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## Get ready for Pioneer Day!

Key Peninsula Pioneer Day on August 1 will offer a welcome alternative to the throngs of people in Seattle and Tacoma during a summer weekend.

Located on scenic Vaughn Bay, the Key Peninsula Civic Center has been home to the Pioneer celebration for more than 20 years. Organized to commemorate our Northwest roots, Pioneer Day hosts an array of inventive floats in the parade, along with a diverse set of arts, crafts and informational booths on the grounds.

The festivities begin at 10 am with the annual parade, which winds its way from Key Center to the Key Peninsula Civic Center in picturesque Vaughn. Opening ceremonies begin promptly at 11 am at the flag pole.

Pioneer Day boasts a permanent cement fish pond for the kids, stocked with a wide variety of sizes to keep the kids amused, and a new improved Salatino Memorial Mudpit for hot tug of war action from our local and neighboring Volunteer Fire Departments.

Afternoon entertainment includes action-packed Bingo for the older set, games and contests for adults and children alike.

The tennis courts will once again be transformed into the Celebration Beer Garden, complete with the Duwamish Dixieland Jazz Band and Karaoke for this year's entertainment. Tiny lights strung over the top of the tennis courts magically transform the Beer Garden at night into an intimate area where one can enjoy



## Let's have a Parade!

the company and joviality of others or just quietly stargaze into the expansive sky above.

Whether you like the best food, the best games, the best area entertainers, the best mud tug of war, the best fish pond, the best raffle odds, the best parade or the best Celebration Beer Garden ... there is something for everyone. The 1992 Pioneer Day Celebration is a must attend event. We look forward to seeing you there.

*See centerfold for your  
guide to Pioneer Day  
events at the Civic  
Center, Sat. Aug. 1*

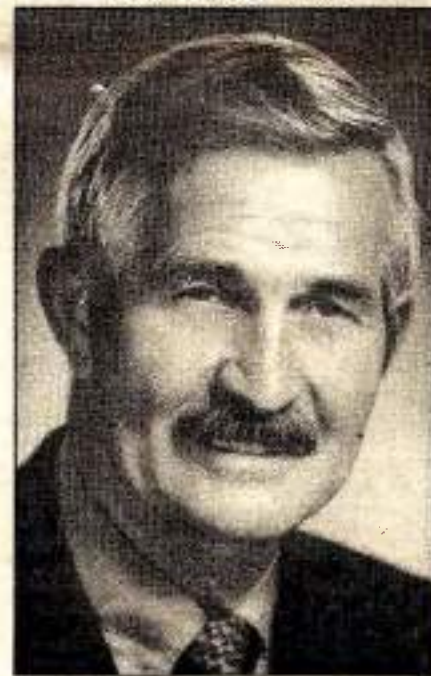
## Marching clams?

**Grand Marshal Fred Haley** - Leading off the 1992 Pioneer Day Parade in a '57 Chevy convertible will be our Grand Marshal, dynamic octogenarian Fred Haley. With all the boards and committees Mr. Haley is on, in addition to his community work and position as chairman and CEO of Brown & Haley of Tacoma, we feel fortunate he is available August 1 to be our Grand Marshal. The colorful Mr. Haley is, among other things, affiliated with several UW departments, a Trustee of Evergreen State College and member and founding chairman of South Puget Sound Higher Education Council. Well, he's only 80.

**The Down Home Keep Clam Band** - Another exciting element of the 1992 parade will be brought to us by our favorite Key Center physician, Dr. William Roes. The Down Home Keep Clam Band is a brass/woodwind ensemble patterned after the Original Home Band. They will be riding in a flatbed truck or wagon and will be accompanied by (we gave you a minute to prepare for this) marching clams ... in honor of the parade theme. (It's a good thing they

chose clams rather than crabs, crabs would veer off course.) You'll commit a community faux pas if you miss this.

Sponsored by the Key Peninsula Business Association, the Parade is always one of the most important and fun features of Pioneer Day. The theme of this year's parade is, "Puget Sound waters, our heritage, our future." (Our clams.) There are usually about 50 parade entrants, everything from fancy floats to Walt's '54 Dodge pickup to landlubbing seafood. Entrants will gather and get into position at Frugal Fare at 10 am, then the parade will proceed behind the fire station and down to the Key Peninsula Highway where they will go at a leisurely pace through Key Center,



**Grand Marshall Fred Haley**

then left and on up Olson Road to the Key Peninsula Civic Center. As of press time, we have a definite maybe on an announcer: Keith Stiles may be our color man.

We are assured another fun and colorful parade to kick off Pioneer Day 1992!

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For information about the Key Peninsula Civic Center call 884-3456.



*It's important to say thanks publicly at times, and to recognize the important contributions made by others. Such notices will appear in "T.y.," which is short for Thank You. If you would like to thank a person or group for their work, contribution or generosity, send your letter to the Key Peninsula NEWS, P.O. Box 3, Vaughn, WA 98394.*

Our hats are off to Joe and Stephanie Zampini, John and Terry Thomas and the young ladies setting the tables and serving the salads at the dinner for volun-

## Civic Center News

**Button update** - Champion fund raiser Henry Stock reported at the July KPCCA board meeting that button sales are slacking off. If you've promised to send a check, now is the time to put it in the mail. If you haven't yet bought a button, Henry has plenty to spare; and even if you have, there's no limit to the number of times you can contribute—expenses occur regularly. Treasurer Ann Larson told the board the Association paid out, among other expenses, \$12,000 for the year's insurance.

**VFW seeks volunteers** - On behalf of the VFW, Jim Wooldridge would like to thank participants for their fund raising activities. Things have improved over last year.

The VFW trailer on the Civic Center grounds needs some volunteer care—it could use some paint, especially the trim; and a new roof. Donations of material and labor are requested.

**Volunteers requested for teen night** - Teen room activities at the Civic Center gym will continue every other Friday night through the summer, 7 to 10 pm. The activity is for kids 6th grade and up and costs \$3. Some adults are needed to volunteer as supervisors.

teers given at the Civic Center on June 26. It was an absolutely outstanding affair. The food was terrific—chicken, lasagne, marinated vegetable salad and lots of beautiful desserts—and the lovely table decorations were done by Claudia Loy and Terry Thomas. We thank everyone involved for such a great evening.

A special thanks also is due Dale Skrivanich and other members of the Key Peninsula Business Association for their back-bending litter-lifting efforts along the shoulders of 302. Those of us who appreciate a clean environment are grateful to people like Dale who take time out of their busy schedules to pick up after others.

Another clean-up is scheduled for some time mid-September or early October. The area covered will again be from Elgin-Clifton to Devil's Head. Volunteers please call Dale at 851-7763 or 884-2712.

More thanks go to Civic Center caretakers Marcy and Nick Nichols for all the work they do above and beyond the call. We especially are thinking of their work to get the Civic Center roof repaired. Also, thanks to Bob Medlock for his contribution of material and labor in the same effort.

More TY's on p.20

## Civic Center - Cash Flow

INCOME		EXPENSES	
USER FEES	2,091.50	SKATING EXP.	147.50
MISC. INCOME	34.92	CARETAKER	1,535.08
INTEREST INC.	16.38	INSURANCE	5,924.80
ROLLER SKATING	90.90	PIONEER DAYS	146.87
DONATIONS	1,145.89	OPERATING	854.57
BINGO	1,500.00	REPAIRS/MAINT.	786.48
EQUIP. RENTAL FEES	20.00	MISC	618.66
PIONEER DAYS	500.00	TOT. EXPENSES	10,013.96
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>5,399.59</b>	June - 1992	

## Our newest editor says, "too much for me!"

Staffing continues to be a problem at the NEWS. Janice Smith, who had taken over as editor with the July issue, found the job required more of a commitment than she could give and also keep her family happy. She resigned July 20, before your temporary editor had a chance to get out of the door. So, we are back to row one in that area and are looking again for an editor/manager; hopefully, someone in the community with the time, talent and commitment necessary. We are also looking for a sales person, preferably with computer experience, who can work at least two weeks each month helping with advertising sales. Meanwhile, come what may the NEWS goes on. PF.



Terry Thomas, Secretary of KPCCA, presents Henry Stock with an award as Champion Fund Raiser for the Key Peninsula Civic Center roof repair at the recent Volunteer Appreciation dinner at the Center. Photo by Joan Lawrence

## ABATE sponsors Safe Street

Steve Harrington, deputy coordinator of ABATE, requested at the July KPCCA board meeting that the Civic Center be designated a "safe place" for children to come if they are in need of assistance. The request was passed unanimously by the board.

