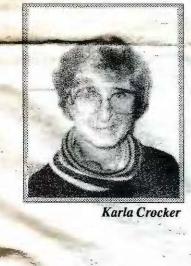


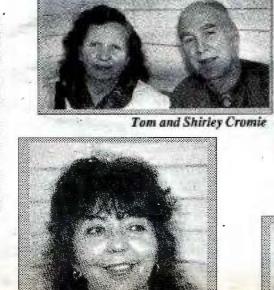
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Citizen of the Year Nominees



"Swede" Otten





Shirley Frame

John and Laure Nichols



Mary Seidelman



Box Holder

Marty Pedersen



KP NEWS photos by Joe Aprile

Nine people have been nominated this year for the honor of Citizen of the Year. They will be honored at the Lions' annual Citizen of the Year Awards Banquet to be held this year February 24 at the Civic Center. The featured speaker this year will be Pierce County Superior Court Judge Thomas Swayze, who will speak on "Crime, Sentencing, the Judiciary, the Law, and the Volunteer.

This year's list of nominees for the Lions' annual award are; Ruth Bramhall, Duane "Swede" Otten, Shirley Frame, Mary Seidelman, Karla Crocker, John Hendrickson, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Cromie, Marty Pedersen, and Laure and John Nichols.

Ruth Bramhall is the vice-president (and acting president) of the Key Penin-

sula Health Center, works closely with the Caregiver's program, is past president and secretary of the International Operating Room Nurse Association, secretary of the Key Peninsula Sportsmen's Club, a member of the Burley Minter Environmental Sensitive Area Committe and a member of the Longbranch Church Bell Ringers. Ruth also volunteers at Mary Bridge Children's hospital.

In part, her letter of nomination said; "...this list of organizations and offices held says very little about the way Ruth works, her commitment to being fully involved..." The letter continues "...if someone in your family is ill, or in the hospital, Ruth is sure to be right there, a big help and a gentle friend."

Duane "Swede" Otten was an active youth group leader and served on the elder

board of Vaughn Community Church, and currently teaches Sunday school there. He is on the board of Northwest Bible and Camp Woodworth. He works with Star Chapel in Tacoma as a ministry to street kids.

The comments made about Mr. Otten were in part..."He spent days digging and working on a backed up sewer system at Vaughn Church. He spent Christmas Day helping serve meals to handicapped at the Civic Center. He spends hour upon hour visiting the sick and elderly in hospitals...He goes to the high school graduations, the baccalaureates, birthday parties, weddings, funerals, courtrooms, jails, hospitals, homes, churches, army bases... He is known throughout the Peninsula for the free automobile repairs he does for people." Shirley Frame is acting treasurer and a very active member of the Key Peninsula Business Association. She has organized the Pioneer Days Parade for the last three years. She recently received her seven year service star for her work with the local boy scout organization, and has been an active parent in school and other children's activities. She was an early joiner of Citizens Against Crime.

Shirley's nominator credited her as "...a major factor in the success of the Key Peninsula Business Association." The writer went on to say that Shirley "...has been the organizer of the Pioneer Days parade for the last three years; organizing the parade takes about four to six months of preparation which is all done on her own time...Volunteering last year to help

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Signs of spring



Even though it may not have looked like it recently, spring is coming. The artwork theme for this and the next issue is "signs of spring". If you would like to submit a sketch on this idea, please have it to the NEWS office by Wednesday, February 28. Sketches have to be on white paper in brown or black ink to be reproduced. Sketches can be any size up to 8.5 x 11. Sketches are sized at the NEWS office to fit the space available and may be grouped together to create an arrangement or border. Please print your name with your submission so we can give you credit. Sketches become the property of the NEWS.



KP NEWS photo by Hugh McMillan

We are in need of board members and

volunteers for specific areas. If you like

dances, we need someone to chair a dance

committee. We need a secretary to take

minutes (they are recorded) transcribe

bigger the roster the less time is needed of

a person. You will not be called upon to

do more than what you want, be it one

event a year or 2 or 3. As a member of the

board you will have a say in the programs

in the way of activities? What do you

want for your community? What ever it

may be we all need to help keep our

community a great place to live in.

