

More Than A Fair Opportunity



Well, with less than a month to go, the Key Peninsula Community Fair is right upon us. This offers our own Key Peninsula the opportunity to not only enjoy the fair and carnival atmosphere of their very own, but it also puts money right back in the community.

"The Fair is going great", says KPFA president Mike Salatino. "We are right where we need to be, thanks to a lot of hard work by many." The Fair offers non-stop entertainment throughout the 3-1/2 day event with the spotlight falling on the three theme evenings. Thursday will be 'Youth Night' with kids from local schools handling the entire evening, including a cookout and entertainment. Friday night is 'Family Night' with a Salmon Bake. Saturday night is 'Senior Night' with Barbeque chicken and ribs, both meals prepared by 'B-B-Q Petes'.

The fair is offering pre-sale tickets for the dinners and carnival rides along with raffle tickets, T-shirt and hat sales. The first place winner of the raffle wins a trip for two (including air fare & accommodations) to Puerto Vallarta for 6 days & 5 nights. 2nd place winner 3 days & 2 nights in Las Vegas with lodging at the Excalibur including air fare. 3rd place winner receives a 2100 psi pressure washer and 4th place receives a dump truck full of firewood logs (furnished by Vaughn Bay Lumber Company).

The dinner tickets are \$13 in advance, which saves you \$2 per ticket, and forgoes the \$1 entrance fee (parking is free). The pre-sale carnival ride package is \$13 which allows a 6 hour span to unlimited rides at the carnival. You may call (253) 884-4FUN for more information or visit our Key Peninsula Community Fair booth located in Key Center, right next to Sunnycrest Nursery.

"This is going to be a big, big deal for our community", says vice-president Glen Ehrhardt. "We promise to have something for literally every age group and demographic, including a Saturday morning parade!" Some entertainment highlights include Jim Valley Presents Rainbow Planet, Pat McCann & Southlanders country & western, Jeff & The RF's, rock & roll, Valentine's Performing Pigs, a Kids Corner all day every day and non-stop entertainment. "This is going to be something very special that you don't want to miss", says Ehrhardt.

The Fair runs August 23rd, 24th, 25th & 26th at Volunteer Park, just south of Key Center. You can visit their web site at: www.keyfair.com. We are in the process of updating the site including a schedule of events, opening/closing times, vendors, sponsors, entertainment and other information. Make you plans to attend now!

Thank You - Angel Guild

The staff of the Key Peninsula News is very grateful to the Angel Guild for their recent grant of \$1500 to the newspaper. Their assistance helps us to continue our policy of distributing the paper for FREE to the entire Key Peninsula.

Key Peninsula News Announces Staff Change

The editors want to announce the departure of Stephanie Carter as ad representative and to thank her for stepping forward to assist us when we desperately needed it. Bob Stackhouse has agreed to return, so if you are an advertiser, you will probably hear from him soon. And if you have a new ad, please contact him at 884-4699.

Thank you again Stephanie, and welcome back, Bob.

Target Stores Hiring For New Gig Harbor Store

The new Target store in North Gig Harbor will be conducting job interviews on August 9th, 10th and 11th at 10:00 a.m. They are planning to hire as many as 150 to 175 employees. Please note that these job interviews will be held at Peninsula High School in Purdy, NOT at the store.



Scoutmaster Bill Macaras and Eagle Scout Chris Burkart at the Eagle Court of Honor. Last months issue of the KP News used the wrong photo. Our apologies for the error. Photo by Hugh McMillian

KP Firefighters Association Is Cooking

Key Center is the place to be August 25th

The Key Peninsula Firefighter's Association will be putting on a pancake breakfast at the Key Center Fire Station August 25th. The first pancakes will be coming off the grill at about 7:00 AM and the cooks will continue flipping cakes until approximately 11:00 AM. The cost is \$5.00 and funds will be used for the easy-to-read addresses campaign, community support and department equipment needs. So!!! Bring your appetites and you can sandwich in the annual Parade between bites. (The Blood Bank will also be doing a Blood Drive that day at the fire station). If you need further information call Mary Ramsdell at 884-4834 or Ruth Branhall at 857-5184.

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The board of the Key Peninsula Civic Center Association wishes to express its deep appreciation to our friends and neighbors who have generously contributed to the Civic Center tax fund.

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As of July 20, one third of the funding to pay the tax lien has been raised. Thank you for your support of the Civic Center.



Ahh....Summertime! Here at last!!

I'm helping with some of the preparations for the Children's Home Society's summer programs. I'm trying to stay focused, but as I see the expectant faces of the children, the memories come flooding into my mind...and so I dream...I go back, way back!!

Remember how it felt? Those "good old days" when you couldn't wait for summer to come? School would be over, no more getting up early, no classes, no homework...ah! Free at last!! For the entire, endless summer! What possibilities; it wasn't a matter of what to do, but what to do first!

I was lucky, I had lots of brothers and sisters, so there was always someone to play with; to take me to the park, the beach, have picnics...even read books! It's hard to imagine, but we could actually go to "nickel movie day" and see a double feature along with a bunch of cartoons. On Thursday, you got in for free at the local amusement park and rode your favorite rides (mine was the Tilt-a-Whirl; my sisters and brothers liked the roller coasters and the parachutes) for just a nickel or a dime...Really!! And on very hot days, we had the joy of turning on the garden sprinkler and running through the cool and refreshing spray of water in our backyard. What bliss. Sure, life was simple then - and so were we - it was so easy to make (and keep) such sweet memories.

And now I snap back to reality and see the young people coming in for their summer camps - KinderCamp and Summer Youth - their faces aglow, their excitement contagious! I'm grateful for the opportunity to watch as they play games, do crafts, sing songs...so many boys and girls having such fun...and I smile because I know they are on the road to making their own sweet memories.

Oh, yes, many summers have passed and times have certainly changed since I was a child; but I still believe young people today have those same types of dreams for a happy, carefree, endless summer filled with possibilities.

The staff and volunteers at the Children's Home Society work all year long to give our young people good, safe and healthy options to play and learn - what an opportunity to make memories. If you haven't already done so, take advantage of their efforts...believe me, you and your children will be glad you did!

To all of you readers: Best wishes to you and your families for a very happy and memory-filled summer.

And now with a sigh, it's time to go back to my desk and work. Oh, no, I must be dreaming again...can it be that school will be starting soon?? Well, that's okay because then we can start dreaming of next year's endless summer!

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Please call the Children's Home Society/Family Resource Center at Key Peninsula at 884-5433 for information on programs and schedules: Indoor Park - Toddler Art - Wee Play - Relatives Raising Children - Love & Logic - Little Buddies - Teen Night - ...and more.

The Children's Home Society/Family Resource Center at Key Peninsula is located in the lower level of the Civic Center. We can be reached between the hours of 9:00AM and 4:00PM Monday through Friday at 884-5433.

Claudia, Family Center Assistant

If Something Isn't Working Because of a Lack of Funding, Will it Work Better if the Funding is Cut Even More?

Editorial comment by Marty Marcus, Co-Editor

A long-overdue study entitled *Wage Progression and WorkFirst Returns Report*, recently released by the state's Employment Security Department, shows that families leaving welfare for work are not leaving poverty behind. Although the study shows that **more than half the families who left welfare since 1997 are still living below the poverty line**, the budget proposes reducing services designed to help former welfare families earn higher wages.

The federal poverty line is \$14,150 for a family of three, and yet three years after leaving welfare, half of those families are still trying to get by on less than that. Only 10% of families who left welfare for work earn more than \$29,260 (200% of the poverty line). And 15% of families have returned to welfare two years after they left it.

The budget reductions are in the areas of support services which help working families pay for goods and services they need to get and keep a job; in pre-employment training which helps parents leaving welfare get higher paying jobs by providing several weeks of targeted job training; and in tuition assistance to help low-income working families attend community and technical colleges.

It's enough to make me think our state is being run by some characters from Lewis Carroll's *Alice in Wonderland*.

