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Checking out a pendulum.....When the Pacific Science Center brought their special exhibit to Vaughn Elementary School recently, students were able to observe and work with a number of interesting displays. Here (left to right) Wyatt Erickson, Brent Muck, and Jeremy Nimrick check out the operation of a pendulum of the type that forms the basic part of a clock mechanism. All of them are students in Kim Rosenbach's class. The Vaughn Parent Group assisted in bringing the Pacific Science Center exhibit to the school, as it has in previous years. More pictures of the visit of the Science Center exhibit will be found inside this issue of the NEWS. KP NEWS photo by Lee Stiles.



County Exec. Joe Stortini Speaker at "Citizen of the Year Dinner"

The Key Peninsula Lions Club has just announced that the Keynote Speaker for the "Citizen of the Year" Dinner on February 27 will be Pierce County Executive Joe Stortini. Residents are reminded to get their tickets now for this civic event from any member of the Lions Club, and to send in their nominations for "Citizen of the Year" to P.O. Box 37, Wauna, WA 98395.

Key Peninsula Athletic Assn. breaks away....

At the January 13 meeting of the KP Park Board, the Key Peninsula Athletic Association made it known that their Board had voted unanimously not to renew the contract with the Park District and had also decided to change the emphasis of some of its future functions.

Oskar Schock, president of KPAA, stated in his letter to the Park District that, in future, more funds and efforts will be spent in promoting children's sports and recreational activities. It is also planned to finance fees to cover children who cannot pay the regular sports fees, and consideration will be given to donating funds and conducting work parties at the park for projects the KPAA feel are needed. They wish to work closely with the Park District on youth sports programs, but will no longer be involved in the day-to-day management of Volunteer Park. See related story elsewhere in the NEWS.

Charles (Chuck) Robbins, a 25-year veteran of the Pierce County Sheriff's Department was named last week as the new Sheriff of Pierce County by County Executive Joe Stortini. Chuck Robbins is shown (above) as he spoke to a meeting last week in Key Center at the Huckleberry Inn, shortly before news of his new position was released. He succeeds former Sheriff Ray Fjetland who resigned recently to become Chief of Police in Tacoma. (KP NEWS photo by Lee Stiles).

Seniors Against Crime

A group of Key Peninsula residents, concerned with the rising crime problem in our area, met at Huckleberry Inn on Monday, January 11 with Helen Sater, director of Seniors Against Crime (SAC). Also present were Chief Deputy Sheriff, Charles Robbins and Sgt. Bill Seewer.

A series of burglaries, vandalism, theft of U. S. mail, and drug related offenses has brought a decision to fight back. Places of business have been ransacked by local hoodlums and removal of highway signs has led to at least one death. Business representatives pointed out since all portions of the community have been victimized, they should be involved as well as seniors.



Helen Sater

Helen Sater and her organization are actively engaged in crime prevention and provide training to persons who will give assistance to victims, potential victims and to the Sheriff's Department in their effort to "deter, detect, delay and deny access to criminals." It is a way for seniors, who have time, to become involved in community action.

The group will meet with Helen Sater again on February 4, at 11:30 am at Huckleberry Inn in Key Center.

Helen, a vigorous senior citizen, is director/recruiter and has been providing training for SAC groups since 1982. There are now three groups functioning in Tacoma and they have provided significant reduction in crime in their neighborhoods. SAC is funded to some extent by

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KP NEWS deadline

The next issue of KP NEWS will
come out on February 1. Please
note the deadline for notices, ar-
ticles and ads is January 25.

Bingo!

Need something to do once a month?
The Civic Center needs volunteers to help
with Bingo night. Every Wednesday
evening, the Civic Center at Vaughn is
open for Bingo, and - as with any of our
programs - we need helpers to run a
smooth event. At this time we need call-
ers, floor walkers, and an assistant man-
ager. Anyone interested please call the
Civic Center at 884-3456 or Dale Loy at
884-3937.

Watch the reader-board at the Civic
Center for the start-up of a 6:30 pm Early-
Bird card. It is planned this card will
make a cash pay-out of 65 to 75%. Come
early, and be a winner!

Letters from you.....

Editor's Note: We have received more
letters in support of the February 2 School
Maintenance and Operation Levy than we
can print in one issue. We will run the
balance of your letters in the February 1
issue of the NEWS.

School levy passage urged

To the Editor:

On February 2, 1988 the community
will have the opportunity to support the
country's most precious heritage, its chil-
dren, by voting for a special school levy.

From the inception of our country,
our founding fathers recognized the im-
portance of education and the develop-
ment of our natural resources. We have,
in fact, spent vast sums of money and
energy developing both. I believe each of
us knows that our country's vast natural
resources are rapidly dwindling with the
exception of one ... our children! These
United States have developed the greatest
public education system known to date
and the Peninsula School District is no
exception. The unprecedented pace of
today's technological advances requires a
greater than ever commitment towards
excellence in education.

This levy is needed to ensure the
special quality of our district and its con-
tinuing commitment to a higher standard
of excellence. I therefore urge you to
support the February levy, for, as this
year's theme states ... "Our future goes to
school" ... and is truly the strength of our
country.

Walter H. Smith, Gig Harbor.

Thank you KPCCA ...

To the Editor:

Dear Civic Center Association

Just a note to express our gratitude
for allowing us the use of the facilities at
the Center to put on our annual Christmas
dinner for seniors. We fed 89 guests plus
the staff of 25 volunteers. The party was
a great success. Everyone seemed to have
a wonderful time and enjoyed their sur-
roundings.

Your generosity is really appreciated
and we just want to say thank you for
helping us to accomplish it.
Mike and Joyce Salatino and vol-
unteers.

School reading program

To the Editor:

Lately there has been some negative
response in reference to the new reading
program, "Impressions," adopted by the
Peninsula School District. I have one pre-
schooler, two children at Vaughn Ele-
mentary and one at Peninsula High
School, and I have never had reason to
doubt the Peninsula School District's
ability or professionalism in handling my
children. I personally have a lot of faith in
our school district and the people em-
ployed by it.

We all have our own responsibilities

Editorial short thoughts....

The Key Peninsula Business Association is to be congratulated for their move
in posting a standing reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of
those who would rob or burglarize local establishments. It marks another step
forward in the growth of this fine group who supply our retail needs on the Key
Peninsula.

Next, it was good to see Helen Sather and new Pierce County Sheriff-to-be
Chuck Robbins at the program at the Huckleberry Inn the other day, talking about
the contributions that senior citizens can make to crime prevention programs. Not
only are we seeing a growing county concern for our area, but also a growing
realization that older members are comprising a larger and larger part of our
population ... an important step forward.

On another subject, there are two spots open in the management of our Penin-
sula affairs right now, one of them is a seat on the Key Peninsula Park and Recreation
District, and the other - the Vice-President position at the Civic Center. Both of them
are very important, both of them offer an outstanding chance to perform valuable
community service. Now is the time for some of the "new blood" in our area to make
itself known and take over some of these duties into which some of our other
residents have fully put their time. Let's see some volunteers come forward and get
at the task.

Finally, there is a School Levy election coming up on Tuesday, February 2.
Residents of Key Peninsula have a lot of interest tied up in this one. We tend to say
"there ought to be more things for kids to do," but we often forget that between 70%
and 80% of our children participate in one way or another in after-school programs
at their respective schools. These programs, including all athletic team sports and
the transportation that makes them possible (and gets the kids home later on the
activities busses), are an integral part of the funds that are covered by the February
2 levy election. You are encouraged to turn out and vote! KLS.

and duties as parents to teach our children
what is good or bad and how to handle
situations or things they may question or
not understand. The whole basis of our
childrens' beliefs and moral understand-
ing comes from home and their experi-
ences there. To expect and anticipate that
teacher or other employees in teaching
capacities are responsible for changing or
molding their moral characters is absurd.

