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KP NEWS photo by Joe Aprile John and Michelle Flintoff are just about perfect as one of America's favorite couples, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus, at the recent KPCCA Arts and Crafts Fair.

Christmas is coming

All around the Peninsula special events in honor of the season are being held.

As they have for the last twelve years, Mike Salatino and friends will cook a special Christmas dinner for seniors who otherwise would have no place to go. Mike has the able assistance of Eleanor Stock this year and she will be in charge of the guest list and transportation arrangements. Invited guests receive a gift. Santa also visits and an entertainment program is put on. Transportation can be provided.

If you know of a senior who would otherwise be alone, please contact Eleanor Stock at 884-3739.

Key Peninsula Community
Services will host a holiday bazaar and
breakfast on Sunday December 10 at the
Longbranch Improvement Club. From 710 am a menu of pancakes, eggs, bacon
and a beverage will ALL be served for
only \$2.50. Lunch items including
hamburgers and hotdogs will follow.

The bazaar will feature a flea market, arts & crafts items, and a bake sale. Booths remain available for \$10.00. Call Marge Adams at 884-4440 for details. All proceeds will go to benefit the food bank.

The Peninsula Neighbors Craft Club will have a booth at the (KPCS) bazaar. Craft club members donate their carnings back to the community. Please stop by their booth and see the nice assortment of Christmas items they will have on display.

The Community House Project people are working hard to get their Christmas baskets for those in need completed. We reported last time in the

NEWS that people could apply for their baskets between December 1 and 8. Those dates should have been December 1 through 18. Donations of cash or non-perishable food can be made to Key Peninsula Community Services, POB 392, Lakebay 98349.

The Burley Christmas party is scheduled for Saturday December 9 from 10 am to 2 pm at the Burley Community Hall, next to the post office. All area residents are invited to join in singing carols under the direction of the Burley Bible Church.

Cookies and hot cider will be supplied by Burley residents and members of the Burley Library Association. Santa and Mrs. Clans, who are appearing at the personal request of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Standly, will be on hand to talk to youngsters and pose for pictures. Each child visiting with Santa will receive a candy cane and picture as a remembrance. There will no charge for the pictures, however a donation box will be set up to offset the price of the film.

A food collection box for those in need will be available at the party. Food may also be left at the Burley Community Hall or the Burley post office on other dates.

A free program sponsored by the Friends of the Key Center Library will be held Wednesday, December 6, 7 pm at the library. The presentation will include Swedish Christmas traditions, including advent candles, Lucia celebration, and Christmas Eve highlights. Coffee, tea, and Swedish Christmas cookies will be served. The event is a gift to the Friends and the community from Britta Brones and Ann Marie Hahn.

Fire District 16 labor issues still unresolved

by Megan Aprile

Fire district 16 commissioners and the local fire fighters union are still working to reach agreement on their first contract. The district had been scheduled for binding arbitration, but both sides agreed to try to reach agreement on their own.

That meeting was unsuccessful also, and a final meeting has been scheduled for January 12. If the remaining issues cannot be resolved at that time, the talks will have to go to binding arbitration, since firefighters cannot go on strike. The main unresolved issues are wages, hours and seniority.

A fire district 16 class 3 firefighter, with 3 or more years of service is paid \$2240 monthly. Class 3 firefighters in Lakewood, Parkland or University Place are paid \$3169 monthly. Fire district 16 firefighters work on a schedule commonly used in fire departments called Detroit 56, which is a rather elaborate twenty four shift on and off arrangement. Normally, seniority determines how people are laid off, but the recent levy mandated funds for paramedic salaries.

Both sides are hopeful that agreement can be reached in the January

12 meeting. If not, binding arbitration is expensive for both sides. Attorneys for each side cost about \$175 per hour, the hired arbiter about \$500 per day, coming to a total, with various other costs, of an estimated \$2500 per day according to one side, or \$5000 per day, according to the other.

A check of vouchers at the fire station showed that a total amount of \$6, 842.50 has so far been paid to Cabot Dow and Associates, a firm of professional negiotiators, for their services in the contract talks.

Armed robber caught, thanks to alert employees

Jonna Gosnell and Tammy Dumas were at work as usual on October 11, when a man came in to open a savings account with a government check. Jonna Gosnell remembered a former customer of the Credit Union who had used the same name as the man that was opening the account. Ms. Gosnell remembered the former customer, even though she had not seen him very often, and so she knew the

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KP interim rezone passes county council

The interim rezoning of the Key Peninsula was passed unanimously by the Pierce County Council at their November 28 meeting. The new zoning takes effect on December 15.

Over the next two years, the residents of the Key Peninsula can put together a community land use plan. Beginning in June or July of next year the planning staff of the Council will hold community forums to assist local residents in the planning process.

The three main provisions of the plan are a minimum lot size of 2 1/2 acres, designated commercial areas and a 50 foot buffer zone. The tax status of the buffer zone is being considered by the assessor's office.

Drive Safely

by Megan Aprile

The 1988 traffic fatality rate of 1.95 deaths per 100 million miles traveled continues a steady downward trend over the last decade. In 1979 the state recorded a whopping 3.55 fatality rate.

Washington Traffic Safety Commission (WTSC) director Gene Peterson says the statistics are encouraging, but "we still have too many drunk drivers, too many young men sitting on their safey belts instead of buckling them and too many people using the roadways as a race track."

Peterson does attribute the improvement to a combination of factors, including a dramatic increase in safety belt us, due mostly to the safety belt use law. He also cited continued DWI education, improved highway construction technology and increased attention to speed limit enforcement as major contributors to the steady decline.

Washington State Patrol Chief George Tellevik recently commented on the traffic situation also. He stated, "In the past five years, the legislature has authorized more troopers than ever before, and the Washington State Patrol's emphasis on local trooper iniative in addressing specific hazards contributes to the record low death rates. But with the huge increase in drivers and vehicles on roughly the same miles of roadway in our state, it also means thousands of drivers are behaving responsibly behind the wheel, which lets us focus on those who don't."

Being one of those responsible drivers is more important than ever because of the half repaired condition of highway 302. When driving every day, it is easy to overlook the ruts, the lack of shoulder, and the many blind curves, but the physical limitations of the highway, along with the fact that animals, children and bicyclists may be nearby mean that there is not a lot of margin of error if anything happens, especially if you are speeding.



KP NEWS photo by Joe Aprile

A nice crowd enjoys the atmosphere and the selection ofquality handmade items at the Key Peninsula Civic Center, Association's annual Arts and Crafts Fair.

Armed robber caught, cont. from page 1

man in front of her was not that person. Tammy Dumas, the teller who dealt with this man, engaged in conversation with him while carefully noting what he looked like. The two reported the incident and when Deputy John Hendrickson arrived gave him, in his words "what I consider to be one of the best suspect descriptions I have received in my fourteen years as a deputy".