Key Peninsula Community Services

Kitchen Capers

The Key Peninsula Community Services is happy to welcome Alberta Ramsdell back to the kitchen. Alberta has been out recovering from shoulder surgery, but she is back in full bloom, cooking up some wonderful dishes every Friday. Other changes in the kitchen include the retirement of long-time volunteer and cook Lauretta Tank. Lauretta says that this will be her third retirement in her long working career. She will be missed. Also new in the kitchen is cook Kae Thompson. She is a delightful addition to our staff. Please stop in to meet and greet our kitchen staff. Senior meals are served Wednesdays and Fridays at 12:00 Noon for people 60 years and older. There is a suggested donation for seniors of \$1.75 per meal.

CenturyTel has donated \$500 to the KPCS. This money will be used for the construction of a security fence for the Senior Transportation van, which is currently stored off site to prevent vandalism. The Senior transportation program run by KPCS provides free transportation to meals twice a week. In addition seniors may sign up for a twice monthly trip to Gig Harbor, giving seniors access to community services for those who would otherwise be homebound. KPCS thanks CenturyTel for this generous and much needed donation.

The Key Peninsula Community Services provide many needed services for people living on the Peninsula. Donations are used strictly for our community's needs. Donations of money, good clothing, produce or canned goods are always accepted. Volunteer help is always accepted, as well. KPCS is truly a community based organization, feel free to stop in and see what we are doing!

TIME, TREASURE, TALENT

The Civic Center Association is grateful to the following community members who generously gave of their time to sell fireworks at the Center's booth:

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Thank you to Dave and Loyd for all the special time and effort, and thank you to all of you whose purchases help support the Civic Center

As of this writing, the larger building at the Civic Center is being painted, thanks to a generous grant from the Greater Tacoma Community Foundation. With the exterior renovation project now completed, we will be seeking grant funding which will allow the painting of the gymnasium ceiling, walls and the renovation of the stage.

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**Living and Learning
on the Key Peninsula**
Key Peninsula Historical Society

The Key Peninsula Historical Society would like to invite all members and guests to a picnic at "Frenchman's Point" and the home of Robert and Sally Snyder. Please plan to attend this event August 4th, 12:00 to 4:00 PM. Enjoy the atmosphere of this turn of the century home on the edge of Mayo Cove. "Frenchman's Point" as it was called by the early settlers was the location of four home sites and a variety of commercial operations associated with "Home Colony". They include a foundry, raising chickens commercially and during prohibition bootlegging took place. Come and share the afternoon and learn more about this interesting area of the Key Peninsula. Look for more information in the flyer. If you didn't receive one or need directions please call 884-2712.

The Museum is currently working on upgrading their video about the Key Peninsula. The video is being updated and will include more information about the local families who settled the Peninsula. More information about the video will be available in the fall.

If you would like to become a member of the Historical Society or volunteer at the Museum please call Barb at 884-4399 or Shirley at 884-2481. The public is also invited to attend the monthly board meetings. They are the first Thursday of the month at the Museum.

REMEMBER THE MUSEUM IS OPEN THURSDAY AND SATURDAY 1-4 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT. CALL 884-4538

Drought Update

By mid-June, most of the snow pack at low elevations in Washington's mountains had melted. The snow pack at higher elevations usually contains less water, so it won't be too helpful. The June version of the April-to-September forecast for the amount of water in the Columbia to flow past The Dalles Dam was 53% of normal, the second lowest amount ever recorded.

The rain in June, an unusual amount for that month, wasn't enough to make up for the decreased precipitation during the winter. So, by July 1st, the forecast for water in streams was down from the June forecast. The projections for the Columbia, Chelan and Wenatchee Rivers was just a little above 50% of normal; The Okanogan and Yakima Rivers were projected at closer to 40% of normal; the Cowlitz and Skagit Rivers were projected at above 60% of normal.

In the drought of 1977, crop production declined by \$67 million. This year, agriculture and related businesses are projected to lose at least \$270 million and maybe as much as \$400 million. We can also expect to see increased air pollution from wind-blown dust and smoke from forest fires. Not a pretty picture of the "Evergreen State."

There has been a lot of discussion about whether more water storage could have prevented some of the major problems that have surfaced in this year's drought. The consensus seems to be that increased water storage could be helpful in alleviating some of the harmful effects of a "minor" drought, but that we probably couldn't store enough to offset the effects of a "major" drought, such as the one we're experiencing this year.

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KEY PENINSULA FAIR PARADE

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A View From Home

by Marty Marcus

To borrow a slogan from the Boy Scouts, "Be Prepared!" I'm not sure what the Scouts are preparing for, but I'm suggesting that we all better be prepared for a multi-million dollar media barrage telling us not to worry about global warming.

This campaign comes to us courtesy of representatives of the oil, gas, coal and related industries. There are at least four main points to their message, so if one of them doesn't convince you, maybe one of the others will. One of their techniques is known as "discrediting the messenger". We see this often in print media, and it's rampant on talk radio. It's just plain old name-calling, describing the scientists who are trying to warn us about the dangers of global warming as "eco-doomsters", "alarmists", "environmental extremists", etc. The practice of killing the messenger when you don't like the message has been around for a long time.

Another claim you're going to be hearing is that even if global warming is happening, it's too expensive to do anything about it without wrecking our economy. According to a report in the *New York Times*, since 1997, China has reduced carbon emissions by 17% while its economy increased by 36%. Personally, if our car got twice as many miles per gallon of gas as it does now, I'd have more money to spend boosting other areas of the economy such as restaurants, nurseries and hardware and clothing stores. And I'd be dumping half as much CO2 into the air.

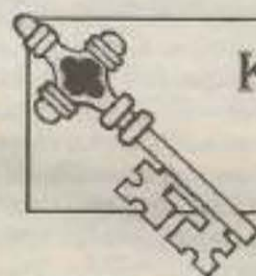
The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) is the world's foremost scientific authority on global warming. Their latest assessment, based on a gathering of all the evidence, creates a "collective picture of a warming world that is already seeing the first impacts of a changing climate". Glaciers are shrinking, permafrost is thawing, ice in rivers and lakes breaks up earlier and plant and animal ranges are shifting toward the poles and to higher altitudes.

What has been the response of the fossil fuel companies and their related industries? They say the IPCC, a panel of some 2000 scientists organized under the auspices of the UN, is a bunch of foreigners who don't know the facts about what is happening in America. The flaw in that argument is that more than half of the scientists on the IPCC are Americans. Thinking, perhaps, to undermine the dire predictions of the IPCC, our government leaders asked the National Academy of Science (NAS) to review the IPCC's findings.

The NAS supported the findings of the IPCC, and went even further. They said the IPCC's projections were for the rest of this century only, and that it was quite likely that the situation would worsen as even more time went on.

So, in the face of this evidence, what do the fossil fuel companies and their associates have to say? "Global warming is good for us." Since carbon dioxide is used by plants, we'll produce even more food for the world's populations. But in addition to CO2, plants need water, not droughts; they need other nutrients from the soil, proper temperature and freedom from pests.

If you need another example of global problems having local effects, try this one. The only venomous reptile native to Washington is the Northern Pacific Rattlesnake. But it is found only in the Eastern part of our state. Warm up the climate on this side of the Cascades and we'll have them over here as well.



KEY DATES 2001

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

Ashes 1st Thursday at 10:30 AM Key Center Fire Station
Boy Scout Troop #220 Tuesday - 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM - KPCC Whitmore Rm.
Cooties 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 and Fridays at Noon
 Community House - Home
Also food & clothing assistance. For More Information, call 884-4440.
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
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 - West at 7:00 PM and Fri at 8:00 PM
 At the Key Peninsula Community Services in Home.
Peninsula ALANON - King of Grace Lutheran Church, Purdy - Tuesday 1:30 PM
 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 Fire Station, Home, WA

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 Stam - 884-1350

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THE LAW COLUMN

by Michael Misner

Mid-July was the fifth year anniversary of the crash of TWA Flight #800. My best friend and his wife were on that plane.

