



Dr. Roes' Down Home Band en route on Pioneer Day in 1999. More on Pioneer Day Celebration on Pages 10 & 11 inside this edition of the KP News.

Pioneer Day 2000

Organized to celebrate our Northwest roots, the annual Pioneer Day celebration is a Key Peninsula tradition and one of the events sponsored by the Key Peninsula Civic Center Association. This event is always scheduled for the first Saturday in August, which this year will be August 5th. The day starts off at 10 AM in Key Center with a parade. Parade participants, whether on foot, on horseback, on floats, on bicycles, in carriages or motorized vehicles or whatever will wend their way down the main street of Key Center, along Olson Road to South Vaughn Road, and then into the parking lot at the Civic Center. Please note that the parade will halt traffic on the affected roads for about one hour. Interested parade participants should get their entry form into the Civic Center as soon as possible. Parade organizers are our friends, Fred and Mary Ramsdell. Parade entry and booth rental forms are printed in this issue of the *Key Peninsula News*.

At the Civic Center, the day's activities kick off with a flag dedication ceremony by VFW Post #4990. Entertainment at various times during the day will include Dr. Roes and the Down Home Band, the TAKE, TE, NA percussion drumming group, the Key Singers, and a demonstration of High Angle Rope Rescue by a crew from Fire District #16.

Ongoing activities will include trout fishing (kids only), a horseshoes tournament, snake petting and handling at the Reptile RoundUp booth, an antique engine display by the Pierce County Antique Engine Club, children's fun booths, a hay dive for the twelve and younger group, garden tours by the Lakebay Fuchsia Society, displays and talks at the K P Historical Society Museum, and the opportunity to tell some local politicians what you expect of them. Another activity available from 11 AM to 3 PM is the opportunity to go to the VFW Room (next to the Museum) and help save people's lives by donating blood. The Scouts will be in charge of an aluminum can flattening activity.

Various vendors will be located on the field area with a variety of items for inspection and sale. Food booths will be scattered throughout the Center grounds. Down in the tennis court area will be a Beer Garden with appropriate products to quench the thirst of the adult crowd. The Beer Garden night time entertainment will feature the Muzette Quartet with Loraine Hart. This band of local talent will perform from 8 PM to midnight. Leave the kids with the sitter and come meet with new and old friends for an evening of great music, food and liquid refreshments.

Anyone interested in having a booth or providing entertainment should contact the Civic Center office at 884-3456. Watch for more details in the August issue of the *Key Peninsula News*.

Civic Center Tax Issues

Since there seems to be a misunderstanding in the community regarding property tax issues at the Civic Center, we felt a brief clarification was in order.

We do not have a problem with our 501(c)(3) nonprofit status with the IRS.

Our tax issue is with the Department of Revenue in the State of Washington. We are scheduled for a hearing before the Board of Tax Appeals to argue our position on our property tax status.

We will keep you apprised of the situation as it develops. Should you have any specific questions please feel free to contact the Civic Center at 884-3456.

Who's News??

We'd like to applaud Nicholle Joyce of Longbranch for her perfect attendance from kindergarten through High School—13 years in all!!

Nicholle started school at Meridian Elementary in Kent, then attended Evergreen and Minter Elementary and K P Middle School here on the Key Peninsula. She graduated from Peninsula High School this June and received several awards—the Gig Harbor Emblem Club #513, the Pam Johnson Memorial Scholarship, the Purdy Veterinary Hospital Award.

For the last six months, Nicholle has done volunteer work at the Purdy Pet Hospital. Her responsibilities there have included observation time, nursing care and feeding of animals, assisting staff in restraining animals during various procedures. She is now hoping to pursue a career in veterinary medicine and plans to attend Pierce College for two years.



Nicholle Joyce of Longbranch

then University of Washington.

We wish her the best of luck and we know her parents, Laurie and Mike Joyce, and her brother, Travis, are very proud of her!!

Editorial:

Speak Up Re: Cut-Backs In Pierce Transit !!!

Although the announcement of local public meetings regarding the cuts in local bus transportation did not reach us in time for last month's paper, we urge everyone to let Pierce Transit know that we need this service back. Due to the effects of Initiative 695, all public bus service to Key Center was totally eliminated. In addition, support shuttle services for the elderly and handicapped were affected. Although these buses were under-utilized (and therefore, not "cost-effective") they are vital to many of us, our families, our students and our neighbors. Also, consider—any use of these buses reduces the horrors of *THE BRIDGE* for everyone.

Pierce Transit has announced that some restorations will be made effective September 17, 2000. On their short list are:

- (Weekend bus service to Gig Harbor
- (Limited weekday service to the Key Peninsula

Other changes in service to Puyallup et al, service to NE Tacoma, service in University Place

Pierce County will be making decisions soon. We need to communicate the problems we face without any bus service here on the Key Peninsula.

Call Jean Jackson at 581-8034 or customer service at 581-8000, 7 am to 6 pm or 10 am to 2 pm on Saturdays.

Ta, Ke, Te, Na Drum Circle at Pioneer Day

Returning this year to Pioneer Day will be Ta, Ke, Te, Na, a local drumming group which will perform several ethnic rhythms from around the world. Following this, we will encourage everyone present to join in a Drum Circle. The drum circle is great for all ages and no experience is required. Bring any drums, bells, shakers or other percussion instruments and join along.


Ta, Ke, Te, Na has performed at Evergreen School and for Summer Fun in our area, so if your children have been to any of these programs please bring them by for more fun and musical experience. We will have extra instruments on hand so everyone will have a chance to play.

If you have any questions, call Dale at 884-4169.

Apologia—Errata

Our sincere apologies to the Longbranch Performers and Key Singers!! We used the wrong copy, wrong dates, to promote their presentations, which took place recently, but we hope they had a good turnout anyway. Such organization of local talent deserves all our support and we'll try to do better next time. We hope they keep on growing.

For information about the group call Dave Starkweather at 884-3172 or Jo Sturm at 884-1350.



The Children's Home Society's FAMILY ROOM



Trying to find something fun for the kids to do this summer? We still have a few openings in our annual **SUMMER FUN YOUTH PROGRAM**. This is a day camp program at two sites, two days a week at the Key Peninsula Civic Center and two days a week at the Longbranch Improvement Club. There are programs for children going into the 1st grade through 5th grade, as well as a Kindercamp program for children ages 2 through 5 and their parents. The Kindercamp meets only one day a week at each site. The Civic Center Kindercamp is full, however, there are still openings at the Longbranch site. Please call for information.

This year we are also collaborating with the Pierce County Health Department in providing a program for middle school aged students, called the Media Literacy Summer Workshop. Students between the ages of 11 and 14 will learn how to analyze media messages about tobacco and alcohol. They will then use audio-video equipment and computer graphics to create their own videos and public service announcements for the radio. Call Edie Morgan at the KP Family Resource Center to sign up, 884-5433.

A BIG THANK YOU to the YMCA Camp Coleman and YMCA Camp Seymour staffs for their help in providing transportation for the Little Buddies program this year!

Good-byes to Rosalyn Alber, Family Support Specialist who will begin working part time for Children's Home Society in Elk Plain in July. She will be able to spend more time with her family now, but wishes everyone well on the Key Peninsula. Also, good-bye to Michele Blanchette who has decided to stay home with her children. We will miss you both!

The Relatives Raising Children Support Group will continue to meet during the summer as we have had several inquiries lately. Please let us know if child care is needed so that we can make arrangements.

Evaluations will be sent out to families who have participated in our parenting series and our support groups. Our agency depends on your feedback for funding for these programs. We hope that you will take the time to fill them out and return them to us. This helps us to continue our current programs and provide new ones. Thanks for your support!

We still need clothing bank volunteers! We are being overcome with donations, please hold on to your items or take them to the Angel Guild for now. We will let you know when we have room for them. Thanks for all of your generosity!

Staff of the Key Peninsula Resource Center (884-5433)



**Have A
Happy and
Safe
4th of July!**

EVERGREEN SCHOOL'S THE PEOPLE VS B.B. WOLF

By Vicky McClung

What wonderful fun it was to attend "The People vs B.B. Wolf" presented at Evergreen School on June 15th.

This play was staged by the fifth grade class under the direction of their teacher, Mrs. Proctor. Everything about this play was delightful: the set, the props, the lines and the kids. They played to a standing room only audience!

The performers were all very, very good and the story line was very funny. The room was filled with laughter as these fifth grade actors led us through the story.

You see, B.B. (Big Bad) Wolf was being tried for the murder of two of the Three Little Pigs. You remember the Big Bad Wolf's reputation? It wasn't very good — so his chances of getting off were slim to nothing. His attorney would have to present a pretty convincing case to win this one.

A courtroom was the setting for the trial where several fairy tale characters are called upon to be witnesses in the case. Hilarious "flashbacks" allowed the audience to see the testimony as told by the witnesses. From the overbearing judge to vindic-



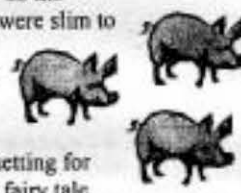
tive Little Red Riding Hood, the play raced to a dramatic appeal from B.B. Wolf for understanding. He tried real hard for sympathy and for someone to believe he was not guilty.

It was a great play and all involved should be very proud of their success. The cast members included Elise

Wrzeski, Greyson Hoepner, Tyler Bottiger, Amanda Milbourn, Angelica Montanari, Nicholle Buckingham, Katrina Erickson, Taylor McDaniel, Grady Leter, Donny Jackson, Jessica Erickson, Troy Silva, Jessica Floyd, Geneve Edie, Skye Gebhardt, and Michael Ross.

In addition, the following students were responsible for setting up the play: Karis Gohrick, Kaylia Hirtle, Rachel Hanson, Susan Arnott, Tiffany Olson, Kyle Coonan, Jonathan Schmidt, Justin Landgren, and Ricky Pettigrew.

WHO DID IT? Now I'll bet everyone thinks that B.B. Wolf was guilty? Not true, it was the "good" Mayor Huffen Puff who did the dirty deed!!



Living And Learning On The Key Peninsula Key Peninsula Historical Society

The Key Peninsula Historical Society and the Longbranch Old Timers celebrated their annual picnic at the Longbranch Improvement Club. The annual picnic is the gathering of new and old friends, fantastic food, great stories and a very interesting way to learn more about the Key Peninsula. If you missed this year's picnic look for it next year. The 2001 picnic will be the third or fourth Saturday in June.

The Key Peninsula Historical Society was honored to host a reception for the Alumni, spouses and former students of Vaughn Union High School. Vaughn Union High School was opened from 1902 to 1947. Many of the Alumni still keep in touch with each other or live on the Key Peninsula. The Vaughn grads showed that they still have school spirit by singing the school song "We Are Loyal To You Vaughn High". The Museum Board would like to thank all the Alumni and their spouses for their generous book purchases and the many donations to the Museum collection.

If you would like to be a docent or learn more about the docent program, contact Mary Krumbein, our Vice President, 884-4783. Docents volunteer one afternoon or more a month to help out at the Museum.

Make sure you make some time this summer to come and visit the Museum. We will be open from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM on Pioneer Day.