One of the things that struck Deputy Hendrickson was that the description closely matched the one of the suspect who had robbed the liquor store in Key Center in August. Through investigation, the man was arrested for both fraud/ forgery and armed robbery.

For their outstanding help and cooperation Jonna Gosnell and Tammy Dumas received certificates of appreciation from the Pierce County Sheriff's Department, presented by Sgt. Bill Siewer. In addition, Hendrickson pointed out that many large financial institutions are reluctant to become involved in criminal incidents when they have suffered no monetary loss, and how much he therefore appreciated Tacoma Telco and their employees for getting involved.

minors; alcohol, drugs means no more driving

The 1989 legislature passed changes in the law on minors in possession of drugs and/or alcohol (MIP). The law adds special sanctions for 18 to 20 year olds convicted of drug possession. The 1988 law covered ages 13 to 17 only. In all cases, the penalty is automatic revocation of the driving privilege, or ability to obtain a license.

The Department of Licensing is concerned that parents and minors understand the consequences. Joan Baird, assistant director for driver services, said "It appears that MIP and DWI are related in the public's perception. With a DWI, you must be operating a motor vehicle. A minor in possession will have the driving pri-

vilege revoked whether or not a vehicle is involved. The minor could be at home, at a party, or just walking down the street."

For the first offense, the privilege to drive is revoked for one year or until age 17, whichever is longer. For second and subsequent offenses, the revocation is two years or until age 18, whichever is longer. For each conviction of driving while revoked, the revocation may be extended one year.

When minors become eligible to obtain a driver's license of permit, they must take the written and driving tests, even if they have taken them before. In addition to the cost of the license, a \$20 reinstatement fee is charged.

Home rezone hearing scheduled

Paul Cyr, vice-chairman of the planning and public works committee of the Pierce County Council, stated the Home rezone would be considered in a public meeting of the committee on December 14, starting at 9:30 am. The

committee will meet in the County-City building, 930 Tacoma Avenue South, room 1046.

Once heard by the committee, the Home rezone will be heard by the full council in January of 1990.

see Civic Center Calendar

KC Library, Brones room

KC Library, Brones room

KPCC, Whitmore room

Christmas Calendar

Many clubs and organizations around the Peninsula are holding special Christmas meetings to celebrate the season and we are including a special Christmas Calendar in this issue to supplement Key Dates.

The 26th District Democrats are holding the first annual Santa Claus pancake breakfast on Saturday December 16 at the Gig Harbor Masonic Lodge. Elected officials will serve as Santa's helpers. For 9 am reservations call 858-6720. For 10 am reservations, 857-3137 and 11 am reservations 857-7626. The quarterly meeting will follow at 12:30 pm at the Hy-iu-hee tavern in Gig Harbor.

Bayshore Garden Club will hold a potluck lunch and exchange holiday designs Wednesday December 15 at 1 pm.

The Cootiettes are busy making the holidays happier for others. There will be a work party on Sunday December 10 at Martha Applegate's home. Workers should bring Christmas paper to wrap gifts and a bag lunch. As usual, Martha will provide the dessert. There will be a work party on Saturday December 16 at Kathy Schafer's home to wrap candy and cookies for the trip to the Retsil Veteran Home. The Cootiette Christmas party potluck will be Thursday December 21 at 6:30 pm at the Civic Center. Santa will be there, along with lots of good things to eat. Secret pals will be revealed and gifts will be exchanged.

The Dr. Penrose Orthopedic Guild will hold their annual Christmas luncheon and auction to benefit Mary Bridge Hospital at 11 am Thursday December 7 at Far-a-way lodge.

Far-a-way is beautiful in its Christmas decor, and spirits rise to the occasion each year as members, associates, and their guests gather to usher in the holiday season. Festivities include a silent auction with many handcrafted gift items to bid on as well as one that is not so silent, with Bette Arns of Bremerton acting as auctioneer.

Good food, good fun, good company and a good cause make this a sepcial event for a hardworking and dedicated group of women.

The Key Peninsula Civic Center Association will hold their Christmas potluck Thursday December 14, starting at 7 pm.

The Key Peninsula Lutheran Church children's Christmas play will be held on Sunday December 17 at 10:30 am.

The Longbranch Church Christmas program will be held Sunday, December 17

The Longbranch Church Handbell Choir will play bells at the Vista Retirement

The Longbranch Improvement Club will hold their Christmas Party Potluck

Wednesday December 13, starting at 7 pm at the Longbranch Church Hall. The Peninsula Neighbors Craft Club will have a noon potluck and gift exchange

Wednesday December 13 at the Longbranch Church Fellowship Hall. Ruth Circle will have a dinner and gift exchange on Thursday December 14 at 5

Vaughn Community Church will hold an advent service Sunday December 17 at

Vaughn Garden Club will have a Christmas potluck at noon at the home of Kelly Gulseth on Thursday, December 20. There will be a gift exchange.

V.F.W. Post#4990, the Auxiliary and their families will hold their Christmas party in the Whitmore Room of the Civic Center, Vaughn, on Monday, December 11. Fellowship begins at 6 pm with dinner at 7 pm. There will be a gift exchange. Do not forget to bring non-perishable foods and/or "health and comfort" articles for the needy.

And don't forget Santa's sleigh visits, brought to you by Key Peninsula Fire District 16 and the Key Peninsula Business Association. Check the centerfold for Santa's route.

If your church or organization is holding an event anytime after December 18, and you would like to be listed in the next edition of the Christmas Calendar, please drop a line with date, time and details to KP News, P.O. Box 3, Vaughn 98394, or leave in the KP News drop box outside the Civic Center. Information must be received by Monday, December 11.

Have a safe Christmas

Give yourself a Christmas present by putting a house number on your house. If your "avenue" or "street court" is a dirt road with several houses, putting your house number on your home makes it much easier for the fire or medical aid team to find you in an emergency. Christmas is a time when medical emergencies and housefires occur.

KP NEWS photo by Harold Forch

Reno night at the Civic Center. The filled parking lot told the story from the outside, but here is the Civic Center gym transformed into a casino, with enough different kinds of gaming to please just about everybody.

Key Dates

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Dec. 12 - noon Altrusa Shoreline restaurant Caregivers group Dec. meeting cancelled KC Library, Brones room

Dec. 15 - 7:30 am Huckleberry Inn

childrens organizations: Brownie Cadettes

Junior Girl Scouts

Cub Scouts; bear den 4 see Civic Center calendar

webelos Cub Scouts, Pack 252 Dec. 5,12,19 - 4:00 pm home of Janice Lodholm

851-4834 Webelos, Pack 252 Dec. 6,13,20 - 4:30 pm Minter Creek Fish Hatchery

Boy Scouts, Pack 213 see Civic Center Calendar Dec. 6,13,20 LDS church

Boy Scouts, Pack 252 6:00 - 7:00 pm

civic organizations:

Citizens Against Crime Dec. 7 - 7 pm KPCC, Whitmore room Cootiettes Dec. 12 visit Naval Hospital visit Retsil Vet. Home

meet at noon in Key Center to carpool KP Com, Serv. Board Dec. 12 - 7 pm KPCS building Lions Club Dec. 6,20 - 7 pm Huckleberry Inn Lions BOD Dec. 11 - 7 pm KPCS building

community services:

hot lunch for seniors Dec. 6,13,20 - noon Community Center, Home Dec. 6,13,20 respite care

of interest to parents:

Evergreen Eagle Boosters Dec. 12 - 7 pm Evergreen Elementary

Peninsula School Board 7:30 pm Educational Service Ctr.