What do you want for your children

Please volunteer for some area: the

and mail them to the members.

and running of the Association.

Razz-Ma-Tazz singing at the Civic Center. The Peninsula High School group is raising funds for a trip to Australia

Civic Center News President's for Civic Center program suggestions call 884-3456 or S. Zampini 884-9821

report

Reno night; March 3 1990, 4 pm to midnight, is the first fund raiser of the year. If you would like to help call Mike 851-4556. As with all organizations fund raisers are a necessary evil. Without them many programs would not be possible, like this newspaper for one or the Easter egg hunt, Pioneer Day and the Halloween Party.

The Civic Center Association will be having a retreat on February 24 to discuss long range goals for the Association and the contract with the Park District. There are a number of options and, as a resident of the community or user of the Center, any ideas or suggestions would be appreciated. Please call Stephanic Zampini, your Association president at 884-9821.

KPPCA meeting report

At the regular meeting of the Key Peninsula Civic Center Association, held on February 8, members heard a report on the success of the new skating arrangement, and agreed that the hours would be changed effective immediately to accomodate the increased attendance.

The urgency of re-finishing the gym floor was discussed and someone was delegated to bring up that subject at the Park Board meeting.

Village, and the Pioneer Farms will again be here if their schedule permits.

A landscaped area in the front of the Civic Center, to be set aside as a Memorial Gardens, was discussed further.

Already?

1990 property tax statements will be sent out on February 15. The first-half payment must be postmarked no later than April 30 to avoid the 12% per annum interest charge. This due date is strictly enforced.

Taxpayers should call the Assessor-Treasurer's office at 475-9555 if they do not receive their tax statement by February 28. Failure to receive a tax statement is not normally relevant to the question of the existence of tax. The law presumes that everyone knows that property taxes are due and payable every year.

The Pioneer Days steering committee met; this year's event will feature an Indian

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correction

The article in the last issue about telephone ballots should have read "All businesses and residents on the Key Peninsula with private lines recently received a telephone ballot." Customers with party lines will remain with A.T.&T.

To The Editor

Dear Editor:

It is with great enthusiasm that the members of Razz-ma-Tazz and their support group "Choral Angels" wish to thank the Key Peninsula Civic Center Board, the Key Peninsula Park Board, and the Lions Club of Key Center for their wonderful support of our spaghetti dinner and rummage sale.

Without groups like these our student musicians could never hope to achieve their total goals or potential.

Shawn Telsey

Secretary of Choral Angels

Dear Editor:

As a pollworker at Minter Creek Elementary School for the February 6 school election, I publicly apologize to the couple who came to vote at 8 pm. What occorred there should never have happened. My fellow workers and I were just getting ready to count ballots (had not opened bag yet) as there were no voters there, and at exactly 8 pm a couple entered the door. One of my fellow pollworkers immediately called out, "It's too late, sorry, we're closed," without consulting any of us. I said, "It's just 8 now," but she responded, "Oh, no, we've got a job to do here" (or something to that effect) "it's too late." By this time they were long gone.

If I have the opportunity to work as a pollworker in the future, this will not happen. This was my first experience at working as a pollworker.

I hope the couple who took the initiative to bundle up their baby and venture out on that blustery night will not be discouraged from voting in the future. So many people have the right to vote but don't manage to get to the polls, and I think those that make it within the designated time frame(7 am to 8 pm) should certainly be given the opportunity.

Terese Jackson Gig Harbor

DearEditor:

This refers to the article on page 16 of the 22 January 1990 issue of the Key Península News entitled "Safeplace for kids program planned."

Your readers might wish to know that the SafePlace program is not only endorsed by the Key Peninsula Fire Department, but that it is also endorsed by the Key peninsula Lions' Club and Citizens Against Crime. Each of these organizations encourage your readers who have concern for our kids to call Josie LeCraw or Liz Wekell on 627-4050 for information on how to volunteer to help make the program a success.