I had known Scotty ever since we were juniors in high school. We were both on the football team as quarterbacks — he threw left-handed and I threw right-handed. We were both pretty small for that position, but we somehow managed to survive being blitzed by oversized defensive linemen.

His wife, Marit, also went to high school with us and she and I were close friends. In fact, way back in 1964 she picked me as her backup. You all know what that is I'm sure. The backup is the guy that gets picked next if the marriage to the first guy doesn't work out. Marit and I were just being silly when we made that agreement, but the affection was there and the three of us were very close to one another.

Scotty and I had a passion for golf even as kids. His dad taught us to play at the old course in Redmond as well as the course along the Cedar River in Maple Valley. For awhile we shared a set of old clubs that his dad used to use and the two of us played out of the same bag. We pretty much played the game dressed in Levi's, tee shirts and a pair of Chuck Taylor low black Converse All Stars.

We had saved our money made from our part-time jobs for about a year when his dad took us to the Peutz store on Aurora to buy our golf stuff. This was the summer of 1963. Our new clubs were made by Spaulding and we each got the Jay Herbert model. They were steel-shafted clubs and we had enough money only for the odd-numbered ones — 3, 5, 7 and a 9-iron which we also used as a wedge. His dad told us we would never learn to hit a driver so we got a couple of 2-woods made by Ben Hogan with a "speed slot" on the club head. We also got our first pair of golf spikes that day — suede Hush Puppies which you could get for under \$10 including tax. Our new bags were identical except his was red and mine was blue. We got a couple of gloves and a dozen XXX-out Titleist golf balls.

We never lost a golf ball that whole summer. We hit them into the woods for sure, but Scotty could find a golf ball in the middle of a hail storm and he would not, under any circumstances, continue play until the errant shot was located. He'd let all kinds of folks play through until he found the ball one of us had lost. That's just the way he was.

We'd each pretend that we were a pro on the tour and play for a Coke back at the clubhouse. He was usually Lee Trevino and for some reason, I always picked Raymond Floyd — don't ask me why. When we putted, he would assume the role of Chris Schenkle or Curt Gowdy and broadcast the putt as the ball rolled along "the treacherous greens of Winged Foot." He usually won the round, but I was never more than a shot or two away. That summer he started calling the game "golf" since that's the way Arnie said it.

From our days as two runty QB's in high school, Scotty never lost his love for football and coached it for nearly thirty years at Newport High School. His memorial service was held in the gym at Newport and the television folks who broadcast it said that more than a thousand people attended.

After the service, a bunch of us decided to create a foundation in Scotty's name to provide scholarships to kids graduating from NHS. We knew that Scotty would want us to continue to keep an eye out for his students. We decided to fund it with proceeds from a golf tournament played in his name. The guys selected me to handle all of the legal work to get things approved by the IRS.

This past June 29th, the fifth annual Scott Rhoads Memorial Foundation golf tournament was held at Lake Wilderness Golf Course and more than a hundred of Scotty's friends showed up just as they all have done since 1996. The registration fees are all tax-deductible and we raised over \$10,000 for future scholarships. Scotty and Marit would have been very pleased with our efforts.

Never did I ever think when I was studying tax in law school that someday I would use that knowledge to create a 501(c)(3) charitable foundation for my best friend and his wife. I guess that's what you have to do sometimes when you get picked as the backup.

Another puzzle - Intermittent Golf Balls on the Beach

We live on the water near Home, facing Fox Island to the east. Every once in a while there appear large numbers of golf balls, just sitting there, when the tide is out. Sometimes they are all white; sometimes a few chartreuse green ones show up.

Recently the Tacoma Tribune featured an interesting article about the flotsam and jetsam that washed up on beaches around the world. If the point of origin can be determined, this can provide information regarding the action of ocean tides.

Have our golf balls seen far ocean travel? Or do they indicate someone local practicing golf from their front lawn?

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Chamber of Commerce to Host Community Employment Workshop

The Gig Harbor Peninsula Area Chamber of Commerce will host two educational sessions on sharpening job interview skills. These workshops, offered to Key Peninsula and Gig Harbor area residents, will be led by Julie Tappero, President of West Sound Workforce, a professional placement services firm, with the assistance of human resource professionals from Peninsula Light, CenturyTel Communications, Target Stores and other local businesses.

Attendees are encouraged to bring their resumes so these professionals may provide helpful feedback. Workshops will be held Thursday, August 2, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Tuesday, August 7, from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Both workshops will be held at Peninsula Light headquarters, located at 13315 Goodnough Drive NW, in Purdy. To register, please contact the Chamber of Commerce at 253-851-6865. When you attend one of these workshops, please bring a can of food for FISH.

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Veterans' Voices

By Eileen Young

Time once again to bring you up-to-date on the events of our VFW. Hope you have time to sit for a few minutes, relax and read the latest.

August proves to be one of the more hectic months, so I'll just list by date:

August 3,4 - School of Instruction in Fife;

August 13th - VFW members and families picnic at Penrose Park. Complete pot luck (bring your favorite dish) with the post supplying the meat and sodas. Also, bring your cutlery and dishes and we'll see you there for a fun evening (6 p.m.) with all the comrades and sisters. If we get rained out, we meet at the K P Civic Center - keep your fingers crossed.

August 18th - BIG "GARAGE SALE" at the Longbranch Improvement Club during Old Timers Day. The VFW wagon will also be present with various brochures on safety, voting, membership, etc. If you are interested in donating a few hours for either the sale or manning the wagon call 884-4407 or 884-9156.

August 23rd - VFW meeting night - 7 p.m. - K P Civic Center.

A BIG WELCOME goes out to all new auxiliary members and to Ray Burke, the new post adjutant. Glad to have you all with us.

District visitation to 4990 and auxiliary will take place on September 10th.

Again we ask for time for the folks in our CARE CIRCLE: Jeanne and Louie Aguilar could use some good thoughts, along with Kathy Jo Patterson, recovering from surgery. Our sincere condolences to Nat Knox on the loss of her dear friend and post member Judy Wilson. To anyone we do not know about, we care and wish you well.

CONGRATULATIONS are due auxiliary President Roxanne Wooldridge on winning the Laura Waters President of the Year award at the convention in Yakima. Keep up the good work, Roxy!! You might also be interested to hear that 4990 took the BLUE (1st) place with the Buddy Poppy display which now goes on to the National competition.

While we are on "winners", congratulations to Laura Joggi on winning the fireworks raffle on the 4th of July.

Speaking again of winners, coming home from the convention, we stopped for gas at a small Chevron station in Packwood and received a very pleasant surprise. Would you believe, the attendant pumped our gas AND cleaned the window! It has been quite some time since we received royal treatment from the gas companies!!

On the agenda of future events: a bike rodeo is scheduled for shortly after the opening of school and a blood drive for the Peninsula area. [Ed. note: The blood bank will also be in Key Center on the morning of August 25th in conjunction with the breakfast and Fair Parade.]

On the humorous side, a disgruntled gardener came to the fireworks stand looking for "anything" to discourage moles from his garden. He purchased some smoke bombs and other possible mole deterrents, and we'd sure like to know if these worked!

With that I will close and leave you with this to think about: When you criticize another person, it says nothing about that person; it merely says something about your own selfish need to be critical.

Sen. Murray Announces 66% Increase in NW Straits Funding to Restore and Protect Marine Environments

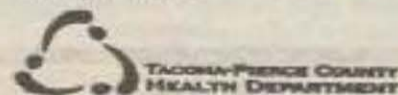
Senator Murray, a member of the Senate Appropriations Committee, said the Senate has committed \$1.25 million for the NW Straits Marine Conservation Initiative for fiscal year 2002. While pleased that the Senate has demonstrated support for our fragile marine environment, Murray said, "We must now work to ensure these increases are maintained when the Senate enters negotiations with the House on next year's budget."