9 am - 3 pm

Purdy Vaughn VPO Dec. 14 - 7 pm Vaughn Elementary

public meetings:

KP Fire Commissioners Dec. 13 - 7:30 pm Key Center Fire station KP Park Board Dec. 13 - 7:30 pm **KPCC**

Peninsula School Board Dec, 5 - 7 pm ESC, Purdy

self - help groups:

Al-Anon Dec. 4,11,18-7-8 pm Longbranch Improvement Club

Survivors Group Dec. 14 - 2 - 3:30 pm

social/hobby groups:

Gig Harbor Twirlers Dec. 4,11,18

Square dance lessons, 7:30 - 9:30 pm Burley, next to P.O.

KP Senior Society Dec. 7 - 10 am

board mtg. Dec. 14 - noon KPCC, Whitmore room

Dec. 9 - 9 pm - 1 am KPCC, gym Twilite Dance Club

Upper Sound Grange Dec. 4 - 7 pm **KPCC** events:

Burley Galleria Dec. 10 - noon - 3 pm Burley Galleria

Jean Jones, Ramona Weideman

Teen Dance Dec. 16 - 7 pm - midnight KPCC, gym



SHIBA to meet

Persons interested in issues involved in purchasing health insurance (including long-term care) are invited to attend the next meeting of SHIBA advisors at the Lakebay Community Service Center on December 14, from 10-12

Caregivers meeting cancelled.

The Caregivers Support Group, which usually meets at the Key Center Library building on the 3rd Wednesday evening will be cancelled for Decem-

At the January meeting there will be a physical therapist giving guidance on proper lifting and transferral techniques for handicapped and disabled persons. This meeting will be held on January 17 from 7-9 pm at the Brones Room.

Preparing for an earthquake

director, Department of Emergency Management, Pierce County

Like California, Washington state is earthquake country. There are things you can do before, during and after an earth-

Before an earthquake, check and correct hazards. High furniture, modular entertainment centers, file cabinets, bookshelves, china cabinets, floor lamps, high unattached headboards over beds, and free standing wardrobes should be anchored to either wall or floor. Pictures or mirrors over beds, desks, or chairs are

a hazard.

Magnetic catches on kitchen cabinets will not keep doors closed in an earthquake, so you might want to consider replacing or re-inforcing and magnetic catches that you have. Do not put heavy objects on open shelves.

In addition you can securely attach overhead lighting and strap water heaters to the wall with plumber's metal strapping. Know how to turn off circuit breakers and water. If you use natural gas, know how to turn it off. Leave the appropriate tools secured in place next to the water and gas shut-off valves.

Learn the safe spots in a room; inside walls, supported archways such as doorways or under desks or other heavy furniture. The danger spots in a room are near windows, near or under hanging objects, mirrors or pictures, fireplaces and unanchored wood stoves, unsecured furniture like bookshelves or cabinets or food cooking on the stove.

In earthquakes or any other disaster, there are going to be problems. Training in first aid and developing and practicing a family carthquake plan could be invaluable. You can put together an emergency kit with a flashlight, portable radio, first

aid kit, small fire extinguisher, batteries, and a three day supply of food and water (3 gallons per person), plus any medica-

Earthquake!

You realize after a couple of seconds that an earthquake is happening. If you are inside, get to a safe spot in the room. Do not go outside until after the shaking has stopped. If you are in the kitchen, turn off the stove and take cover in a safe spot away from hot pans and food. In high rise buildings follow the routines for inside ares, but in addition do not leave the floor you are on until after the shaking has stopped. In particular, do not use the elevators during or after the earthquake. In a crowded public place do not rush towards the exits; follow the rules about finding a safe place. If you are outside stay from away from buildings, trees, walls and power lines. If you are in a car, pull to the side of the road, stop and stay in the car until the quake is over. Do not park under overpasses or power lines. If the quake is severe, do not attempt to cross bridges or overpasses which may have been damaged.

After the quake is over, there are many important things to do. The order is which they are done depends on the severity of the earthquake and your particular circumstances.

Check for injuries and render needed first aid if possible. Put out small fires if possible. If your shoes have come off, find them. Wear shoes or slippers to avoid cutting your feet. Switch off electrical power and check gas, water and electrical lines and appliances for damage.

Check food and water supplies are intact. Check to see sewage lines are intact before using the facilities. Check the builing and especially chimneys and masonry walls for cracks. Do not use the fireplace until it has been professionally checked. Open doors carefully when inspecting; objects may fall out.

Listen to the Emergency Broadcast station, KIRO. Do not use the telephone except for severe injuries or true emergencies.

Clean up spilled medicines, cleaning supplies or other hazardous items such as glass. Cook outdoors if possible to avoid fire hazard. Do not drive around to look at the damage.

If you must evacuate your home or building, leave a note stating where you may be located. Stay away from severely damaged buildings, because they may collapse during aftershocks.



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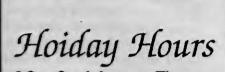
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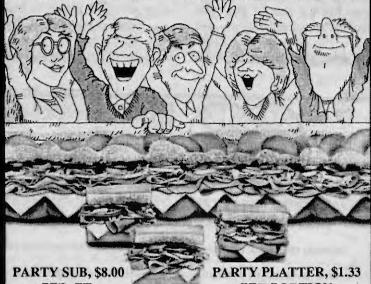
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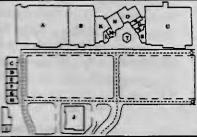


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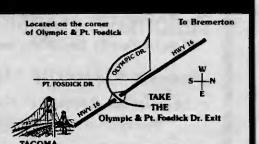
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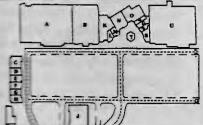
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Christmas at Home, 1928

By Stella Retherford

"Christmas at Home" first appeared in the December 1979 issue of the Key Peninsula News, which at that time was the Key Peninsula Newsletter の利用の利用のお子のお子のお子のお子のお子のお子のお子のお子のお子のお子のお子のない。

In spite of the depression that was a part of life for ten years following this childhood Christmas, my family managed to provide their two children with emotional security, an appreciation of nature, literature, art and drama, and to pass on to them some of their English-Irish-Canadian heritage.