The Museum will be closed for the 4th of July weekend. REMEMBER THE MUSEUM IS OPEN THURSDAY AND SATURDAY. FROM 1:00 - 4:00 pm OR BY APPOINTMENT. CALL 884-4538.



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PIONEER DAY BOOTH APPLICATION

August 5, 2000

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**FOOD BOOTHS- \$35.00, ALL OTHERS - \$15.00
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PLEASE ENCLOSE TWO SEPARATE CHECKS, ONE FOR THE RENTAL FEE AND ONE FOR THE \$50.00 SECURITY DEPOSIT WHICH IS REFUNDABLE UPON INSPECTION OF BOOTH AREA.

**** PLEASE NOTE THIS IS AN OUTSIDE EVENT AND EACH VENDOR IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PROVIDING OWN TABLE AND CANOPY COVER****

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Items to be sold _____

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**KPDCA Board Meeting Minutes
June 8, 2000**

The meeting was called to order by the President @ 7:00 PM.

The following motions were seconded and carried.

- To accept the May board meeting minutes after correction made.
- To accept the Treasurer's report.
- To have the Jazz Dance again next year.

Jazz Night- The dance was well attended and folks seemed to have had a great time.

Teen Dance- Edie Morgan reported that the dance is scheduled for June 17th at the Civic Center. Volunteers are needed to help the night of the dance. Please contact Edie through Children's Home Society.

CHS- Edie Morgan reported about major staff changes in her office. Also the herb garden is finished and it looks wonderful. They still have lots of openings for their summer fun program at the Civic Center as well as Longbranch Improvement Club. Call Edie for more details.

Pioneer Days- Tim Kezele (chairperson) said things are under way. Any one interested in booth space, volunteering or wanting to participate should contact Tim at 884-4538 or the Civic Center.

Grant Committee- Sylvia Haase reported that the Russell Foundation granted the Civic Center \$2500 for improvements.

Seniors- Chuck Williamson reported that the Seniors will work the kitchen for the Summer Dance on the 10th of June.

Fireworks Demo- Scheduled for June 25th at the Civic Center.

Historical Society- Tim Kezele reported that the museum will be open during the Vaughn High School reunion on the 16th. Old Timers Day will be held on June 24 at the Longbranch Improvement Club.

Meeting adjourned.
Kristen Bottiger
Secretary

**Count Down,
5-4-3-2-1
Cider Fest 2000**

Four Months to go!!

The bees are buzzin', the apples are nubb'n', the pumpkins are growin', the rain drops are flowin' and the sunshine is glowin' -- so -- it's time we get goin'.

The C-Fest 00 committee is looking for talent as well as vendors. Space applications are available at Telco in Key Center from Barb. Call 884-2235 or stop by. All you talented people, call Mary at 884-4834. Let us hear your ideas of what you would like to see this year.

Vaughn's VFW Post Performs in Belfair

Because of their expertise in drill and ceremony, VFW Post #4990 was selected to put on a show at the Twin Firs Cemetery memorial service in Belfair. Participating in the ceremony were Commander Gary Helmick, the Post Honor Guard, and Reverend Richard A. Brandt, who delivered a memorial service. The Honor Guard, under the direction of Officer of the Day Robert Cate, fired an 18-volley rifle salute in honor of those who have fallen and gone.

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A View From Home

by Marty Marcus

As I sit writing this column, trying to beat the June 20th deadline, firecrackers are already exploding the peace and quiet of the shoreline at this part of the Key Peninsula. I'm not basically opposed to fireworks, I'm just beginning to wonder if the 4th of July is a celebration of the culmination of "Fireworks Sales Week" or if there is some more basic reason for observing this holiday.

I wonder if the concept of forming a new nation by breaking the political bonds that tied us to an existing nation has somehow evaporated, leaving the fireworks as a sort of dynamic residue. Do we also think about the people who gave their lives to insure that this new nation survived its birth?

If we do, do we also sometimes wonder about some of the items in our great Constitution and Bill of Rights, and why some ideas are not included? If the Declaration of Independence states that "... all Men are created equal...", how come slavery was allowed? Was it because the drafters of the Constitution were all white men, and many of them slave-owners? How come it took until the adoption of the nineteenth amendment in 1920 for women to get the right to vote?

Several times during my teaching career I found myself assigned to teaching U.S. History to students in the 7th and 8th grades, and I often wondered why the history textbooks omitted some events and decisions that seemed to me to be important. I wondered why some individuals were considered heroes, but some of the rotten things they did were not even mentioned. Take Andrew Jackson, for example. How many of us are aware that he was not only a slave-owner, but that he was the main instigator of the Trail of Tears, the forced deportation of the Cherokees from their land in Georgia to exile in Oklahoma? Four thousand people died as a direct result of that action. But his picture graces our \$20 bill.

One day about twenty years ago I wore a special button on my lapel. It was nearly three inches in diameter, and on it was printed **59 cents**. The students were offered

extra credit if they could explain the significance of that expression. In spite of the fact that about half the class fell into the category of "gifted and talented" students, no one came up with the answer. To do it again today, the 59 cents would have to be changed to 74 cents. This represents the amount a woman gets paid for doing the same job for which a man would get paid one dollar. An improvement of 25%, but still a long way from being equal.

I don't mean to imply that this is a bad country. Compared to the rest of the world, we're really lucky. In Kuwait, women aren't allowed to vote, and in Saudi Arabia, women aren't even allowed to drive. But that doesn't mean we shouldn't ask questions or work toward making things even better. At least we should be concerned about losing rights we now have.

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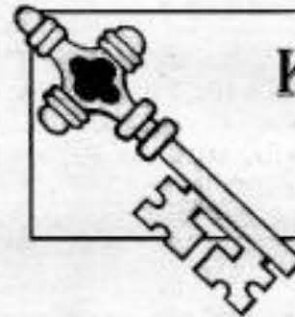
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- BUSINESS / PROFESSIONAL GROUPS**
- KP Business Assoc.** 1st Friday - 7:30 AM Home Port Rest.
3rd Friday - Noon Horseshoe Lake Rest.
- Fire Fighters Assoc.** 4th Wednesday - 7:00 PM Key Center Fire Sta.
- CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS**
- Amnesty International** 2nd Thursday at 7:00 PM Key Center Library
- Ashes** 1st Monday at 10:30 AM Key Center Fire Station
- Boy Scout Troop #220** Tuesday-6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - KPCC Whitmore Rm.
- Cootiettes** 3rd Thursday at 7:00 PM KPCC/Whitmore Rm.
- KPCCA Exec. Comm.** 1st Monday - 7:00 PM Civic Center
- KPCCA Board** 2nd Thursday - 7:00 PM KPCC/Whitmore Rm.
- KPCS Board** 2nd Monday - 10:00 AM Comm. House - Home
- KPHC Board** 4th Thursday - 7:30 PM Health Center
- KP Lions Club** 1st & 3rd Wed. - 6:30 PM KPCC/Whitmore Rm.
- VFW & Auxiliary** 2nd & 4th Mon. - 7:00 PM CC/VFW Room/WM Rm.
- COMMUNITY SERVICES**
- Adult Literacy Classes** - Call for Appointment **851-6552** - Gig Harbor
- Angel Guild** 4th Monday - 10:00 AM Brones Rm./KC Library
- Children's Home Society Family Resource Center** Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Key Peninsula Civic Center, Lower Level - Call **884-5433**
- Food Bank** - Tues. through Fri., 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM Comm. House - Home
- Hot Lunch for Seniors** 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
- Overeaters Anonymous** Wednesday - 7:30 PM St. Nicholas Church
- Seniors Exercise Program** Tues. & Thurs. - 8:30 to 9 PM Comm. House, Home
- There Is Hope 12-Step Christian Support Group** Thursdays at 7:00 PM at Lakebay Christian Assembly Church - **253-884-3659**.
- WIC (Women, Infants & Children)** Every Tuesday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM Civic Center, in the VFW Room. Call: **884-3835** on Tuesdays for an appointment.
- PUBLIC MEETINGS**
- KP Fire Commissioners** 2nd Wednesday - 7:00 PM Key Center Fire Sta.
2nd Monday after 2nd Wednesday at 4:00 PM Key Center Fire Sta.
- KP Parks & Rec.** 2nd 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** 2nd Tuesday - 7:00 PM Brones Rm./KC Library
- Grandparents Group** 1st Monday - 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
- T.O.P.S.** Tuesdays at 9:00 AM at Longbranch Improvement Club
- SOCIAL & HOBBY GROUPS**
- Bayshore Garden Club** 3rd Friday of each month, for more information call Sylvia Retherford at 884-2487. Longbranch Improvement
- KP Historical Society** 1st Thursday - 7:30 PM KP Historical Museum
- Museum Open Thursday and Saturday from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.**
- LB Improvement Club** 3rd Wednesday - 7:00 PM Longbranch Improvement
- Peninsula Neighbors** 2nd Tuesday - 10:00 AM Longbranch Fire Station #4
- Lakebay Fuchsia Society** 1st Thursday - 7:00 PM Brones Rm./KC Library
- Ruth Circle Meeting** 3rd 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** Call 884-5403 for more information.
- Key Singers** Tuesdays 7:00 - 9:00 PM Longbranch Comm. Church
Contact Jo Sturm - **884-1350**
- NOTE: IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR ORGANIZATION LISTED HERE, PLEASE MAIL THE INFORMATION BY THE 20TH OF EACH MONTH TO: KEY DATES, KEY PENINSULA NEWS, P.O. BOX 3, VAUGHN, WA 98394, OR FAX IT TO US AT: 884-4053.**

TAX TIPS



By Marv & Myrtle Kezur, CTP

Are you using the Internet for business? The IRS has said it uses the Internet to gain information about businesses it audits—including having agents examine audit targets' Web sites. Now, it says it's also watching Web sites of nonprofit organizations, such as churches and charities, to see if the sites indicate any activity that conflicts with rules of "non-profit" status, for example, political partisanship or commercial activity. For safety, if your business or non-profit organization has a Web site, review it to see if there is anything on it that might cause a problem.



Time, Treasure, Talent

Reno Night was a great success at the Civic Center, and there are many citizens who donated their time and talent to make it a fun evening: Ed Taylor, Mike Coffin, Sylvia Haase, Virginia Liebergesell, Marty Marcus, Ann Waldo, Terry Wooldridge, Joann Cluver, Phyllis Tierman, Chuck Williamson, Stacy Fuoco, Evelyn Stinson, Heidi Wattemore, Jim Camp, Ruth Bramhall, Terese Jackson, Jean and Barry Martin, Jo Sproat, Erma Dunn, Donna Dilger, Dennis Sutton, Debi Hanna, Frankie Johnson, Gary Gebo, Rose Burulli, Ann Larson, Don and Shirley Olson, Dave Rasmussen, Ginny Hartman, Mike Marchewitz, Mike and Betty Kelley, Claudia and Dale Loy, Al Twidt, Mike Salatino, Christie Lyon, Phyllis Olson, Coral Onciro, Austin Miller, Lance Englund, Debby Koehi, Chuck West, Lila and John Garrison, Rick and Linda Sutherland, Larry and Janis Riebow, Dale Skriyanich, Cathy Beal, Vicky McClung, Don Blischke, Sabenna Burgess, Dick Reinhard, Steve Crouse, Dave Stratford and Loyd Miller. And a very special thank you to Vicky McClung, who dedicated 15 volunteer hours to organizing, ordering, calling, setting up and making certain that the evening would be successful.