Hugh J. McMillan Lakebay

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next issue of the KP NEWS: March 5 - deadline February 26

During a Celebrity week, local

The celebrities, which have in-

celebrities are invited to come and read to

the children. The goals are to expose

children to a wide variety of careers, and

to show the importance of reading to those

cluded the new mayor of Gig Harbor, high

school football players and cheerleaders,

an architect, pilot, police officer, forest

ranger and fish hatchery worker, are

asked to come, talk about their job, read a

story and bring something they are

Flea Market Scheduled

The Key Peninsula Senior Society plans a Flea Market where you can find anything: crafts, household goods, treasures and trivia, for Saturday May 12, 1990 at the Civic Center in Vaughn. The market is for everyone, not just seniors.

To reserve your table or space, call either Kruger, 884-4191, or Williamson, 857-3029.

Charges will be; \$10 for a 6 foot table, \$14 for an 8 foot table, \$18 for a large 4x8 foot table. For articles that cannot be brought indoors, spaces will be rented in the parking area for \$10.

Food will be available in the kitchen. This is an opportunity for some group to make money. Call early to make sure.

Hours will be from 9 am to 4 pm, Saturday May 12, 1990.

Key Peninsulan in Who's Who in graphology

Marie Brown, CGA, is included in the first edition of "Who's Who In Graphology", compiled by Jack Daugherty and published by Star Quest Publishers of San Antonio, Texas. The book lists Graphoanalysts, Graphologists, and other handwriting analysts.

Mrs. Brown instructs a basic course in the science of Graphoanalysis at the Peninsula High School for adult evening classes. The classes are usually held during the spring and fall quarters. She also lectures for local and distant clubs, organizations and businesses, and will be a guest speaker for the Lions Club at their meeting on March 21, at the Huckleberry Inn. Marie Brown and her husband, Ted, are residents at Lake Holiday.



YWCA classes

The YWCA Resource Center offers a program for women/men looking for a more non-traditional employment setting. Register now for the next class which begins February 26, 1990. Free child care for students. Call 272-4181.

Free CPR: save a life

The Key Peninsula Fire Department offers free CPR (cardiopulmonary resusitation) training the first Thursday of every month to anyone wishing to acquire this vital skill. For details, call 884-2222.



A spring gift and decoration fair will be held at Olalla Elementary School on March 23 and 24. Tables will rent for \$15. Please contact Ginny Murphy for

more information at 876-7343 or 857-4705 during school hours.

Depression in the elderly

No one likes to be depressed or to see others depressed. Friends or family members so affected cause us concern. The elderly are particularly vulnerable and need others to help them out of depression.

On Wednesday, February 21, 7-9 pm, at the Brones Room, Key Center Library there will be a program on this subject. Sally Plumly, MSW, a professional, will talk on understanding the depressed condition of the elderIy.

Caregivers, family members or friends of depressed people are especially invited to attend this coming meeting of the caregivers support group. For information call 884-9833.



The Childbirth Education Association of Tacoma is currently accepting applications for the 24 week childbirth instructor training program. There is also a 12-week workshop for labor and delivery, newborn, or post-partum nurses; OB office nurses; or childbirth educators who desire ICEA certification. For fees, dates, and application forms, please contact Becky McCorkle at 845-3619.

Have you helped save the fish?

Have you, your school, or your local fishing club been involved in volunteer efforts to rehabilitate a fish run, educate people about the importance of fish and wildlife, or any other effort to enhance the Northwest's fish and wildlife populations? If so, the Northwest Power Planning Council would like to know about it.

This information will be used by the Council to examine the possibility of

linking volunteer efforts and educational programs with its fish and wildlife program.

If you would like to tell the Council about your experiences, contact Barb Taylor at the Council's central office. The address is: Northwest Power Planning Council, 851 SW Sixth Avenue, Suite 1100, Portland, OR 97204. The phone is 1-800-222-3355.

Celebrity reading week at Minter Elementary



KP NEWS photo by Megan Aprile Rick Olson, from fire district 16, brought all the first graders in Mrs. Mitchell's class a badge and fire hat to wear, and then they all settled down together for a good story.

Baseball tournament scheduling at Volunteer Park

The Key Peninsula Park and Recreation District is now scheduling for spring and summer tournaments, and clinics. Contact the district office between 9 am and 8 pm at 884-3456 for more information.