It is approaching Christmas, 1928 and in the square brick elementary school building of Pierce County, District 315, Miss Ruth Berg is planning the Christmas pageant with the students. The angels have been chosen and will alert mothers that wings and white dresses are needed. The wise men and the three Kings are discussing robes and head gear. The shepherds will need dark bathrobes and each a staff. The stars of the show, Mary and Infant Jesus, have not been chosen and each little girl not yet assigned, sees herself as Mary gazing rapturously at her baby doll lying in the hay-filled manger. The chorus of all students practices the traditional Christmas songs each afternoon for a half an hour before dismissal

At home, gifts for family members are under construction and plans are being laid for spending the money which has been saved nearly a year for this event. The household buzzes with happy secrets. There will be two embroidered pot holders for Grandma, a small fruit cake baked

in a tin can for Grandpa, a hand-printed and decorated poem entitled "Daddy" for father and an apron being stitched for Mother at Grandma's house on her sewing machine.

The annual Christmas shopping trip with Mother to Tacoma is planned for the first Monday of the school holiday. We are up before 6:00 am. Mother is preparing breakfast and we are dressing in clothes carefully laid out the night before. The coal oil lamps give a dim but dependable light. Excitement runs high as Father with his coal oil lantern walks us down through the dark fog along the waterfront to "catch the boat" at 7:15. We can hear the complaining of the Sentinel's fog horn as Captain Bert Berntson steers his craft around the point from Lakebay. He is listening carefully for the echo of the horn to indicate his margin of safety from Rocky Point.

A happy discovery is made in the waiting room at the end of Home dock; our friends, Evelyn and Chester Dadisman and their mother, Lottie, are also "going to town" today. We sit on the narrow benches and compare shopping plans for the day. There is a one-hole toilet in the corner and we recall with giggles the boys fishing for, and catching, perch last summer through that hole.

The Sentinel noses gently up to the wharf with its engines cut; Jim Ulsh expertly tosses the hawser loop over the piling and jumps lightly onto the dock to double and secure the loop. He swings back onto the boat to slide the gangplank down to bridge the gap from cargo deck to the dock. The tide is very high this morning so the passengers board by walking up the gangplank to the lowest deck and then up the stairs to the passenger deck. During a very low tide, passengers board by walking down the sloping gangplank onto the top, or hurricane, deck. Moderate tides allow boarding directly onto the passenger deck. Jim gives us each a hand as we cross the black water on the railingless, cleated board. With his ready smile and good-natured banter, Jim was often referred to as "Cowboy" by his admiring passengers as he expertly lassoed pilings. With docking completed he released the rope with an experienced flip, waved to Captain Berntson and with a brief whistle, we are off to Arletta.

A few passengers board at Arletta and settle themselves on the slick varnished benches (life vests stored below) and converse softly in Norwegian. We children run aft along the deck, across the square stern and forward again to the wheelhouse to greet our friend, Captain Bert, as he steers his ship toward Anchorage on Fox Island. On such a foggy morning as this, he maneuvers his craft back and forth across the channel between Fox Island and the mainland with his head and elbow out of the window listening for the reassuring echo of the fog horn. Thoughts of shopping in Tacoma occupy our minds today and Captain Bert is busy, but on other trips he has invited us into the wheelhouse for a short visit.

Jim Ulsh is now down in the engine room so we stand in the narrow open doorway to feel the warm oily breath of the engines rise in our faces and to listen to the deep-throated throb of the steam engine. The behemoth gray engine pumps its shiny connecting rods up and down in an orderly and reassuring manner. The engineer is busy with his oil can and wiping cloths; the polished cleanliness of the engine and the engine room reflect tender loving care.

Jim invites us down the narrow slatted metal steps for a closer look at the great gray giant that turns the brass propeller, which churns the water to a green and white frothy wake behind. The Sentinel speeds along at about 9-12 knots per hour and is a woodburning steamship. She was built in Tacoma in 1898.

Now we are headed back across the channel. We rush to watch the drama of docking at each small wharf. Daylight has come and the town of Sylvan, in the mist with its graceful white church and waterfront homes, looks like a Christmas card scene. Our last stop on Fox Island will be Cedrona Beach and then across the Narrows to Day Island. Passengers with

more money and less time get off at Day Island to take the 6th Avenue bus into Tacoma, thus saving the time it will take for the boat to steam around Point Defiance and into Commencement Bay. If this trip included a stop on Vashon Island, it would be another hour before we reached downtown Tacoma.

At about 10 am we dock at the foot of 11th Street. The charm of each stop along the way is missing in Tacoma. The water is oily with unidentifiable pieces of flotsam and the dock is dirty. The fifteen or so passengers walk up the wide, dusty ramp-like corridor past long-closed shops with dirty blank show windows. There is a long flight of unkempt stairs and an abrupt turn to the left to emerge from this dismal tunnel on to A Street. The era of fine boats carrying affluent passengers has come and gone.

By contrast, Tacoma's streets are lined with brightly lit shops, hung with tinsel and displaying glossy treasures in their windows. Our money has been saved for nearly a year to spend on this most important of shopping trips. A butterfly pin for Grandma, a wind-up car for brother Herb, some smelly after-shave for Grandpa, a small package of cigars for Daddy and then came my privilege of shopping alone for Mama's gift. Would it be a pink slip? A pendant necklace? Or a powder compact with a puff and mirror?

Lunch is in a paper sack from home. We go to eat it at a favored ice-cream shop that is on the alley behind Rhodes Brothers Department Store. There are the familiar round marble-topped tables and looped wire chairs. After home-made bread sandwiches and apples are eaten, the nickel that has been saved is spent for ice cream.

Shortly after 2 pm we head back to the docks so we will not "miss the boat". If you should miss the boat departure downtown, you could take a bus out 6th Avenue to catch the Sentinel at its Day Island stop.

By the time we reach Sunny Bay, the passenger cabin lights have come on. We children are admiring each other's purchases and comparing prices while our mothers converse about whatever mothers talk about after a day "in town" with two excited children.

Home dock, 5 pm, and the tide is so low the top of the boat barely reaches the level of the dock. We climb the stairs to the boat or hurricane deck and Jim steadies each passenger as he crosses that deep, dark abyss between boat and wharf with precious bundles. The Sentinel, with a short, goodby whistleblast steams for its home port of Lakebay to spend the night.

We are met by Daddy with his coal oil lantern to help light our way along the waterfront through the dark drizzle. The coal oil lamp in the window of our



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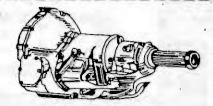
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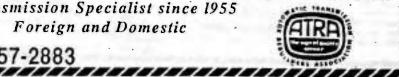
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house represents a return to the security of home.

The next morning brings the day to choose our Christmas tree. We are now old enough to take the small saw to cut the tree and bring it home ourselves. Lunch is placed securely in a pocket and we set off on this most important mission. Weeks before, several candidate trees had been spotted in a recently logged-over area along the Lackey Road. With much discussion of size and symmetry, a choice is finally made and the little tree is triumphantly carried home.