I have taken time to look through or
read selections from many of these books
in the Impressions program and I have
found them to be humorous, interesting
and totally enjoyable. The selection of
authors, such names as Laura Ingalls
Wildier, C. S. Lewis and Rudyard Kipling,
plus many more, makes these books an
interesting, enjoyable reading experience
for all. I have spoken to many children in
all age brackets and they are realizing now
that reading can be a "fun" way to spend
their time, thanks to the introduction of
the Impressions Reading Program this
year.

In viewing or judging these stories, a
clear perspective must be presented to
understand them. Taking one line or
paragraph out of context distorts the

meanings, understanding or pleasurable
experiences out of these fine pieces of
literature.

Our teachers are professionals with
teaching degrees, and have experience
and know-how in dealing with children
every day. Also our school district en-
sures that we have the best available
teachers and equipment to work with our
children. I trust them to give my children
teaching experiences they need and in
turn I will supply the basis of their moral
characters.

Janne Dukeshier.

To the Editor:

I would like to offer my personal
opinion regarding the Impressions read-
ing curriculum. For my 4th-grade son,
this is the first year he has not said "read-
ing is boring." This year he has said more
than once, "reading is more fun this
year." He is not frightened by the story,
"The Pocket," previously targeted as a
controversial story by the Impressions
series opponents. On the contrary, it was
one of his favorite stories. He had remem-
bered portions of the story and was excit-
edly telling me on the way to grandma's

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Patty Van Valkenburg, who per-
forms a number of special educational
jobs at the Key Peninsula Middle School,
was named as the December recipient of
the Ellen Fay Award for Contribution to
Educational Excellence for her work with
local students. (Her picture appeared in
the NEWS in the January 4 issue in con-
nection with another story through an
error in production, and we regret the
mistake.) In order to help students who
needed extra study assistance, Patty
helped organize an after school "study
hour."

Civic Center Association meets

by Pauline Finn

The first meeting of the 1988 Civic Center Association Board convened on Thursday evening, January 14, and opened business with Dale Loy introducing new secretary Ellie Dickson. The 1988 officers comprise Dale Loy, president; Vickie Henschel, past president; Ellie Dickson, secretary; Kay Harvey, treasurer; Rhys Wood, Dan Busz and Rick Oldenburg, members-at-large. Area representative slots are still being firmed up. The position of vice president is open, and Rhys Wood is heading up a committee to nominate someone for this position.

Park Board Commissioner Avon Gay was present, and took the opportunity to urge passage of the February 2 school levy election. Shirley Olson reported a net profit of \$757 for their New Year's Eve Dance, a fund-raiser for the Civic Center. Lori Drew, Bingo manager, announced there is to be an Early-Bird game starting at 6:30 pm at Wednesday night Bingo. It was expected to make a cash pay-out of 65 to 75%, and it is hoped it will be an added incentive to attendance. Pauline Finn, representing KP NEWS, reported three new staff members would be coming on line shortly, and it was expected this would eventually lighten the work load on the volunteers in the NEWS office.

Fund-raisers for the first few months of 1988 were discussed; they are a Sweetheart Sock Hop on February 13, Reno Night on March 5, and the Mother's Day Brunch on May 8. A Political Candidates night, to be monitored by Keith Stiles, is being set for August 23. This date will allow time for the public to meet and talk with candidates prior to the primaries in September. Tickets for the first fund-raiser, the Sweetheart Sock Hop, will be \$7.50 and may be purchased at Sunnycrest Nursery.

Karen Toddhunter of the KP Business Association discussed a future Pioneer Day and possible joint sponsorship

of that event with the Civic Center. She stated the business community would prefer to see Pioneer Day return to the Civic Center grounds because of the many advantages that site offers.

As a final item of business, a budget of \$14,200 was approved for 1988. It is hoped to raise this amount through fund-raisers in order to keep the Civic Center programs running and the building open to the public as in the past. Under the new operating agreement the rental income must now go direct to the Park District as owner of the building, and those amounts no longer figure in the Civic Center Association's budget. The meeting ended on a positive and enthusiastic note, and this should be a good year for the KPCCA.

Park Board meets, works on facing future

If a "clean slate" is a help in getting things done, the Key Peninsula Park and Recreation Board got some "help" at its regular meeting on January 13 when it received word that the Key Peninsula Athletic Association (KPAA) did not intend to renew its management contract with the Park Board in 1988. The news did not appear to particularly surprise the Board, as there had been various rumours to that effect circulating for some time, but it now clearly presented the Board with the issue of, "who is going to be running Volunteer Park next spring and summer during the months of heaviest usage?" After receiving the news in a letter from KPAA Board President Oskar Schock, the Park Board voted to appoint a committee of Mike Kent and Max Marlowe to discuss Park management with other groups on the Peninsula and report back what arrangements can be made. Meanwhile, it appears that the KPAA will be taking a slightly different direction in their activities, the new plans for which are contained in a story appearing elsewhere in this issue of the NEWS.

In other actions, the Park Board heard a report on Civic Center activity from new president Dale Loy, approved requests for free or reduced-rate use of the Civic Center from several community groups, received word that property-owner Jeff Charbonneau wishes to build a fence along the north end of the Civic Center property, paid some bills, and received a report by Board member Max Marlowe on a Kitsap County Park meeting that he and Avon Gay had attended.

In addition, the Board felt that there were a number of items that required action during the next several weeks, and that once-a-month meetings would not be adequate. It was therefore decided to have the Board start meeting twice a month, with the next meeting scheduled for 7:30 pm on January 19 at the Civic Center.

It was duly noted that the Park Board continues to operate with only four commissioners, and that a fifth commis-

Peninsula movings and shakings

Tuesday, January 19 ...

Nutrition Day - Longbranch Church at noon.

Cootiettes 609 will visit the Naval Hospital at Bremerton.

TOPS will weigh in at 6:15, business meeting at 7 pm, at Vaughn Church.

Wednesday, January 20 ...

Community Center at Home will serve hot lunch to seniors, all are welcome.

Lions Club meets at the Huckleberry Inn at 7 pm.

Thursday, January 21 ...

KP Senior Society meets for potluck lunch at noon, Civic Center, Vaughn.

Cootiettes 609 hold their regular business meeting at the Civic Center at 7 pm.

The Horsemen's Association will meet at Key Center Library at 7:30 pm.

Saturday, January 23 ...

Gig Harbor Twirlers Square Dancers meet at Harbor Heights School, Gig Harbor.

Morning Star Waldorf School, at the Woods, Gig Harbor, will hold open house from 10 am - 3 pm.

Monday, January 25 ...

Paul Cyr's Community Forum meets in the Gold Room, Civic Center at 7 pm.

Angel Guild will meet in the Brones Room of KC Library at 10 am.

Tuesday, January 26 ...

Altrisa Club meets at the Shoreline Restaurant, Gig Harbor, at 6 pm.

TOPS weighs in at 6:16, meeting at 7 pm - Vaughn Church.

Morning Star Waldorf School at the Woods, Gig Harbor will hold a lecture/discussion at 7 pm by Keith Jefferson. His topic will be Education towards Freedom - what that means towards the end of the 20th Century.

Wednesday, January 27 ...

Federal cheese distribution to low-income families - 9 am at the Community Services Center, Home.

Community Center at Home serves hot lunch to seniors at noon.

Thursday, January 28 ...

KP Senior Society potluck - Gold Room, Civic Center - noon.

KP Health Center Board meets at 7:30 pm at the Health Center.