Loyd Miller has expended over 40 hours this past month keeping the buildings repaired and working on the new storage shed. In addition, we appreciated the hours spent by the Girl Scout Troop, Pat, Kristen

and Tyler Bottiger, Tim Kezele, Sharon Miller, Betty Kelley, Dave Stratford, Virginia Liebergesell, Sylvia Haase, Vicky McClung and Gary Gebo for all of the various tasks they completed at the Civic Center. Special thanks to the Boy Scouts for organizing the Easter Egg Hunt.

We would like to thank State Representative Patricia Lantz and attorney Paul Alvestad for advice and counsel given us.

We face the necessity of re-roofing both of the building at the Center, and the cost of doing so is \$54,000. We are grateful to the Russell Family Foundation which has granted us \$2,500 to start the funding for this renovation project.

Skating is over for the summer and again we'd like to express our appreciation to all those volunteers who dedicate their time to the youth of our community. Thanks also to the Lakebay Fuchsia Society for the marvelous garden creations.

Please know that we are grateful to all the local community members who donate their time, talent and treasure to the Civic Center.

Donald M. Palmer Memorial

Donald M. Palmer was born in Tacoma, Wa., 4-15-21, and passed away in Gig Harbor on 5-17-2000. He was a veteran of WWII, spending time in Washington, California, the Aleutian Islands and Texas. He was a member of the Spanaway Fire Department for 5 years. Don worked 30 years in Civil Service at Mt. Rainier Ord. Depot, Fort Lewis and Kingsby Field, Oregon and he was a Peninsula School District Bus Driver for 13 years. Don was very proud of his grandfather, Gustavus L. Palmer, who was the first Warden at McNeil Island Prison.

Don and Alice were married 58 years and lived in Vaughn, Wa. since 1971. They have three children, Richard, Port Orchard, Wa., Donna, Westport, Wa., and William, Klamath Falls, Or., ten grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.

The family wishes to thank the Cottesmore Nursing Home for the excellent care that was given to Don. Graveside services were held at Vaughn Cemetery.

The Palmer family also wishes to express their thanks to the many people who helped make Don's passing easier, to Rhys Wood, who conducted the grave site service, and to Marie Schwenka and Lois Carlson who served the great food donated by friends. Also, thanks for all the cards and letters of sympathy.

State Unemployment Rate Remains Low In May

Strong job growth and a comparable increase in the labor force held Washington's unemployment rate almost steady in May. It was 0.3% below a year ago and matched the 32-year low recorded in May, 1998. The seasonally adjusted rate for Washington was 4.7%, compared to 4.1% for the nation. Pierce County's rate was about the same as the state's. Unfortunately, the data do not indicate how many of these jobs are at or near minimum wage.



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Italy, France, England and Home

(final installment of Mini Grand Tour with the Grandsons)

by Colleen Slater

Rome was all torn up due to Jubilee preparations, with crowds everywhere. St. Peter's, Vatican Museum, and Sistine Chapel, where we were impressed with improved color and detail after cleaning and restoration. At the Coliseum, lines were long, tickets expensive, and the boys had just been able to walk all around the amphitheatre in Pompeii so felt no need to go inside here. We wandered through more recently excavated areas.

Firenze (why is it so many names of cities in foreign countries have been "converted" to English?) was warm and crowded. We strolled through Mercato Centrale, squares, a museum, Ponte Vecchio, and took photos of the Cathedral with its marvelous inlaid pink and green marble. The boys were as fascinated as we have always been with the caricaturists in the street. They considered having theirs done, but waited until Paris to each get one.

Instead of a restaurant dinner that evening we had large dishes of ice cream (32 flavors available) and the boys their inevitable Coke, with the total price nearly equal to our previous night's dinner.

Our Hospitality Exchange hosts were gracious and hospitable. The boys had bedrolls on mats on the floor, and we had the sofa-bed, a bit cramped, but extremely

quiet at night. Cyrille spent several hours one morning giving us a tour of "his" Paris, Montmartre, sharing local history. At Sacre Couer Cathedral, professional mimes stood on pedestals for tourist photos, gathering contributions for the church.

Notre Dame and the Louvre were highlights of Paris, with a lovely day for walking from one to the other. In the Louvre, armed with detailed maps, the boys followed their own interests and we ours, not meeting again until just before closing. Frank and I enjoyed seeing the actual works of art we'd heard of - the Mona Lisa, Winged Victory, and others. Frank, the mathematician, touched the Hammurabi Code.

That evening we let the boys pick our eating place, their requirements being "real meat" and Coke, mine being that they accepted VISA. They chose Italian, the chef from Italy, the best restaurant food of the whole trip.

A brief return to England for a weekend with cousins in Cambridge. A long-awaited treat for me, punting on the Cam, as my great-grandmother enjoyed over a century ago. Frank, familiar from childhood with poling canoe and raft, enjoyed this hands-on experience, as did the boys. David had no trouble getting the punt to move, but had difficulty steering. Cail quickly mastered steering, but had less strength for forward motion.

We bid England good-bye, and were pleased to be headed home. On the last leg from Dallas to SeaTac, pizza was a meal choice. Pizza and Coke had been favorites for the boys throughout the trip.

"Hey, Grandma," said Cail, fully enjoying his 15th birthday which would last 32 hours, "We had pizza in England, Scotland, France, Switzerland and Italy, and now back in the United States!"

RSVP

RSVP, sponsored by the American Red Cross, utilizes volunteers who are 55 years and older to use their talents and skills to meet a multitude of needs in the community.

Volunteers are needed to become SHIBA HelpLine Counselors. Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors is an impartial, confidential resource to help individuals evaluate, choose and use their health insurance. Volunteer counselors have up-to-date information on most health concerns. They are provided a basic training course of 32 hours plus regular updates. They accept calls on a toll-free advice helpline. The services of SHIBA volunteers are free. Volunteers have no affiliation with any insurance company or product. Service can be provided from individuals' homes or at the volunteer site in Tacoma.

Interested volunteers should call the RSVP office at 474-1700.

New Forecast On Transportation Funding

The Puget Sound Regional Council, composed of more than 80 county, city, port, transit, tribal and state agencies, has issued a new forecast related to the distribution of transportation funds as a result of the passage of I-695. Under current state policies, for every dollar of transportation taxes generated in the central Puget Sound region, 8 cents is used for transportation projects in other parts of the state, and 92 cents is returned for use in this region.

The change in this allocation ratio brought about by the passage of I-695 was certainly not publicized prior to the election. Unless state policies are changed, the new forecast, up to the year 2020, shows that this region will get back only 50 cents of every tax dollar generated here for transportation purposes.

Action in April by the Regional Council has assured that federal transportation funds already earmarked for this area will still be available even if I-695 causes some delays in completing projects. These funds will help make track and safety improvements and coordinate freight and passenger trains between Tacoma and Everett; build three overpasses at grade crossings; solve congestion problems at SR 520 and I-405; and ensure the completion of intermodal transit hubs in Bremerton and Everett.

The current population of this region is about 3.2 million. An additional 1.5 million people are expected by the year 2030. Maybe everyone will be working at home by then, so getting to and from work won't be a problem.

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IN THE LIBRARY

POETRY FOR A SUMMER EVENING: the poems of William O'Daly and Pablo Neruda, Wednesday, July 26, 7:00 PM at the Key Center Library.

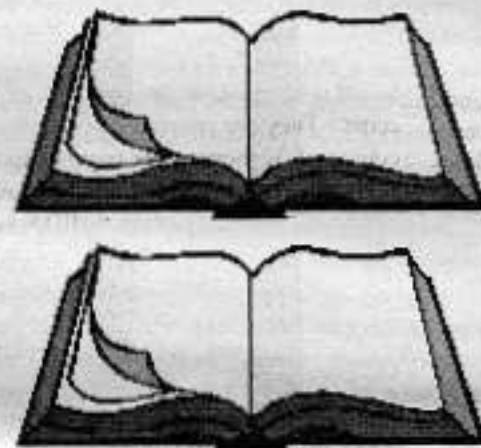
William O'Daly recently moved from the Northwest to return to his roots in California near the foothills of the Sierra Nevada, the Bear and American and Yuba Rivers in order to live more outdoor life with his family year around. He has graciously offered to do a poetry reading at our library during a short visit to Washington State.

His accomplishments are many: co-founder of Copper Canyon Press, now a leading poetry press located in Port Townsend, with Sam Hamill and others in Denver in the early 1970s; a Master of Fine Arts in Poetry and Translation; studies with poets Philip Levine, Kenneth Rexroth, Frederick Turner, and Alan Stephens; "revered" translator of six volumes of poetry by Chilean poet Pablo Neruda, 1904-1973, winner of the 1971 Nobel Prize, considered to be the foremost poet of the Latin American world in the twentieth century. Seventeen years were devoted to the making of these translations. The Pablo Neruda translations led to recordings on cassette tape, compact disc, and video, a modern dance performance, and a children's theater workshop in Seattle.

His own poems appeared under the title *Whale in the Web*, and in many anthologies and journals. Obligations and diversions have interrupted the time he can devote to his first love, the writing of poetry. For the last ten years, William O'Daly has been working on a historical novel based on the cultural revolution in China with co-author, Han-ping Chin.

For children, all summer at the library: the fun and adventurous reading program "Time Trek 2000" traveling to the age of dinosaurs, ancient Egyptian times, the medieval period, pirates, the wild west, the present and the future. See our time machine! Also: activity booklets, stickers, storytimes for ages 6 and up each Friday at 10:30 AM, June 30 through August 4, a contest with special T-shirts as prizes.

"Tooning Through the Pages of Time", Thursday, July 13 at 2:00 PM, will be a fun, hands on cartoon instructional program for children age 6 & up by teacher and cartoonist Frank Frazee.



VETERAN'S VOICES

By Eileen Young

Kids are out of school, June is over and we are ready for summer. Wherefore art thou summer? Like the ant we seem to be obsessed with the winter wood supply, freezing or preserving food for the winter and forgetting to stop and smell the flowers of summer. Life is one hectic pace and we are running to catch up.

Our fireworks stand will be in full swing when this article goes to press and it is our sincere hope for a successful sale in order to keep up our many projects in the coming year. Thank you all in advance for your contribution to this effort.

Remember, your new commander is Gary Helmick who can be reached at 884-2442 and for those in need of help or advice on veterans benefits, etc., contact Cy Young, service officer at 884-4551.

I have been asked to clear up the question of eligibility into the Ladies Auxiliary. Any woman who is an American citizen whose husband, father, brother or grandfather served in an overseas combat zone is eligible. If interested, call Roxyanne Wooldridge at 884-4407 or any member of VFW.