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KPBA	Mar. 2: 7:30 am	Huckleberry Inn
Caregivers Group childrens organizations:	Feb. 21: 6:30-9:30 pm	KC Library, Brones rm.
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Cub Scouts & Webelos, Pr	served with the control of the server of the	"
Cub Scouts, Pack 252	Feb. 20,27, Mar. 6: 4 pm	home of Janice Lodholm
Webelos, Pack 252	Feb. 21,28,Mar. 7: 4 pm	Minter Crk. Hatchery
Boy Scouts, Troop 252 civic organizations:	Feb. 21,28,Mar. 7: 6-7 pm	LDS church
Angel Guild	Feb. 26: 10 am	KC Library, Brones room
Burley Library Asn.	Mar. 7: 7:30 pm	Burley Comm. Hall
CAC	Mar. 1: 7 pm	KPCC, Whitmore rm.
Cootiettes	Feb. 20	visit Retsil Vet. Home
	Feb. 27	visit Naval Hosp Brem.
meet at noo	n in Key Center to carpool	
KP Health Ctr. Bd.	Feb. 22: 7:30 pm	KC Library, Brones rm.
Lions Club	Mar. 7,21: 7 pm	Huckleberry Inn
Longbranch Imp. Club	Feb. 21: 7 pm potluck	Longbranch Imp. Hall
church/community group	s:	
Ruth Circle	Feb. 19: noon lunch	Longbranch Church Hall
	& meeting	hostess - Evelyn Carlson
community services:		
CPR class	Mar. 1: 7-10 pm	call 884-2222, reservation
hot lunch for seniors	Feb. 21, 28,Mar. 7: noon	Community Center, Home
respite care	Feb. 21,28,Mar. 7	
	9 am - 3 pm	KC Library, Brones room
sewing classes	Feb. 20,27,Mar. 6	KC library
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KP Senior Society	Feb. 22,Mar. 1	KPCC, Whitmore room
and control controly	11-4 pm	
KP Sen. Soc. Bd.	Mar. 1: 10 am	
Upper Sound Grange	Mar. 5: 6:30 - 10 pm	KPCC
Vaughn Garden Club	Feb. 21: 10:30 am	home of Eleanor Stock
events:		
KP Citizen of the Year	Feb. 24;	KPCC
Banquet	doors open 6:30 pm	
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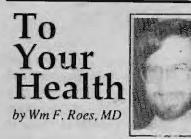
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For Info. 884-9766 companion had sauteed oysters accompanied by stir-fried vegetables. He felt the oysters were good but served at a rather tepid temperature. Our friends both had Ceaser salad, a large plate, done nicely in the classic style. This entre also included a large plate of black bean soup, beautifully presented with a swirl of sour cream, a slice of lime and a red dot of hot salsa. They both thought it very, very good. My cold noodle salad with chicken, peppers and other vegetables and a rich sesame dressing, was excellent and quite different. However, because of the rich sesame taste which can become cloying in a large serving, I would divide one order with

We all thought the prices fair (in the \$6.00 range), the service excellent, the rather "hip" Seattle atmosphere fun, and the food innovative and interesting. The Cafe Sport serves many different beers from some of Seattle's micro-breweries.

A dinner at The Chicago, "a nice, neighborhood Italian place," on the same street as the main entrance to Seattle's Colliseum, was an enjoyable experience for my dear companion and me and two friends. Our dinner was filled with many interesting and suprising taste experiences. We four shared a superb and unusual pizza. The crust was very, very thin and crispy, the topping was basil pesto, lots of garlic (we ordered extra) and mozzarella cheese. The "small" size pizza was enough at \$8.50 for four as an appetizer. It was one of the best pizzas I have ever tasted; it would be worth going

Be sure to try the tasty, rustic vegetable soup (a speciality of The Chicago called Italian Country soup) at \$1.50. Salad bar is nothing special. A pleasant seafood fettucini and mixed seafood saute with vegetables were enjoyed by our friends. My skewered and grilled shrimps were sweet and actually grilled over charcoal. The delicate marinade and spices were truly extraordinary. My dear companion did not care for his spinach ravioli stuffed with cheese - we all tasted it and agreed. The waiter, a really nice Swedish fellow, also tasted the ravioli, returned it to the kitchen, and also removed it from the bill! This is also another place I'd like to go again, and this time I'll order one of those pesto-garlic pizzas all for me. Prices are in the middle range. Excellent service. Dinner reservations recommended. Phone number is 282-7791.