Dates to watch for....

February 13 ... Sweetheart Sock Hop at the Civic Center.

February 27 ... KP Lions Club Citizen of the Year Awards Dinner, Civic Center.

March 5 ... KP Civic Center Association Reno Night fund-raiser.

sioner is badly needed to round out Board activities and responsibilities. Any person interested in becoming a Park Commissioner may contact any member of the Park Board.

Community House may have a manager-team

The Board of Directors of Community House has announced that Mr. and Mrs. Bill Adams have been named as a Manager-Director "team" for a period of 90 days to "see how everyone likes the arrangement." The Board had been seeking a new Manager-Director since the resignation of Sharon Billups in early December, although Ms. Billups has continued to work until this time to ease the transition period for the new person(s) coming aboard. In the last issue of the NEWS it was reported that the position had been awarded to Mrs. Gail Nuckels of Gig Harbor, but, after some consideration, she found herself unable to accept the spot. (The NEWS managed to confuse the issue by running an incorrect

picture with the story, and we regret the error—there is a related story elsewhere in the paper aimed at correcting our mistake).

After finding that Ms. Nuckels could not accept the position the Board of Directors first thought they had found another person to take the job, but that hope also went a'glimmering. No doubt this new (and hopefully final) solution was welcomed.

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New staff for KP NEWS....

We welcome to the staff of KP NEWS, Ann Bower who is our new ad lay-out person and is working with us already, Gerry Goodier who will be news and articles editor, taking Keith Stiles' place when he reverts to being a contributor and advisor at the end of March, and Karen Laatz who will assist in writing and computer formatting. Other persons on the staff remain the same: Pauline Finn, managing editor, Lee Stiles, business manager, and Dan and Linda Orme, the ad sales team.

Both Gerry and Karen will start familiarizing themselves with their new jobs shortly. The help of all three newcomers is a welcome addition to our newspaper.



More pictures from the visit of the Pacific Science Center Exhibit to Vaughn Elementary School..... The interest and excitement of seeing the various student-level exhibits is evident on the faces of the children shown. On the left Rachelle Aduddell, Susan Nelson, Kate James and Amanda Durance share one exhibit, while on the right Charlie Vanderleest, Brent Muck, and Jason Wilson are totally involved. KP NEWS photo by Lee Stiles.

New Kopachuck school named

The Peninsula School Board, at its regular meeting on January 11, approved the name of "Voyager" for the new elementary school now under construction on the Gig Harbor Peninsula near Kopachuck Park. The name "Voyager" was the popular choice of the families of children who will be transferred to the new facility

when school opens next September. Voting on the name among those families had been held in December, and several other names had been suggested, but none came close to "Voyager" in apparent appeal. The new elementary school has become necessary due to the rapid increase in elementary-age children in the Peninsula School District. It is being

constructed as part of an overall District building program which also includes the rebuilding of Evergreen and Vaughn Elementary Schools, and additions at Minter Creek Elementary and at the Key Peninsula Middle School.

Watch for big bucks!

Letters to the Editor

We welcome letters! Must be typed or neatly written with address and telephone number for confirmation.

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Altrusa Club activities

by Daphne Daus

The Altrusa Club of Gig Harbor has embraced the topic of literacy as a portion of the club's ongoing community service project. The club established a Literacy Committee to investigate the needs of our diverse community and submit recommendations.

One of the recommendations was for an enhancement program to the Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP) located at Vaughn Elementary. The ECEAP program is a state funded pre-school program targeted at children-at-risk. Altrusa is supplying the ECEAP classroom with a lending library to be used exclusively by the parents and students involved in the program. The books were chosen by Maggie Oldenburg, head teacher, to ensure they fit the parameters established by the program. The material has been ordered and should begin arriving shortly. The Altrusa Club is also supplying each of the students a packet of resource materials including: paper, pencils, scissors, glue, crayons, chalk, chalk-board, and paints. The premise used in establishing this need is that learning is a twenty-four hour a day experience and the children should have these materials available to use at home as well as in the classroom. Members of the club will be asked to sew personalized tote bags for the students to carry these supplies in. This is a very exciting program and one we feel will have a tremendous success.

Another facet of the literacy proposal encompasses students who need additional motivation to help them become better readers. This program is being piloted by the drama class at Goodman Middle School. The drama students are preparing two "radio plays" which will be taped and circulated to local nursing home facilities for the residents to enjoy. It is the intent of the program to assist students in establishing good speaking and reading skills. These skills will in turn create an ability in the students which they will be able to polish and refine as they continue to learn. We plan to broaden the program until all schools in the Peninsula School District are participating and it is possible to establish a diverse lending library of "radio plays," stories, and perhaps video-taped drama entries.

Anyone interested in additional information on any of these programs, please contact Daphne Daus 884-3503 (evenings), or Avon Gay 851-4968 (evenings).

Key Peninsula Senior Society

New officers of the Key Peninsula Senior Society are planning for a "Great 88." Bob Smith again heads the group, with Catheryn Schafer and Beulah Kupka as vice presidents; Dorothy Svinth, secretary; and Evelyn Stinson, treasurer. Past presidents Helen Wolniewicz and Oscar Johnson serve as directors.

PC Building Departments to become "PALS"

The Pierce County Council has announced that the county Planning and Development Department will be re-named as the "Permits and Land Services" (PALS) Department, starting January 4, 1988. The re-naming is obviously an effort on the part of County government to put a new face on the office that interfaces with the public in matters relating to building and land-use. Over the years complaints have been many, varied, and continuous from home-owners, builders, and land developers as they attempted to obtain permits, decisions, and firm information from the Pierce County Building Department. Another frequently spoken of source of irritation was the large number of different offices and agencies that had to be dealt with in order to get any one project accomplished.

The new "PALS" department will incorporate three of the four divisions that previously made up Planning and Development in the "old" system: Building Inspection, Fire Prevention and Arson, and the Development Center. The "old" Planning Department will now become a new entity known as Planning and Natural Resources.

Going along with the re-organization of the Building Department will apparently be a big increase in building permit fees—probably increasing the cost of a permit for a 2600 square foot house from a current \$320 to a new fee of \$783. The Pierce County Council is going to be voting on this one tomorrow (January 5) when it meets in Council Chambers at 4 pm to take public testimony and consider the issue. Seventh District Councilman Paul Cyr told the NEWS, "I'm opposed to the increase all at once without a showing of improved services to go with it. I'm going to propose that the increase be phased in over a two-year period as the operation of the department is shown to be improved." When asked about the re-organization of the Building Department into the PALS organization, Cyr said, "I want it to work, but I have suggested that a representative committee be formed to continually evaluate the effectiveness of this new department in serving the public."

Key Peninsula residents interested in this issue are invited to attend the meeting on Tuesday afternoon at the Council Chambers, or they may contact Councilman Cyr at 851-9739.

Potluck lunches, prepared by some of the best cooks on the Peninsula, are featured each Thursday at noon in the Gold Room at the Civic Center.

If you enjoy stimulating company, good food, and working with others toward the successful future of our community, come meet with us.

LEARN THE FACTS:

Why a LEVY ELECTION Feb. 2?

Your elected Board of Directors, Peninsula School District No. 401, recommends a two-year Maintenance and Operation Levy Election on Tuesday, February 2, 1988. Voters are asked to approve the collection of \$3,725,000 in 1989 and \$3,725,000 in 1990. The amounts are needed to provide Quality Educational Programs to meet the needs of 6,504 Peninsula District Students. YOUR "YES" VOTE IS NEEDED!

This is NOT a new tax.