ABATE will sponsor this program through the Civic Center. A representative of the Pierce County Alliance Group will come and give free training to Civic Center caretakers Nick and Marcy Nichols, who have enthusiastically volunteered to take on the responsibility.

Any youth who is in need of temporary shelter—whether he/she is an abused child, a runaway, or just needs to make a phone call to parents—is welcome at the Key Peninsula Civic Center.



Shirley Olson shows her award given for long-time outstanding volunteer support of the Key Peninsula Civic Center. Photo by Joan Lawrence

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# Letters

## To the editor

I would like to thank all the supporters of the H. Ross Perot convention June 28, 1992, in Key Center, WA. Thank you, to the 260 petition signers and 57 new registered voters, and to the many fine people who staffed the convention, and a very special thank you to Shirley Marietta for the use of the parking lot and financial support. Thank you, each and every one of you.

**Fred Beglau**, Convention Chairman, Port Orchard

## To the editor

While reading the article entitled, "Abate plans dunk tank," I found one rather minor and one rather major misrepresentation. First of all, ABATE is an anagram for "American Bikers Aiming Toward Education" or "A Brotherhood Against Totalitarian Enactments." Therefore, all letters in the anagram should be capitalized. (This may not be a hard and fast rule but it seems to be a rule of thumb for most publications. I have seldom seen DARE or MADD referred to as Dare or Mad.)

Secondly, ABATE of Washington is a non-profit organization that promotes motorcycle safety education and awareness and also works to protect and preserve the rights of motorcyclists from all walks of life. The Hells Angels is a motorcycle club. Both are motorcycle oriented groups, but there are vast differences between them. Motorcycle clubs are much more exclusive, for one thing. They operate according to a much different set of rules and regulations, for another.

While ABATE does not discriminate against any group or individual due to their appearance, what they ride, or their chosen lifestyle, ABATE is not a motorcycle club. ABATE is a non-profit organization open to the public. This misleading reference in your publication could be confusing to some and provocative to others. In the interest of setting the record straight, I request a printed correction of this error in reference appear in your August issue.

Thank you for your time and attention.

**K.A. Harker-Sunde**

Secretary & Public Relations Chair, Puget Sound Chapter, ABATE of Washington. (We apologize for inaccuracies in our July article about ABATE. Ed.)

## Business Briefs

**New plumbing business:** Lee Sharp is starting a new business called Nostalgic Plumbing Systems, located at 18307 33rd St Ct KPN in Lakebay, phone 884-2215. Mr. Sharp has 26 years of plumbing experience.

**Arts and Crafts:** The downstairs area of Judy Laskowski's Longbranch home is now a fun place to shop. Located at 4417 KP Hwy So, catty-corner from the Longbranch Improvement Club, Grandma's Closet is chock-full of decorated clothes and knick-knacks. You fans of Bev Pedersen's watercolors will find a few special treats there.

**Music Lessons:** Kathy Broderick brings her musical expertise to you: Kathy goes to pre-schools and day care centers with programs for guitar, flute and beginning piano. For information call 857-5031.

**Sexual Assault Crisis Center of Pierce County 24-hour hotline:**

**1-800-750-RAPE (7273)**

## Tax Tips

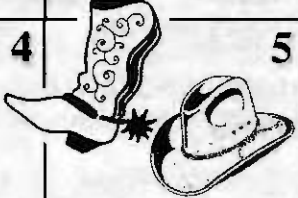
by R. Marvin Keizur CTP

There is some question in the minds of those people who are collecting Social Security Benefits. Social Security Benefits are taxed if the total of your Adjusted Gross Income—plus your tax-exempt interest—plus 50% of your Social Security benefits exceeds \$32,000 on a joint return (or \$25,000 on an individual return). The taxable portion of your Social Security benefits is equal to 50% of the excess—or 50% of your benefits, whichever is less. If you can control the timing of your income, perhaps by choosing when to cash in investments, you may be able to minimize the tax by doubling up income in alternate years.

Example: If you file a joint return and keep income below \$32,000 in one year, you will owe no tax on your Social Security benefits. And in the next year, the most you will be taxed is on 50% of your benefits, regardless of how much extra income you have. Over the two years, the total tax on your benefits will be reduced.

Rent out your vacation home for less than 15 days in a year and the income is not taxed.

## KEY PENINSULA CIVIC CENTER EVENTS - AUG/SEPT 1992

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
For more information call Nick or Marcy at 884-3456. ..... This calendar is subject to change.	<b>JULY 27</b> Gym walk 8-9 am GED 7 pm	<b>28</b> Gym walk 8-9 am WIC 8 am - 4 pm TOPS 6 pm Aerobics 6-7 pm Karate 7 pm NA 7 pm	<b>29</b> Gym walk 8-9 am Bingo 6:30 pm	<b>30</b> Gym walk 8-9 am Seniors 11 am-4 pm Aerobics 6-7 pm Karate 7 pm NA 7 pm	<b>31</b> Gym walk only (8-9 am) - no rentals because of Pioneer Day August 1	<b>AUGUST 1</b> <b>PIONEER DAY!</b> Parade & Festival
<b>2</b> Key Peninsula Life Fellowship 10:30 am and 6:30 pm Gym closed, private party, 2-8 pm	<b>3</b> Gym walk Grange 6 pm ABATE 7 pm GED Karate 7 pm	<b>4</b> Gym walk WIC TOPS Aerobics NA	<b>5</b> Gym walk Bingo	<b>6</b> Gym walk Seniors Aerobics (last one till 9/21) NA	<b>7</b> Gym walk	<b>8</b> <b>Firefighters Ball!</b>
<b>9</b> KPLF Family skate 1:30-3:30	<b>10</b> Gym walk VFW & AUX 7 pm GED Karate KPCCA Exc Bd Mtg 7:30 pm	<b>11</b> Gym walk WIC TOPS NA	<b>12</b> Gym walk Bingo	<b>13</b> Gym walk Seniors Karate NA KPCCA Bd Mtg 7:30	<b>14</b> Gym walk Teen room 7-10 pm	<b>15</b> <b>New Time Barn Dance 7:30 (Adult)</b>
<b>16</b> KPLF Gym closed for wedding	<b>17</b> Gym walk Fun with food for kids, 10 am - 12 noon GED Karate	<b>18</b> Gym walk WIC Fun with food for kids, 10 am - 12 noon TOPS NA Karate	<b>19</b> Gym walk Fun with food for kids, 10 am - 12 noon Bingo	<b>20</b> Gym walk Seniors Fun with food for kids, 10 am - 12 noon Cootiettes 6 pm NA Karate	<b>21</b> Gym walk Fun with food for kids, 10 am - 12 noon KPLF 4-10 pm, Whitmore Room	<b>22</b> <b>New Time Barn Dance 7:30 (Family)</b>
<b>23</b> KPLF Family skate	<b>24</b> Gym walk GED Karate	<b>25</b> Gym walk WIC TOPS NA	<b>26</b> Gym walk Bingo	<b>27</b> Gym walk Seniors Karate NA	<b>28</b> Gym walk Teen room 7-10 pm	<b>29</b> Closed for private party
<b>30</b> KPLF Family skate	<b>31</b> Gym walk GED Karate	<b>September 1</b> Gym walk WIC TOPS NA	<b>2</b> Gym walk Bingo	<b>3</b> Gym walk Seniors Karate NA CAC 7 pm	<b>4</b> Gym walk	<b>5</b> 



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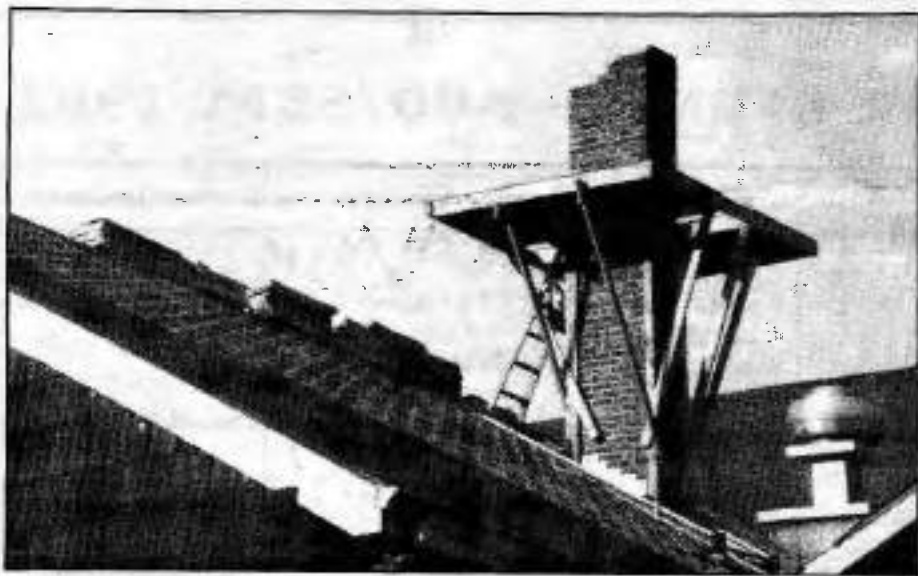
Contributions are being solicited from donors interested in supporting the maintenance and operating needs of the Key Peninsula Civic Center.