The NW Straits Commission, established a few years ago when Congress authorized the organization of this Marine Conservation Initiative, is composed of 13 appointees: one from each of the seven counties involved, along with appointees of the Governor and the Department of the Interior. Each county has created a Marine Resources Committee (MRC) to draw input from local governments, tribes, scientists, conservationists and business. More than 100 people are participating in the seven MRCs to protect and restore marine resources in North Puget Sound.

"This is exactly the type of locally-driven, collaborative effort needed to restore salmon and other declining fisheries," Senator Murray added. "The NW Straits Initiative demonstrates what can be accomplished when communities come together to protect our environment." U.S. Representative Rick Larsen commented that this initiative clearly shows the benefits that arise from local and federal partnerships.

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To Your Health

by
William F. Roes, M.D.

For the last couple months I've discussed the genetic revolution that's taking place in medicine, that some scientists feel will revolutionize patient care in the future. Genetics is the study of genes, little bits of information stored on chromosomes in every cell that tell the cell what its purpose is and what it's supposed to do. The cell performs that function by making proteins that interact with other cells or do work within the cell. With the completion this year of mapping the 50,000 human genes (coded by 3.1 billion pairs of DNA strands), we're that much closer to understanding how they work, and how to manipulate them to work more to our liking. This month I'd like to spend some time explaining how genetic information will be used as treatments in the not to distant future.

There are several ways that gene therapy will be useful in medicine. Genes themselves don't actually fix anything, but they allow the cells to make the proper proteins to do so. By inserting genes into a cell, we hope to alter the proteins made by the cell. This is done by injecting the genes into an altered virus, then "infecting" the person with this genetically altered carrier virus. The virus works its way into the cells that aren't producing the needed protein, the genetic material that was injected into the virus is released in the cell, and the missing protein now gets produced (in theory at least). This technique has been used in a small number of children born without functioning immune systems with some success, but there have also been deaths associated with this type of therapy, presumably from the infection response caused by the carrier virus.

A second way to use genes in therapy is to inject the genetic material into bacterial cultures in a laboratory and induce the bacteria to make the needed protein. The protein is then injected like a medicine into the patient. This technique has been successfully used in animal models to fight a type of muscular dystrophy. A group of mice with the mouse equivalent of Alzheimer's disease have responded to injections with a protein that stimulate nerve cells that was the result of genetically stimulated bacteria.

Finally gene therapy has been used in humans to engineer specific medicines to confuse the human gene or overwhelms its abnormal proteins. Last month I wrote about the

discovery of a gene called HER2, which causes a significant increase in risk of breast cancer by projecting an overabundance of growth stimulating receptors on breast cells. Scientists have now developed a medication called Herceptin which specifically blocks the protein and shows great promise in treating breast cancer in women with the HER2 gene.

There will be many more developments in the use of gene therapy to treat diseases and disorders of the human condition. Patients with nerve injuries, stroke victims, burn victims, and diabetics will all be treated differently in the future based upon what we're learning about ourselves and our genetic code. It's interesting to note that viruses and bacteria, our longtime enemies in the battle for health, may become useful friends in the future of genetically based therapies.

Suggest A Cartoon, Win A Prize

We're looking for some good cartoon ideas for *The Key Peninsula News*. If you have an idea for a cartoon, send it to us at PO Box 3, Vaughn, WA 98394. If we select your suggestion, our staff cartoonist, Liz Kassler, will draw your idea, we'll print it in the paper, and you get a \$20 gift certificate for use at any business that advertises in the *KP News*.



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YESTERDAY'S TEENAGERS!

Key Peninsula Senior Society
by Jim Nolan @ 851-4847

Most of our Seniors are thinking about the situation and wondering how they can help in the current tax problem of the Civic Center in Vaughn. You may have received a letter outlining the situation. In a nutshell, through some errors a few years back, a report deadline to the state was missed and now the state has determined that the Center is in arrears a few thousand dollars in taxes. Hence, to keep the Center functioning and to continue it's many services to the Peninsula community, all of us are asked to donate what we can afford. Think it over, please, and help Keep Things Going.

Senior Survey - our monthly feature, with 25 Seniors, all over 60, responding this month: "What's the biggest mistake you ever made?"

Here are the results, guaranteed to be indicative of N-O-T-H-I-N-G, but it's fun anyway: "None" (three people claimed this); "Talk back to my wife" (two); "Went to California"; "Sold my VW Bug"; "Having eyes in the back of my head"; "Ate Jalapenos and Prunes at the same time"; "Taking the wrong turns"; "Trusting Medical Doctors"; "I haven't made any"; "Still have it to do"; "Haven't made a mistake yet" (We have a few perfect Seniors); "I gave my boyfriend's grandson a kick"; "Talk too much"; "Started Smoking"; "Going Skiing"; "Eating too much"; "Got Married" (Hrmmm?); "Dyeing my hair"; "Not having a larger family" (Sadly sweet).

There you are - young folks, watch you don't make some of the same errors.

Well, we had our **Indoor Picnic** on Thursday, July 19th, at the Civic Center. Hot dogs, beans, root-beer floats, potato salad - and lots of other good picnic food on our usual potluck basis. Have an **OUTDOOR picnic** scheduled for Aug. 23rd, assuming the weather turns out warm and sunny, which it usually does. Wanna join us? No charge. Just call 851-4847. It will probably be at Joemma State Park at 12 noon.

Senior News - Lois Sanders of Lake-of-the-Woods had an unusual homecoming after some months of visiting relatives in California. She was greeted enthusiastically on her return by her grandkids. TOO enthusiastically - she fell, broke her glasses and suffered a black eye in the process. She's OK now, however, and back attending our Senior Society get-togethers again.

TRAVELERS include Erma Dunn, who completed a tour of Europe, including Greece and Italy, came home, and then headed to New York. Ask her about her travels.

Bea Emil did the "Cruise to Alaska" and had a great time. Ask how many bags she knitted on the trip and if she was able to play enough bridge between views of glaciers and mountains and water.

Bill Bolm is sporting a new pair of eyes - just completed successful cataract surgery and sees like a hawk.

Walt Holmgren has cut down the hospital treatment visits to every other week, which is good news. Hopefully, he'll be back at our pinochle table before long.

THIS MONTH'S STORY concerns the Lone Ranger and Tonto, who bedded down for the night on the prairie. Several hours later, the Lone Ranger nudges Tonto awake and asks, "Tonto, look up. What do you see?" Tonto replies, "Kemo Sabe, I see many, many stars lighting up the heavens in all directions." "What else?" asks the Ranger. "I see some beautiful clouds drifting along the night sky," is the response. "But what else?"

persists the Lone Ranger. "Ah, look," says Tonto, "A few faint rays of light heralding the dawn in an hour or so." Exasperatedly, the Ranger explodes, "Tonto, you dummy - Somebody stole our tent."

-That's it - More next month.

ANGEL GUILD NOTES

by Frankie Johnson

The last month saw the passing of one of the founding members of the Angel Guild, Judy Wilson. We owe a debt of gratitude to her as one of a handful of dedicated people who saw a need and found a way to fill it. We shall miss her. The Guild is fortunate to still have a few of the original charter members actively involved in the work of running the Angel Guild thrift store. These ladies are well into their 70's and 80's. Thank you so much for what you have done for our community and continue to do to the best of your ability. It is truly a privilege to be part of this unique group of hard working, mostly retired, women of the Key Peninsula. This is an example of what we, as the public, can do without government help to make a better environment for all our residents. All profits from the shop go right back to the area. Any organization on the Peninsula can send in writing what their needs are and it will be considered for receiving funds. No one individual can receive this support.

It actually becomes almost addictive to work at this project. There is always plenty of work to do. Our members can be found every day, sorting, cleaning, stocking or clerking in the store. We become a very tight-knit group sharing our common goal to raise money to return to those in need. If you have ever thought about helping us, just talk to the ladies in the shop. They will be happy to tell you about Angel Guild and how you can be a part of this selfless group of volunteers whose only pay is the satisfaction of doing a good deed for others.