The Levy replaces the M & O levy approved in 1986 by 79% of the voters. The Levy supports a hold-the-line budget which maintains and strengthens the present level of Quality Education. Funding limitations have forced the State of Washington to reduce its commitment to fully fund basic education. Continued local levy funding is essential.

The proposed 1989 and 1990 levy rates are: \$2.50 in 1989 and \$2.43 in 1990 for \$1,000.00 of assessed property value. These rates are less than the \$2.53 levy tax collected in 1987-88.

What will the Levy pay for?

Levy funds provide 15% of the District's budget. They pay for Basic Education not funded by the state; Transportation, Special Education, Vocational and Gifted programs, Co-curricular Activities, Music, Maintenance of Facilities, Instructional Materials and Supplies, Staff Training, Energy Conservation, Classroom Equipment and Libraries. The Levy maintains present Quality Education programs for 6,504 students.

The Peninsula District levy request ranks 21st of the eight first-class school districts in Pierce County.

Pierce County first Class Districts	1988 Actual Levy Rate	1989 Estimated Levy Rate \$/1,000
A	\$4.40	\$4.90
B	4.40	4.75
C	3.70	4.51
D	3.55	4.26
E	3.24	3.90
F	3.05	3.05
G Peninsula	2.53	2.50 actual
H	2.05	2.12

Districts in this comparison include: Fife, Bethel, Puyallup, Sumner, University Place, Peninsula, Franklin Pierce and Tacoma.



VOTE "YES" Feb. 2
Our Future Goes to School Today!

Mr. Bob Smith, Avon Gay and John R. Cyr, Chairperson, PALS Task Force

LEARN THE FACTS

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the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), and with a small amount of Pierce County grant money. This pays the premium on the \$500,000 of liability insurance on those persons officially involved in SAC. It also helps with, but does not cover all of, Helen's travel and printing expenses.



Sgt. Bill Seewer

Mrs. Sater said, "It is time for you to make a commitment to improve the quality of life in our community by becoming a volunteer partner in crime prevention. We are not just stopping something; we are starting something."

Several members of the community interested in the betterment of Key Peninsula life were present at the meeting, including Fire Chief Horrace Kanno, Purdy Sheriff Detachment's Sergeant Bill Seewer, Pierce County Sheriff's Captain Chuck Robbins, Walt Schmidt of Walt's Fine Foods, Peninsula School District's Jean Lindsay, and Cherie and Don Mastro, and Sherlie Marietta, of the business community. The meeting had been organized by Hugh McMillan of the Key Peninsula Lion's Club.

Memorial gifts to the Library.....

A donation through the Friends of Key Center Library can create a very special community service memorial. You may designate the application you prefer - library furnishings, books, audio visuals, etc., and your donation will be a permanent part of Key Center Library and identified with your name. Why not call the KC Library staff for more information — 884-2242.



RUMMAGE SALE

Friday, Jan. 22, from 9am until 9pm and
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KP Lions initiate youth activity

by Marty Sorlie

A new youth activity, open to all young people age 14 through 18, has been announced by the Key Peninsula Lions Club. The Lions will sponsor a "Leo" Club, whose members will have the opportunity to initiate community service projects of their own choosing. The Leo Club will have its own officers and be, in effect, a junior Lions Club.

For more information, contact Marty at the Key Center Barber Shop Tuesday through Saturday from 9 am to 6 pm - 884-9400, or Rhys Wood at 884-2539 in the evenings.

Winter sewing classes start at Key Center Library

Sponsored by Pierce County Cooperative Extension Homemakers Service, Sueko Eriksen will hold the 3rd sewing class at Key Center Library this winter. The course will run every Tuesday (starting Jan. 12) through March 29 from 1 pm to 4 pm. The class will be for beginners to advanced and no age limit. A fee of \$7.50 will be charged. Call Sueko at 884-3703 if you need more information.

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The whole Key Peninsula is gearing up for a benefit for two year old Dennis Daily. Dennis is fighting cancer, and his family's friends and neighbors want to help with the large medical bills.

There will be a spaghetti feed on Sunday, February 7, from 3 to 6 pm, at the Key Peninsula Civic Center. Prices will be \$3.50 for adults, \$2.50 for seniors and children five to twelve, and children under five are free. Of course, additional donations will be welcome.

Because of the generosity of many fine Key Peninsula merchants, all the proceeds from this event will help the Dailys buy the treatment to make Dennis well again. Contributors have included: DJ's Mini Mart, Longbranch Merchandise, Macon Bacon, Harvest Time Country Store, Red Dogs, and Walt's Fine Foods. And then there is all of YOU. Many people are donating their time and energy to making this fund-raiser a success. Many more people are needed to help with food donations, cooking, serv-

ing, cleanup, etc. Please contact Bekah Townsend 884-9119 if you would like to chip in.

Mark Sunday, February 7, on your calendars as a day you can enjoy spaghetti with your neighbors and help out a wonderful family.

Beef Producers Winterschool

The annual Beef Producers Winterschool will be held on Saturday, January 30, 1988 at the Burlington-Edison High School in Burlington.

Anyone interested in the production of beef is invited to attend. Dr. Gary Smith, beef marketing specialist from Texas A&M will be the keynote speaker.

A program agenda and registration form may be obtained by calling the W.S.U. Pierce County Extension Office at 591-7180.

Health Center cookie sale big success

A "Romantic Christmas Basket" was won by Judy McDonald of Key Center at the giant cookie sale held at Key Peninsula Health Center just prior to Christmas. Ms. McDonald has just moved to the Peninsula from Anchorage, and this was a

nice way to welcome her.

Janice McMillan, president of the KP Health Center Board, reports the cookie sale was a great success and made \$243 to offset the needs of the sliding-fee scale program at the Health Center.



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WHAT ABOUT



A local expert takes a look at one important aspect.....

What is Dioxin?

By Ken Retherford

The word is a generic term for a group of some 75 related compounds known as poly chlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDDs), but it usually refers to the most toxic and most carefully studied of these compounds, 2,3,7,8-tetrachlorodibenzo-p-dioxin, or simply TCDD.

Where does dioxin come from?

Nobody produces dioxin on purpose. It is an unwanted but almost unavoidable by-product of manufacturing several commercial substances, chiefly brush killers such as 2,4,5-T and silvex, and the bactericide hexachlorophene.

How does dioxin get into the environment?

Dioxin can enter the environment in several ways; through chemical products contaminated with dioxin, as a component of the wastes that are produced in manufacturing these products, and through the widespread use of these con-

taminated products. The burning at low temperatures of wastes containing plastics is a possible source of dioxin as well as other chlorinated hydrocarbons whose toxicity is well documented. Burning plastics in trash burners can form such compounds, as well as strong acids, one of the chief components of acid rain. Dioxin can enter waterways and soil in storm water runoff, through industrial discharges, or by seeping from landfills that contain dioxin-contaminated wastes. Dioxin solubility in water is quite low, but it attaches itself to soil particles and is thus more likely to be found in sediments. It is, however, very soluble in oil as shown by the case in Missouri where horse arenas were sprayed with oil contaminated with dioxin. Hundreds of horses were made ill and 65 died. Once in the environment, dioxin may persist for years.

How does dioxin affect people?

Tests on laboratory animals indicate that dioxin is one of the most toxic of man-made chemicals. Workers exposed to dioxin in the manufacture of pesticides may get a persistent skin rash - Chloracne, and tests on laboratory animals may result in soft tissue cancer, liver damage, high cholesterol and other problems. Vietnam War soldiers exposed to Agent Orange, a defoliant contaminated with dioxin, have suffered various health problems, and birth defects in their children are thought to be caused by the father's exposure to dioxin.

How do people come into contact with dioxin?