Contributors receive a receipt for their records and those giving amounts equal to \$25, \$50 or \$100 receive buttons suitable for wearing. Heading this effort is Henry Stock (shown at right) who can be reached at 884-3739. Call Henry, who will be glad to pick up your donations. Henry could also use some help in picking up contributions.



### July's Donors

Keith and Virginia Seavey  
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## Looking for volunteers!

At the time the NEWS went to print the chimney at the Civic Center had been rebuilt, and shortly the scaffolding will come down. The next step is to finish the shingling. Bob Medlock rebuilt the chimney with the able help of Bill Fosdick, Nick Nicholson and others. Volunteers are urgently needed to help complete the shingling before the fall rains start, and if you can spare some time, please call Nick at the Civic Center, 884-3456.

Photo by Joan Lawrence.

Yes, I want to help the Civic Center!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

May we thank you in the Key Peninsula NEWS? yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

If donation is a memorial, place name here. Please print.

Mail to: KPCCA, P.O. Box 82, Vaughn, WA 98394 - checks may be made payable to KPCCA

Thank you for helping support the Civic Center!

## Key Dates

### BUSINESS/PROFESSIONAL GROUPS

Allyn Comm. Ass'n Aug 6: 7:30am/bkfst; 8am/mtg Allyn Inn  
KP Business Ass'n Aug 7: 7:30am; Aug 21: Noon Homeport Restaurant

### CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS

Angel Guild Aug 25: 10 am KC Library/Brones Rm  
ASHES Aug 6: 10:30 am - potluck Key Center fire station  
Citizens Against Crime Aug 6: 7 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm  
Cootiettes: Aug 20: 6:30 pm KPCC Whitmore Rm  
and Aug 11, 18 & 25 Visit Veterans  
Meet to carpool at Key Western Hardware parking lot  
Longbranch Imp. Club Aug 19: 7:30 pm - meeting Longbranch Imp. Club  
KPCCA Board Mtg Aug 13: 7:30 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm  
KPCCA Exec. Comm: Aug 10: 7:30 pm  
KPCS Board Aug 11: 7:30 pm  
KP Lions Aug 5, 19: 7 pm Community House - Home  
AARP, Gig Harbor Chapter Aug 26: 10 am Huck. Inn - Key Center  
Peninsula Lutheran Church

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

Adult Literacy classes Mon. & Wed.: 2-8 pm Purdy Fire Station  
sponsored by Altrusa 857-2633 - info  
CPR classes Aug 6: 7-10 pm 884-2222 for reservations  
Food bank Tues.- Fri.: 10 am-3 pm Community House - Home  
Hot lunch for seniors Wednesdays: noon Community House - Home  
Free brunch Sundays 2-3 pm Community House - Home  
Also food and clothing assistance; for more info call 884-4514; 857-4780  
Key Center Library Programs, exhibits: refer to "In the Library" column  
Respite care Wednesdays: 9 am-4 pm KC Library/Brones Rm  
WIC Tuesdays: 8:15 am-4:15 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm  
Call 884-3835, Tuesdays, for an appointment

### OF INTEREST TO PARENTS

Peninsula School Board Aug 13: 7:30 pm ESC center/Bd Rm Purdy  
Family skate Sundays: 1:30-3:30 pm KPCC Gym

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

KP Fire Com. Aug 12, 24: 7:30 pm Key Center Fire Station

### SELF HELP GROUPS

AA Mon. & Fri.: 8 pm KP Community Services,  
Sun.: 6 pm; Lakebay  
Narcotics Anonymous Tues. & Thurs.: 7-8:30 pm KPCC/downstairs  
Single Parent Support Group Aug 4: 7 pm Eagles Lodge, 857-7359  
TOPS Tuesdays: weigh-in 6:15 KPCC/VFW Rm  
mtg. 7-8 pm

### SOCIAL/HOBBY GROUPS

ABATE of WA Aug 3: 7:30 pm KPCC  
Bayshore Garden Club Aug 21: 1-4 pm Longbranch Imp. Club  
Longbranch Imp. Club Aug 25: Potluck 6:30 pm  
Meeting 7:30 pm Longbranch Imp. Club  
Senior Society Thursdays: noon KPCC/Whitmore Rm  
foot care and blood pressure  
Upper Sound Grange Aug 3: 6:30-10 pm KPCC/Whitmore Rm  
VFW & AUX Aug 10: 7 pm KPCC/VFW R

### EVENTS

Pioneer Day August 1 KPCC  
Firefighters' Ball August 8 KPCC  
Old Timers' Day August 22 Longbranch Imp. Club

## Local students receive awards

Amy Grisso and Spencer Shirley of Peninsula High School and Elesa Hall and Isaac Wong of Gig Harbor High School have received the United States Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete Award, presented by Staff Sergeant Nicholas Jonson on June 4, 1992.

These students share this honor with winners in high schools throughout the country. Each year the Army Reserve sponsors the program to recognize and

## Reynold's Roost

Health tip: Don't go to a doctor whose examination table has a green top and six pockets.

1st little boy: "Pop bought me in the department store."

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Little girl (shyly): "My folks were too poor, so I was homemade."

honor top male and female high school scholars and athletes across the nation.



## Populist Party at Civic Center

by Joan Lawrence

There has been some controversy over a meeting of the Populist Party that took place at the Civic Center on June 27. Some people were disturbed by rumors of gun-toting radicals and hooded cross-burners. The sheriff even was called to investigate.

The NEWS covered this event and would like to report not a single white hood was sighted. The few guns we saw were in the holsters of young, tight-faced security men who were doing what all tight-faced security men do to protect politicians in a country where they sometimes need protecting. We saw only a few familiar faces. Some in the crowd were Perot supporters, there to find out what the Populist party stands for. The attendees were well mannered, mostly over-40, and most seemed quietly enthusiastic in hearing the impassioned speech of their hero and presidential nominee, Col. Bo Gritz.

It sounded more like a church service than a political rally. We listened at the back door, where several others gathered either to avoid the collective body heat in the gym or because (it was said that) the security men wouldn't allow people inside until they signed up.

That's what the meeting was about. Col. Gritz is the Populist nominee, and the rally was for signatures to get his name onto the ballot in Washington state. Gritz is an imposing character, larger than life in the John Wayne tradition, and an effective speaker. He is a man of action, an Intelligence officer and, they say, the most highly decorated Green Beret. He says he is a religious man. We heard nothing anti-Semitic (he did say something positive about Arab Muslims, who are Semites along with their Jewish cousins), but plenty that was pro-Christian. Gritz apparently does not believe in the separation of church and state.

In addition, the Populist Party argues the legality of the IRS and the federal reserve system. Gritz credited President Kennedy with having suggested we return to the silver and gold standard, a strong plank of the Populist platform.

It's just another option, along with the Democratic, Republican and Libertarian nominees, Independents, Pat Paulson, and whoever else chooses to run for the office about which Will Rogers said, "Anybody qualified to be President would be too smart to take the job."

## In the critter corner

by Jeffrey W. Irwin, DVM

### Flea control for your pet

Flea control in Western Washington during the warmer months is often a taxing battle for the dog or cat and the owner too! Proper use of flea products on your pet, in your house and your yard, is essential for successful flea control. Fleas can spend much of their life cycle away from your pet and if you neglect your house and yard you could be missing a large percentage of these pesky critters.

**Shampoo** your pet on a warm day outside on a concrete pad or driveway or indoors during cooler months. Brush, clip and groom prior to wetting with a bucket of warm water. Use slightly cool water if your pet is itchy. Apply shampoo down the backline and work well into coat, avoiding eyes, concentrating on the hindquarters, especially the rump and area just in front of the tail base. Allow the shampoo to

remain on the animal at least five minutes. Repeat if necessary. Make sure to rinse your pet well as failure to do so may cause excessive irritation and itching.

In my opinion, flea shampoos are best used as an initial cleaning tool to wash away fleas, their droppings and excessive dirt. Most do not offer much more than a couple of days of residual activity. For this reason, I feel they are best utilized in combination with powders, sprays or dips.