Having taken care of receiving flags for the Aisle of Honor for seven years, I am turning the books over to Yvonne Helmick to carry on this tradition. If you have a flag and wish it to be a part of the impressive display, call 884-2442. For myself, thanks to all who over the years have contributed to what I consider to be a wonderful, worthwhile "Honor" to veterans.

VFW will again lead the Pioneer Day parade with the Nations colors from Key Center to the Civic Center. Join the fun, time is 10:00 AM.

Old Timers Day at Longbranch will see VFW raise the flag to begin the festivities also at 10:00 AM. As you know many events take place during the day and VFW will join the vendors with an array of items on our sale table. Look for us while you browse.

Our annual picnic, held at Penrose Park will be on August 14th at 6:00 PM. Meat and "refreshments" will be provided by the post but YOU must bring a salad, casserole, etc., your own cutlery, dishes and appetite! Come and enjoy a relaxed social for members and their families. See you ALL there.

Memorial Day, May 29th, saw over 250 folks enjoy a wonderful program. While 173 flags flew in a stiff breeze, one lone dark cloud did manage to soak everything in sight. Despite soaked pages, water in instruments and a misfire with our new Honor Guard, the service was still one for the memory books. Our sincere thanks to the Cubs, Scouts and their leaders, to John Lumsden and Art Brown of the Affili Pipe and Drum, to the Key Singers, their director and pianist, to Brett Zimmermann and Matt Henricksen and to the members of 4990 Post and Auxiliary for their parts in another tribute to our departed heroes. Thanks also to the Civic Center for allowing us free use of the VFW room to fold the flags for storage and the use of 50 chairs for the service.

CARE CIRCLE for this month includes the family of Auxiliary sister Lillian Montaney, who passed away on June 5th in Ephrata. Our sincere condolences. Circle prayers for John Lumsden, Louie Aguilar, Ollie Cole, David Rick and Bob Deal would be much appreciated. We also remember Past State Commander Jane Adamson's husband, Charlie Adamson, passed away in Tacoma. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, Jane.

'Til next month remember. Success is getting what you want. Happiness is wanting what you get.

Home Town Meeting

The next Home Town Meeting is July 6th at 7:00 PM at the Home Fire Station. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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TO YOUR HEALTH

by
 William F. Roes,
 MD

It may seem that July is a little early to start talking about back to school issues, but we've gotten several requests already from students entering college this year for an unusual vaccine, and I thought it would be worth discussing. Apparently a number of universities are now requesting their prospective students have the meningococcal vaccine, and while this makes some sense, it's not a vaccine typically available in most offices or through the Health Department.

The currently available meningococcal vaccine is a polysaccharide vaccine that covers four strains of the meningococcal bacteria. This bacteria causes a particularly virulent form of meningitis with fatality rates of 13% even in patients treated with appropriate antibiotics. There has been an increase in cases over the last few years, but it remains a relatively rare disease. One of the risk factors is crowding of susceptible people into close quarters such as college dormitories or military barracks, so I'm assuming that is why some schools are now requiring it. It's given as an injection, and usually only one dose is required. People with immune disorders and without a functioning spleen are at higher risk and should receive the vaccine, but as yet there are no recommendations that all school age children should be immunized. If your college requires it, contact your physician - if he (or she) doesn't have it in stock, they may be able to write a prescription for it that you can take to the pharmacy, and then

return it to your doctor's for the shot. Unfortunately it is expensive, and most insurance plans do not consider it necessary and won't pay for it.

While, I'm discussing immunizations, it's a good time to remind parents of much younger students that it's not too early for school physicals. The Key Peninsula Well Child Clinic is held every Tuesday morning at our office (Key Medical Center), and is open to every child on the peninsula up to age 12 years. The fee of \$10 supports the Key Peninsula Health Center's sponsorship of this clinic, and can be waived if necessary. If you have questions about the Well Child Clinic, school physicals, or what immunizations are required for your child, call us at 884-9221.

Grace Presbyterian Church

Summer Bible Study begins on Thursday, July 13th, led by Larry Carlson. The six-week session starts at 7:00 PM.

Worship and Sunday School begins at 10:30 AM Sunday mornings, meeting at Miracle Ranch on Horseshoe Lake. All are welcome. For more information, call 857-7284.

Vaughn Community Church

All children, kindergarten through 5th grade, are invited to Vacation Bible School at Vaughn Community Church July 10-14, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Come for a fun time and bring a friend. Call 884-2269 for pre-registration.



THE LAW COLUMN

by Michael Misner

First, I need to make it clear that I am a big fan of Christine Gregoire. Aside from the fact that she is an alum of my old law school and, therefore, a big fan of our beloved Gonzaga Bulldogs, she has been an excellent Attorney General and, frankly, I hope that someday she decides to run for the Senate. Her handling of the tobacco litigation was very impressive and she has received a national reputation as a skilled AG as a result. Despite my unqualified support of her during her years on the job, I do have to take issue with a recent development in her office.

As you may have read, the state failed to file timely an appeal from a \$17 million judgment that was obtained recently in Pierce County. The underlying case was about three mentally disabled men who were assaulted for years while in foster care. As you know, foster care is a program licensed by the state and supervised by the Department of Social and Health Services. The key word in that sentence is "supervised."

It became evident to the jury that heard the case that the three plaintiffs had not been properly cared for while in the custody of the state — in fact, they had suffered injuries from which they will not recover. This verdict is the largest in county history. From many years of trying cases to juries in our county I know that juries around here do not blithely give away money — especially taxpayers' money. The jurors must have found something pretty horrible for them to render the verdict that they did. Here is where my criticism of Ms. Gregoire comes in.

When a party loses a case, that person has 30 days after the verdict and judgment have been entered to file an appeal. Thirty days means thirty days. While the rule does not come right out and say it, the court, because of its inherent equitable powers, may be able to extend that deadline for reasons beyond the appealing party's control. Things like war, Y2K meltdown, maybe the "I Love You" virus completely wiping out a database and those kinds of things may buy you a break — but don't count on it. The claim that someone else in your office was supposed to have taken care of filing the appeal will get you only as far as claiming that your dog ate your algebra homework did in junior high.

In this case Ms. Gregoire appears to be blaming people on her staff for not getting the job done on time. All that may be true and heads will probably roll. But that fact does not rise to the level of excusable neglect that is necessary to get an extension of time.

The argument might be made that since the taxpayers will ultimately have to pay the bill for this oversight, their rights need to be protected. In other words, just because an Assistant AG goofed up, the taxpayers should not get caught holding the bag for this kind of judgment. There are a few things wrong with this reasoning.

First, the verdict may well hold up on appeal and if so the taxpayers will either pay now or later.

Second, economic pain is not a defense when someone is found to be at fault for hurting someone else. Here DSHS (read you and I) failed to do its (our) job and three people got hurt who should not have. Just because it pinches the wallet does not mean that we (the state treasury) can get a second bite at the apple and get to file our appeal late when every other litigant in the state has the same 30 day deadline staring them in the face that the Attorney General did. This law applies to all or it applies to none.

Third, a lawyer speaks for his or her client. For example, if I had failed to file an appeal as the state did, my client would now be talking to my malpractice insurance company about paying the judgment. I would have no place to hide, nor should I.

My dad said it best years ago and I have tried to instill it in all of my kids: When you mess up — you fess up. Time to write the check, Christine. I'll still vote for you in the next election.

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The Girls Heard

A great time was had by all at a surprise 40th birthday party for Rose Buralli. Lots of friends appeared on her doorstep to celebrate this milestone birthday. Gary Gebo, to whom she is engaged, orchestrated this wonderful surprise. While we're on the "forties" we must mention that Al and Erlene Twidt celebrated their 44th wedding anniversary on June 16th. This was wonderful news — congratulations!



And, here's another impressive anniversary. Shirley and Don Olson and Harm and Jane Van Slyke just returned from a trip with Stan and Barbara Boreson to Branson, Missouri. While there, Shirley and Don celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary!

Good news for Evergreen School and the KP Middle School. They received a grant to help fund after-school activities for the kids.

One of our favorite pilots is soon to retire. He has less than 10 flights left in a long and successful career — we'll let you know who and when next month. Another one of our pilots and his wife, living in Home, are growing grapes — a real vineyard in our own backyard!

Rumor has it that everyone who attended the Vaughn Union High School reunion had a wonderful time — even the cheerleaders were there. Elsie Olson was the oldest graduate in attendance. She is now 96 and a graduate of the class of 1921. Way to go Elsie! The youngest graduate was Joyce Neiman a graduate of the class of 1947. The graduate who traveled the furthest to be here was Lloyd Tachel from the class of 1942. He came all the way from Oklahoma.



What about the new Farmer's Market on Sundays at Ravensara? We heard the vendors have been very pleased with the turnout — even though the first week was a little on the rainy side. Let's all support this new Peninsula business.

Ian Home, 23 year old son of Diana and Rob Home, has accepted a teaching position at Purdy Elementary. Congratulations, Ian! Also, congratulations Diana and Rob, how proud you must be.

Jennifer McLaughlin, youngest daughter of Chris and Ken McLaughlin, owners of Capitol Lumber in Key Center, was married to Travis Moore on May 28th. Best wishes to you both for a happy life.

Did you know that Lori Ann Brudvik-Lindner and her husband, Richard, recently flew to New York where Lori presented a paper entitled "Politics and Psychology," psychotherapy in a socio-political context, at Fordham University to the International Psychohistorical Association. We are proud of you, Lori!

ARRIVALS: Lynn and Chuck Douglas of Lake Holiday are the proud grandparents of Jordan Charles Douglas, their son Charlie's new baby boy.

PASSINGS: Charlie Fiano, known to all of us as the KIRO Highway Helper, passed away on June 10th. Our hearts go out to Joannie and Gabrielle. John Schock, son of Vaughn homesteaders also passed away on June 10th. Dennis O'Hara, son of Kathleen and Jim O'Hara, early settlers of Vaughn Bay, passed away on June 16th. And last, we're a little late in letting you know that Don Palmer, long time resident of Vaughn Bay, passed away on May 28th.

Oh, by the way... CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL GRADUATES 2000 !!

Well, this is the first "The Girl's Heard" column. We hope you like it. If you have any interesting tidbits for the girls, send them (no later than the 15th of the month) to The Girls Heard, in care of the KP News, P.O. Box 3, Vaughn, WA 98394.

"The Girls"

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Domestic violence is a complex and serious epidemic that destroys families, overwhelms legal and social service systems, and negatively impacts the entire community. Although it is a common denominator in juvenile violence, substance abuse, child abuse and many other serious social problems in Pierce County and across the nation it continued to be one of the skeletons in the closet of our culture. Too often this silence leaves victims to suffer alone, perpetrators to abuse without consequence and allows the cycle of violence to be passed from generation to generation and throughout our community.

Domestic violence is a pattern of controlling behavior that occurs over time and serves to trap its victims in dangerous and unhealthy relationships. It involves physical, sexual, or psychological coercion to establish and maintain control over a partner. This can include coercion and threats, intimidation, isolation from friends and family, economic abuse, minimizing and blaming, and using the children to make the other partner feel guilty or threatening to take the children away. The abuser repeats the cycle of power and control, which often involves the building of tension, a violent episode, and then a period of regret with attempts to "make up" afterwards.