There are two possible routes; one is through eating fish contaminated with

dioxin, and the other is from soil or dust contaminated with dioxin. Fish most likely to be contaminated with dioxin are bottom fish living in contaminated bays, such as Commencement Bay. This bay is essentially closed to taking bottom fish. Bottom fish taken distant from such bays should be safe to eat. Commencement Bay is a "Superfund site," slated to be cleaned up, but disposal of dredging from such bays poses a problem, as it can't be used for normal landfills but must be insulated from the environment or detoxified.

What is being done by the government to eliminate the danger of dioxin poisoning?

Various agencies of federal, state and local governments are involved. High priority is given to the cleanup of toxic "hotspots," and the ban on the production and use or sale of products contaminated with dioxin.

Initiative 97, which seeks to shift the cost of clean-up from the taxpayers to the manufacturers of toxics, should be on the ballot in November for voter approval. In order to determine the extent of dioxin in the environment, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is undertaking a nationwide survey of some 1200 sites, 60 of which are in Washington State, and 32 are close by. These are Commencement Bay, Burley Lagoon and Budd Inlet. Dioxin tests are very expensive, costing about \$1500 each. Tests for heavy metals such as lead, cost about \$40 each. EPA is evaluating methods of disposal or destruction of contaminated wastes, including incineration, chemical degradation

and biological treatment measures. EPA has an office in Seattle to answer any questions you may have. Write: Bob Jacobson, Office of Public Affairs, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101.

Tacoma Telco expands

The Tacoma Telco Credit Union has just announced plans for expansion in both the Gig Harbor and Key Center areas. In Gig Harbor negotiations have been completed for the purchase of land in the new Plaza II commercial site on Point Fostick Drive south of Olympic Drive. Preliminary plans for the new Credit Union branch office there include a 5000 to 7000 square-foot building with provision for three drive-in teller stations. Target date for completion of the new office is tentatively set for spring 1989.

"Purchase of this property and continuing negotiations for a new office site in Key Center signal our commitment to better service our existing and potential members in the Peninsula area," said Richard C. Brandsma, President/CEO.

Tacoma Telco Credit Union, a \$50 million full-service credit union, currently operates branches in Gig Harbor and Key Center. The main office is in Tacoma, and additional branches are located in Tacoma and Puyallup. Anyone who lives or works in Pierce County west of the Narrows Bridge is eligible for membership in the credit union.

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It's hip to be square

by Laurel Kintner

It was New Year's Eve. My husband and I entered the Civic Center not knowing what to expect and only having been cued in by the small ad in the Key Peninsula News accompanied by a dramatic silhouette reminiscent of Astaire and Rogers. We'd never been to a "ball" and the dancing we were familiar with was the type that Astaire and Rogers wouldn't label dancing, and the places we'd danced would have seemed like a cluttered closet to someone who'd known the freedom of doing aerobatics across floor and upon furniture.

We are ex-hippie types, late 60's genre, and our most impactful musical imprinting occurred while Hendrix and Creedence were drawing thousands. Dancing was "free-form" and often partners either acted oblivious to each other or WERE oblivious to each other (for reasons I shall not go into in this article). But as good ex-hippie types can identify, we look back with a mixture of nostalgia and the same "Huh?" our parents uttered in those "good old days" when it all seemed so relevant that we actually felt sorry our parents couldn't understand our truths. I believe it was Crosby, Stills and Nash who cajoled us to "teach our parents well."

So here we were at the "the ball" descending the few steps onto the floor. Not exactly a grand staircase, I thought, but the ballroom air was alive with "good vibes," active voices and laughter. From the ceiling hung festive decorations and tabletops were adorned with confetti and

various hats and "tooters". The mirrored ball circled and reflected moving light patterns onto the walls, a subdued contrast to light shows I'd attended. But the most striking feature of the ball was that we were among the youngest there. I believe the mean age might have been 60 with what appeared to be a fair share of actual "oldsters." Here we were approaching forty and yet we were young again. But we weren't the only ones.

I remarked to my husband that someday they'd be playing Creedence on that stage, sans the accordion though, I believe. We were just the first wave of that long transition. But what I experienced while attending the ball was more delightful than looking forward to the time when we, too, would return to our youth. I saw and felt the youth in those ageless couples who whirled around the ballroom's perimeter, and was made to feel even younger by so-called "oldsters" who were incredibly light on their feet, as they say, and skilled in a style of dance which now to me looked artsy. But what I marveled at most was the expressions on the faces, those lovely, timeless, romantic eyes full of so much more than memories.

And did we fit in? You bet! We knew we fit in when a man who later revealed that he'd been living on the Peninsula since 1929 initiated what appeared to be a noisemaker competition with my husband just after midnight. It was entirely spontaneous and could have seemed ridiculous had it not been for the carried-away laughter it provoked in us.

My advice to "baby-boomers" next year? Join the wave. It's hip to be square.

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Fire Dept. urges wood-heat users to inspect chimneys, etc.

by Hugh McMillan

Wood heat is neat. It can also be dangerous!

In the January 1983 edition of this column, and again in 1985, we noted "According to Chief Kanno of the Key Peninsula Fire Department, over seventy percent of all heating-appliance-caused fires in the United States are caused by the use of wood for heating."

That statistic does not seem to have improved nationally. K.P. Fire Captain Fred Ramsdell said he feels that, "On the Key Peninsula there has been some improvement in coping with this problem; however, we've still got a long way to go."

Most wood-heat-related fires begin with a chimney fire. Some can be disastrous. Chimney fires result from a buildup of creosote on the inner walls of the chimney or stovepipe. Creosote is the product of unburned wood gases that form tar-like deposits. Burning "green" or unseasoned wood is guaranteed to produce the unburned gases that coat chimney interiors with creosote. With or without creosote, a chimney can be a fire hazard. Fire, like water, will flow into any opening to which it is exposed. If your chimney is cracked, has loose bricks,



This was NOT a drill!! Firefighters from Fire District 16 responded to this home recently to battle a chimney fire that threatened the residence. The story on this page tells about the dangers of chimney fires and the ways to avoid them while using wood stoves for heating. KP NEWS photo by Hugh McMillan.

improperly sealed joints, etc., any flame in the chimney will exit through those openings. Anything that is combustible within reach of the exiting flame will probably ignite. This can happen without your knowledge. Don't let it happen!

Inspect your chimney regularly. Clean it as often as necessary. If you are unsure of how to inspect or clean your chimney, get a professional chimney sweep to handle the job. There are several good chimney sweeps in our area who are trained and certified to do the work. A few dollars spent on their services now could spare you the enormous expense of losing your home and all your belongings — even, God forbid, your own, or the life of

someone else.

Guidelines: Burn only dry, seasoned wood. Keep your fire under control; too hot can cause ignition outside the fire box; too low will cause incomplete combustion and creosote buildup. Keep anything that can burn away from the fireplace, insert, or wood stove. Check walls and ceilings; if they're hot, there's danger. Don't burn trash or garbage. Never use flammable liquids. Have a fire extinguisher handy. Install a smoke detector properly and keep it in good working order. Have and practice an escape plan with all members of your family. Get your chimney and woodfire heating appliance checked and cleaned for safety.

Visit our Headquarters Fire Station in Key Center to obtain a copy of an excellent booklet, "About Wood Stove Safety." It's free. Finally, if you have an emergency or even suspect one, dial 911. Your Key Peninsula Fire Department will be there in a flash. We can't help you unless you tell us that you have a problem. And please, do not try to handle it yourself. We are the professionals. We can handle it expertly. And don't forget, you are paying for our protection. We are proud and happy to provide it.