The same old problems haunt us, as unthinking people dump waste material on our donation porch. And the other side of that coin is the people who "shop" from our donated goods before we can put them in the store for sale. Once an item is left for us, it becomes our property. Anyone taking anything without permission is committing a theft. We do have spotters who watch and report the activity, mostly at night, and hopefully it will be stopped. Thank you to all who give so generously of your discards. You keep us in business.

We are often asked about the games and puzzles that are offered for resale. All children's puzzles under 100 pieces are put together before being placed in the store. Games are checked to make sure all parts are in the box. We then tape them so they are secure before you buy them. This is a lot of time consuming work, but we feel it is important not to disappoint the children who chose these items. Most of our puzzles are sold for only 25 cents. This is a real bargain when you know how expensive they are new. We appreciate that puzzle people donate puzzles they have enjoyed with all the pieces still in the box.

We said a sad Bon Voyage to Judy McDonald this month as she and her husband, Larry, have sold their home near Key Center to relocate in Oregon. They will be traveling in their motorhome for a while. Judy has been one of our tireless workers and has held nearly every office in the Guild. She will be sorely missed. We had an opportunity to share a good-by luncheon with Judy just before she left. Thank you and the best of everything in your future, Judy.

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A Good Day of Birding on May 25th

by Loyd Miller

The alarm went off at 5:00 a.m. The dawn chorus was in full voice as I hurriedly dressed, put on the coffee, grabbed my binoculars and went outside to see what bird species I could identify at home before leaving to pick up my sister and brother-in-law (Alberta and Joe) for a full day of birding. Fourteen species in less than fifteen minutes before leaving home, not a bad beginning.

After packing a small lunch, I was off to Puyallup to join my partners for the day. I was disappointed there were not more birds along the Purdy Spit. The osprey nest on the power tower appeared to be vacant. Oh well, we will find that bird at the Chehalis Ponds.

When I arrived at Puyallup, Joe and Alberta had identified some of the same species in their yard that I had already recorded, so we added only three to my list. By 6:30 we were on our way and after stopping for fuel, we drove to the Nisqually Wildlife Refuge by way of Spanaway Park and along the east boundary of McChord Air Force Base. At Nisqually, we walked the trail to the old barns and returned by an alternate route. We tallied about twenty additional species including the oriole which was kind of a bonus. We also saw a pair of black-tailed does feeding on the edge of a field at Nisqually.

We left Nisqually and headed for Elma to visit the Chehalis Ponds and Elma County Park. The osprey, bald eagle and turkey vulture were observed here as well as several warblers. From there we went to the Johns River Nature Preserve where we walked along the dike upstream for about a mile. The high point was a herd of elk bedded down at the edge of the timber across a large field from the dike.

Then on to Westport boat basin, an area that in winter has a great deal of waterfowl present, but at this time of the year was pretty bare. We walked out on a lengthy fishing pier which takes you out on the breakwater. Many young people were fishing while they watched over their crab nets. Several had caught some decent Dungeness crabs.

We stopped by Priest Point near Olympia on our return to Tacoma and decided that would be the last stop of our birdathon. Our species count for the day was 64, less than we had hoped, but still a respectable number for three amateurs.



[Editor's note: Loyd may have a degree in electrical engineering rather than ornithology, but we're reluctant to let him call himself an amateur birder, considering all the field trips he has led for the Audubon Society.]

25 Harbor Seals On Boat Raft



"Once before, we counted as many as 24, and several times 23, but this is the first time we've counted 25 harbor seals on our neighbor's boat raft all at one time," said Janice McMillan of Home, commenting on the early morning sighting on Monday, July 9, on Von Geldern Cove. "It was awesome. Equally awesome was their lightning fast, simultaneous disappearance upon hearing the first workmen arrive on a neighbor's construction site." Photo by Hugh McMillan

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HEAR AND THEIR on our Key Peninsula

by Keith Stiles

With the coming of our Summer months things have been traditionally busy for our Fire District 16, more fires, more accidents on the road, and more people getting hurt in outdoor activities. Through the end of May the District had logged 690 total calls, including 80 fire calls, 358 aid calls, and 55 service calls. Now as we move into August the total has rapidly moved into the 900's. In the first five months of the year 305 of us had been taken into area hospitals, and two folks had to be air-lifted out.

Speaking of ambulance service, District 16 has a brand new vehicle, a Ford Wheelcoach model which has allowed one of the oldest and most roadworn ambulances to be converted to a "Rehab Van", which will be used at the scene of major fires and accidents to supply water, food, and other general comforts of life to the firefighters and medics working the emergency.

In other District news a new volunteer firefighter, Tony Carr, was brought on board recently at the Commissioners' meeting. More volunteers are being sought at this time, particularly in the Longbranch area (Station Four); call Tracy Lyon, Training Officer, if you can make this contribution.

It would seem that a few more words could be said at the recent passing of Judy Wilson, who donated so much of her professional experience in the early days of the Key Peninsula Clinic, which started down behind the Longbranch Church in about 1976. Jean Brodsack was certainly a main driving force in the establishment of the Clinic, with professional help by Judy Wilson and Nat Knox and organizational assistance by Jim Penfield. Judy Wilson served in the U.S. Navy for 28 years, starting in Bremerton on December 7, 1936, and going on to medical positions in Alaska, Pearl Harbor, and Washington D.C., among others. The Clinic moved forward on shoestring funds through the years, constantly serving more and more of us until it was incorporated into the Health Center in Key Center with which Dr. Roes was first associated.

All cheers to Joyce Tovey and the Windermere folks for the attractive new sign in Key Center giving the place a name one can locate. Of course now Pierce County is apparently grumbling over the fact that the sign has not been wind-tested in an 80 mile per hour gale even though the last time we had a recorded 60 m.p.h. wind through town was at approximately the same time as the forming of the moons of the planet Saturn. If we do ever get an 80 m.p.h. wind through town it will probably blow everything else away too, with the exception of the new post office (anchored firmly by all those tons of concrete) and the rescue parties will be able to identify their location by the fact that the post office sign will read "Vaughn, Washington".

Short shorts in the news...It was good to see Dr. Roes and the Home Town Band playing at the "Walk Against Cancer" at Peninsula High School during June...In a somewhat delayed news bulletin Dale Skrivanich reports that a Japanese fire bomb (to set fire to forest areas) was sighted over Lakebay on February 28, 1945...Fire District 16 folks did a nice volunteer road cleanup job along S/R 302 from about Lake Kathryn down the Wauna curves...Another volunteer crew (NOT the firefighters) cleaned up their mile of the highway and reported finding among other things, an electric drill, one half of a waffle baking unit, and a pair of ladies' unmentionables, size 16, blue in color, and embroidered with the saying "Love Will Find a Way"...perhaps someone will claim these items...?

Coming Events

Wednesday, August 1: Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge luncheon, 11 AM to 1 PM at Round Table Pizza Parlor, Olympic Village, Gig Harbor. For information call Lois Wick at (253) 566-7665 or Chuck McGuire at (360) 871-3206.

Thursday, August 9: Newcomers meeting: Social, 11:30 AM, Lunch, 12 Noon. Call Barbara at (253) 752-1009 for more information.

Wednesday, August 22: 30th Annual Senior Citizen Awareness Day, 10 AM to 5 PM, Tacoma Dome.

by Nancy Lind

Mark your calendar for the weekend of August 23rd through 26th. The first Key Peninsula Community Fair is taking place at the Volunteer Park, located 2 miles south of Key Center on the Key Peninsula Highway. The hours are **Thursday, 6 to 10 PM (Youth Night), Friday, 10 AM to 10 PM (Family Night), Saturday, 10 AM to 10 PM (Senior Night) and Sunday, 10 to 6 PM.** The planning committee, representatives of the KP Civic Center Association, The KP Business Association, the KP Parks Board and the Longbranch Improvement Center, are meeting every week to hammer out the details. The first time for such an event is always the hardest, but it is coming together to make this a very successful event for this summer. All the aspects of a real fair are going to be here.