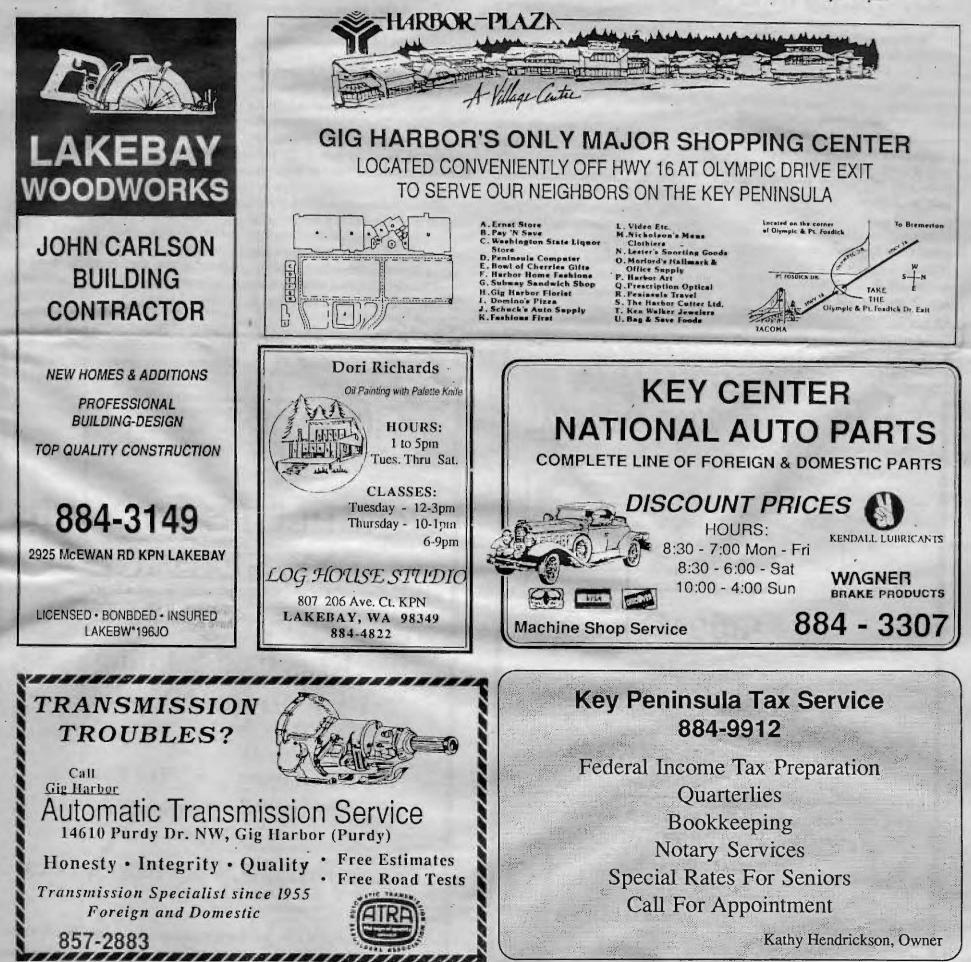
As the first column I've written in the new decade, I'd like to take the opportunity to depart from my usual medical format and address my plans for medical practice in the 1990's. Our practice at the Key Peninsula Health Center has continued to grow over the ten years I've been seeing patients here and the eight years we've shared a building with the Key Peninsula Library. In January, Dean,

Karen and I had over 800 patient visits, our busiest month yet. This volume of patients stretches our capacity and limits our ability to provide care to new patients as well as our ability to see patients as quickly as we (and our patients) would like to be seen. The population base in our community continues to grow and more traffic on highways 302 and 16 means commutes are becoming longer. In effect Tacoma is getting farther away (at least in time it takes to get there). My solution to this dilemna is to look for an associate to share our practice, which is a lot like looking for a new spouse; the personality mix, the common interest and approach, and the adaptability to a new situation will all figure into the match. Toward this goal in the future residents and fellows from

Tacoma Family Medicine will be joining us to help provide more care as well as looking for the possibility of joining me in practice on the Key Peninsula.