Breakfast at Northwest Trek

The January 30 Breakfast at Northwest Trek will feature Winter Survival of Wildlife. Enjoy a country-style meal followed by an informative talk by one of Trek's experts and a 45-minute tram tour of the free-roaming area. Reservations are required. Call 847-1901 for more information.

Northwest Trek Wildlife Park, six miles north of Eatonville on state Route 161, is operating on its winter schedule through February 10. The park is open from 9:30 am to 3 pm on Wednesday, Saturdays and Sundays. Trams touring the free-roaming area of the park depart every hour on the hour beginning at 10 am. Admission of \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors, \$3 for children 5-17, and \$1 for tots 3 and 4. Group rates are available with at least two weeks advance notice.

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Tyrone and friends

Our contest last issue featured dinosaurs, with our readers being asked to name four different types, and the question sent a bunch of folks scrambling for their encyclopedias. We gave everyone an hour on Thursday morning to call in and name four different types, and, from the names of those who did so successfully, we drew out the names of our winners.

The first name drawn was that of Dora Lewis of Lakebay, who received a certificate good for \$10 worth of gas at Key Center Shell. Then we drew the names of June Zuber and Stella Retherford, our second and third prize winners, who each received gift certificates good for \$5 worth of gasoline. We congratulate our winners, and, for those of you who had the right answers but didn't have their name drawn, we urge you to try again—folks all around the Peninsula have been winning "a little something extra" almost every week. And... did you happen to notice, Tyrone the guard dinosaur now has his very own speed boat on the lake at the Key Center Shell tarps, and he is rumored to be practicing for the Gold Cup races next summer.

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Goin' Out

by Janice
McMillan



A special treat is finding a new and excellent restaurant quite by accident. We were on Roy Street, across from the parking garage at the Seattle Center, on our way to see The Nutcracker. We were also very hungry and it was a very cold night; that precluded walking around to check out nearby restaurants. We first tried a Greek restaurant which looked inviting but found that they were out of many things on the limited menu. Besides, we were dressed in our finery and the Greek place looked a little like a deli. Back onto Roy Street and a block further along we came upon a large, vintage, renovated house which proclaimed, "Raimon's, Fine Continental Cuisine." A quick glance at the menu outside and we decided to try it.

The foyer of the restaurant was attractively decorated in soft cream colors which made a nice contrast to the traditional dark wood furniture. We requested a warm place to dine, and were escorted into an adjoining room with four tables set with sparkling china, crystal and gleaming silver. Our table was next to the white brick gas-fired fireplace which was immediately lit for us. The room was serene and done in simple elegance with white walls and beige carpeting. The softly curtained bow windows looked down on Roy Street. (I did feel that the two oil paintings on the walls did nothing for the decoration of the room.) On the other side of the foyer was another, similar, two sectioned and much larger dining room off which was a threempane enclosed sun porch with several more nicely set tables.

All items on the menu are a la carte. We decided against having the soup of the day (an interesting sounding white bean dish, \$2.75) or salad (spinach salad, \$3.95), which were among the several offerings. One of our three-some chose the chicken saute with mushrooms, \$10.95. This dish included at least four different varieties of fresh mushrooms, including chan-

telles and button mushrooms. The two large pieces of young chicken were perfectly sauteed; the delicate sauce excellently combined the mushrooms and chicken. The accompanying carrots were carefully cut in slapes* to match the baby potatoes; both were excellently prepared and wonderfully seasoned. The portion of very small zucchini had herbs and finely diced tomato mixed in.

I ordered the Entrecote of beef (a steak) with tomato sauce and it came served with the same vegetables. The steak was very tender, flavorful, and grilled exactly to my request. The finely chopped fresh tomato with herbs made an excellent sauce for the beef (it was nothing like an Italian tomato sauce). The vegetables were the best that I have ever had in a restaurant. Price of my dinner was \$13.95.

My dear companion had a special of the day, fresh Alaskan king salmon. His vegetables were the same, except the salmon was served with rice as an accompaniment instead of those excellent potatoes. The salmon was perfectly poached and coated with the chef's special creamy seafood sauce.

We were served the very best crispy French rolls that were feather light on the inside. Also on the table a bowl with plenty of butter. We all used these great rolls to sop every bit of the sauces on our plates.

The hostess (wife of the owner and chef) told us of the Chocolate Mousse consisting of alternating layers of bittersweet and white chocolate, a very elegant and complicated cheesecake, fresh fruits served with or without cream and creme caramel. I am sure that these simple sounding desserts on the menu come from the kitchen interesting and very appealing. We regretfully, and prudently, declined and braved the cold once again to dash across the street to the Opera House for the delightful production of The Nutcracker.

Raimon's is open for dinner 5:30 to 10:30 Mon. through Sat. and is also open late nights for after-theater special coffees and desserts following the Seattle Center evening performances. Lunch is served Tuesday through Fridays (call for hours). Telephone 285-1596, address 352 Roy St. Seattle.

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Pioneer cows

Loren Harriman, Margaret's younger brother, shares her good memory. On a recent visit, he recounted some interesting local history. Any errors in this short story are most likely mine.

Loren told of famed local steamboat captain "Biz Burnham's" father bringing the first cow to Gig Harbor from Old Town (Tacoma) in 1896. Two rowboats were used. A stanchion was built in one, to carry the cow. The second boat towed number one. Offhand, separating the cow from the rower seems sensible considering various factors, such as tide-rips, tippy skiffs and a nervous cow.

Even earlier, Vaughn's first cow and calf arrived in 1884. Dudley Harriman, Margaret and Loren's great-grandfather, had built a cabin on a claim at the head of Vaughn Bay. Apparently proving up on the claim did not seem to justify the labor involved, so he rowed to Olympia and relinquished his claim to the property.

While Dudley was away, the Wright family had been enroute to Vaughn aboard a hired scow, propelled by a steam tug. They arrived in Tacoma by train,

loaded everything on the scow and headed up-Sound to find a homesite. Seeing an apparently abandoned cabin at the head of Vaughn Bay, and wanting to pay off the tugboat skipper before the tide left him and his outfit stuck for another day, they moved into the Dudley Harriman cabin, at least for one night.

To the joy of the Wright family, a surprised Harriman told them to go to Olympia, file on the cabin, and it was theirs. In gratitude, the Wrights made presents of the cow and calf to Dudley Harriman.

Of such events is history made.

New fishing rules and regs

Thinking of fishing next spring while trying to stay warm and dry during these "dawg days" of winter? If so, you may need to add some information about new Washington State fishing license requirements and fees effective for this year. Major changes include the requirement of a punchcard, salmon stamp and personal use license for salmon (\$7); an annual personal use license for bottomfish (\$3.50); an annual clam license (\$3); an annual shrimp license (Hood Canal only) (\$5.50); and a sturgeon catch record, stamp, and personal use license for sturgeon (\$7). For your salmon punchcard and personal use license this year, see the good folks down at Key Western Building Center.

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Around the yard

by Tim Kezele

Lawns: Continue picking up fallen debris. Good hard raking with a stiff metal grass rake will help keep the thatch build-up from getting worse. If you have areas that show poor growth due to shading from overhead trees and shrubs, you might remove a few of the thicker branched limbs to let in more light. Also, now is a good time (after you've raked, cleaned, and perhaps that final mow) to add a winter fertilizer to your lawn per package directions. Add lime at a rate of 30 lbs. per 1000 sq. ft. of lawn. This should give a good green lawn well into early spring.

Veggies: Asparagus - a perennial and one of the most permanent and dependable home garden vegetables. Plants take 2 to 3 years to come into full production, but then produce delicious spears every spring for 10 to 15 years. They do take up considerable space, but do so in the grand manner... the tall, feathery, graceful

plants being highly ornamental. Set out seedlings or roots in fall or winter. Make trenches 1 foot wide and 8 to ten inches deep, space trenches 4 to 6 feet apart. Heap loose, manure-enriched soil at bottom of trenches and soak. Set roots so that tops are 6 to 8 inches below surface. Space them 12 inches apart. Spread roots out evenly. Cover with 2 inches of soil and water again.