Locally, the Key Peninsula/Gig Harbor Family Violence Prevention Project is working to educate friends, neighbors, churches, schools and business leaders about domestic violence and make resources available to assist those affected by family violence. The project is a joint effort of community members, service groups and agency representatives who are working together to develop and implement a grass-roots community wide response to domestic violence that includes prevention, intervention, education and support. For program information or to assist in their efforts, call Penny Gazabat @ 884-9944.

Another local group is I.M.P.A.C.T that also provides presentations and is currently working on creating a nearby women's shelter. It is estimated that 50% of all homeless women and children are fleeing domestic violence, yet there are 3 animal shelters to every 1 shelter for these women and children. The domestic violence Women's Shelter Project would offer shelter for women and children with access to counseling, clothing, and training. For program information or to assist in their efforts, call Lakebay Community Covenant Church @ 884-3899.

Ending the violence in our communities takes the effort of everyone. Friends, neighbors, employers, and relatives are strongly encouraged to report domestic violence when they see or hear it. Supporting victims who need safe housing, transportation, or childcare while they take steps to protect themselves and their children is another vital role for the community. The Pierce County Domestic Violence Helpline @ (253) 798-4166 or 1-800-764-2420 provides a safe and confidential place to talk, information on local support groups, legal assistance, low income housing, low income clinics, shelters and safety planning, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



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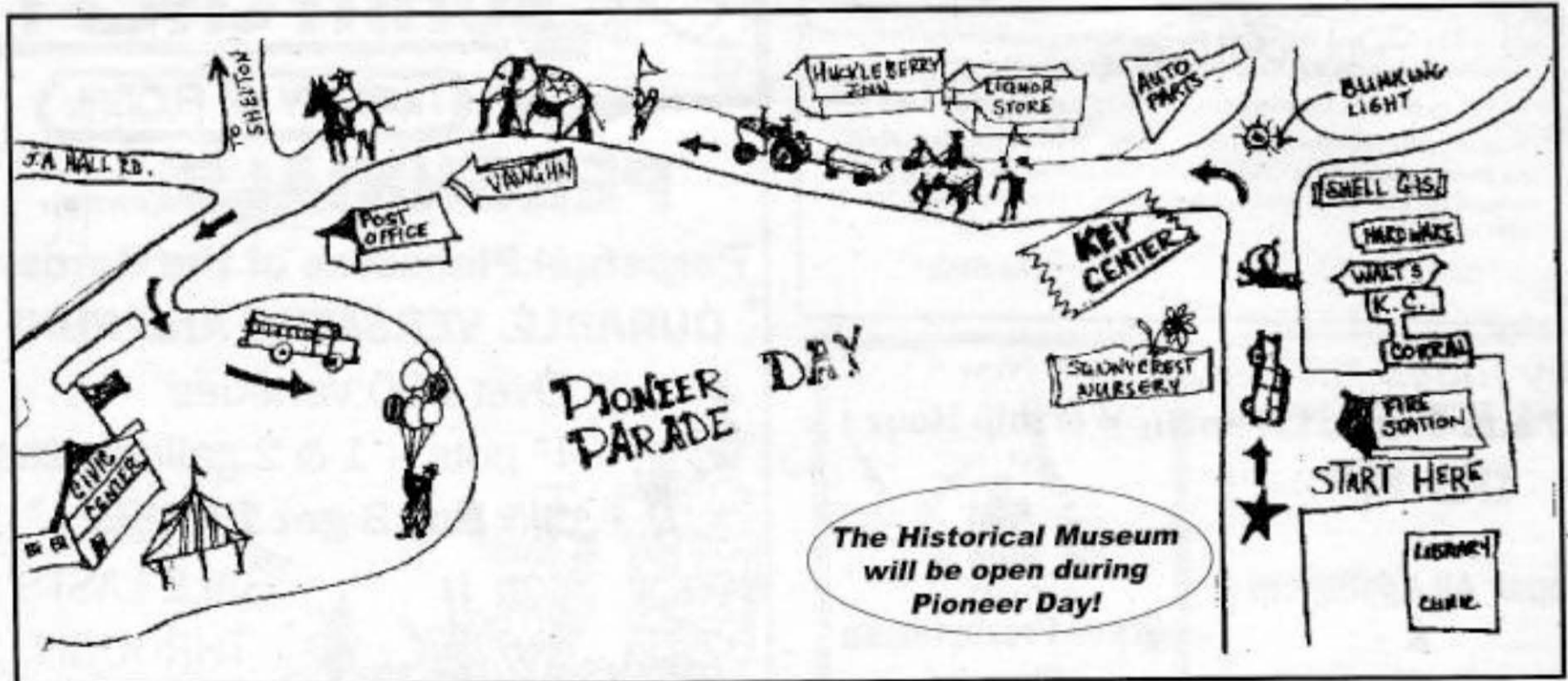
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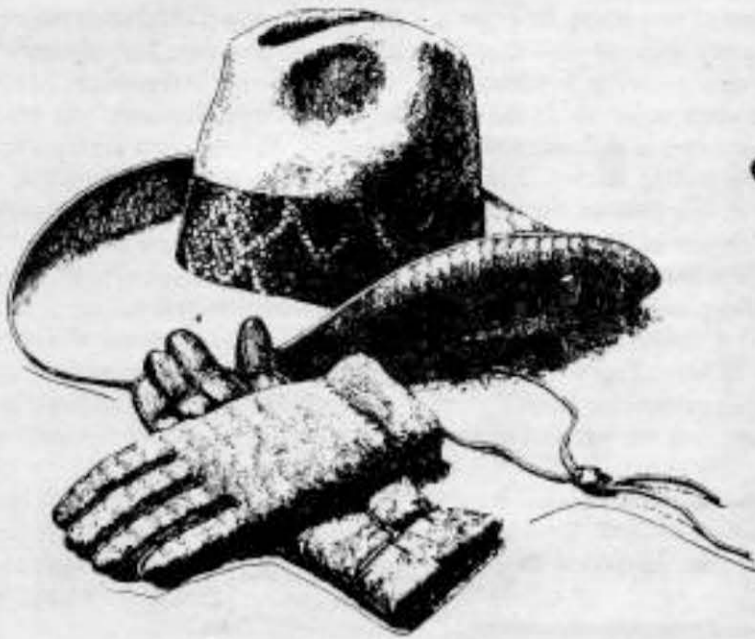
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Troop 220 Busy With Activities And Service Projects



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It's that time of year where the troop is busy nearly every weekend with activities such as service projects, fundraisers, campouts or other activities. In the past month, Troop 220 has assisted with the Maritime Gig in Gig Harbor, Summer Dance Festival, Jazz Festival, the Lakebay Fuchsia Society annual sale, and the VFW Post 4990 Memorial Day flag raising. All this is in addition to attending the annual spring time Boy Scouting Festival held at Fort Lewis in May. The Troop held a campout and bike ride to the North Fork of the Skokomish river the weekend of June 23 - 25.

We have also had a few personal accomplishments this past month. Rhys Haydon and Kevin Burkart completed their Or-

der of The Arrow (OA) ordeals and are now considered Arrowmen. They accompany the Troop's current Arrowmen: Matthew Macaras, Chris Burkart, and Michael Mayfarth. These Scouts perform special Native American Indian theme based ceremonies in support of Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting. They are considered to be among the most experienced campers within the troop and are willing to put forth the additional effort and time to support the scouting program and the community.

Chris Burkart completed his Eagle project over the weekend of June 3rd and 4th. He constructed emergency shelters for Minter Creek Elementary school that can be used in case of building damage. These shelters can be quickly and easily assembled by the school staff to shelter all the students in an emergency.

Summer camp plans are in full swing. The troop will be attending summer camp from July 2 to July 9 at Camp Parsons on the Hood Canal this year. We expect approximately 25 Scouts from the troop to attend. A few new activities are available for the older Scouts this year to include: climbing, snorkeling, motor boating and sail boarding.

Matthew Macaras, Chris Burkart and Travis Malcolm will be attending the annual Bushmaster training held at Camp Delzene during the week of June 24th. This week long training course is designed for the older and more experienced Scouts to provide them additional leadership skills and further their camping skills. Their newly learned skills should help the troop prosper will into next year.

Future outings include a weekend trip to a Mariners game in July, and the annual High Adventure in August. 13 experienced Scouts will bike and hike the San Juan Islands August 16th to 20th. This outing should be a fun filled trip for all.

The troop held it's annual rummage sale on Saturday, June 17th. The troop thanks the Lake Kathryn Village stores and the community for their support in making this sale a success.

Anyone interested in the Scouting program should call the Scoutmaster, Bill Macaras at 884-3133. Weekly troop meetings are held at 6:30 on Tuesdays year round at the Key Peninsula Civic Center.

Washington WaterWeeks Activities Coming Sept. 1

WaterWeeks is a statewide series of more than 150 water-related education and action events that takes place from September 1 through October 15 each year. In 1999, more than 45,000 people participated in these activities and another 1.4 million people viewed exhibits and materials at fairs and festivals.

Some of the active involvement activities are stream restoration, water quality monitoring and shoreline cleanups, but many other age- and skill-appropriate events provide opportunities for all residents to learn about and get involved in protecting Washington's waters.

For more information, visit www.waterweeks.org; call (360) 943-3642; or write WaterWeeks at P.O. Box 1354, Olympia, WA 98507-1354.

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Cougar News

by Cheryl Force

Wow, what exciting news for Key Peninsula Middle School! Three teachers have been selected to participate in the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Teacher Leadership Foundation. Cindi Barton, Phyllis Krueger and Karen Sanom-Miller will join Connie Nelson, who is already in the program. This program provides extensive training in how to integrate technology into the curriculum. Each participant's classroom will be equipped with eight new computers, a printer and device that projects images from a computer onto a screen.

We also were notified that Key Peninsula Middle School has been selected as part of a grant to receive funds that will allow the school to offer more after school activities and classes throughout the year. These classes may include tutoring and enhancement classes like drama and intramural sports. More information will be available in September.

The Peninsula School Board has approved the adoption of Channel One News here at Key Peninsula Middle School. This program created by Whittle Broadcasting Corp. presents news specifically for students. In exchange for showing the 12 minute news program daily, Whittle will supply a satellite dish, television monitors for each class meeting area and support services for the equipment. These services are given at no charge to the school. This program is scheduled to be shown at the current breakfast/nutritional break. In addition, this technology will also allow a KPMS student produced morning announcement segment to be televised into every classroom. This will allow us to reach more students with vital information by involving the visual and auditory senses as well as the creative energies of our student body. The possibilities are endless!

We wish the 8th graders our very best as they were officially "Moved On" to freshman status at a ceremony held at Peninsula High School on Monday, June 19th. The event was well attended with standing room only for the many parents and friends. Congratulations to the following 8th Grade 4.0 Honor Roll students: Scott Cail, Shannan Campbell, Stephanie Etheredge, Brittany French, Aubree Glennon, Jessica Griffin, Heather Grobler, Tim Handy, Tristant House, Garrett Iverson, Meghan Jackson, Brett Knisley, Julie Listoe, Erik Marvik, Vanessa Peterson, Stacey Rippon, Ryan Conort, Samantha Schilpp, and Brandi Sloan.