The **NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS** is great and members of the committee will be contacting people soon for specific jobs. If you would like to volunteer, please call 884-4FUN or Nancy Lind at 884-3347 or go to www.keyfair.org or www.keyfair.com.

OTHER PARK NEWS

Volunteer Park: New construction is underway. The lighting system for field #1 is being replaced as an Eagle Scout project of Josh Duke's. Josh has done the paper work, the leg work, gotten grants and partnered with Little League for funds and the work started on July 23rd. The electrical system to the whole park is being upgraded in preparation for the Community Fair, greatly increasing the utility of the park for future use.

Little League is over for the season, but if you are interested in playing fall ball for learning and training, contact Paula Demoss at 884-9240.

Swap Meets are scheduled for Saturday, August 11th, and Saturday, August 18th.

Adult Softball and Baseball are in full swing.

Rocky Creek Conservation Area:

There will soon be a new sign on SR 302 indicating the location of RCCA. We are very grateful to Fred Ramsdell and Richard Mattheis for putting this together. There have been questions about the location of this park but, hopefully, that will not be a problem anymore. If you are walking the park and see something that isn't right, like garbage dumping, call Nancy Lind at 884-3347. There is a big load of new garbage at the Dedication site, but the owners are known and are being contacted. Very bad business, dumping garbage, wherever.

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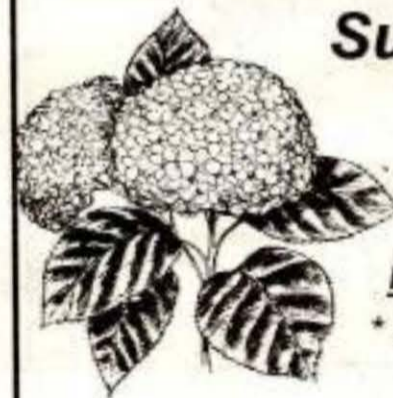
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Questions & Answers Financial Focus

Submitted by Connie R. Rose

Simplifying Your Life

Have you had difficulty with the rules associated with taking money out of your qualified retirement plans and Individual Retirement Accounts? Well, help is here.

The Treasury Department recently proposed a sweeping overhaul of the required minimum distribution (RMD) rules from qualified retirement plans and IRAs. While these rules associated with RMDs are still proposed, they may be relied on for distributions for the 2001 calendar year.

Whereas the old rules for calculating RMDs were complex, the new rules are less confusing and make the amount you withdraw each year easy to calculate. In many instances, IRA accountholders will be able to reduce the amount they are required to withdraw. The smaller the distribution, the smaller the tax bill.

Additionally, the new rules offer more opportunities for tax-deferred growth and benefits to one's heirs.

Other ways the new proposed regulations simplify the rules include:

- * Providing a simple, uniform table that all accountholders can use to determine the minimum distribution required during their lifetime. This makes it far easier to calculate the required minimum distributions because employees would no longer need to determine their beneficiary by their required beginning date and no longer need to decide whether or not to recalculate their life expectancy each year in determining required minimum distributions.

- * Permitting the required minimum distribution during the accountholder's lifetime to be calculated without regard to the beneficiary's age (except when required distributions can be reduced by taking into account the age of a spouse beneficiary who is more than 10 years younger than the accountholder).

- * Permitting the beneficiary to be finalized as late as the end of the year following the year of the accountholder's death.

- * In those cases, permitting the calculation of post-death minimum distributions to be based on the beneficiary's single life expectancy, this allowing distributions in all cases to be spread over a number of years after death.

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Washington Ranks 29th in U.S. in Summer Program of Food For Poor Kids

The federal Summer Food Service Program designed thirty years ago to alleviate childhood hunger in the summer is highly under-utilized here in Washington. Some 572 sites serve meals to 28,000 to 30,000 low-income children on any given day, but this represents only 10% of the 300,000 school children who qualify for free or reduced price school meals. For comparison, New Mexico and California feed about 35% of their needy children.

The Summer Food Program also helps local economies. Schools, non-profit organizations and public agencies sponsor the Summer Food Program and receive reimbursement for meal service from the federal government. This translates into jobs for food service workers and revenue for depressed economic areas.

Participation by county varies widely, from 4% to 34% of eligible children. The US Department of Agriculture runs the Summer Food Program and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction administers the program in Washington. For more information about where the program is in operation in the Puget Sound area, call Laura Strickler at the Children's Alliance. Her work number is 206-324-0340, ext 13. If she's not in her office, you can call her on her cell phone at 206-953-9453.

Paralytic Shellfish Poison Spreading To More Beaches

Because weather conditions have been conducive to increased "blooms" of the dinoflagellates which produce a toxin causing poisoning from eating shellfish containing the toxin, the Washington Health Department has ordered more beaches closed to shellfish harvesting. The "red tide bloom", which actually is colorless, not red, is now reaching into waters near Olympia and in Mason County.

There's no way to tell if shellfish contain the toxin except by testing at the State Health Department's lab, and the toxin is not destroyed by freezing or cooking. The toxin attacks the nervous system of people who have ingested it, and can cause paralysis of the respiratory system, leading to death.

In our area, the following beaches are closed to shellfish harvesting: Case Inlet, Carr Inlet, Burley Lagoon, Fox Island, Henderson Bay, Filucy Bay, Wollochee Bay, and Anderson and McNeil Islands. To get the latest information on the situation, call the state's Biotoxin Hotline at 1-800-562-5632.

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T.O.P.S. NEWS



Ian McKnight giving a congratulatory hug to Colleen Spezia on being crowned our Chapter Queen.

by Frankie Johnson

This is so big. I can hardly express just how big and once in a lifetime can this come about. Our own Colleen Spezia has been crowned International Queen of TOPS !! This is the result of her loss of 208 pounds and reaching her personal weight goal. In addition the fact that she maintained her loss over a period of time to qualify. Colleen recently was crowned Queen of Washington State which made her a contender in the international competition. This last event was held in Seattle at the Convention Center on July 26 through the 28th. Eight members of our local chapter of TOPS, WA #1019 of Vaughn, attended the convention to give her support and cheer her. Colleen was on stage for several presentations as the State Queen of Washington, as a graduate from TOPS to KOPS and as one of the top weight loss members. Then the most important event of the whole International Recognition Days - the crowning of the new International Queen on Saturday morning. We were absolutely overjoyed to witness the crowning of Colleen Spezia as the new reigning Queen of TOPS International. She had lost more weight than any other woman in the entire TOPS organization! We are in awe of our dear friend and member. I personally witnessed her pound by pound loss as she steadfastly moved toward her goal. She has been a supreme example of what TOPS can do for you. She made the decision that she would no longer be overweight. Her dedication never wavered as she changed her eating habits and began to exercise. Colleen herself will tell you how she accomplished her goal. It took months of hard work with the ultimate goal of healthy and normal weight in mind at all times. We in her home chapter here in Vaughn salute her!

Another highlight at our convention was when our little 9 year old with the big tenor voice came on stage in his tuxedo and serenaded our TOPS chief executive, Betty Domenoe, as a tribute to her as she retires. Ian McKnight brought the house down. This young man is truly blessed with a heart of gold and a voice to match. Ian is the only preteen male in our chapter at this time. He is doing very well in his quest for normal weight.

Meanwhile, back in the real world, Marcia Nolan has reached her goal and has become our newest KOPS (keep off pounds sensibly). She will have a "Leeway" of 3 pounds over her goal or 7 pounds under to keep her normal weight. Other successful members are Del Horwitz, who has lost 31 pounds since she joined recently, and Dawn Dougherty, who is doing very well, as well as Carol Bischoff, who has had steady losses since she has been with us and is now over 60 pounds into her weight loss.