If we are successful in expanding the number of providers, we would have an impossible time fitting into our current building. I have been planning on building a new facility in the lot directly behind the current Library building for several years. Unfortunately, the unavailability of water and now the interim zoning plan both have slowed progress, but I am confident with time things will be ironed out. A new private facility offers the ability to be designed specifically for our practice, the ability to be designed specificallyy for our practice, the ability to increase our patient base, and the ability for me to use the depreciation over time to control the cost of care provided.

Finally, if we get another doctor to join us and if I build a new clinic in Key Center, what will become of the present facility? The Board of the Key Peninsula Health Center has been looking into services needed and is very receptive to new requests from local citizens. Monthly meetings are held at the Health Center at 7:30 pm on the 4th Thursday of each month. If you are interested you are welcome at the meetings or to contact the Board at 884-9221. I anticipate that all of the present services provided by the joint venture between the Board and myself will continue, and that new opportunities to bring new services will develop. We look forward to your input.



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get everyone situated on the morning of the parade, I realized how much time and effort it takes to get something like a parade started, and it has been a great success with Shirley's guidance."

Mary Seidelman served on the Key Peninsula Civic Center Association board for many years, working hard on Pioneer Days, Bingo, Reno Night, the Arts and Crafts Fair, the Mother's Day Breakfast and the Christmas Day dinner given at the Civic Center. She was the 1989 chairperson for the Community House Christmas project. She is an active member of the Angel Guild, Ashes and the Cootiettes

The letter nominating Mrs. Seidelman read in part "... The last couple of years Mrs. Seidelman has given many hours to the Community House...She not only organized the whole {Christmas basket) operation but she went out and solicited donations and contributions of gifts for the children...On top of all this work she still finds time to visit shut-ins on her own time, to help them with errands or ... just visit with them."

Karla Crocker is a very active volunteer at the Key Peninsula Community House, helping with the cooking when needed and at the pancake breadfasts, actively participating in the Christmasbasket project and Old Timer's Days. She

had what has been described by a Lions' member as a typical response to her nomination, which was to deny that she had done anything at all special.

Her nominator wrote "Karla Crocker, a small sized bundle of energy who doesn't know the meaning of the word 'quit' is my nomination for Citizen of the Year 1990. I can't begin to tell you what a 'shot-in-the-arm' [she] has been for me and my husband ... What she does for Key Peninsula Community Services... is way above and beyond the call of 'volunteerism'...She is forever holding out a helping hand to all who need it."

John Hendrickson is a fire commissioner, our local deputy sheriff, and is actively involved with Citizens Against Crime helping to train volunteers as well as helping organize the Herron Island detachment of that organization. He is a frequent speaker to local business, civic and school groups. He also works with local Scout groups.

In part, his letter of nomination read, "...As a deputy sheriff, John goes that extramile...he patrols through the 'briars' and the 'brambles' and the 'bushes where a rabbit wouldn't go'. When his eight hours are up, he's busy on the phone at home, making contacts and tracking down leads. He has re-introduced law enforcement to an area that thought they

had been long forgotten ... His involvement with Citizens Against Crime has spurred many people to join in the efforts of this group to assist local law enforcement."

Thomas and Shirley Cromie have been the managers of Camp Woodward in Longbranch for the last fourteen years. Every week, as he has for the last seven years or so, Mr. Cromie drives to Tacoma to pick up surplus bread products which he then delivers to nearly all churches on the Key Peninsula and to the KP Community Services (Food Bank). Tom and Shirley have also been actively involved in supporting all of the day-to-day operations at the food bank. Mr. Cromie helps with carpentry, remodeling, and, according to a member of the Board of Directors at the food bank, "You don't have to ask Tom to help; he just seems to know when things need to be done and he's there doing them." Those who nominated the Cromies summed up with "Whenever anything needs to be done at the food bank, the Cromies are there to help."