Fresh paper chains and popcorn strings have been prepared and along with carefully saved tinsel from previous years, the little tree is dressed for its part. The gold star on top and a tinsel angel graced Christmas trees in my Mother's childhood in Home. There are no lights on the tree (as electricity was yet three years away for us) and no candles are allowed to be lit on the tree. Mantles and the buffet are decorated with holly sprigs from the trees in front of the house.

On Christmas Eve my grandparents, George and Sylvia Allen, come for dinner and the great present exchanging time.

We children have the privilege of distributing the treasures which have been secreted within the thick boughs of our Douglas Fir.

Christmas day is celebrated with an especially fine dinner of food mostly from our own place. We raised geese but the goose we eat will not be one of our dear friends, Mother Goose or Gander, but one of the many unnamed young offspring.

Aunts, uncles and cousins come from Tacoma and Seattle for dinner. The best white linen comes out of its white paper. The table is set with care. Everyone sits at the same table at places indicated by decorated placecards that we had made. A ruby glass of homemade Island Belle wine is set at each place.

The children are never seated next to one another and never at a separate children's table. We are expected to practice our best company manners and participate in grown-up conversation during dinner. We help Mother to serve and clear the dishes. After dessert, with an "excuse me, please", we are released to enjoy playing with the cousins while the adults lingered long over their coffee.

How's your memory?

Christmas is a busy time, and it's eady to lose track of things with so much going on. Here are some tips to enhance your memory, from the Hope Heart Institute.

Write yourself notes. According to the Chinese proverb, "The palest ink is better than the strongest memory." Stickem-up notes on your wallet, refrigerator, telephone, lunch sack, back door or wherever you need to be reminded will help you make sure you don't forget items or errands. Or, fill your pockets with notes during the day; you'll see them when you empty your pockets in the evening.

Do one thing at a time. You'll remember things better when you learn to concentrate on what you are doing when you are doing it. More often than not, our minds are miles ahead of us. One reason why we don't remember names is that we often are thinking of things to say when we're introduced to people. We don't hear the names, so we don't remember them.

Are you taking medications? Talk to your doctor if you think a medication you are taking could be affecting your memory or your ability to think clearly.

Get organized. Organize your house and your life so there's a place for everything, and everything's in its place. Keys won't get lost if you always hang them on a hook by the door. The kitchen scissors won't get lost of you always put them back. If something is prone to wandering off, like the pen by the phone, attach it somewhere.

Talk to yourself. Can't remember if you turned off your car headlights? When you do something you're likely to forget, say something like "I am turning off the car's headlights before I get out of the car and walk into the store." This will set the memory in your mind.

Take care of yourself. Nicotine and alcohol, as you know, are not memeory enhancers. Regular aerobic exercise has been shown to boost mental abilities, probably because it increases blood flow to the brain.





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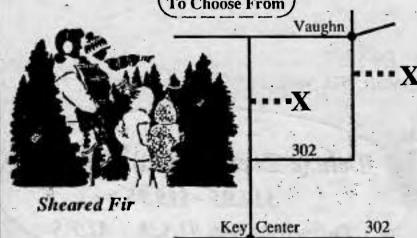
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A Woman's Heart by Elaine Forch

Recently, as I waited in line at the County Auditor's office to buy new license tabs, I overheard a conversation that disturbed me. The disturbing remarks were coming from two fortyish men who were standing behind me. They were discussing the new man who had recently been hired at their job. Apparently, these two men, as well as most of the other employees at their job site, did not like this new man. In fact, they had decided that this guy wasn't much of a "man" at all. They said lots of things about this new employee - none of it complimentary - even though they really didn't seem to know anything about the man personally, and neither of them had worked with him yet. The basis for their negative opinion seemed to rest solely on the fact that the "man" wore an earring. This conversation disturbed me because it caused me to remember a painful experience from my own life.

I was in the ninth grade and, like most kids that age, was at a vulnerable time in the building of my self-esteem. I cared very much what others thought about me. In fact, it was the remarks and opinions of others that was forming my opinion about my value as a human being. I did have lots of positive input, but it wasn't the positive input that I remembered.

I had worked in the berry fields all that summer, earing money for school clothes. My blonde hair had bleached out from the sun and looked especially light because I had gotten so tanned. I liked it. I felt pretty because of my light blonde hair, great tan and new school clothes, but my "pretty" feelings were soon shredded by the remarks of a friend's mother.

I had been invited to spend the night at a new friend's house. I could tell that her mother didn't approve of me as soon as I walked in the door, although she never said more than two words to me the whole time I was there. The sleep-over was tense and uncomfortable and I was glad to leave the next day. It was awhile before I got a chance to really talk to my friend again. It was then that she told me that her mother didn't want us to be friends. When I asked her why, she said it was because I was a "bleached blonde" and her mother didn't approve of me. I was more than crushed - I was devastated. I thank the term "bleached blonde" meant more than a hair color. It carried a negative connotation of bad morals and bad behavior. My mother, who was a professional hairdresser, was angry and supportive. She gave me her "consider the source" speech and suggested that we might do something to tone down and even up the color of my hair. We darkened the color so I wouldn't appear so brassy. I wasn't considered a "bleached blonde" anymore and my moral character wasn't questioned again - at least to my knowledge.

Now that lots of people openly admit to coloring their hair, the social stigma seems to have passed. But the apparent need to judge others lives on. A few years ago, length of hair and facial hair was the standard for judging the character and morals of a man. Other superficial yardsticks include skin color, race, weight, heritage, intelligence and bank accounts.

And now, we can add men who wear earrings to our list of criteria for unworthiness. It's true that our history is full of such character judgments based on similarly ridiculous criteria; but if we must pass judgment upon fellow human beings, can't we find a more meaningful measuring tool than hair color or the wearing of an earring?

The Spirit of Christmas

by Michael Palumbo and Don Porter

The customer entered, announced by the buzzer next to the front door of the store, and glanced down into the collection barrel marked "Key Peninsula Community Service Food Drive." He gathered a bag of groceries and a few other items, paid and walked from the store. The collection barrel remained empty.

Success of the 1989 KPCS Food Drive for Christmas baskets depends on those who will not leave the collection barrels empty. This year 125 families or more are expected to sign up for Christmas baskets, while supplies are becoming harder to find.

Please share as you are able by placing canned foods and other non-perishables in conctainers at the following locations: Longbranch Mercantile, Walt's; Lake Kathryn and Key Center, Red Dogs, Bag 'n Save; Gig Harbor, Harvest Time, DJ's Mini Mart and the Home Store.

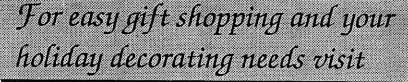
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KP Lions offer Entertainment

The Key Peninsula Lions' Club recently received its allotment of the new Entertainment '90 coupon books and is offering them for sale at the Key Center Branch of Puget Sound Bank, at the Key Center Shell station, and from its members throughout the Peninsula.