Anyone out there with a weight issue, we invite you to check out the TOPS program. All our members will share what they are doing to achieve their own goals. We all participate in contests and incentives to help each other. That is what TOPS is all about. "Friends Helping Friends" You can come to our meeting at the Civic Center in the VFW Room in the small building any Tuesday at 6:00 PM. We hope to see YOU soon.

Washington's Gross Business Income Up In 2000

Gross business income reported by Washington businesses increased 7.3% to \$415.8 billion in 2000 according to the Department of Revenue. Two sectors were largely responsible for this gain: Finance, Insurance and Real Estate with a 21.0% increase and Communications and Utilities with a 19.4% increase. The only sector going the other way was manufacturing with a 2.5% decrease in gross income.

Fewer Than 10% of Wastewater Treatment Plants Earned State Awards For Being in 100% Compliance With Their Permits

25 wastewater treatment plants out of 300 in Washington made perfect scores for their operations in the entire year 2000. This means they treat sewage from homes and waste from industries 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, and met every environmental compliance test and took every sample according to requirements spelled out by the Department of Ecology.

This annual award was established by Ecology six years ago, and Pierce County's Public Utilities' Chambers Creek Plant has won an award for six consecutive years.

Gig Harbor Kennel Club Presents Agility Trials

On August 4th and 5th from 9AM to 4PM, the Gig Harbor Kennel Club is presenting its annual All Breed Licensed Dog Agility Trials at the Gig Harbor High School Baseball Field. All kinds of dogs from tiny toy breeds to giant breeds will compete in such events as:

- Balancing on the dog walk and teeter-totter
- Jumping through a fire
- Running through chutes and tunnels
- Climbing the A Frame
- Weaving between poles
- Running a course against the time clock to qualify

An entry of 450 dogs is expected. Classes will be offered. Admission is free. For further information and premium lists contact Sue Henly at (253) 564-4567 or Jill Crawford at (253) 535-9319.

PHS Grad Enlists in Army Reserve

Christopher P. Draeger, the son of Dean L. Draeger of Vaughn and Sharon L. Schultz of Port Orchard, has enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserve. After college and basic and advanced training he will be at the 304th Materiel Management Center at Fort Lewis.

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Peninsula Light Launches Ambassador Program

(GIG HARBOR, WA) Peninsula Light Company (PenLight) is asking its members to join the fight for affordable rates. The utility recently moved forward on a program to organize and educate consumers about this important issue and others through the PenLight Ambassador program.

"We need help from our members to protect our low cost power supply," says Rob Orton, PenLight's CEO. "Drought and salmon recovery are affecting the amount of power that the Federal dams can generate. In addition, BPA signs away hydropower to for profit companies that should be for non-profit utilities, like PenLight. These factors tighten supply and drive up rates for PenLight members."

Orton is referring to the Bonneville Power Administration, which will provide PenLight with 100% of its power as of October 1, 2001. BPA announced last April that it would have to purchase 2,400 average megawatts (aMW) of power on the high priced open market to meet customer demand. At the time, it predicted a wholesale rate increase of 250% or more if the region did not take dramatic measures to conserve energy. BPA recently announced that most utilities should anticipate a 46% rate increase for power at the wholesale level when new contracts take affect this fall. What this means for PenLight members remains to be seen. The PenLight Board of Directors is reviewing the numbers to determine if some program cuts made in April can be restored. BPA will continue to monitor regional conservation efforts and adjust rates accordingly after six months.

PenLight Board President Jeff Bucholz shares Orton's concerns. "We wouldn't be in the position of raising rates as much if BPA hadn't given away our low cost Federal hydropower. The for-profit utilities and aluminum companies got it because of their political pull in Washington, DC and Olympia. Public Power will fight back with the help of the voters."

BPA has acknowledged that contracts signed with investor owned utilities (IOUs) and the region's aluminum companies, called Direct Service Industries (DSIs), were an effort to prevent a regional power war. Since that time, BPA has taken steps to renegotiate contracts with both customer groups to help the region conserve energy. That's not enough for Orton.

"Our message to policy makers and BPA needs to be clear. The public, through non-profit utilities, has the first right to power generated from the Federal dams - not for profit companies. It's called 'Preference' and it's the law," he said.

PenLight Ambassadors will be asked to contact their legislators, or other policy makers, when a piece of legislation is introduced that might help or harm their electric cooperative. Five other electric cooperatives in the state have similar programs organized through the Washington Rural Electric Cooperative Association (WRECA). Co-op members across the state are credited with passing a rural economic development bill and defeating several bills to deregulate the electric utility industry in WA State.

WRECA's Ambassador programs are part of a regional grassroots effort called People Power that has more than 30,000 households participating in the Northwest. People Power is sponsored by the Public Power Council and Northwest Public Power Association. Participants most recently defeated a highly publicized effort by the DSIs to gain access to more BPA Federal hydropower.

"Our utility is non-profit and owned by the people we serve. Our members have a vested interest in seeing PenLight have access to an adequate supply at an affordable price," said Orton. "We've been telling legislators that Federal hydropower belongs to the people. Some listen, some don't. Maybe they will start listening to the voters."

Members can join the PenLight Ambassador program by returning the form from their July bill stuffer with their utility payment. They can also sign up on line at PenLight's web site www.penlite.org. For additional information, contact Liz Loomis, Program Administrator, at (253) 853-1351.

PenLight was founded July 14, 1924, making it one of the first non-profit, mutual power companies in Washington State. As of October 1, 2001, PenLight will be a full requirements customer of BPA, purchasing all of its electricity from BPA. PenLight is the second largest electric cooperative in the state, providing non-profit electric service to 26,000 members over 880 miles of line.

'10th Ever' Bluegrass (and Beyond) Festival at Olalla

The "Kick the City Off Your Shoes" theme will echo again from the Little League Ballfield on Olalla Valley Road this August 18th from 11 am 'til 9 pm as some of the Northwest's best bands play everything from traditional bluegrass, to Texas Swing, to Klezmo-grass and 'psychedelic' bluegrass.

Among the performers this year are Port Orchard's **Rural Delivery**, **The Recliners** from Bainbridge Island, Tacoma's **Crossfire**, Olympia's **Ramsey-Collins Band**, and two from Eugene, Oregon, **Sugar Beets** and **The Klezmonauts**. There will also be performances by the **Old Time Fiddlers**, **Sweet Adelines** and the **Eclectic Cloggers**.

A very special guest this year is nationally known folk singer **Willis Allen Ramsey** from Austin, Texas, who will perform a 60-minute set. He was a big hit at this year's International Folk Music Festival in Vancouver.

Although the emphasis is clearly on music, the festival also features kids' activities such as pony rides, face painting and, as usual, members of the Pacific NW Herpetological Society will have a booth with lots of handleable reptiles. There will also be a berry pie contest, old-time crafts demonstrations, and food and arts & crafts vendors.

This event is sponsored by the Olalla Community Club, a non-profit organization which has served Olalla since 1918, and by Olalla Grange #1125, Columbia Bank and the Bremerton Sun.

Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids and seniors. The Little League is charging \$2 for parking. For additional info about the festival, call 253-857-5604.

Probabilities and Possibilities On The Key Peninsula


John Dough Pizza: Already open across the road from the Key Center Library.

Key Center Deli: August ?; Permits all taken care of, just needs final inspection.

Home Country Store: August ?, Still landscaping as we went to press.

Vaughn Post Office: Original plan was for it to be ready the beginning of Spring, but the beginning of Autumn looks more likely.


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The Garden In AUGUST 2001

by Sylvia Retherford
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Mid-August finds the winter garden well on its way. Small broccoli, Brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower and red kale plants that were set out in mid June are ready for thinning and for giving the extras away to your neighbors. All must be carefully watered until the rains of September come. Winter crops such as carrots, turnips, beets, chard, leeks and radicchio can be planted now. These winter crops will be best from November to April in average winters. We have never lost our winter garden to freezing. One time the Brussels sprouts froze, but upon picking and cooking they were delicious.