Lastly, our community has a lot to be proud of, as results of the Boys and Girls Track Season were turned in. Over the past four years, the track teams have won single championships, but this year, both the 8th Grade Girls and Boys Track Team won the District Championship. This is the first time in our school's history to boast such an accomplishment! To note a few special achievements we would like to congratulate the 8th grade boys 4 x 1 Relay team of Eddie Reeves, Kevin Martin, Scott Cail and David Wahlstrom who broke the school record of 49:34 by finishing the relay at 47:45. Scott Cail set a new High Jump record of 5'10" previously held at 5'6". Meghan Jackson ran the 200 meter Dash in 28:03 which beat the standing record of 28:48. Kara Drew set a new shot-put record of 31'1" up from 30'10" and the 8th grade 4 x 2 Relay team of Meghan Jackson, Whitney Moore, Kara Drew and Dianna Taylor set a new school record finishing the event at 1:59. Katy Six, a 6th grader, set a new 200 meter Dash record finishing at 29:30. Way to go!!

Minter Creek Elementary News

Minter Teachers Awarded Gates Teacher Leadership Technology Grants!

Congratulations to our fourth grade teachers, Mrs. Stowell and Mr. Staffki. They have been selected to participate in the Teacher Leadership Project funded by the Gates Foundations. Both teachers will participate in an intensive five day technology workshop this summer, and will receive \$9000 to purchase technology for their classrooms next year. Their classes will have nine desktop computers, a laser printer, a projection unit and more to help support the integration of technology into their teaching. Congratulations Leslie and Jeff!

Dollfun Day Thank You!

Dollfun Day was a great success thanks to the support of many folks. We'd like to thank Lisa Sturman for the festive balloons, Gig Harbor McDonalds for the juice, and the fifty-five plus parent volunteers who joined us in making this a wonderful day for our children.

New Staffing Model For Next Year

While our staffing allocation has not been finalized, we are anticipating a new staffing model for next year. We are working toward having three classes at each grade level, eliminating our 4th/5th grade split class (taught by Mrs. Hirsh this year). If this is the case, we may need to hire a new 3rd and/or 4th grade teacher. Mrs. Watson is considering moving up to fill Mrs. Sather's 5th grade teaching position.

Teachers and staff have met during this week to construct initial class lists for next year. These lists will be finalized during the summer when our staffing becomes solidified. As with past years, class lists will be posted at noon on the Friday before the first day of school, September 2, 2000.

If you have questions or concerns about student placement procedures, please give Mr. Lertz a call or e-mail at leitz@peninsula.wednet.edu.

From all of us at Minter Creek, we wish you a safe and wonderful summer break. We look forward to seeing you in September. Take care.

First Day of School 2000-2001 is September 6th, 2000!



The Critter Corner

by Jeff Irwin

Q. Why should I have my dog or cat spayed? They are almost always indoors, and I have a six-foot fence around the property and I don't intend to breed her.

A. The purpose of spaying a dog or cat goes beyond just preventing them from reproducing, although that is the primary reason.

If a dog is spayed before her first heat cycle, she has less than a 1% probability of developing mammary cancer later in life. Most females with mammary cancer were either spayed later in life, or not at all. Also, a female dog with an intact reproductive system may be predisposed to developing pyometra. Pyometra is actually defined as a pus filled uterus. This condition can be fatal if not treated. Pyometra can't develop in a spayed female because during the surgical procedure, the ovaries and the uterus are removed.

Unspayed female cats have much lower evidence of mammary cancer and pyometra but both conditions are possible with an intact reproductive system. Female cats are what we call induced ovulators, which means that until they become pregnant, they will continue to cycle in and out of heat throughout the breeding season. This season is long and extends from February to September. During this season, an unbred cat will almost continuously show the rather obnoxious sign of heat. Constant rubbing of her body, especially her hind end against your body, restlessness, frequent plaintive meowing, and the desire to go outdoors just to name a few. In other words, a spayed female cat is much more even-tempered and calm and therefore a more pleasant pet to be around.

Q. I've been told an Animal Health Technician is nothing more than a trained animal handler or restrainer. IS THIS TRUE?

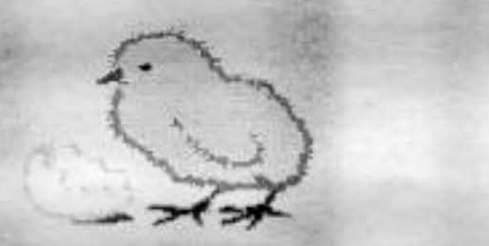
A. Absolutely not! Animal Health Technicians (AHT's) or Veterinary Technicians are highly trained animal health professionals. They endure a rigid 2-year college program taught by veterinarians and other AHT's. One such college program in this area is administered at Pierce College. This AHT program is accredited, meaning that it has

passed standards set by a team of nationally chosen animal health professionals.

The AHTs are trained not only in animal husbandry and restraint; they become proficient at administering anesthesia to allow pets a soft comfortable and painfree state of being during surgery. They are trained to give injectable medications by all recognized routes. They are trained to safely fill prescriptions, medications as ordered by veterinarians. AHTs become proficient at taking blood samples for lab diagnostic procedures and are also trained to run these diagnostic procedures.

To state it another way, if you combine some of the talent of a human surgical nurse, a lab technician, a trained animal handler and a level A pharmacy technician, you get the combined talents needed to become an AHT.

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Couch Potato Alert

by Mary Nelson

Couch potatoes need to rise and shine!!! Two new studies show that any kind of exercise is better than none. Start where you are and build up from there. Here are some ideas for beginners:

- * Consciously speed up the pace of everyday chores.
- * Park farther away from the store whenever you go.
- * Measure the number of steps to the mailbox and add 20 or 30 or 100 each day.
- * Measure off a mile from your home and walk along that route and back, starting out with part way and adding a little each day until you are ready to measure off 2 miles.
- * Don't wander. Keep up a good pace. We need to walk faster when we get out there.
- * Join T.O.P.S. Get a walking pal and lots of encouragement.

Our trip to Spokane, to the State Recognition Day Convention, was so exciting. We were really impressed with the successes being made statewide. Four women and one man represented our group.

Our best loser this month is...are you ready for this?...Mary Nelson. Yes, I made the papers. This is the BEST time for you to step up and join us. After all, if I can do it (lose weight) you certainly can. Our second best loser is Ms. Anonymous again. She has gone 12 weeks without gaining even once. There is a real Accomplishment!!! Congratulations, girl.

No doubt you are wondering how you can be a part of this beneficial program. T.O.P.S. (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) #WA1325, Lakebay can be found meeting at the Home Fire Station every Tuesday morning from 9:00 to 10:30 AM or 11:00 AM. Men and women of all ages are welcome. Whether you have a little or a lot to lose. Ages 9 to 90 are welcome. Call Ruth at 884-9606 or Dottie at 884-1721 for further information.

Calling All Local Poets

We often receive announcements about national poetry contests, but here's one just for readers of the *K P News*. We're looking for local poets, any age, to send us a poem, written in Haiku style this time. Next time we'll specify a different style. The rules to be followed for Haiku are as follows:

1) Three lines in the poem; 2) Five syllables in the first line, seven in the second line, five in the third line, for a total of seventeen syllables; and 3) The content of the third line must be related to the first two lines, but be somewhat of a surprise. Here's an example:

**Flow on forever,
Thou bright red fluid of life:
Tomato ketchup.**

Send your entries to: Poetry Contest, *K P News*, P O Box 3, Vaughn, WA 98304. Entries must be sent by regular mail, not e-mail, carrier pigeon, phone, fax or hand-delivered, and must be received by July 20, 2000. Obviously, all entries must be original and not have been published anywhere else. The winner will receive a \$20 gift certificate good at any business that advertises in the *K P News*. The decision of the judges is final.

New Version of Shoreline Guidelines Offers Flexibility, Choice

The state Department of Ecology has released a new draft of proposed shoreline guidelines that tries to balance local governments' desire for flexibility with federal fish agencies' need for certainty that fish habitat will be protected. The new guidelines would establish two options for cities and counties as they update their shoreline master programs.

"Path A" allows local governments creativity in how they meet the standards of the state's Shoreline Management Act — something several of them requested after reviewing an earlier version of the guidelines. But federal natural-resource agencies were concerned that too much flexibility could leave shorelines inadequately protected and could further harm fish. So as an alternative, "Path B" outlines more-specific measures for protecting shoreline functions.

If an ESA-listed fish is harmed or its habitat disturbed as a result of an activity covered by an exception granted under Path B, it would not be considered "take" and would not be subject to ESA liability. Since about three-quarters of the state has one or more fish species listed as threatened or endangered under the ESA, this becomes a significant environmental challenge. Ecology Director Tom Fitzsimmons has said that "Through our new shoreline guidelines, we can avoid financial penalties and legal liability, and also make real progress toward putting fish back in our streams."

As an example of how the system would function, the proposal makes it clear that the guidelines will not apply to existing and ongoing agricultural activities. It also clarifies that repairing and maintaining existing bulkheads is allowed, and that owners of single-family residences do not have to demonstrate

that a nearby dock is unavailable before getting permission to build a new pier or dock. However, the guidelines still contain provisions making it harder to install new bulkheads. A true need

for a bulkhead will have to be demonstrated, and replacement bulkheads will have to be designed to reduce harm to neighboring shorelines. Also, neighbors will be encouraged to share piers and docks to reduce the spread of individual structures.

A public comment period on the proposed guidelines started June 7th and lasts through August 7th. People may submit comments in writing via mail or the Internet, or may present oral remarks at one of the public hearings listed below.

Written comments should be sent to: Shoreline Rule, Department of Ecology, P O Box 47600, Olympia, WA 98504-7600. The Internet address is: <http://www.wa.gov/ecology/sea/SMA/guidelines/newguid.htm>

The public hearings closest to the Key Peninsula are on July 5th at Lacey in the Dep't of Ecology's auditorium at 300 Desmond Drive, and on July 11th in Seattle in the Shaw Room of the Seattle Center, 305 Harrison Street. The public hearings start with an informational Q & A period at 5:30 PM, followed by the formal public hearing at 7 PM.

Printed versions of the proposed guidelines will be available at the public hearings, or by calling 888-211-3641 or by sending an e-mail to: shorerule@ecy.wa.gov



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Key Peninsula Park & Recreation District News

by Nancy Lind

The Park Board meets at 7 PM on the second Monday of each month at the Volunteer Park Annex. Everyone is welcome. For information and/or scheduling park use, call Fred Ramsdell at 884-4834 or Pat Medveckus at 800-595-1010 (day) or 884-5097 (night). A message can be left at the park office, 884-9240. Dick Granquist, Marilyn Tagert and Nancy Lind round out the Board.

Volunteer Park

Adult Co-Ed softball applications are available now. Watch for flyers in the stores. Mail completed applications to KPPRD, P.O. Box 46, Vaughn, WA 98394. First meeting will be July 9, 2:00 PM, at Volunteer Park.