As young plants grow, gradually fill in trench, taking care not to cover growing tips. Soak deeply whenever soil begins to dry out at root depth. Don't harvest the first season. The following spring you can cut only the first spears, or until the appearance of the spears indicate that the roots are exhausted.

It's good to add manure and leaf mold in spring or fall! Also, lime at those same times. In fall cut off foliage as all signs of green disappear.

Trees and Shrubs:

Pollination

Apples

Chart:

		Early Bloom		Mid Bloom		Late Bloom	
		Pollen Source		Cultivar Pollinated			
Early Bloom	Mid Bloom	Late Bloom	Pollen Source	Cultivar Pollinated			
			Gravenstein	Gravenstein			
			Summerred	Summerred			
			Yellow Transparent	Yellow Transparent			
			Discovery	Discovery			
			Mutsu	Mutsu			
			Jonamac	Jonamac			
			Akane	Akane			
			Prima	Prima			
			Spartan	Spartan			
			King	King			
			Jonagold	Jonagold			
			Buckley Giant	Buckley Giant			
			Lodi	Lodi			
			Chehalis	Chehalis			
			Tydemar Early	Tydemar Early			
			Paulared	Paulared			
			Melrose	Melrose			
			Macoun	Macoun			
			Golden Delicious	Golden Delicious			
			Hawaii	Hawaii			
			Gala	Gala			

Directions for use:

1. Select a cultivar you are interested in growing from left hand column.
Example: Gravenstein
2. Check across chart. Colored squares indicate poor pollinizers. Example: Gravenstein, Mutsu.
Select a cultivar above a white square. Example: Summerred, Chehalis, etc.

Key:

- ☐ Acceptable pollinizer
- ☒ Partially self fruitful, but a pollinizer is suggested
- ☒ Should not be relied upon as a pollinizer for this cultivar



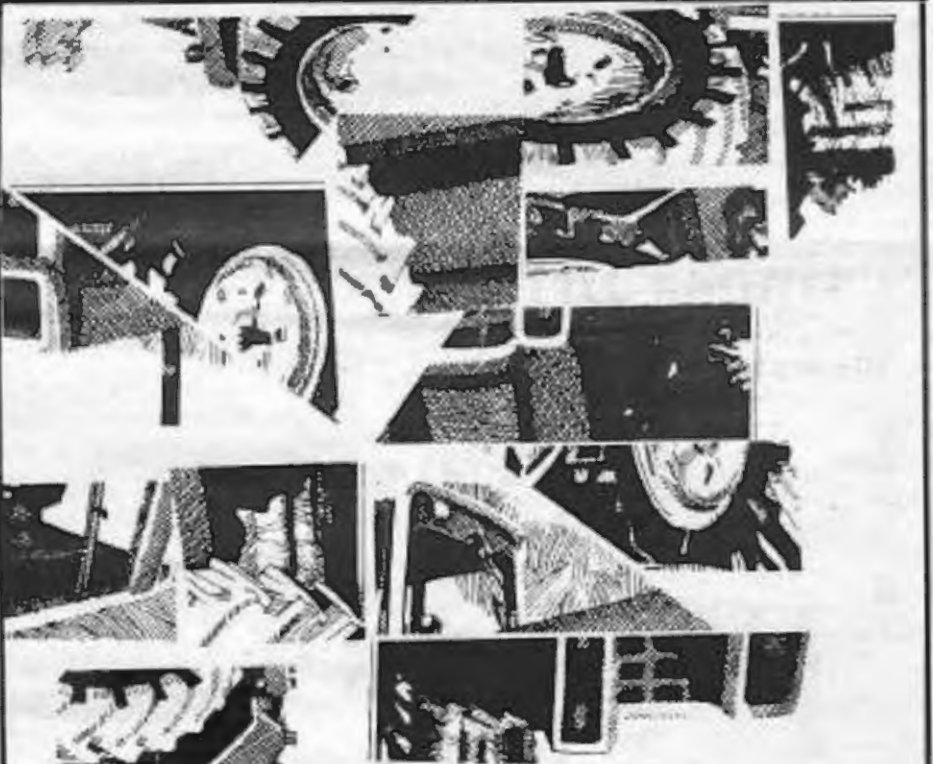
Wally Weber, owner of Ollala Feed, stands in front of the beginnings of his new feed store, being built about 1/4 mile south of Key Center on the Longbranch Highway. The new business will be named K&J Feed and is expected to be open about the middle of February. Wally will operate his business as an independent feed supplier with the assistance of his wife, Patty. KP NEWS photo.

Evergreen

Congratulations to Barbara Kraft, second/third-grade teacher, for receiving the Ellen Fay award for the month of January. The award was presented by the Peninsula District School Board in acknowledgement of Ms. Fay's outstanding contribution to the educational process. Barbara was described as a teacher who really cares.

Some of our Evergreen students are preparing for a Northwest problem-solving competition in the spring. Teachers Dave Ellingson and Rick Gudmunson, together with several parent volunteers, will help coach the kids. Last year, one Evergreen team won second place in the state-wide event.

Have you heard the brouhaha created by the Peninsula District's "Impressions" reading program? You can find out what your child is reading at the next Eagle Booster meeting to be held on February 22 at 7 pm. Representatives from the district will provide a demonstration of the program in an informative rather than open forum format. In other words, concerned parents, pro and con, are encouraged to leave their ammo at home.



Contest asks question ... What is it? Three prizes for right answer....

Our contest this issue, to help you pass the winter doldrums, asks the question, "What is this thing shown above?" To find out, cut out the pieces, put them back together the way you feel is correct, and figure out what the resulting picture shows. Then, next FRIDAY MORNING, January 22, call us at 884-4699 BETWEEN 9 and 10 am and tell us what the picture is. If you are correct, we'll put your name in a hat, and draw for THREE WINNERS! The first name drawn will receive a \$10 Gift certificate for dinner at Blundell's Longbranch Chowder House, the second name will receive a large Pizza from the Great American Pizza Factory, and the third name drawn will receive a six pack of soft drinks from Walt's Fine Foods. Good Luck, and happy cutting!!!!

Telephone bills going up a bit

It looks as if our telephone bills are going up by \$2 per month as a result of some federal court rulings. Back when the overall breakup of AT&T was ordered by the courts, the general result was that most, if not all, of the local line costs would have to be borne by the local subscriber, rather than recovered in any part from long distance charges. In general,

this has meant that long distance charges have been going down, and local charges have tended to move up. Telephone Utilities of Washington has applied for the \$2 per month increase to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, and it is expected to be granted by March, probably retroactive to February.

Watch for big bucks!



The K. P. Business Association meets the first and third Friday of the month at 7:30am at The Eatery in Key Center.

KP Business Association votes standing reward against crime

In its regular Friday morning meeting on January 15, the Key Peninsula Business Association voted to post a standing cash award of \$250 for information leading to the arrest and prosecution of any person or persons committing a crime such as robbery or burglary against the business of one of its members. The decision to undertake the provision of the standing reward offer was undoubtedly prompted by the recent burglary of the Home Laundromat where a loss of about \$1400 was reported. (A reward of \$600 is now being offered for similar information in the Home case, as \$100 has been added by the owners of Red Dogs to the original \$500 offer. The Home case is

still "open" as of press time).