August is cleanup, trim and compost time. In pulling up plants that are through blooming, consider next years garden by leaving some favored flowers to go to seed. Where they scatter, young plants will appear in fall or spring. Some that are most dependable are calendula, cerenthe, columbine, corydalis, Joe Pye weed (*Eupatorium*), Maltese Cross (*Lychnis*) and butter and eggs (*Limnanthus*). This last will be one of the first to blossom in spring if you allow the young seedlings to grow all winter.

BAYSHORE GARDEN CLUB

The Bayshore Garden Club has new officers: Doris Boudreau, President; Anita Dougherty, Vice-President; Irma Dunn, Secretary; Peggy Robertson, Treasurer.

The next meeting is August 17th at Anita Dougherty's lake home at 20514 S. Herron Road, and is a potluck picnic. Plans for the coming year will be discussed.

The Garden Club will have a plant sale at Old Timers' Day on August 18th at the Longbranch Improvement Club - 9 AM to 5 PM.

For more information, call Sylvia Retherford at 884-2487.

THE LAKEBAY FUCHSIA SOCIETY

The Lakebay Fuchsia Society will be meeting on Thursday, August 2nd, at the Library in Key Center. Our program will feature Pat Arndt who is a Floral Designer with fuchsias. Visitors are welcome.

Protecting Yourself & Your Home From Wildfires

The Washington Insurance Council, a non-profit, consumer education organization funded by member insurance companies, is offering a free brochure, "How to Protect Yourself from Pacific Northwest Wildfires." To obtain a free copy of this brochure call 1-800-664-4942.

ANOTHER VIEW

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Service 11:00 AM, Wednesday
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DEADLINE for the KP News
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KPCC ASSOCIATION 2001 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Holiday Arts &
Crafts Sale
November 17th**

**VFW Thanksgiving
Dinner
November 22nd**

**Salatino Christmas
Dinner
December 25th**

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10 AM to 4 PM
Wednesday through Friday,
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In store specials weekly.
All proceeds benefit the
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Children's Museum of Tacoma

MUSEUM HOURS:

Tuesday - Saturday 10:00 AM - 5:00PM
FIRST FRIDAYS FREE:
August 3, 2001 from 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM

Visitors can enjoy the museum for free on the first Friday of each month.

W.O.W WEE ONES WEEKLY: Join us each Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:00 - 11:00AM for some toddler fun!

W.O.W PROGRAMMING THEMES
August 7th & 8th, Lively Ladybugs
TUNES

August 14th & 15th

August 21st & 22nd, Beautiful Butterflies
TUNES

August 28th & 29th

The cost for W.O.W. is \$2 per family with admission. Call (253) 627-6031 for more details.

SUPER SILLY SUMMER SATURDAY SURPRISES:

Join us each Saturday in August for some crazy summertime activities!

August 4th, Bubbleloza

We'll make bubble solution and bubble makers and learn a few bubble facts. Come experiment using an assortment of bubble blowers.

August 11, Play Dough Production

Not only will you get to squish and sculpt with homemade play dough, you get to help make it and take some home! Also, find out how simple everyday items make great play dough toys.

August 18, Hydro Bracelets

Hydro means water. Make a fun summer bracelet that is filled with tiny beads and glitter floating in water.

August 25, Super Sidewalk Chalk

Come create sidewalk art and make chalk to take home and adorn your outdoor walkways.

The cost of Super Silly Summer Saturday Surprise is \$1 per project with admission. Call (253) 627-6031 for more details.

CURIOSITY CORNER THEMES:

Each week the museum's Curiosity Corner features a new theme.

August 7th - 11th, American Family Day

August 14th - 18th, Fabulous Flying Machines

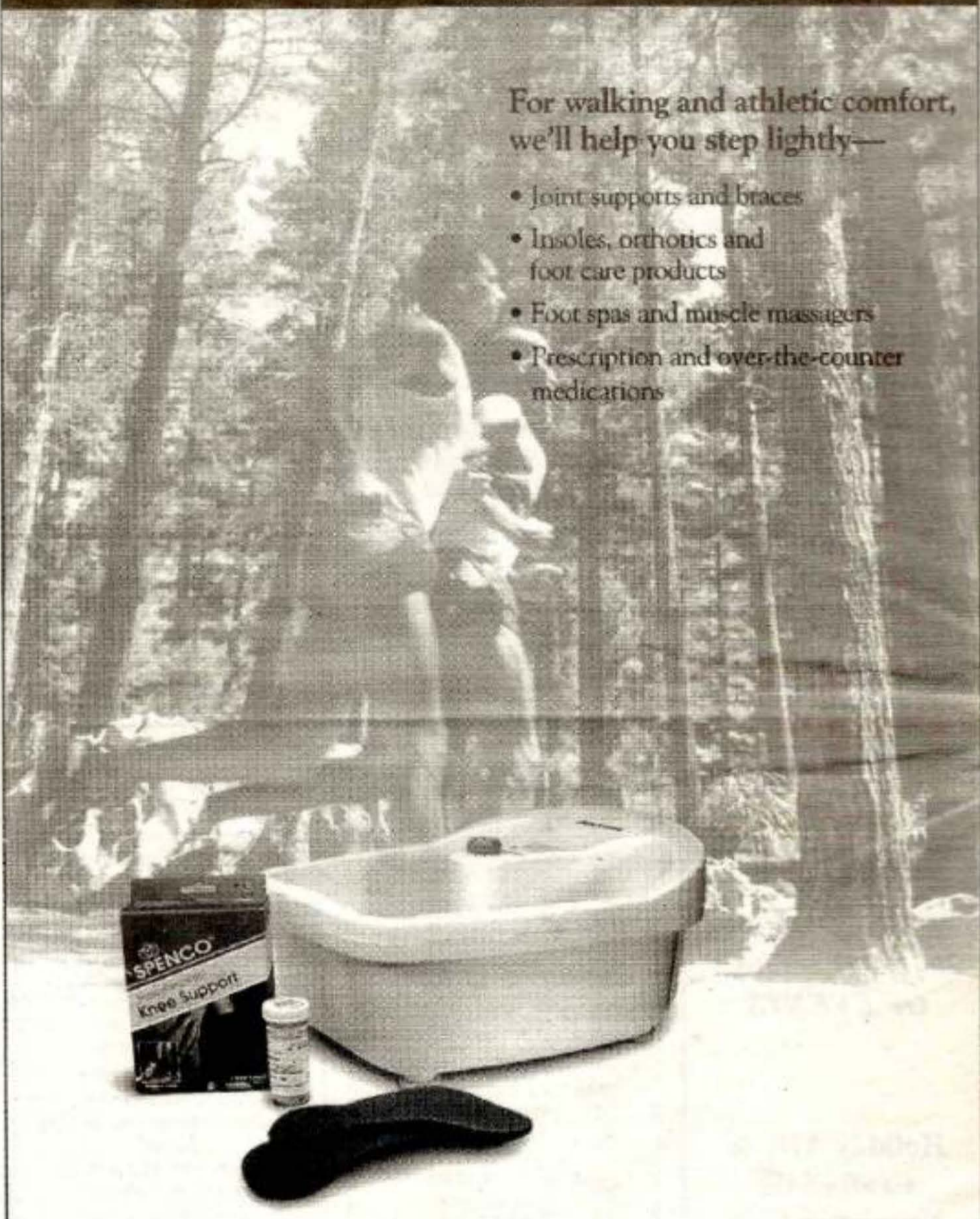
August 21st - 25th, Hawaii's Admission

August 27th - September 1st, Summer Fun Collages.

With admission, Curiosity Corner is \$1 per project. Call (253) 627-6031 for more details.

SUMMER TALES: Each Thursday and Friday afternoon at 3:00 PM. Do you enjoy a good yarn? We'll share some of our favorite children's books with our visitors.

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