KPPRD, in cooperation with Skyhawks, presents summer "Sports Programs for Kids" which starts in August. Use the form sent home from school or call Pat Medveckus at the above number for more information or for a form if you didn't get one from school.

The tennis courts are close to Field 1 and there is an occasional baseball over the fence.

The playground equipment is still on the "to do" list. We need volunteers.

Horseshoe players meet every Wednesday at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome.

Don Porter is the new groundskeeper and he's doing a great job.

Rocky Creek Conservation Area

The Friends of Rocky Creek Board meets the first Wednesday of each month at the Key Center Fire Station at 2 PM. Everyone is welcome if you'd like to be involved.


On Monday, June 12, a crew from the Washington Corrections Center for Women did their monthly cleanup at RCCA and they do a wonderful job.

Tacoma City Light crews were at the park while we were cleaning up and they had been picking up car hulks from the creek bed, piling up berms and putting up "No Motorized Vehicle", "No Shooting" and "No Fires" signs. Call Nancy Lind at 884-3347 if you have any sightings of inappropriate behavior in this corridor.

The cedar entrance sign on Crews Road is going up soon.

A tour of the park is going to happen the last Sunday of each month at 2 PM. The next one is July 30th. Meet at Crews Road on 150th and Elgin-Clifton Road (SR 302), the Lake Holiday entrance. This is a great walking park and we're trying very hard to clean it up, make trails and help City Light stop the traffic in the creek under the poles.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR VOLUNTEERS!



**YESTERDAY'S
TEENAGERS!**
Key Peninsula Senior Society
by Jim Nolan
Phone: 851-4847

Monthly Party Days

Although we seniors meet once a week, we have a SPECIAL PARTY DAY once a month, and anyone over 55 is invited, no charge. (To any meeting, that is.) In June, the PARTY DAY was Thursday, June 15, and was a Fathers Day observance. We had a great menu and some interesting "Old West" costumes, including many cowboy hats. Stella Brennan's cowgirl outfit, complete with lariat and boots, was outstanding. We had 31 seniors at that session, plus several who were there for the first time. HOORAY! The more the merrier!!

This month's PARTY DAY will come on July 6th, a sort-of delayed INDEPENDENCE DAY celebration with hot dogs and beans, plus RED, WHITE and BLUE costumes and decorations. Come on along; potluck Thursday noon at the Civic Center in Vaughn.

Left over from last month because of space limitations: the SENIOR SURVEY QUESTION of May 11th: What is your favorite DRINK? There were some worries, that depending on the majority of responses, if ALCOHOLIC DRINKS were predominant, we might be thought of as a bunch of OLD SOAKS. However, believe it or not, WATER, with 5 votes, was the most popular drink. All the other responses received one vote each: Tea, Iced Tea, Milk, Cocoa, Coffee, Amaretto & Milk, Pepsi, Diet Pepsi, Orange Juice, Orange Soda, Root Beer, Coors Lite, Pina Colada, Mocha Latte and Scotch & Soda. Pretty conservative bunch of drinkers, these seniors! SKOAL!

WHAT DO OUR SENIORS THINK? Our SENIOR SURVEY for June was on CAPITAL PUNISHMENT. Considering the recent news about the death penalty, such as wrongful convictions in Illinois and Texas, and elsewhere, as well as years and years of appeals by death-row convicts in many states, including our own; and increased discussions as to whether death penalties are truly a deterrent seemed to indicate that we needed a survey of K. P. Seniors on the subject. Some 30 oldsters, right here in Vaughn, surveyed in June, gave this result: DEATH PENALTY; YES, 17, NO, 10. A couple of comments offered by the YES voters were: "Hang them", "I'm for death", and "Too many go free."

This survey was taken mostly among 70 and 80 year-olds, with women outnumbering men 2 to 1. The results seem to generally follow the national trend lately of some 60% favoring the death penalty.

ON ANOTHER NOTE, Henry Stock made & donated a small table for our use each Thursday for display purposes. Thanks, Hank, and wear that huge blue and silver Mexican hat again sometime, it's a winner.

Six of our KPSS seniors journeyed to Ocean Shores recently to be a part of SENIORS 2000, and to beach walk and breathe ocean breezes. Story is: They spent most of their time indoors playing cards.

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Effective July 1, 2000, the Gig Harbor Key Peninsula Cultural Arts Commission (CAC) "Tickets & More" kiosks will be open Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. CAC now operates two kiosks, one located in Kimball's Espresso Gallery on Kimball Drive in Gig Harbor and the other in the Key Peninsula Civic Center in Vaughn.

CAC member non-profit organizations are invited to bring event tickets to CAC kiosks for volunteers to sell. Tickets to dances, dinners, recognition events, outings are all acceptable. You may also bring brochures, membership information, posters, and flyers for display or customer use.

Currently, the kiosk volunteers are selling tickets to the "Third Annual Gig Harbor Garden Tour," Encore Theatre's production of "The King and I," and subscriptions and/or tickets to "Jubilee," a family program presented once a month beginning this September.

Stop by and visit with the CAC volunteers, learn what is happening in the arts in our community.

\$38,000 in Prizes in Student Art Contest

Arts and Kids announces a contest with no entry fee for students 17 and younger. There are 115 prizes being awarded this year. Since judges will use age-appropriate standards, all entrants have an equal chance of winning.

To enter, send ONE original work of art, any style, any medium. All entries must include the child's name, address and age on the back, and be postmarked no later than July 31, 2000. Artwork should be sent to: Arts and Kids, Suite 101-2111, 3600 Crondall Lane, Owings Mills, MD 21117.

For additional information about Arts and Kids, you can visit their website at www.ArtsandKids.com.



Blood Bank Coming To Pioneer Day Again

1999 was the first year the Cascade Regional Blood Services Unit came to Pioneer Day, set up in the VFW/WIC room next to the museum, and had thirty-three people present themselves as donors. This year we'd like to better that by having at least fifty people take advantage of this great opportunity to help save lives by donating blood.

Keep in mind that you CANNOT get hepatitis or AIDS or any other disease from donating blood. But you can help people who have been in serious accidents, people who need major surgery, and people who may have genetic blood deficiencies. Each unit of blood can be separated into different fractions, so it's possible for one unit (about one pint) to actually help three people.

You have to be at least seventeen years old, weigh at least 110 pounds, and not have been a donor for at least 56 days before donating at Pioneer Day on August 5th. It doesn't take much time, and it makes you feel real good for a long time afterwards because you've helped save other people's lives.

Dog-A-Thon 2000 on Saturday, July 15th

On Saturday, July 15th, starting at 8:30 AM, approximately 1,000 people and their dogs will gather at Fort Steilacoom County Park for Dog-A-Thon 2000, the Humane Society's Walk For Homeless Pets. In order to help even more homeless animals find loving homes, the Humane Society is inviting people to raise pledges and walk in Dog-A-Thon 2000. All proceeds benefit the adoption program at the Humane Society.

Participants can walk with or without a dog, and can choose between a one mile stroll or a four mile scenic hike through the woods above beautiful Lake Waughop. There are individual prizes for pledge levels over \$40, including a trip for two to Hawaii. Six or more walkers can form a team and receive a special team prize at the event.

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VFW To Honor Korean Vets 4 July

Members of Key Peninsula's Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4990 will hold a commemorative ceremony honoring those who served in Korea. The event begins promptly at 10:00 AM, July 4th, at the Flagstaff Garden in the Purdy shopping area.

"It's to honor the Korean vets, their families, and those who lost loved ones in that 'forgotten war,'" said Bud Natucci, the event's organizer.

The post will hoist and give the history of the commemorative flag, fire a 21 gun salute, and read a poem written by a veteran of the Korean conflict.

"The event should last no more than 20 minutes," said Natucci, "and we encourage the public to join us for the ceremony."



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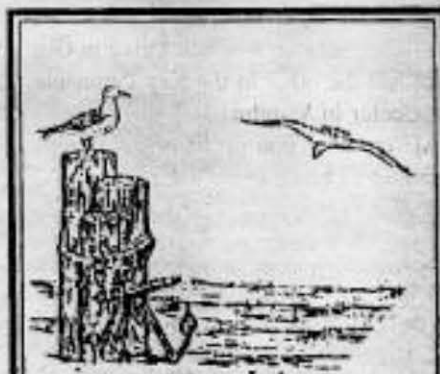
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The Garden In July

by Sylvia Retherford
(253) 884-2487



July lilies are blossoming while June lilies are still lovely. Summer gardens are a great pleasure. The winter vegetable garden planted in June, should now be rows of tiny seedlings needing regular care until the fall rains come. They include cauliflower, broccoli, Brussel sprouts, kale, ornamental cabbage, red cabbage and radicchio. There are always too many seedlings but when they are 4-6 inches tall, they can be thinned by giving the excess to the neighbors, so they too can have home grown vegetables November through April.

Wild tiger lilies of two species are in bloom both along our local roadway and in the wild garden. (*Lilium parviflorum* and *L. pardalinum*). The first has slightly smaller blossoms with yellow anthers and the second is larger with red anthers. Anthers bear the pollen which are the male cells. We marked some of the 2-3 feet tall specimens when they were spotted in bloom and returned in August to gather the brown seed pods. It takes two years from seed to have a mature plant. They are worth the wait.

As we clean up spring and early summer plant remnants, weeds and kitchen refuse, it should be composted as a conservation measure as well as preparation of fertilizer and humus for the garden. Meat or bones should not be included but our seagull friends carry them off when we alert them. With proper care, compost has no unpleasant odor and weed seeds are killed by the composting process.

Commercial compost produced locally and Tagro, composted Tacoma sewage, are good additions to home composted materials. They do not present a health hazard because heating and aeration of the composting process kills organisms.

The Bayshore Garden Club

On July 21, 2000, the Bayshore Garden Club, member of the Capitol District, will meet at the Longbranch Improvement Club. 12:00 Lunch with Hostesses: Jean Barnes and Marguerite Dussard; 1:00 PM Design with Peg Robertson; 1:30 PM the Theme Speaker is Donna Siegers, Master Gardener, Native Plants; 2:00 PM Horticulture/Conservation with Peg Robertson. For more information call Sylvia Retherford at 884-2487.

Members Invited To PLC's 75th Anniversary Party

To mark 75 years of supplying us with electricity, Peninsula Light Company is inviting all members to two events. On Thursday, July 13th, from 8 to 4:30, there will be an open house at company headquarters with refreshments, displays, workshops, and even a barbecue lunch, as well as activities for children and adults. The second event is a free concert in the Gig Harbor City Park by the Tacoma Concert Band on August 10th. PLC suggests you bring a picnic supper and enjoy an evening of music and fun for the whole family.

*Celebrate
Pioneer Day
on August 5th
at the
KP Civic Center*

KEY PENINSULA CIVIC CENTER ASSOCIATION 2000 COMING EVENTS

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ROADSIDE ANTIQUE SHOW	October 14th & 15th
HALLOWEEN PARTY	October 31st
HOLIDAY ARTS & CRAFTS SHOW	November 18th
VFW THANKSGIVING DINNER	November 23rd
SALATINO'S CHRISTMAS DINNER	December 25th

... STOP BY AND CHECK IT OUT ...