In other business, newly-installed KPBA President Tom Fifer announced some committee assignments, the group held a first discussion of Pioneer Days for next summer, and plans for a "Big Bucks" February business promotion were reviewed. Jean Lindsey and Avon Gay gave short presentations relative to the upcoming February Maintenance and Operation Levy for the Peninsula School District, and Cherie Mastro reported on membership items.

The Key Peninsula Business Association meets on the first and third Fridays of the month at The Eatery in Key Center at 7:30 am.

Key Peninsula's young astronauts

By Mel Oliver

Shuttle launches, an inhabited space station, the prospect of exploring Mars and other planets are likely to be commonplace events in the adult world of today's schoolchildren. To accomplish these goals and meet the challenges of the 21st century, today's students will need broad technical knowledge grounded in a solid understanding of math and science. The success of the Young Astronaut program in grades 1-9 has demonstrated how space can fire the imagination of young people and encourage their study in these vital subjects, because with children and young adults, "You're never too young to learn."

Contrary to popular belief, science is a natural for youth. The rising sun, the different shapes of the moon, the stars in the sky are all subjects for a child's curiosity. Simple explanations of these events help the student gain an understanding and appreciation of space-related topics and encourages them to explore the "nows and whys" of other parts of nature. An eagerness to read is another benefit.

When a child has a bug in his or her hands, sees a picture of a snake or a person in astronaut clothing, he is automatically excited. Children are ready to want to read. When their motivation is up, you can teach them most anything.

Tying math and science to the Young

Astronaut Program is a natural attention-getter and reaching today's youth at a young age will encourage them to pursue these vital subjects throughout their school years and beyond.

For more information on the Young Astronaut Program contact Mel Oliver at 857-2654.

VITA assistance

VITA, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program is again being sponsored by the Fire Department at Key Center. Free tax assistance is available to taxpayers who are confused about filling out a tax return or who cannot afford to pay for professional help. VITA volunteers are trained in basic returns preparation by the Internal Revenue Service. VITA assistance will be available every Wednesday until April 15 and on Saturday, March 12 and April 9 at the Fire District 16 HQ in Key Center. For information call 884-2222.

Moose Lodge might be formed

Are you interested in becoming a member of a new Moose Lodge to be formed in the local area? If so, you might wish to contact Harry Hines of Port Orchard at 876-8495. Harry is a member of Moose Lodge No. 1538 in Port Orchard, and wants to know if there is sufficient interest in forming a Lodge in/near/around Key Center. He would need 100 people to sign up to become members of the proposed Moose organization.

Business Briefs.....

Mary Ann's Gifts and Crafts shop is now operating within the Movie Magic II store at Lake Kathryn Village Mall. Drop in and see her there sometime soon.

Harve Ennis and his wife Donna are opting for the warmer climates of San Diego, where Harve will be lending his talents to General Dynamics. Meanwhile operations at the Horseshoe Lake business corner will be carried on by Dean and Carolyn Ennis at the gas station, Becky Pattison will operate the Deli, and Betty Inch will be running the Tavern. They want everyone to know that all the good service will continue as usual, and that the welcome mat is always out.

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Obituaries

It is with deep regret we report the deaths of our Peninsula friends and neighbors...

Austin Richard Hall, Jr., long-time resident of Longbranch, died on January 1, 1988 at the age of 65.

Mr. Hall was born in Tacoma, and came to Longbranch at age 8. He was a retired owner/operator of Longbranch Mercantile; had served in the Air Force during WWII; was Past Commander of VFW Post 4990; a member of the American Ex-prisoners of War Club in Bremerton; a former volunteer fireman for Longbranch, and a member of the Longbranch Improvement Club. Mr. Hall leaves a wife, Marjorie, of the home; daughters Phyllis Schlag of Auburn and Janice Pattengale of Tacoma; a sister, Marion Niaman of Bremerton; 4 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.

Remembrances may be made to Longbranch Cemetery Association, PO Box 196, Lakeway, WA 98349. Arrangements were handled by Haven of Rest, Gig Harbor.

Edna M. Nixon, died on January 9, 1988, at the age of 88. Mrs. Nixon was born in Tacoma, and had lived the last 40 years in the Key Peninsula area. She was a member of the Longbranch Community Church, and had also been active in the Upper Sound Grange, King of Glory Lutheran Church, Stroke Support Group, and Peninsula Republican Club.

Mrs. Nixon leaves a daughter and son-in-law, Alice and Sven Blomquist of Barrington, Illinois; a brother, Carl Wicklund of Edmonds; a sister, Ethel Cornett of Belmont, California; two grandchildren and many loving nieces and nephews. At her request there were no services. Arrangements were handled by Haven of Rest, Gig Harbor, and remembrances may be made to Longbranch Community Church or the American Cancer Society.

Ella E. Carson (Ross) died at Port Orchard on December 21, 1987, at age 78. She was followed in death on January 4, 1988, by her husband, Arthur T. Carson, Jr., age 70, also of Port Orchard. Mr. and Mrs. Carson are survived by two sons and a daughter. Mrs. Carson was the daughter of the late Emiel Daniel Ross of Longbranch. Funeral services were held at Longbranch Community Church.

Verna Marie Roberts, a former resident of Home, died January 8, 1988 in Tacoma. Mrs. Roberts was 85, was born in Illinois and had lived in the Home area for 50 years, prior to moving to the Tacoma/Puyallup area. She had at one time worked for the Lakeway Telephone Exchange. She is survived by a daughter, Virginia M. Johnson of Gig Harbor; a sister, Beth Williams of W. Vancouver B.C.; a grandson, granddaughter and two great-grandchildren. At her request no services were held. Arrangements were handled by Haven of Rest, Gig Harbor.

LETTERS...

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house one afternoon, how much fun his class had had reading stories out loud to one another, and this story in particular. How thankful I am as a parent to have books at my son's school that inspire him to want to read.

To me, this series is like opening an entire children's library, with all the best children's authors available to my children. Just as I am not afraid to allow my children to freely check out books of their own choosing from the library, I likewise have no fear of them reading these text books. Any questions that may arise from reading any particular story in the Impressions series, or from any lessons taught them by their teachers for that matter, I welcome as a parent. What better opportunity for me as a parent to convey or reinforce family beliefs and values?

Having looked through my son's 4th grade Impressions readers, as well as my 1st-grade son's books, I see nothing in their content to create any concerns on my part in terms of appropriateness for my sons' exposure to this material. I see a variety of interesting and imaginative stories with illustrations to match.

Denise L. Backlund, co-signed by **Cathy Beal, Daphne Walker, Donna Folden, Janne Dukeshier, Debbie Simon.**

To the Editor

As the new year begins, I would like to thank the many people who have given so much to the Respite Care program since I began working there in 1987.

First, the volunteers who give their time and energy so graciously: Doris Brewer, Shirley Erickson, Betty Fifer, Margo Fleming, Darlene Kuhn, Pauline Longly, Betty Ogden, Eloise Paul, Stan

and Eleanor Rippon, Jeannie Sagle, and Ruth Zeimerk. (Thanks also to all who participated before my arrival.)

For greatly appreciated donations and performances, I thank the Angel Guild (bingo prizes), Community House (magazines), the Key Center Library (magazines) Longbranch Church Choir (caroling), Sunmycrest Nursery (Christmas tree), Sunshine Preschool (caroling), Bill Stratton (rolling cart), and our local Fire Department (Santa Claus).

Appreciation for ongoing support and assistance goes to Frankie Johnson, Dr. Roes and the entire Key Peninsula Health Center staff, the Health Center Board of Directors, and the Key Peninsula News.

Many thanks to everyone. May your new year reflect the good will and joy you brought to Respite Care in 1987.

Edie Morgan, Director of Respite Care, Key Peninsula Health Center.



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