The books offer two-for-the-price-ofone bargains until December 1990 at fine restaurants, fast food stores, and ethnic restaurants, sporting events, stage shows and musical programs at TAG, the Pantages, movie theaters, UPS and PLU football and basketball and cultural events, Seattle Super Sonics and Tacoma Tigers games, golf and country clubs, ski-lift tickets, hotels, bowling, and many other bargains throughout Western Washington, Canada, Oregon, and California. As one Lion member put it: "If you use it twice, it's paid for itself; the rest is gravy."

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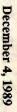
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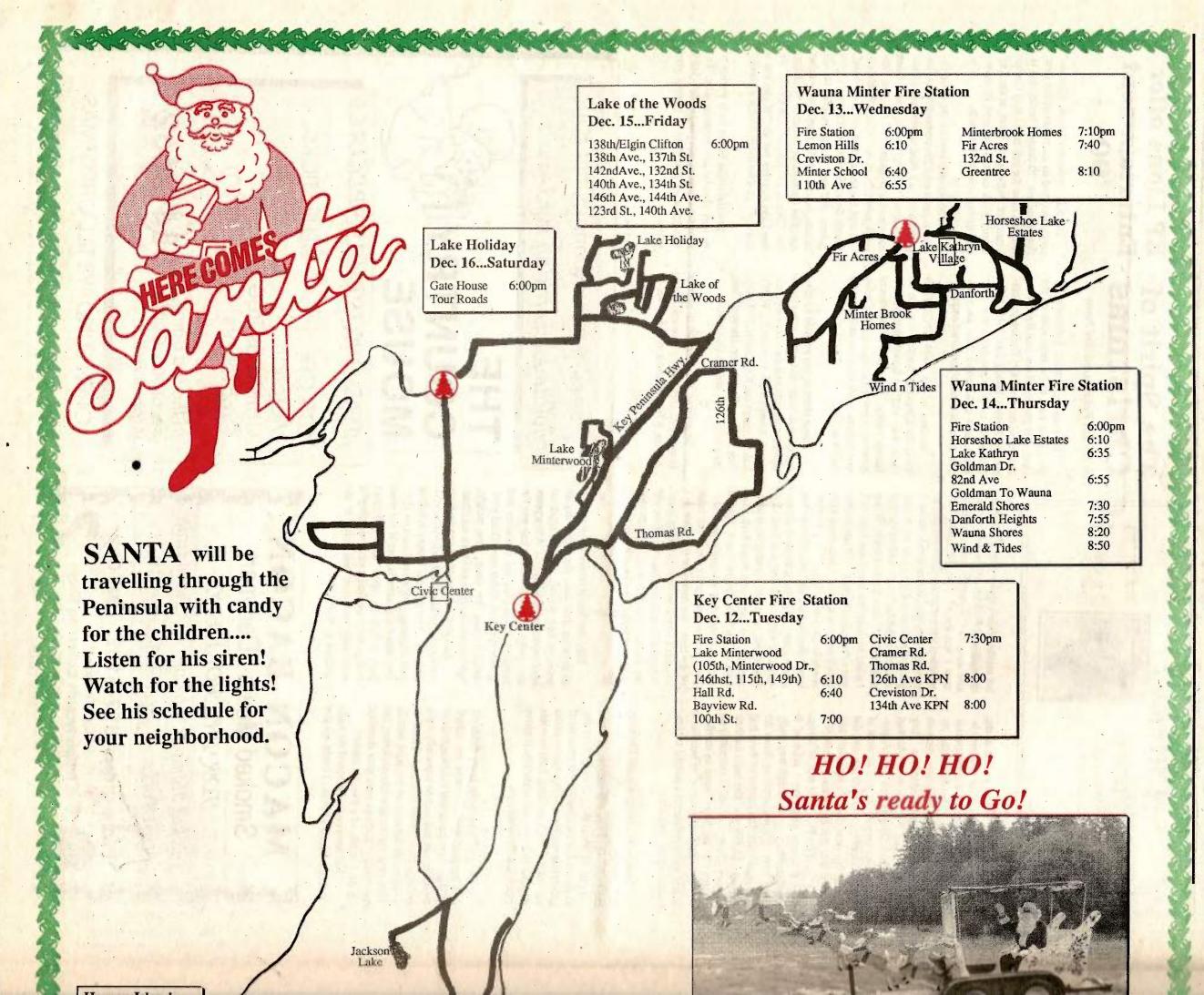
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Science Corner

by Joe Aprile

Viruses are the exception to most living things. When a virus has not infected a living cell, it is not alive i.e. it is not capable of growth or reproduction. However, once a virus invades a living cell, it is able to grow and reproduce and attack other cells.

Viruses are very simple structures. They are made up of nucleic acid, either DNA or RNA and a protein coat which protects the nucleic acid. The infective material is the nucleic acid, which carries the information necessary for the virus to either hide itself away in the host DNA or take over the chemical machinery of the cell so that the cell is usurped into manufacturing more viruses according to the viral blueprint. This latter event inevitably leads to cell death.

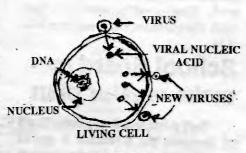
Many viruses, like the Herpes virus, can infect a cell, bury itself in the host DNA where it remains quiet, and then suddenly erupt to kill the cell. A person infected with. J Herpes will find that intense sunshine can trigger the eruption of a Herpes sore, which is a sign of virallyinduced cell death.

Viruses are, of course, responsible for NUCLEUS many human diseases. Mononucleosis is a disease caused by a DNA virus called Epstein Barr Virus(EBV). This virus attacks cells of the immune system. In the

western world, this disease eventually subsides; however, in certain parts of Africa EBV can lead to Burkitt's lymphoma which is a cancer

The Human Immunodeficiency Virus(HIV), the virus that causes AIDS, is a member of a specialized group of viruses called retroviruses. These viruses are RNA viruses. This kind of virus is of special interest to medical research, because some of these viruses have been shown to cause cancer in both animals and

Viruses are a highly specialized form of life, well-equipped to take advantage of the sophisticated structure and function of living cells. They are well perfected parasites. The human body, however, is not without its own defenses. Among these is a very powerful anti-viral chemical agent called interferon. It is one of the roles of modern medicine to enhance the body's own natural defenses in fighting the onslaught of viruses.



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Art Notes

Art pilot program begins at Vaughn

A new art program introducing fifth graders to master art works began recently at Vaughn Elementary School. The program was organized by Jenny Bateman and Margo McDonald, two parent volunteers. Jenny Bateman had lived in Illinois where the elementary school had a similar program run by the Peoria Art Museum. She and Margo McDonald, who has a degree in elementary education, submitted a program design which was approved at the district level as an official pilot program.