When **dipping** your pet, use warm to slightly cool water, apply the dip and do not rinse with water or towel dry. Let your pet air dry for best results. Dipping your pet is probably the most effective way to penetrate the hair coat and distribute the flea kill ingredient where it best kills the flea—on the skin. This is especially true for dogs with long hair coats. Dips work most effectively.

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## Young heroes

by Hugh McMillan

Fourteen year old Joel Root and ten year old Sam Dewey of Lakebay were, according to several people at the accident scene, "the real heroes of this story."

According to the boys, "We were on our way back from the Lakebay Marina when we heard this beeping in the bushes off the road. When we looked there was a car there and we called to ask if the

lady in the car was hurt. When she said yes, we stopped a (passing) car and asked them to call 911."

They did, and within a few minutes the patient was being attended by emergency medical personnel from the Key Peninsula Fire Department, who took her in the ambulance to St. Joseph's Hospital in Tacoma.

Someone ought to nominate these responsible young men for Citizen of the Year.

## Baseball tournament at Volunteer Park

by Marie Rock

The KP Park Board is sponsoring a USSSA-sanctioned baseball tournament August 1 and 2 at Volunteer Park. Twenty men's teams from the local area and across the state will be vying for one "E-20" berth and trophies. The winner of this berth will be sent to the state championship to be held at Kasch Meadowdale August 14 and 16.

Tim Kezele, Park Board chair-

man and organizer of the event, says, "A lot of people are helping make this year's tournament a memorable one. There are quite a few teams returning because they had such a great time last year."

Food and beverages for the event will be provided by the KP Little League and KP Lions Club. Tournament play begins 7 am Saturday and will continue through Sunday afternoon.

## Women's League registering voters at Library

The League of Women Voters will have a representative at Key Center Library in August to assist with the registration of voters for the Primary and General elections. There is a 30-day cut-off period for the Primary election and registering must be done by August 15.

Although registration can always be done during library hours, the League's representative will be on hand to help on Aug. 4 from 5-8 pm; Aug. 8, 12-4 pm; Aug. 11, 5-8 pm and Aug. 15, 12-4 pm.

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## Obituaries

The community expresses its sympathy at the loss of James Anthony Brennan of Lakebay, who died at St. Joseph Hospital in Tacoma on June 22 at the age of 81. Mr. Brennan was a U.S. Navy veteran of World War II and had been a self-employed CPA in San Francisco for many years. He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Stella S. Brennan of Lakebay, a daughter Barbara Brennan of Seattle, a son and daughter-in-law Jim and Marilyn Brennan of Lakebay, and five grandchildren. Private services were held by the family.

Remembrances may be made to Key Peninsula Medical Center, 8903 KPHN, Lakebay, or Francis-

can Foundation for Health Care, St. Joseph Hospice, Box 1502, Tacoma 98401-9836.

Janet Eyrish Hopkins of Lakebay, lifetime resident of the Gig Harbor/Tacoma area, died at the age of 38 in an auto accident in Redding, California on July 2. She is survived by four children—Alyn and Lanaea Hopkins of California and Boede and Preston Hopkins of Lakebay—sisters Melanie Stuffer and Cynthia Endicott and parents Jack and JoAnn Eyrish. The community expresses its sympathy to the Eyrish and Hopkins families in their tragic loss.

### Critters -contd. from p.5

tively immediately after your dog has been bathed.

When using a flea powder or flea spray, work them well into the coat with your fingers to ensure they make contact with your pet's skin. Be sure to wash your hands afterwards. Most sprays and powders will kill fleas after one application for only two to at most seven days. It may therefore be necessary to apply them as much as every other day. However, only some of these products can be used safely at that frequency. If you are not sure how frequently a product can be used, check the label, or if you purchased the product at a veterinary hospital, ask the receptionist, animal health technician, or the doctor.

In order to kill in-house fleas effectively, a combination of foggers and premise sprays should be used. The foggers are the pressure propelled products that you set off in your home preferably just before leaving for a few hours. They are designed to cover a specific amount of square feet in a relatively quick and easy manner. They are not, however, designed to "creep" under tables, couches, beds or chairs. This limitation makes the use of premise sprayers necessary. These are applied to "hot spot" areas of the house such as the threshold where animals go in and out of the house, window sills (cats love these), under and around the beds and couches or any other area your pet jumps on during the day.

## Firefighters' Ball

Pull on your cowboy boots or your ruffled skirts and join us August 8 in the Key Peninsula Civic Center for the Annual Firefighters' Ball. After dinner (served from 6:00 to 8:00 pm), you can kick up your heels to Jerry Andal's band till 1:00 am.

The price is \$25 per couple (you can pay at the door). Your donation to attend this fun-filled event will go toward the purchase of firefighting equipment that will endow us with better fire protection and emergency medical aid services. We're lucky here in District 16 to have an award-winning group of dedicated men and women on the job, looking after us. Let's keep them well equipped and show them how much they are appreciated.

## Cootiette Club

Plans are underway for the Supreme Crawl of the Cootiette Club of the U.S. The Crawl will be held August 6, 7 and 8 at the Executel Inn, Federal Way (941-6000). Supreme Grayback is Judy Wilson of Lakebay.



The Cootiette Club of the U.S. is a service organization active in helping Veterans hospitals, both with money and with volunteerism.

## Cooking class for kids

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# Arts

**The Performance Circle** opened PIRATES OF PENZANCE in Celebrations Meadow, atop Gig Harbor, on July 17. Playing Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays it will run through August 2.

The Gilbert & Sullivan music is exuberant as always. And yes, there is a pirate ship.

Picnickers are welcome at 6 pm. Performance is at 7 pm. Festival seating is on the grass, or bring a low lawn chair.

Celebrations Meadow is located at 9916 Peacock Hill Avenue in Gig Harbor. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors, \$5 for students under 15. Phone 851-1630 for more information.

**Children's Museum of Tacoma** has some events you may be interested in sharing with your child. July jewelry week runs from July 28 to August 1; Teddy Bear picnic week is August 4 to 8, bring your favorite Teddy Bear and receive a \$1 discount off admission; Native American craft week is from August 11 to 15, artifacts, folklore, arts, and demonstrations of dancing and basketweaving, call 627-2436 for specifics; August Aloha week runs from August 18 to 22; and it's your last chance to visit Amazing Paper from August 25 to 29.

Amazing Paper sounds like a classic Fun Activity. Children explore the importance of paper and its uses in everyday life by examining it through the pulpy paper-making process, to flying paper airplanes through a wind tunnel, studying the life cycle of trees, sampling the historical context of written communication; and on into recycling, where they come up with some whimsical new uses for their paper.

The museum is located at 925 Court C in Tacoma. Summer hours are Tuesday - Saturday, 10 am to 4 pm. Admission is \$3 per person, under 2 free. Group rates are available. Call 627-2436 for reservations.

## In the library

"The Unhuggables," a program for children ages 6 and up, has been rescheduled for Thursday, August 6 at 2 pm. A staff person from the Snake Lake Nature Center will demonstrate fascinating features and important qualities of slugs, snakes, spiders and skunks. Also, the last storytelling event for this summer is on August 6 at 1 pm.

The book discussion group will meet Thursday, August 13 at 7 pm. Please call the library at 884-2242 for more information.

Gardening with less water: Titles in the Pierce County Library

System to help you plan, plant and water efficiently. Black, Kathryn Stechert, WATERWISE GARDENING. Chatto, Beth, THE DRY GARDEN. Courtright, Gordon, TREES AND SHRUBS FOR TEMPERATE CLIMATES. Diekmann, John, NATURAL LANDSCAPING. Kruckeberg, Arthur R., GARDENING WITH NATIVE PLANTS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. TAYLOR'S GUIDE TO WATER-SAVING GARDENING. WATERWISE GARDENING. (On video.) (This list appeared first in the King County Library System News.)

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**Library - Contd. from p.8**

Dori Richards, who paints and teaches at her Log House Art Studio, will be the featured artist at the Key Center Library during the month of August.

Dori is a native of Portland, Oregon, and has been artistically active since a small child. She sold her first artwork at the age of 13, these were seven foot sketches for a window display.

She put aside her own career to encourage and develop the artistic endeavors of her children. They and their work flourished. Hand-crafted items from the children sold up and down the west coast.

When she returned to her own career, many years were spent developing an original style with the brush that was most popular in the midwest and east. After a stroke, Dori turned to the painting knife, pioneering a completely distinctive style. It is an oil painting technique known as the soft palette knife. She enjoys the versatility of using the palette knife as she is able to obtain a sleek smoothness for the background and varied textures for the foregrounds. Her achievement is a three dimensional look when light strikes a painting.