Marty Pedersen is a retired restauranteur who has catered banquets for many Peninsula organizations, volunteering all of his time. Becoming a permanent Herron Island resident in 1983. Marty joined as a charter member of the KPFD volunteer firefighter force there in

1984. He was certified as a Washington state emergency medical technician, and retired from fire service in 1989 as a station captain. His letter of nomination states in part "...Although in terms of calendar time Marty Pedersen is a newcomer to our community, the level and quality of his commitment...is exceptional... Neither rain, nor wind storms, nor fog, nor ferry schedules have kept Marty from meeting any obligation to which he commits himself."

Laure and John Nichols were the driving force behind the interim zoning regulations for the Key Peninsula which were recently passed by the Pierce County Council. After becoming concerned about the pace of development, they began educating themselves by arranging informational meetings with Pierce County Planning personnel and Paul Cyr. They then began talking to others, and by the end of 1988 began, with a group of 15 to 20 people to draft a plan. The group's petition ultimately resulted in the interim zoning plan currently in force in the Peninsula.

The person who nominated Mr. and Mrs. Nichols stated "I would like to nominate Laure and John Nichols... They have almost singlehandedly saved our little peninsula from the ravages of developers ... "

Tax Planning



School bonds and levy pass

Both school issues passed in the February 6 election. The 1991-92 maintenance and operation levies of \$5,275 million and \$5,525 million respectively were passed with a 78.5% approval. The bond issue of \$37,767 million passed with a 74% approval.

Unofficial results showed the following percentage of yes votes at local precincts; Home Fire Station 72.4%, Evergreen Elementary 72.9%, Longbranch Improvement Club %64.5, Minter Elementary 75.4%, Peninsula High School 75.5%, Key Center Library 79.4%, Vaughn Elementary 64.9% for the maintenance and levy. Percentages for the school bond issue were Home Fire Station 60.3%, Evergreen Elementary 64.2%, Longbranch Improvement Club 62.2%, Minter Elementary 71.7%, Peninsula High School 73%, Key Center Library 71.8% and Vaughn Elementary 57.1%.

Tax Tips

by R. Marvin Keizur

The IRS now agrees that your last known address is that shown on the most recent tax return you filed, accepting an important tax court decision. Until now, the IRS said that the last-known address was the one shown on the return being examined, even if later returns were filed from a new address. Notices sent to the old address were valid even when taxpayers never received them. Taxpayers have become liable for deficiencies by default as a result of not answering unreceived notices on time. The new ruling applies retroactively to cases now pending that arose before the decision was issued.

IRS to collect student loans — The Department of Education has announced that it will use the IRS to collect on more than 100,000 defaulted governmentguaranteed student loans. Total \$300 million - average \$3,000 each. IRS computers have been programmed to withhold tax refunds owed to delinquents, and to locate the debtors where state agencies have been unable to do so. As you well know, the same method has been and still is being used to collect back child support payments for the Department of Social and Health Services of the State of Washington.

Did you know that some individuals pay more social security or selfemployment tax than income tax, plus all the hidden taxes you pay — you have to work quite a bit of the year just to pay taxes — Makes you kind of wonder where does all that money go? Get your tax return information in early to your Tax Return Preparer. Thanks.

Snowy weather causes accidents

The snowy weather meant a spate of minor accidents and some inury accidents, mostly along the Key Peninsula highway. There was an injury accident on February 7 near the entrance of Volunteer Park. Both fire district 16 ambulances were used to transport three injured people. A mother and child were injured in an accident at the 8300 block of the KP highway. A rear-ender accident at the interesection of 92nd and highway

Red tide and you

Paralytice Shellfish Poison (PSP), is an illness caused by consuming shellfish containing large numbers of a certain marine plankton. The organism that carries the toxin occurs naturally in marine waters and is not harmful to the shellfish. Under ideal conditions, usually in the late summer and fall, there organisms rapidly reproduce to create blooms. Shellfish such as clams, oysters, mussels and scallops can ingest these organisms and if the bloom is large enough, the shellfish may contain enough of the toxin to be lethal to humans. The PSP toxin is one of the potent neurotoxins known; it is 1,000 times more potent than cyanide.