The class will be held once a month to start. An art work, which for the first class was "The Harvesters" by Peter Bruegels is discussed in terms of the rhythm, movement and design of the work and then a related art activity is done.

Margo and Jenny hope to extend the class to other grade levels, and to conduct classes more often, which will be possible if other people become involved. Contact Vaughn Elementary if yoou would like to

Local artists gain recognition

The "Sweedler-Barkas Cedar-Bark Ass" a life size donkey constructed of all cedar - wood, bark, branches - was awarded 3rd prize in sculpture at the "Harvest of Arts" Exhibition in Bellevue. Local artists Walter Barkas and Rivkah Sweedler are the creators of this piece. Also exhibited in the show was a weathervane by Mike Walker, of Vaughn, titled "Trout Fishing in Washington."

'Harvest of Arts" is an exhibition and evening of culinary artistry and dancing to benefit Northwest Harvest. It is presented by CACHE, an organization founded for the purpose of carrying out an annual function that would provide the food and restaurant industry and those attending an opportunity to support hunger response in Washington State.

To Your Health

by Wm. F. Roes, M.



I'm finding there is considerable confusion about the diagnosis of strep throat. Many people assume a severe sore throat means a strep throat, but the two are not necessarily the same. Strep pharyngitis is an infection of the tissues at the back of the mouth by a bacteria called Group B Beta Hemolytic Streptococcus. It is a fairly common infection in childhood, and is usually self limiting; that is, it will usually be cured by the body's defenses. Treatment with a 10 day course of an appropriate antibiotic may speed the cure and recovery, but the main valve of the antibiotics is to prevent Rheumatic

Rheumatic Fever is a very rare, very serious complication of strep infections, following the strep throat by 2 to 6 weeks. Rheumatic Fever appears to be a complication that occurs only in childhood; adults and children less than four years old do not seem to develop this complication. When Rheumatic Fever occurs, the body develops an inflammatory response that attacks joints, the heart, and the central nervous system. The cause of the inflammatory response is unclear, but one theory is the patient's tissues are responding to the patient's immune response (antibody) fighting the invading germ (antigen). These antibody-antigen complexes are known to cause widespread problems situater to the inflammation seen with Rheumatic Fever.

The vast majority of sore throats are not caused by the streptococcus bacteria, but by viruses and other less-threatening bacteria. The only way to diagnose strep from the other causes is by throat culture or a so-called "rapid strep test". You cannot diagnose strep by looking in the throat, and degree of pain or fever are also not helpful in staking the diagnosis. Finally, stany thanks to all who helped with der recent Health Fair - again

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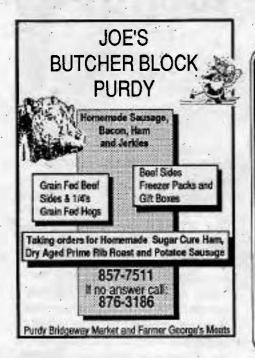
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School Board to make master plan

The Peninsula School District Board of Directors has scheduled a special meeting as a study session for preliminary review and discussion of a master plan for the 1990-93 and 1994-2005 time periods. This meeting will be held at the Education Service Center on December 5, 1989, at 7:00 pm.

Interested citizens are invited to attend all board meetings.

State earns grant to fight drug and alcohol addiction

The state Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse (DASA) has just received four federal grants totaling more than \$11.5 million to expand the attack against drug and alcohol addiction. The grant money will fund programs to treat pregnant women, open more treatment slots for low-income clients and help communities increase prevention efforts aimed at young people.

DASA, which is part of the Department of Social and Health Services, will use a \$5.4 million grant to get alcoholics and addicts who want help into treatment faster. Waiting time will be reduced to 30 days or less by providing more treatment slots within contracted private and public facilities throughout the state. Approximately one-third of that grant will be used by the University of Washington to research the effectiveness of the different treatment options offered to pregnant women who are addicted.

Community-based programs to encourage youth to resist drugs and alcohol will be established with a \$1.5 million grant to be used over three years. This project targets 20 communities in 13 counties, including Pierce county.



At Home on the Range by Janice McMillan

There is absolutely nothing to recommend this recipe. Some of the ingredients will not be in your pantry and you may have to go to a little trouble to find them. It is also rather fussy to make. Why bother? Because it tastes absolutely wonderful!

Halibut with Ginger Lime Butter (Recipe from Washington Magazine, by Kathy Casey who was chef at Seattle's

1-1/2 lbs. fresh halibut, boned, skinned, cut into four pieces, salt-and-peppered Ginger Lime Butter (recipe follows)
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Ginger Lime Butter

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1 TBSP pickled red ginger, chopped 1/4 c. sake

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2 TBSP fresh orange juice 1 TBSP fresh lime juice

1 TBSP shallots, finely minced

1 tsp garlic, finely minced

1/8 tsp fresh cilantro (coriander), chopped 3/4 lb. cold, unsalted butter, cut into small cubes

Salt and white pepper to taste

In heavy saucepan simmer ginger, sake, vinegar, orange and lime juices, shallots, garlic and cilantro. Continue cooking until 2 TBSP liquid remains. Turn heat to low and gradually whisk in butter, a few pieces at a time. As butter melts, add remainder and remove from heat as soon as sauce has consistancy of light cream. Strain and season to taste with salt and white pepper.

TO PREPARE DISH: Cook halibut any way you prefer, baked, broiled or poached. To serve, coat four dinner plates with some of sauce and place a piece of cooked halibut in center of each. Top fish with rest of sauce. Garnish with orange slices topped with ginger roses and cilantro sprigs. Sprinkle green onion curls around the fish and serve.

NOTES FROM THE RANGE: I have bought pickled ginger at Safeway, though it has always been cut into fine strips, never large enough to make small flowers. Rice wine vinegar is also available at Safeway in the Oriental section. I think that white pepper is an affectation and not necessary. It was originally used in light colored sauces so the diner would not think there were bugs in the sauce!

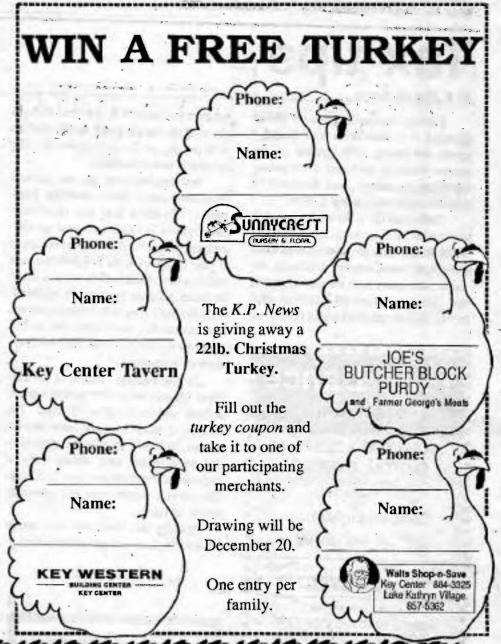
A final thought: If you have a cholesterol or weight problem, this is one delicious dish you ought to forego. *Rich!*



In the spirit of the season, we at the Key Peninsula NEWS decided to give away a Christmas turkey. Here's how to win. Cut out one of the turkey coupons that will appear in this issue and the December 18 issue, and take it to one of the participating merchants. We will draw the lucky winner on December 20, call you and you can pick up the bird at the Civic Center.