Our ticket kiosk has arrived!

Shirley Tomasi of the CAC (Cultural Arts Commission) arrived with the kiosk in early June. As of July 1, the kiosk will be manned each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (10:00 to 1:00) for you to buy tickets to events being held anywhere on our Peninsula as well as events in the Gig Harbor area.

Want to go to a play or concert in Gig Harbor?

Buy your tickets here at the kiosk and save the drive to town!

We encourage all event holders to contact either Shirley Tomasi at the CAC office 851-9462, or the Civic Center 884-3456, to make arrangements to have your event tickets available for sale.

Key Peninsula Civic Center

JULY 2000

SATURDAY

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8
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9 KP BAPTIST CHURCH 9:00 AM	10 "SUMMER FUN" & MEDIA" CHS 9-12 TCC "MASK DRAW" 1-3, MOMS 12:30-4:30, VFW&AUX, KARATE, KPCC EXEC.MTG 7PM	11 WIC 7:30 "SUMMER FUN & MEDIA LITERACY" CHS 9-12:00 SCOUTS, TOPS 6:00 DOG OBED 7:30	12 "MEDIA LITERACY" 9-12, KIOSK 10-1, "MASK DRAW" TCC 1-3 TPCHD MOMS 1:30-4:30 AWANA 6:30 BIBLE STY 7:00	13 "MEDIA LITERACY" 9-12 SENIORS 10:00 MUSEUM 1-4 KIOSK 10-1pm KARATE & KPCC BD MTG 7:00	14 CHS & TPCHD "MEDIA LITERACY" PROGRAM 9:00-12:00
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Key Peninsula High School
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Questions & Answers
Financial Focus

Firm-name Securities
Submitted by Connie R. Rose

Registering Securities In Firm Name Can Be A Bargain

In this day and age of \$150 designer purses, \$50,000 cars and \$1 million homes, bargains can be difficult to find. One bargain that's no secret, however, is registering securities in firm name.

When you register securities in firm name, a bank or brokerage firm takes physical possession of and manages the day-to-day responsibilities associated with your securities. Even though you no longer physically possess your stock or bond certificates, you retain control of the securities and can do with them as you wish.

Registering securities in firm name is truly a bargain when you consider this service typically costs little or nothing and offers so many advantages.

When securities are registered in firm name, the bank or brokerage firm that takes possession of your certificates:

- * Collects all interest and dividends from the securities for you;
- * Provides regular updates on the status of your securities;
- * Notifies you whenever your bonds are called or mature; and
- * Furnishes one simple annual tax-reporting form.

All of these are attractive services; however, the biggest advantage of registering securities in firm name is the safety that service provides. When your securities are registered in firm name, you no longer have to worry about them being lost, stolen or accidentally destroyed.

Consider, for example, this true story of a Washington investor. This self-made millionaire invested regularly in bonds. Although he registered some of his bonds in firm name, he didn't trust his investment firm's computer system with all his bonds.

Unfortunately, this proved to be a costly mistake. When a group of children started a fire while playing with matches, the local fire department couldn't control the inferno. When the last ember had died, an entire apartment complex and 32 homes, including the home of the bond investor, were completely destroyed, even though the fire department was located just two blocks away.

Fortunately, no one was injured in the fire, but the bond investor lost \$1.2 million worth of securities in the blaze! Of course, the bonds could be replaced, but the cost of doing so was about \$24,000. That's an expensive lesson.

Many investors find it comforting to keep possession of their stock and bond certificates. If you insist on retaining physical possession of your securities, remember to keep written records of all your stock and bond certificates. Record the description, amount and certificate number of each security before placing it in a safety-deposit box.

No one plans to lose a security, to have their property stolen or to lose their possessions in a natural or man-made disaster. Unfortunately, these are everyday occurrences. Why take a chance with your stock and bond certificates when registering securities in firm name is one of the best bargains available today?



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KP Sheep Dog Trials A Delight

by Hugh McMillan

Dogs, sheep, Barbados, dog lovers and judges covered the green fields of Elmer and Betty Andersons property near Lake Kathryn Village for all three days of the Memorial Day weekend. There are 97 sheep in one group and 25 in another. They were there for the 7th Annual Key Peninsula Sheep Dog Trials. And they were a delight.

Enthusiasts came from all over the Northwest to participate. They're a big "family" all of whom know one another...and the names and skills of each other's dogs. They set up RV, trailer, and tent camps on the property donated by the Andersons. And, on their second night, they have an enormous, delicious meal centered on a copious supply of fresh oysters donated by the Minterbrook Oyster Co.

The sparkplugs of this event were Dale Johnson and husband Phil who mothered the set up, scheduling, meals, judging, and whatever else the many volunteers needed to make the event a success.

The excited, intelligent, disciplined dogs are called border collies and their job is to respond to their owners' mostly whistled, sometimes yelled, signals as they round up groups of four sheep and, occasionally, one or two Barbados and move them along prescribed routes, through gates, into a pen, and ultimately, separate them into pairs. They scoot at high speed around their quarry, hide in the tall grass, sneak up on them on their bellies, and make sure the sheep proceed as the trials dictate. They are amazing.

Judge for this year's event was internationally renowned Chris Smart of Maxton, Melrose, Scotland. Winners of this event qualify to move on to compete in national and, ultimately, international trials.

If you've never seen the trials, you've missed a special experience you'll do your best not to ever miss again once you've been there. And you're in luck! Another set of trials was held Saturday and Sunday recently at the Longbranch area on the MacDonald's farm off Reeve Road.

Incidentally, "Barbados are a hair sheep, not a wool sheep, you don't shear them," said contestant McClure. They originated, oddly enough, in Barbados, a country on the easternmost island of the West Indies.

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"We wanted to make sure every family in the area had access to this great facility, especially during the summer months when children are out of school," said Dale Danielson, district manager of Wells Fargo's banking stores in Tacoma. "This \$5,000 gift is part of the more than \$6 million that Wells Fargo had donated to schools and non-profit organizations in Washington in the past three years."

The Children's Museum of Tacoma is located at 936 Broadway in downtown Tacoma. The museum features five exhibits designed to foster creative play, exploration and discovery for children ages 1-8 years.

More information about the museum's exhibits and programs can be obtained by calling (253) 627-6031.

TCC and Summer Fun Classes!

TCC will be offering several non-credit classes at the Key Peninsula Civic Center this summer. On the schedule is an adult class, Drawing for the Non-Artist at a fee of \$49, to be taught by Ken Schlaudraff. He states that if you can write your name you can successfully learn to draw. Also, Cecilia Blombert and Margo MacDonald will be teaming up to offer several children's classes for ages 7-12 yrs, each two days (4 hours) in duration and promise an active, fun environment. These classes will include Mask Making, Print Making, Drawing from Nature and Crown Making. Each will be a fee of \$39, which includes all supplies. Classes are scheduled as follows:

80996 Drawing for the Non Artist, July 6-27, Thursday from 6-9 PM.

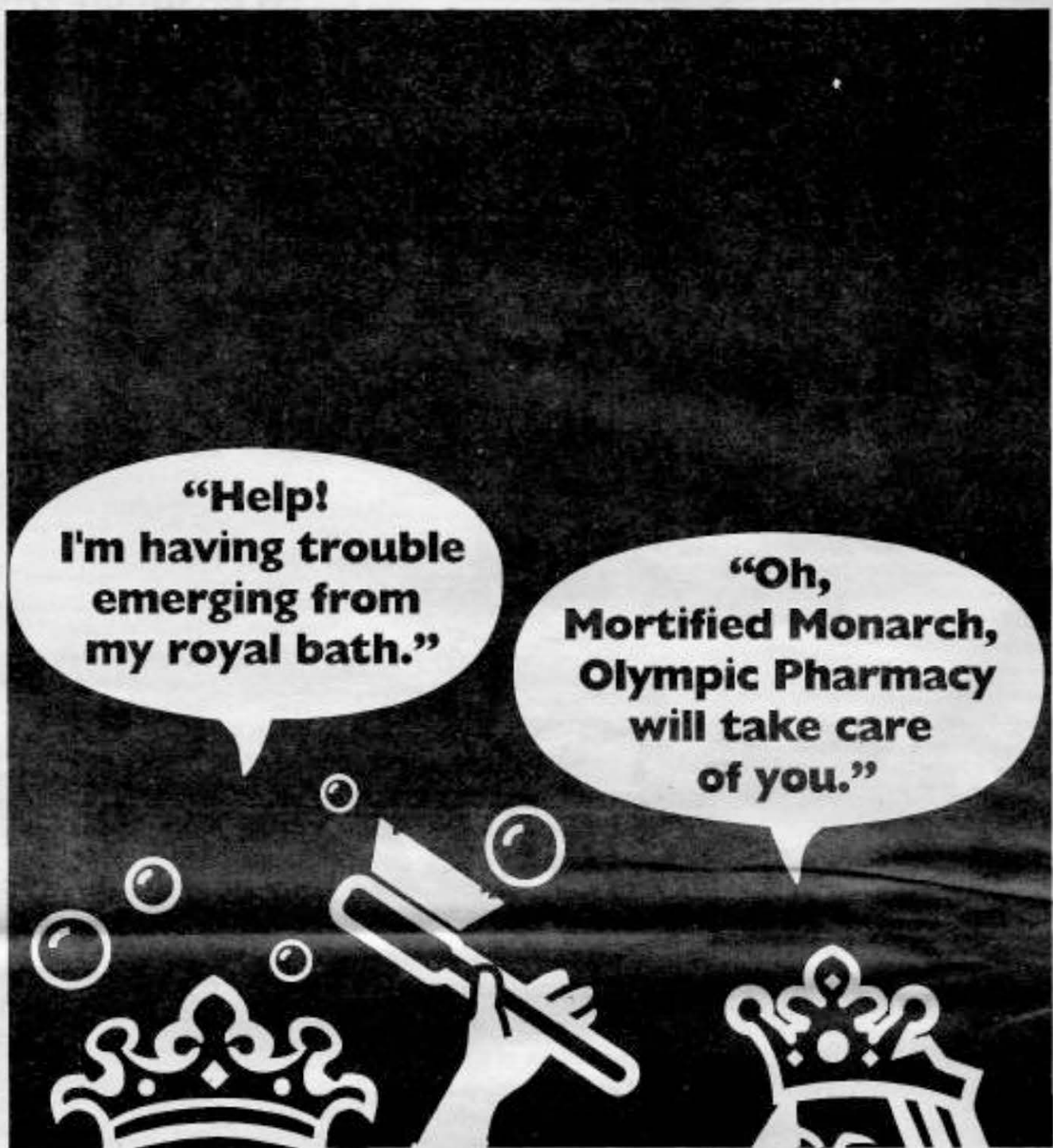
8092 Mask Making, July 10 & 12, Monday and Wednesday from 1-3 PM.

8093 Print Making, July 17 & 19, Monday and Wednesday from 1-3 PM.

8094 Drawing from Nature, June 24 & 26, Monday and Wednesday, from 1-3 PM.

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