Dori's first love is teaching. Her goal as a teacher is to treat each student as an individual, encouraging the talent of the person to come forth.

**Seafood Cooking Contest**

The Skookum Rotary Club of Shelton, Washington, will hold a Seafood Cook-Off as part of its annual OysterFest October 3 and 4 at the Mason County Fairgrounds in Shelton. The Seafood Cook-Off will feature divisions for professional and amateur chefs. Creative cooks are invited to send in their favorite seafood recipes. Categories are: main dish, soups and stews, appetizers. Competition closes for preliminary judging

on August 15.

Entries must include amateur/professional status, cook-off category, recipe name, number served, preparation time, ingredients, complete preparation instructions, and entrant's name, address and phone number legibly printed on 8 1/2 x 11 inch paper. Entries from copyrighted publications may not be used unless the copyright is held by the

entrant.

All winners in each category will receive medals at the festival's awards ceremony. Monetary prizes of \$400 for first, \$250 for second and \$150 for third will be awarded to the overall amateur and professional winners.

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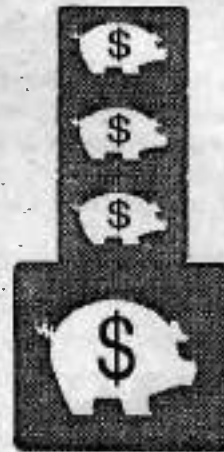
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## Flavor of Fall dinner/auction

You still have time to decide what you will donate for the *Flavor of Fall* auction. All the proceeds from this year's auction will be used to refurbish the Civic Center gym—a worthy cause, as, especially those of you who have children (or care about children), will agree. Most of us like to see kids keeping active at healthy activities, and the Civic Center is a wonderful place for children—as well as for adults; let's not let the rains fall on the dance floor!

If you have never donated a service or item for *Flavor of Fall*, it's time to get involved, do some good and have some fun all at the same.

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Don & Shirl Olson ... Maple free-standing shuffleboard set

ADD YOUR NAME to next month's growing list of donors! Contact any of the following to make your donation. Mollie 884-9379, Ann 884-3562, Marcy 884-3456, Claudia 884-3937 or Shirl 884-2481.

The theme for this year's **Flavor of Fall** will be "Taste of the Mediterranean" (is your mouth watering?) and our chef will be Kathleen LeBlanc. The auctioneer will be from Stoke's. Cost is \$25/person or \$50/couple. Reserve your tickets at Sunnycrest Nursery.

### Blood drive reminder

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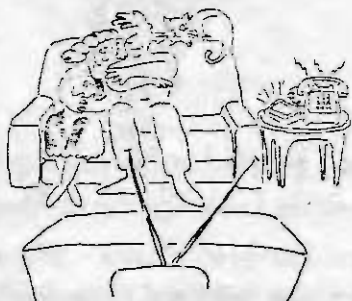


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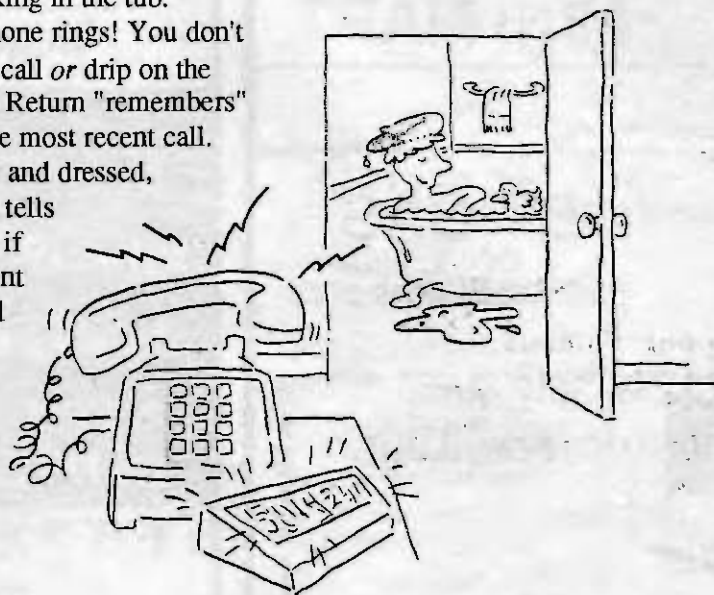
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## To Your Health



by Wm. F. Roes, M.D.

In the last year, we have immunized three people from the peninsula against rabies. This doesn't mean there's an outbreak of "hydrophobia" in Longbranch—in fact there have not been any reported cases in local animals for several years. It does mean when there is a significant potential of transmission of rabies from an animal bite, the prudent course is prophylactic immunization.

Rabies is a viral disease that is invariably fatal. It is transmitted by the saliva from an infected animal at the time of the bite. In the US 85% of all rabid animals are wild, and the only cases in Washington in the recent past were in bats. There is potential for a carnivore (raccoons, skunks, foxes) to eat a rabid bat, this can also be the case in a wild domesticated cat. When faced with an unprovoked attack by any of these animals in a situation where the animal cannot be captured, killed, and its brain studied for the rabies virus, the safest course is to treat the bitten person with vaccination.

There has been significant improvement in the post exposure vaccination of rabies, the previous regimen of 21 intra-abdominal injections has been replaced. The current protocol calls for seven intramuscular doses of a rabies vaccine, and one intramuscular dose of Rabies Immune Globulin. The series should be administered as soon as possible after exposure, but it is very expensive (about \$1,000) and difficult to

obtain. We had to get the Rabies Immune Globulin shipped directly from the East Coast Company after its use had been approved by their medical division.

The bottom line is, there is a safe, reliable treatment to prevent rabies after exposure to a rabid animal bite, but you're much better off preventing the exposure. Don't let your kids play with bats and be careful around raccoons and wild domesticated cats. If you do get bitten, clean the wound

with soap and water, and call your physician or the Health Department at 591-6460.

Last but not least—you're running out of time for school physicals. Call early and avoid the squeeze. Also remember children entering the sixth grade must receive an MMR prior to starting school this year. The Health Center Board runs an MMR clinic for local kids on Wednesday evenings at the Key Peninsula Health Center.



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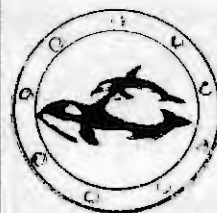
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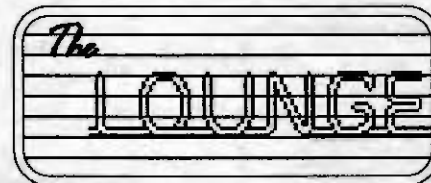
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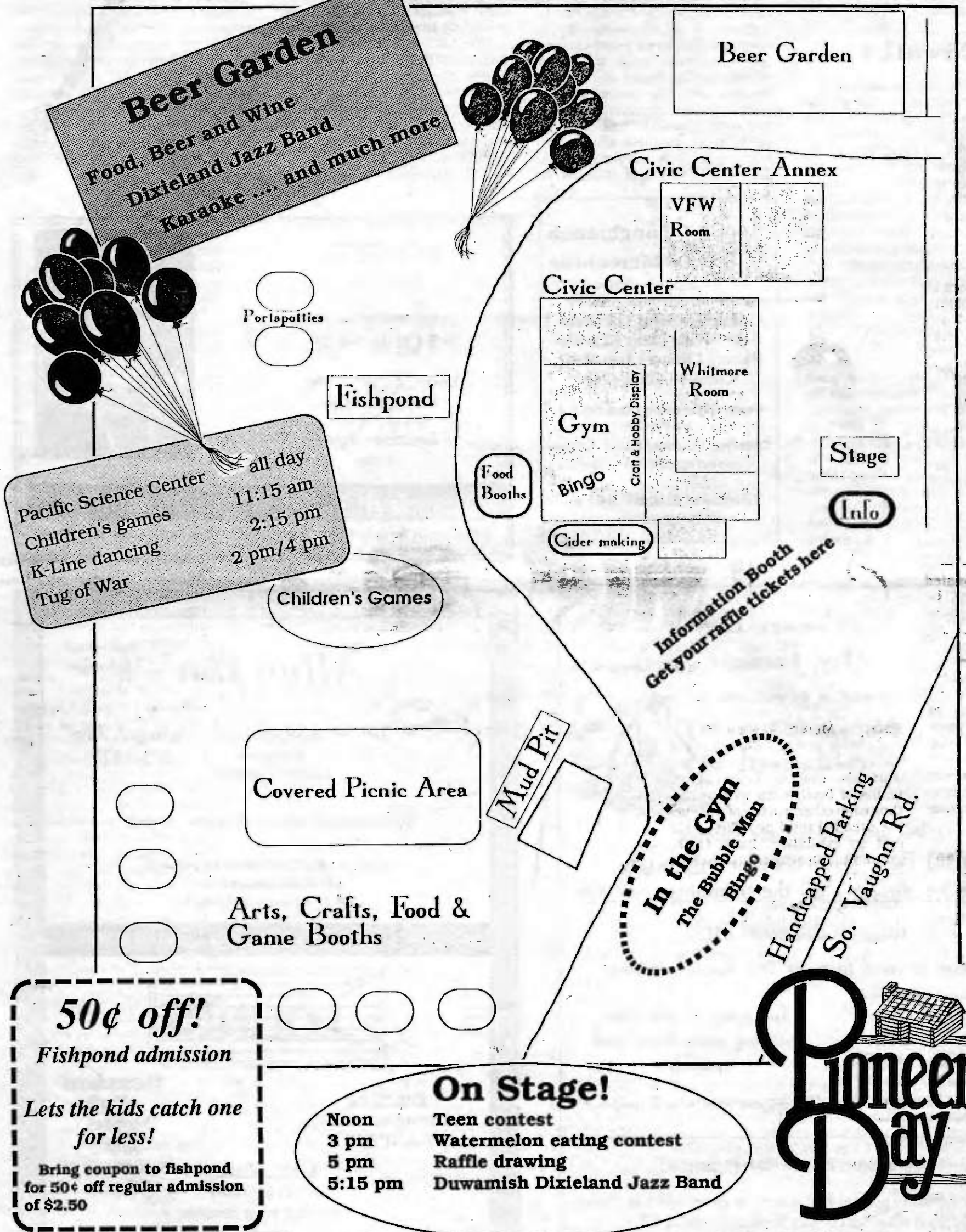
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## Pioneer Day events