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Tax tips

by R. Marvin Keizur

Starting October 11, 1989, the IRS is charging 11% interest on tax underpayments and paying 10% interest on tax overpayments, in each case a rate reduction of one percentage point. Rates will be adjusted again on January 1, 1990.

Estimated tax is the method used to pay tax on income that is not subject to withholding. This includes income from self-employment, interest, dividends, alimony, rent, gains from the sale of assets, etc. Under tax reform estimated tax payments, plus the taxes withheld from your

salary, must equal 90% (old law, 80%) of the total tax due or you'll be hit with an 11% penalty on the underpayment. The penalty is non-deductible.

Self-employment tax on income from free-lance work, sideline businesses, director's fees and other self-employment is 13.02% of your net self-employment earnings. (It does not apply if your salary exceeds \$48,000 this year and you have already paid the maximum in Social Security tax through withholding.) Failure to pay self-employment tax, like income tax, can subject you to IRS penalties for late payment and underpayment of estimated tax.

On the average, 16.2% of the taxpayer letters sent to IRS service centers are not answered within 45 days. The backlog is much worse in some service centers. Recently, for example, right after IRS wide budget cuts, almost 30% of taxpayer correspondence sent to Kansas City service center was not answered within 45 days.

Starting this year, you will not be allowed to claim a dependency exemp-

tion for a child who is age 24 or older unless the child's gross income is less than the exemption amount which is \$2,000 this year.

The expenses of looking for a new job in your present trade or business are deductible whether or not you find a job. The expenses are deductible as miscellaneous itemized deductions, which are subject to the 2% of adjusted gross income limit on the total of all such deductions. Caution: the cost of looking for employment in a new trade or business is not deductible, even if you find a new job. Deductible job hunting expenses include; advertisements for employment, cab fares, career counseling, employment agency fees, entertainment expenses, such as those a salesman incurred to promote good will to secure commisions (only 80% of this is deductible), executive-search agency fees, newspapers and business publications bought to search for want ads, photographs, resumes, expenses of typing, printing and mailing them out, telephone calls and transportation expenses.

New plant in Shelton

Techwood Products Incorporated, a 25 employee, 20,000 square foot cutstock manufacturing operation planned for the Port of Shelton's Sanderson Field Industrial Park, proposes to turn second-growth Douglas fir into edge-glued door panels, stiles and rails with grains that resemble those of old-growth wood.

Techwood founder Pete Lisoskle, a former mechanical engineer for the Simpson Timber Company, said he will also turn local Western red cedar, maple and alder into finished forest products for export to Pacific Rim markets.

Techwood's plant, which will create 25 immediate jobs and 25 additional jobs within a year, will add significant value to the Shelton-area economy, said Tim Shelton, director of TEAM Washingon's Mason County Economic Development Council. Shelton worked with Lisoskle and the Port of Shelton to get the firm started in Mason County.

The Port of Shelton will lease the building to Techwood and provide enough room in the industrial park to allow for a 20,000-square-foot expansion in the future, port manager Bill White said.

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During the first year, British Columbia and Washington businessmen, economic development professionals, academics and state trade officials from aerospace and marine craft, software, biotechnology, aquaculture, sportswear and environmental engineering have been coordinating participation in trade shows, industry directories and data base forma-

With a regional base, both sales and investment possibilities are opened and broadened. Oregon, Idaho and Alberta have also shown interest in becoming part of the partnership.

Tourism grows

1989 summer travel in Wasington was up from last year, and tourists spent \$4 billion here. Complete figures for 1989 are not yet available, but 19 million people visited the state in 1988, and the tourism industry provided the equilavlent of 90,000 full time jobs.

Washington State announces forest products program

The Washington State Department of Trade and Economic Development has recently developed the Forest Products Program. The department will be headed by Kathryn Echinger, a former corporate affairs manager for a timber company. The program is designed according to the press release, "to provide industry perspective on proposed state and federal policies and program affecting the indus-

The legislature also this year provided funds to set up an extension service for the timber industry to help businesses identify new markets, develop new technologies and products and to assist production and marketing efforts.

Dungeness Crab season delayed

The opening of the 1989-90 coastal commercial Dungeness crab season will be delayed. Results of recent test fishing conducted by Department of Fisheries biologists shows that crab will not reach harvestable condition in time for the normal season opening date of December 1. The Department will test fish again in early December to assess crab condition. It is expected that an opening date for the season can be determined at that time.

Pet Pin-up for December



Here's what Debbie Hanna wrote us about her dog."This picture is of my dog Lady Patches. She grew antlers and got a red nose for the holidays. She became a reindeer dog. Lady Patches is an English

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Angel Guild needs your help

by Megan Aprile

The women who belong to the Angel Guild have made a commitment to community service. At their monthly meetings, the sign up for three hour work shifts at the Thrift Shop in the Key Center Corral, and decide how they will give away the money earned at the shop. In addition, members put in many hours in the little building at the back sorting and pricing the items that are donated for sale.

Lately they have had a problem. As you can see from the accompanying photos, people are dropping all sorts of things behind the shop as if it were a free transfer station, creating an unsightly mess and a time-consuming job of clean-up. Large items intended for Goodwill should not be left by the collection box. The Goodwill truck does come out to the Peninsula on Tuesdays and will pick up those items. Call Goodwill to schedule a pick-up.

Taxes and working teens

W-4 forms and withholding information on paycheck stubs can be difficult for first-time workers to unscramble. Understanding what is required and how the tax system works is an important personal finance lesson.

Most children will fall in the 15 percent tax bracket, which covers taxable income up to \$18,500. Their first \$3,100 of earnings in 1989 will be tax free if they claim a standard deduction.

If your teenager is working in a job that involves tips, they need to keep track of them and report them. If your child earns more than \$20 in tips in any one employer in a month, he or she is expected to declare the total as income to the boss by the tenth day of the following month.

If your child is an entrepreneur (in business for himself or herself), self-employment taxes may be due. Examples of income subject to self-employment taxes include tutoring, yard work and house painting. If a child earns more than \$400 in his or her own summer business, social security taxes must be paid at a rate of 13.02 percent. The tax is filed on Schedule SE, along with the regular income tax return.

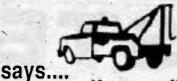
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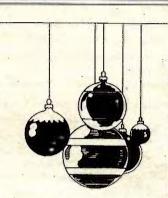
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