Light's cost.

All sales at the cemetery are subject to cancellation if a last minute large memorial service comes up.

For additional information, call JoAnne Gray, secretary, PEP-C, at (253) 265-8510.



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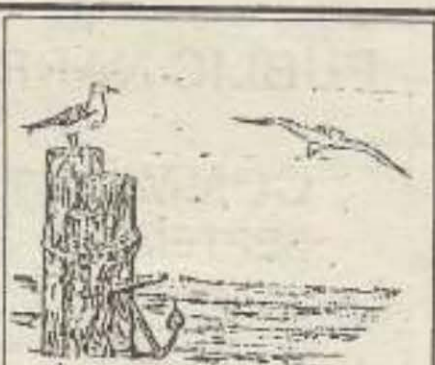
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## T.O.P.S. News

by Julie Higgins

Can you believe Fall is upon us? The summer months have zoomed by us TOPS members too, but not without some great gains and losses. The gains were new members who joined our ranks this summer and our losses were pounds, of course! Phyllis Tierman, a new member, was our best loser for July with a loss of 11.5 lbs.. Congratulations to you Phyllis! A special thank you goes out to all members who marched in the Pioneer Day Parade and helped out with games at the Civic Center.

One of the benefits of being a TOPS member is a monthly magazine from TOPS INC.. Every month they feature "The TOPS 10" and this month I'd like to share it with you.

**Ways to Keep Striving Toward Weight Loss**

1. Strengthen your resolve by deciding why weight loss is important to you.
2. Know your weaknesses. Keep yourself out of temptation's way when possible.
3. Learn to recognize which emotions trigger your worst food habits. Find other ways of dealing with these emotions.
4. If simple boredom is the culprit, seek out fun, constructive activities. This makes it less likely you'll overeat to fill the

vacuum in your life.

5. When you make a mistake, acknowledge it and move on.
6. Set specific, measurable, realistic goals.
7. Focus on performance, not outcome.
8. Favor positive over negative goals. Positive goals tell us what to do. Negative goals tell us what to avoid.
9. Set priorities. You have a limited amount of discretionary time each day. Spend it on things that really matter in the long run, like your health.
10. Be flexible. Successful weight losers have a plan, yet "go with the flow" to alter that plan when the need arises.

If you would like to find out more about TOPS please join us on Tuesday night, 6:00 PM weigh in, 7:00 PM meeting or call Frankie Johnson at (253) 884-4102.

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**Trips - Trips - Trips**

Going and Seeing! KP Seniors do a lot of this during summer months. On August 30<sup>th</sup>, Monday, a group used bus, boat and their own feet to travel to Ballard Locks in Seattle where they saw the operation of those huge locks which allows traffic of boats and ships to and from Puget Sound to Lake Union. They now understand better how the locks make water transportation possible between sea-level and bodies of water, well above (by many feet) the sound or ocean.

Sounds interesting? Another jaunt may be arranged to the Ballard Locks in the future, contact the Seniors if ya want to go.

Idaho - destination for Irene Davis and Bill Bolm last month. Irene's grand-niece was getting married in the Kellogg area (Northern Idaho). Well, despite the fact that the motel in Kellogg denied having a reservation for them, (luckily, they found haven at

another motel), and that the day of the wedding dawned cloudy and threatening - all went well. Skies cleared, bride and groom showed up at the appointed time, and according to Irene, "it was a bee-yootiful wedding."

**NO BOATS FOR THESE GALS**  
Sylvia Johnson, her mother Bea Emil, Virginia Adkisson, Erma Dunn are heading for Boomtown, Nevada, (near Reno), via Bea's new Chevy on the 19<sup>th</sup> for four big days of sightseeing and visiting the casinos in Reno, Bordertown, as well as Virginia City, and will hope to visit Lake Tahoe, both North and South shores. If you want to get a loan from them ... do it before they leave!!!

President Chuck and Pauline Williamson, Erma Dunn and Virginia Adkisson made a mid-August jaunt to the state Capital's Farmers' Market on Olympia's waterfront. It was one of those chilly August days, but there was lots to see and shop for, plus a

great lunch at Anthony's, and they were able to get home early despite afternoon I-5 traffic. Next Olympia outing is to include a tour of the Capital buildings.

**BEACH TREK** - Erma, Virginia, Heien Wolniewicz and Marie Schwenka did an August overnight to the sands of the famous Long Beach Peninsula in early August. They braved the brisk on-shore winds of the flat sandy shores ... had a pleasant evening at the Edgewater, and want to go again soon, if they can sandwich it in with their other travel commitments.

**A WELCOME BACK** - for Chuck and Hella Snazelle, former Minterwood residents, who returned from their new home in central Florida, near Orlando. The Seniors honored them with a pot-luck of German food (since Hella was born in Germany), and a big birthday cake for Chuck, who was 72 on August 13<sup>th</sup>. Both look fit and well tanned, despite chasing snakes from their swimming pool. Chuck does lots of shuffleboard, he says, and Hella has enough bridge friends that she can play cards six days a week, if she wishes. (She played pinochle however, on welcome-back day). Next year they won't be back, they're planning Europe in 2000. Good Luck!!!

**LUCKY JOINS THE ARMY** ... for a big Reunion at Fort Lewis on August 13<sup>th</sup>. It was his chance to see several Army buddies from years back and renewed old friendships for a brief while.

Don and Ruth Blakemore's GRANDSON recently passed the onerous and difficult CPA examination on his first try and with flying colors. They're proud of him.

**SENIOR SURVEY** ... not counting your current happy home, where in the world would you like to retire to? That was this month's question for some 20 KPSS members, who are already retired of course. Results were:

Everett 1, Poulsbo 1, Seabeck 1, Yelm 1, Big Sur, CA 1, San Diego, CA 1, Long Beach, CA 1, Palm Springs, CA 1, Maui, Hawaii 1, Big Island, Hawaii 2, Anywhere Hawaii 1, Lake Oswego, OR 1, Bremerhaven, Germany 1, New Zealand 1, St. Augustine, FLA 1, and My Home Now 3.

Be it ever so humble, there's no place like home, for retirement!!!  
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Until next month, all ye who hunger and thirst, for you are only sticking to your diets.

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5 No Family Skate 9:00 AM KP Baptist Church 6:30 PM Outreach Bible Fellowship	6 7:00 PM Karate	7 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM WIC 9:30 AM Indoor Park 3:45 PM Little Buddies 6:00 PM Boy Scouts 6:00 PM T.O.P.S. 7:00 PM Dog Obedience	8 10:00 AM Toddler Art CHS 7:00 PM Bible Study	9 9:30 AM Indoor Park 1 - 4 PM Museum 7:00 PM Karate 7:30 PM KPCCA Board Meeting	10 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM Skate Night	11 9:30 AM Irish Step Dancing 10:00 AM - 10:00 PM Wedding 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Museum
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