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# A woman's heart

by Elaine Forch

It happened again. Another co-worker shared a "juicy" tidbit of gossip about a fellow employee and now I can't get it out of my head. It's a particularly nasty little piece of information that speaks ill about someone I like. I hate this. I can proclaim, "I don't believe it!" and refuse to repeat it, but still the gossip rattles around in my mind and, although I don't want to believe it, once in a while I find myself wondering, "Could it be true?"

That's what makes gossip so destructive. While the tidbit is shared secretly by whispered words that spread to every corner of the workplace, it's entirely possible my friend will never hear it himself. He may never have the opportunity to deny or explain, but the words stick like glue anyway, and, over time, meld into our perception of the person. At some point, merely by virtue of their spoken existence, they become the truth. If I decide to take my friend aside and tell him what I have heard about him, what can he do then? There is no way he can deny or explain to everyone who has heard the words. And would they believe him if he tried to defend himself? Could he change the altered perception? It may serve no purpose to make him aware of

this gossip. I know that I don't want to tell him. I don't want to see him hurt.

Gossip does hurt. It erodes our feelings and perceptions about people and it's hard to fight. Politicians understand the power of gossip. They use it often to mold and manipulate our ideas and decisions. And it works. The public laps it up. Just look at our fascination with the royal family. There's a lot of money being made simply because we can't wait to hear the latest smear about another's marital problems. Sick, isn't it? And scary. Scary to think we may be making important political decisions based on manipulative gossip. How can we know the real truth?

We seem to have a double standard about gossip. We say it is wrong, but we share information that should never be shared. We support the gossip industry by purchasing "those" publications and watching gossip television shows.

But gossip is wrong, no matter who is affected. Our best defense and protection is to refuse to participate. We can refuse by letting the gossip stop with us. We can also refuse to hear it—because once those words are in our heads, we've got a battle on our hands. A battle for the truth.

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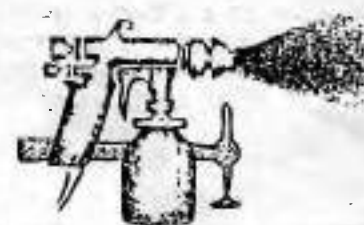
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## Waste, Wells and Septic Systems talk July 30

by Susan Mendenhall

Water availability and quality are issues that affect all Key Peninsula residents. An environmental health specialist with the Pierce County Health Department will give a talk and answer questions on "Waste, Wells and Septic Systems" at the next general meeting of the Peninsula Neighborhood Association. It will be held 7 pm, Thursday, July 30, at the Gig Harbor Grange on Wollochet and Artondale in Gig Harbor.

The Peninsula Neighborhood Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the rural and residential qualities of the Gig Harbor and Key peninsulas. It serves as a liaison between property owners and government agencies. It will represent the consensus of a community to those and other agencies and will share the professional services of its membership. It is an "umbrella" organization for individuals and community groups who would otherwise have limited experience and resources.

The PNA was established in 1986 in Gig Harbor in response to concerns about the impact of development on water quality and availability, wetlands, wildlife, traffic and schools. They were the catalysts for the first environmental impact study completed for a residential development in Pierce County. Other successes range from the saving of the old growth forest at Swede Hill to effective representation of neighborhoods in county road planning. When its membership of over 500 residents began to expand to the Key Peninsula, the PNA began to hold membership meetings here.

On July 2, at the library in Key Center, the Key Peninsula membership decided to establish three districts on our peninsula: the

north area would run from county line to Vaughn Bay/Key Center, and would be represented by Dale Skrivanich; the central area would run from Vaughn Bay/Key Center to Herron Rd/Cornwall Rd/Delano Rd and would be represented by Susan Mendenhall; and the south area would be the remaining southern part of the peninsula. A volunteer is needed to represent the south area.

On the Key Peninsula the PNA is currently sponsoring the effort of the Blue Heron Lagoon Community Coalition to work with the state in developing the Haley site as a state park. They are also assisting local property owners who are experiencing bank erosion and silt deposit caused by faulty drainage from an adjacent development. The PNA is using its clout to ensure that the county follows through with its conditions for approval of that development which would ensure that the faulty drainage is corrected. Another group of local residents is faced with failing septic systems which may be linked to a common loophole in the Health Department review process. The PNA will, to assist those residents, deal with that issue and others pertaining to the results of inappropriate development.

The PNA is currently working to educate the peninsulas on the effects of the Growth Management Act on their neighborhoods and community. Seminars will be offered in the coming months to prepare us for Pierce County's implementation of that plan. The public is encouraged to attend all meetings and seminars. For more information call Susan Mendenhall, 884-3223, or Dale Skrivanich, 884-2712 or 851-7763.



## Old Timers' Day

The fifth annual Old Timers' Day is set for Saturday, August 22, supported by the Key Peninsula Community Services and Food Bank. Festivities begin at 10:00 am at the Longbranch Improvement Club.

Entertainment will include the logging show, Victory music and the Longbranch Hootchie Kootchie Band. Kids' games start about noon, some prizes and ribbons will be awarded.

Old Timers' Day is a major fund raiser to support the Food Bank, provide Senior activities, lend a helping hand to those in need, provide a congenial meeting place and contribute positive support to the community. For further information call 884-4440.



The Norwegian group gather at a checkpoint of the Volksmarch in Penrose State Park. Photo by Hugh McMillan.

## KP Volksmarch fun

by Hugh McMillan

Among the almost 400 who enjoyed the fourth annual Volksmarch sponsored by the Key Peninsula Lions' Volkssports Club July 11 and 12, was a party of six who flew into SeaTac the night before from Oslo, Norway. Co-chairman for the event, Don Tjossem, said, "They were the very first people to pre-register for the event and ours was the first volksmarch on a planned three weeks of walks in the Pacific Northwest for the group, one of whom has already logged 10,000 volksmarching kilometers."

Tjossem lauded support extended by many fellow Lions' Club members, noting, "There was

never a problem with staffing the registration desks; everyone was on time and worked happily."

Citizens Against Crime sponsored the food and beverage stand at the event for the fourth consecutive year.

Everyone agreed that the trail, blazed by co-chairman Rick Stout, was excellently marked, picturesque, and, according to one of the Norwegians, "absolutely gorgeous."

One lady walker said she annually makes certain to walk in the KP Lions volksmarch and has, "all three of your medals and this year's mug," adding, "I wouldn't miss the chance to walk in this beautiful part of the world."