There is a growing network of citizens in Puget Sound who volunteer to collect samples of butter clams, little neck clams and mussels for local health 302 occurred on February 14. February 15 was the date of a four car pile-up at the 8200 block of the KP highway right outside Key Center. A car which was stopped in the highway near a disabled van was rear-ended, followed by another and another. The evening of the same day a vehicle trying to pass skidded on the icy road and rolled over. There were no injuries in either of those accidents.

departments and the state Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS). Samples are collected twice a month from March through October and tested at the DSHS lab for Paralytic Shellfish Poison (PSP), more commonly known as red tide. If the toxin level in any of these samples exceeds the state health standard, the information is made available through the red tide hotline (1-800-562-5632) and the offending beach is provisionally closed to recreational shellfishing. Through the Adopt a Beach program, a volunteer monitoring project is being conducted in Pierce County. . Citizens who volunteer for the PSP monitoring system are providing the basis for a Soundwide early warning system. For more information on volunteer field work and lab studies, please call Betsy Peabody at 1-296-6591.





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A Woman's Heart by Elaine Forch

"To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven," says the Bible in Ecclesiastes 3:1. This verse has been around a long time, so I don't understand why I've only recently come to understand its principle. I realize now that my ignorance of this profound, yet simple law of life has been the cause of a lot of the stress and feelings of inadequacy that I have experienced throughout my life - especially during my years as a young mother.

I remember how thrilled I was when my first little baby was born. I spent a lot of time rocking and cuddling her because, most of the time, there were just the two of us at home. We had a tiny house that was easy to clean and since I didn't have a car, we seldom went out except for our leisurely daily walks. I felt calm and relaxed and truly enjoyed that time of bonding.

When my second child was born, it wasn't so easy. Our rocking time was often cut short because I had another child to care for and a larger, more demanding house to clean. It was then that I began to live outside the present. As 1 went about my day, my mind often focused on all the things that I needed to do - things that I couldn't do yet - but thinking about them created a pressure within that prevented me from being conscious of and enjoying what I was doing at the moment. By the time my third child came along, I was fully enveloped in that fruitless thought pattern, only on a larger scale. I often found myself looking ahead to the time all of my children would be out of diapers and then it was when they would all be in school so I could finally have the time to keep my house up the way my grandma did. I remember my grandmother telling me to relax and enjoy my children - that her house wasn't always so neat - that she didn't have nice things until after her children were grown and gone. I remember her words now, but I didn't hear her then.

My children are grown now and grandma was right, as usual. My housework is a lot easier and my laundry isn't a major task anymore. I finally have the time to take a class and a walk now and then. Yet - old habits die hard for me. I still drift into my old way of thinking occasionally. Only these days my future thinking centers on retirement and travel and more freedom for things that I want to do. It's hard to concentrate on my daily work with thoughts of retirement dancing in my head. And yet I know that I can only live in the present, one day at a time.

I hear and read a lot about the "myth of the superwoman." They're right - she is a myth. But some women do know how to pack a lot of living into their lives and they seem to do it well. I'm convinced it's because they recognize and understand the "season" principle; the principle that tells us that we may be able to do it all - just not all at once.

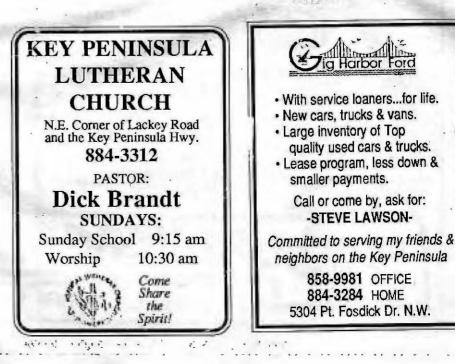


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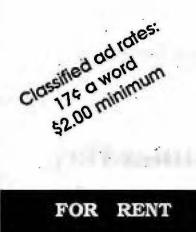
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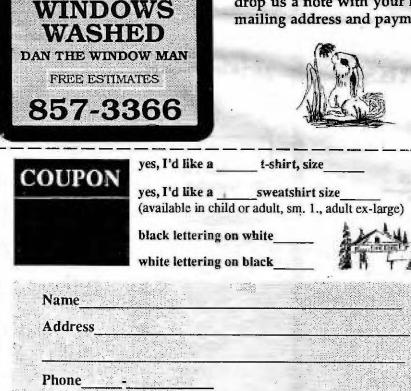
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