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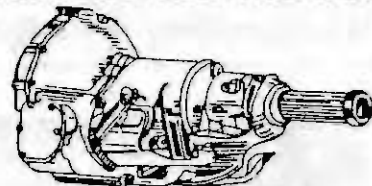
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Most people are now familiar with the fact that a pinched or irritated nerve may cause intense pain and impaired function in an arm or leg. It logically follows that when a nerve is irritated or injured, pain and impaired function

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From August 3 to 7, 9:15-11:15 am, Longbranch Church will hold a summer vacation bible school for kids. There will be dramatic presentations of bible stories, participants wearing costumes. The sessions will be held at a covered beach area. Contact Luella Hudson at 884-9002 for further information or to register.

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## The Honey Lady is 90

by Joan Lawrence

Vera Wallbridge Miller, once called "The Honey Lady of Lakebay," celebrated her 90th birthday recently with family and friends at her home in Gig Harbor.

Mrs. Miller moved from her birthplace in North Dakota to Spokane, Washington, where she raised four daughters, was a seamstress and had a radio program on which she sang operatic pieces and hymns. She lived in Home during the 1950s and '60s. Here she and her husband Glen had a farm, bred and showed cocker spaniels and kept bees. During the '50s they had an impressive apiarist exhibit annually at the Puyallup Fair.

Their house smelled sweet of honey—lined up on shelves were jars of it ranging from the mild,



Honey Lady Vera Wallbridge Miller



pale Clover to intense, dark Fireweed—and their grandchildren have sweet memories of drinking warm milk, fresh from the cows, and sucking on honeycombs.

After Glen died in 1959, Vera continued her beekeeping—still building her own hives, giving lectures and slide shows. During the 1960s she was a frequent guest caller on a Seattle radio talk show, in response to which people would call in with questions for her and she received mail addressed only to "The Honey Lady, Lakebay, Washington." She inspired more than a few young

people to take up the rewarding profession of beekeeping; and the now-owner of her farm in Home continues the beekeeping tradition.

At the age of 90, Vera Miller is still an active gardener, still cans her yearly produce and continues to make her own clothes, crochet, quilt, and make braided rugs. Beloved matriarch of an artistic and happy family, she is wished a happy birthday (and the hope and confidence of many, many more) by her children, 13 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.



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The heavy metal box (it looks like a mini safe) would be attached outside your structure, on the building or gate. Locked inside the box would be your key; the fire department retains the key to the

box. These boxes save the firefighters from having to carry a large amount of keys around with them to, for example, school buildings.

Chief Ramsdell told us that new commercial structures will be required to have these key boxes. For information about purchasing a box, contact Station 16-2, in Key Center (884-2222). They also have large padlocks available, opened by a different key.

## Robbers hit two days running in KP area

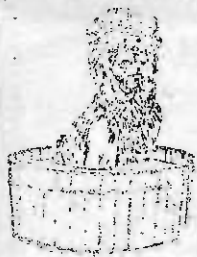
D.J.'s Mini-Mart was the scene of a break-in around 3:30 am on Sunday, July 12. The intruders, two males, entered the building by throwing a rock through a side window and then using a tire iron. They were reportedly carrying trash bags which they filled with cigarettes and beer. Overall damage and loss is estimated at \$1000. At Tuesday's reporting there were no immediate suspects; however, it is expected they will be identified from the security video operating in the store at the time.

A Fox Island grocery store was broken into the same weekend,

with about the same MO, and it was thought the two burglaries might be related.

On Monday, July 14, at 3:15 pm, the Purdy branch of Puget Sound National Bank was robbed. The suspect, a young male, started to make his escape on a bicycle, transferring a short distance away to a car. Other youths in the area at the time, aware of what was going on, tried to stop the car by smashing one of the windows with a rock. Sheriff's deputies were able to apprehend the car on the road to Port Orchard and make an arrest.

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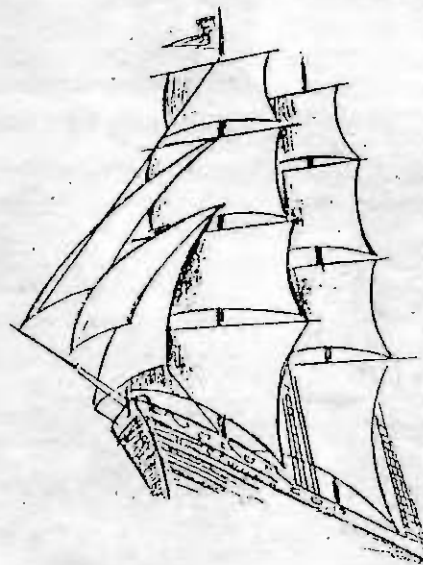
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## Key Center Shell closes *by Keith Stiles*

The Key Peninsula has lost another of its gasoline service stations as Bob Morgan, manager of Key Center Service, closed the business permanently on July 15. For several years the business was known as "Key Center Shell," but the name was changed when the Shell Oil Company left the Northwest marketing area about a year ago.

Morgan indicated that the primary reason for the closure was the expense of new gasoline tanks and leak detection equipment, now required by the Environmental Protection Agency. The closure marked the third gasoline business to leave the Key Peninsula in recent times, as the former Horseshoe Lake station is now an automotive repair facility and the Longbranch Mercantile Store has stopped the sale of gasoline.

Closure of the station not only affects Morgan, who is retiring, but also three other employees, who will be looking for other employment.

Morgan has been managing the station for Stulz Fuel Oil Service

Inc. of Gig Harbor since January of 1981. The station building, which once stood in Federal Way, was brought to Key Center by barge through Glen Cove, and was erected on its present location in the middle of the downtown area shortly after a major fire swept the business district on February 4, 1970.

Clearly sad to have to announce the closure, Morgan said, "I would have done anything that I could to have kept the business open, but it just wasn't in the cards."

Other gasoline stations that have come and gone on the Key Peninsula over the years would include Minter Creek, a second downtown Key Center location, Vaughn, a station midway between Home and Longbranch, and a station many years ago at Victor.

Changing automobile requirements, driver's habits, environmental laws, economic conditions all are said to be factors in decisions that are leading to the closing of small, local gasoline stations throughout the United States.

## Respite program, low-cost day care for adults *by Frankie Johnson*

In case you have wondered, the respite program is still in progress every Wednesday from 9 to 4 in the Brones Room, between the library and Dr. Roes' office in beautiful downtown Key Center.

What is it? The respite program is a gathering of caring adults having fun and companionship with other adults who have had illnesses or birth injuries or maybe have just been around a long, long time. Respite provides a safe haven for your loved one who needs care while you take a few hours to do your personal errands. It exists under the guidance of the Key Peninsula Health Board.

We have had this fantastic program for nine years. Currently, the director is Carrie Ellsworth, who has a staff of wonderful vol-

unteers.

In June we celebrated Wilma Rodman's 77th birthday with her friend of fifty years, Dorothy Knudsen, and many other friends. We enjoyed singing with the accompaniment of Molly Holmes on her electric keyboard.

If you've been in the vicinity on a Wednesday you may have smelled the popcorn and heard the music and laughter emanating from the Brones Room. Please, feel free to drop in and join us for coffee and conversation.

If you have questions about Respite you can call 884-9221 for details. It is low-cost day care for adults. There is always room for volunteers and participants. You are welcome to stop by every Wednesday.

## Lakebay Chevron will stay open *by Joan Lawrence*

Because of new federal Environmental Protection Agency regulations on underground fuel tanks, nearly 20% of the state's gas stations have closed since 1989. Pete's Lakebay Service will be able to continue pumping gas because of a state grant program designed to help stations in isolated communities meet the new federal requirements. Fifty such grants were approved by the state Pollution Liability Agency, according to information from the state legislature.

New EPA regulations require underground storage tanks meet higher corrosion protection standards, and gas stations carry up to \$1 million in liability insurance by December 1, 1993.

Without the grant, Pete's Serv-

ice would have been forced to shut down its pumps. "My volume wasn't high enough to make it worth the \$150,000 upgrade," owner Pete Easley told the NEWS. "A station like Arco on 6th will pump half a million gallons a month. I only pump 30,000 gallons."

Easley heard about the grant program from a friend, and waited over six months for the positive results. The upgrade will include a new tank and monitoring system for leak- and overfill protection. Installation of the new equipment will require a pump shut-down of three to four weeks. Easley said he will try to coordinate timing of the work with the upcoming temporary closure of the Home bridge.

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# Perspectives

by Frank Tucker

It was late evening and for a few minutes Mollie and I had time together as we headed down to the lake for a moonlight row. Will Rogers once said, "America was built by folks that didn't feel good." Personally, I understood that saying. Although in good health, working forty plus hours at carpentry, pastoring a vibrant growing church and starting a Christian school along with having a house full of guests, left me bone weary as we walked together toward the lake.

For reasons I can't explain, Mollie seemed fresh, full of energy, excited to have time alone with me. She acted like a playful school girl. Our moods and expectations for our row were completely opposite. I was expecting a peaceful row, quiet conversation; watching the ducks swim or maybe seeing a fish jump was my idea of excitement for the night. Mollie had grander ideas, she wanted to play, to splash, to laugh and rock the boat. Our desire to have our own way was equally matched. We sat together in the middle seat, each holding an oar, each desiring the other to understand and participate in our moods. Each of us tried to lead the other, each resisted. "Let's go slow, smell the night air,

look at the stars, listen to the lapping of the water, the frogs and birds," I said. Splashing a little water in my face she said, "Wake up and live a little, let's play." She would row fast, I slow. She wanted to go one place, I another. I thought to myself how odd we must look as our little row boat went in circles.

Suddenly in the middle of all of this I realized that despite my superior strength, Mollie could prevent me from going where I wanted, just as I could prevent her from going in her desired direction. Conversely, cooperation and teamwork were also an option for both of us.

Such is life, we sit side by side with our fellowmen, husbands and wives, brothers and sisters, teammates, co-workers and nations, each holding an oar, each with the capacity to make the boat go in circles or take a true course. Cooperation and teamwork is the most effective course of action to really accomplish anything ... at least, from my perspective.

## More "Thank-you's" from p.2

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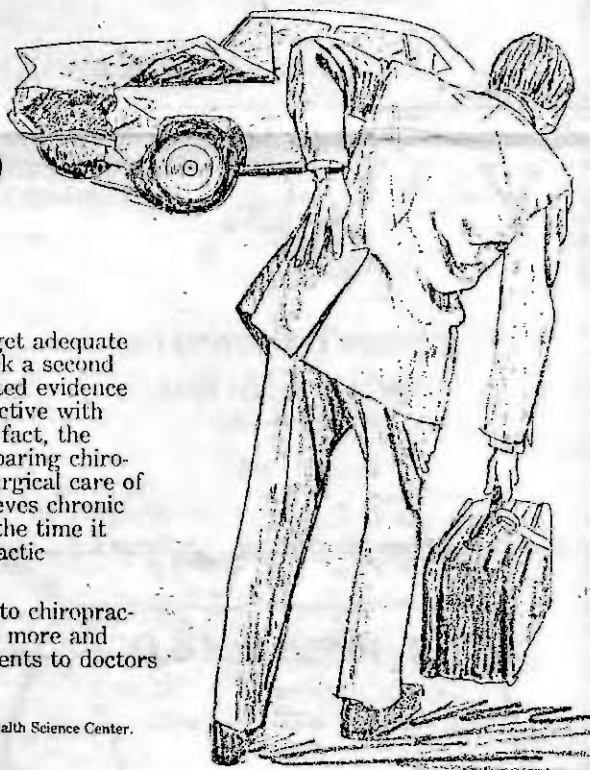
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\*Spine journal, in a report published by the Department of Medicine, University of Texas Health Science Center, April 1987 Issue. Vol. 12, No. 3, pp. 264-268.

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California Workmen's Compensation Study (1972), C.Richard Wolf, M.D.

Average time lost per employee - 32 days in the M.D.-treated group, 15.6 days in the chiropractor-treated group.

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**Oregon Workmen's Compensation Study (1971), Rolland Martin, M.D., Director, Workmen's Compensation Board.**

Examining the forms of conservative therapy the majority received, it is interesting to note the results of those treated by chiropractic physicians.

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Results - Chiropractic treatment was more effective than hospital outpatient management, mainly for patients with chronic or severe back pain. A benefit of about 7% points on the Oswestry scale (between three-quarters and twice as effective according to Dr. Tom Meade, medical researcher in charge of study) was seen at two years. The benefit of chiropractic treatment became more evident throughout the follow-up period. Secondary outcome measures also showed that chiropractic was more beneficial.

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## KPFD celebrates its 40th

First in a three-part series by Hugh McMillan, Chairman, KPFD Board of Fire Commissioners

1992 marks the 40th anniversary of the Key Peninsula Fire Department.

In those 40 years, KPFD, also known as Pierce County Fire Protection District #16, has gained recognition as a leader within the fire and emergency medical services communities in Pierce County, Washington State, and even at the national and international levels.

KPFD won its first Management Excellence Award in 1982 at the annual Washington Fire Commissioners' Conference. That was for 4th place in the state. Since then the District has gained 3rd, 2nd, and in 1986 was awarded first place. "In 1987 we took a third place and 1989, second," said KPFD's Fire Chief Horace Kanno.

The Pierce County Health Department awarded KPFD the "EMS/BLS Provider of the Year 1988" plaque and a special award plaque for "the first successful resuscitation of a cardiac arrest patient by an EMT-D crew in Pierce County history."

"Every time we enter a competition, we win an award," said Kanno, "that's why we don't enter often; we want others to have a chance." When Kanno took over from Chief Med Schwenka in 1983, he introduced what is now the District's fight song, "Oh, Lord, but it's hard to be humble, when you're perfect in e-ver-ee way."

KPFD's volunteer and career firefighters, staff, officers, and commissioners have frequently served as presidents and vice presidents of their respective county and state boards of directors and on a large variety of fire and emergency services committees and task forces.

Some other KPFD firsts: first fire district in Pierce County to own and operate its own ambulance (there are now three ALS-advanced life support-ambulances), first Pierce County fire district certified to give bee sting shots, and first with EMTs certified to perform defibrillations on cardio-vascular patients—from which came the current designation of EMT-Ds.

Despite the District's successes and enviable records of achievement, much remains to be accomplished. Key Peninsula is growing at an alarming rate, and the Department's ability to meet

that challenge must be based on planning today for the needs of tomorrow.

Almost a year ago, a Future Planning Committee was formed of KP citizens representing all of the several areas served by the Department. In its final report, the committee produced some figures to keep in mind.

♦ Assessed District valuation in 1966 was \$3,340,177; today that figure is \$515,191,527.

♦ KPFD responded to 718 incidents in 1984. That number increased to 1,173 in 1990 and is expected to reach nearly 2,000 annually by the year 2000.

♦ Of the six stations within the District, it is estimated that only one—and that one is also on the "endangered species" list—would survive a major earthquake. Emergency managers are confident that there is no "if," only "when," such a quake will strike the Puget Sound area.

The Future Planning Committee has recommended that current stations be extensively renovated or that new ones be built.

Also at the top of the Committee's agenda is the need to constantly maintain and improve equipment. There is plenty of work to do.

But how did we get to this point? A little history next month, to bring us up to date.

## In the garden

by Olive Bell Reid, Master Gardener

August is normally very dry here in the Pacific Northwest, and this year our soil may be even drier due to the May, June and July drought. I have lost many pot plants due to the 90 degree weather—I think their roots "boiled" to death! The precious rain we had in July served as a transfusion for our orchard, vegetable garden and long perennial borders.

The gardens have begun to slow down now due to shorter days, lower light levels and somewhat cooler nights. You may not notice, but the weeds, insects and diseases have slowed down, too. However, this does not mean we can be less vigilant, as mildew and greymold seem to thrive this time of year. Keep the greenhouse well ventilated and fungicides at the ready. Pick off infected leaves from roses, phlox, hollyhocks, dogwood, lilacs and burn them or put them in the garbage. Any left on the ground will harbor spores which will winter over and infect next year's growth.

Tie up your tomatoes and cut off any blossoms that appear. Prune out new side growth that appears in the leaf nodes. No fruit will be produced on these. Tomatoes like a little phosphate and

potash now to help roots and boost fruit production—use about half a handful per plant of a super-phosphate and sulphate of potash mix. Keep them well watered to avoid blossom end rot.

If your lawn has turned brown, feed it with a high phosphate fertilizer when the rains return. This will promote new root growth.

August is the month to take cuttings. Ask your friendly grocer for a discarded styrofoam fruit box. If it doesn't have holes, punch 8 or 10 holes in the bottom. Make a mix of 1/3 sharp sand, 1/3 peat moss and 1/3 perlite. Pour in warm water and let it drain. Press it down smooth with a flat board. Take cuttings from this season's new wood—soft at the top of the cutting, but slightly tougher and

browner at the base end. Strip off all but three or four leaves at top. Scrape the base end a little with a knife. Dip end into rooting hormone. Make a hole in the planting medium with a pencil, place cutting in hole and firm soil around cutting with your fingers. Label with date and name of plant. Place your various cuttings three or four inches apart. Place wire hoops over box when filled with cuttings, then cover the whole thing with a plastic dry cleaner bag. Place box where it won't freeze and away from direct sunlight. Some cuttings root in several weeks, but some can take a year or longer to put up new growth.



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