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TAKING TIME TO CARE



A line from the song Old Lang Syne has the phrase "We'll take a cup of kindness now for auld lang syne." Such a measure of kindness is needed more and more as we increasingly encounter people who are different from ourselves. Persons of different colored skins and from different ethnic and national backgrounds are becoming a more accepted part of our lives. However, persons with marked physical handicaps have yet to be fully accepted in the everyday experience of most of us. Particularly is this true of persons with serious mental handicaps adding to some physical handicapping condition. Too often such persons are placed in homes, institutions or special facilities that care for their physical needs, but in which they are deprived of normal home and family experiences, as well as normal contacts with neighbors, friends or business people.

This happens because the families from which they come cannot keep them at home due to lack of financial means or adequate caring help. It also happens because those who might normally keep them find it awkward, embarrassing, or just too inconvenient. The question then must be faced--who will make a place for such persons in their lives? Which of us will welcome and cooperate in efforts to provide normalizing experiences for these individuals?

Our nearest facility offering residence and care for such individuals is known to be one of the best of its type in the state. It is located at Rocky Bay on Highway 302 near the common border of Pierce and Mason counties.

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TRUCKS ARRIVE

By Hugh McMillan

On Christmas Day 1986, three brand new fire engines were lined up on the ramp of the Key Peninsula Fire Department's Headquarters Station in Key Center. They were sort of a Christmas present for everyone in our community and the firefighters wanted to share the thrill of their on-time delivery. Santa Claus couldn't have done it better.

"These engines have more than doubled our attack capacity," said KPFD's Captain Fred Ramsdell. He added, "They enable us to deliver more than twice as much water per minute as the 1958 engines they're replacing."

Career firefighter, Tim Lemon, described them as "very workable," and explained that, "workable defines the ability of the equipment on arrival at the fire scene to extinguish fire in the shortest possible amount of time."

To save the District the expense of delivery charges, upon mid-December notification that the equipment was ready, volunteer firefighter Dick Calahan, career firefighter Tim Lemon, Captain Fred Ramsdell, and Assistant Chief Don Olson drove a department vehicle to the factory in Red Deer, Alberta to make the pick-up. This saved the cost of airfare.

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BAND CONCERT

The Peninsula High School Band is planning to enter the Abbotsford International Band Competition at Abbotsford, British Columbia on April 25. This will be the fourth time that the P.H.S. Band has participated in the festival. They went first in 1973 and again in 1977, under the leadership

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Reverend Edward Wagner and his wife, Marian, were honored at Key Peninsula Lutheran Church on Dec. 28 in celebration of their retirement. A luncheon was held directly after the worship service and during the luncheon Pastor Wagner was "roasted" and then was presented with a plaque and a gift from the congregation.

This is actually the second retirement for Mr. Wagner. He originally retired in 1977 from his post as pastor of a church in Marysville and he and Marian then moved to their home on Key Peninsula.

Once settled here it wasn't long before he set in motion the beginnings of a new church in this community. He started knocking on doors to convince people to come to the first Sunday service, held in the Civic Center on September 19, 1977. The Key Peninsula parish was organized on April 2, 1978 with 105 charter members and a Sunday School of 50 children. A building committee was formed three years later, a site purchased, and ground broken on October 25, 1981. In November of 1982 construction of the building began with a paid contractor and volunteer labor. The first worship service in the new building was on Easter Sunday, April 1983 - a cold day with no heat, but a glorious one.

Funding came from member contributions; special gifts from organizations; individual donations of supplies, materials and timber; and many, many hours of volunteer time. The church was dedicated on April 8, 1984. The building was paid off this past December and Pastor Wagner felt it was time for him to retire - again.

We're sure that you will see both Ed and Marian buzzing around the community as they always have in the past. Marian has been especially active in the workings of the Civic Center. The congregation will miss them, but wishes them both a healthy and happy retirement.

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STAFF MEMBER'S NEW BABY

On December 19 Christopher Michael Preston weighed in at St. Joseph's Hospital, Tacoma at eight pounds, twelve ounces. Proud parents are Steven B. and Linda Preston of Longbranch. Linda, who is on maternity leave from her position as advertising sales person for the Key Peninsula News tells that the couple got to the hospital at 4 a.m. and the baby was born at 4:40. Linda will be starting back part-time working with Phyllis Jardin on the March issue.

K. P. Board Biz

January 8, 1987

President Vicki Henschel convened the meeting. Minutes of the previous meeting having been published, reading was dispensed with. No treasurer's report was available.

Special Committees: The New Year's Eve Dance took in \$2042.31; bills amounted to \$1477.85, leaving a balance of \$564.46. The dinner was catered by Marty Pedersen for \$3.50 per person. It was MSC that a \$50 gift certificate be purchased at a seafood restaurant in Tacoma for Mr. and Mrs. Pedersen. A decision is to be made by February on a band for next year.

Skating: Attendance was poor around the Christmas holiday and it was suggested the activity be canceled at that time next year. Otherwise, everything is operating well.

Newsletter: Editor Jim Updike reported all satisfactory, and thanked the temporary staff who worked with him to put out the January paper.

Bingo: New chairman Lori Drew stated Bingo was slow the first week of January, but expects it to pick up as the month progresses.

Caretakers: Brian Nichols reported he had new user-contracts to hand out and will contact the organizations as they meet this month. Sixteen replacement tables have arrived and this completes the order. Carpeting in the entrance lobby and on the balcony has been cleaned and treated with Scotch Guard. This was done at a cost of only \$60 by George Badger who will come in and maintain it every few months. It was MSC that new matting be purchased for the outside entryway in order to protect the newly-cleaned carpeting. Peninsula Light Company has started work on connecting the new parking area lights.

Old Business: The breezeway between the two buildings, and the front porch overhang, have been repaired.

New Business: Three separate roofers have attempted without success to trace the source of the leak in the gym ceiling. The present roof consists of shingles only, no tarpaper, and the plywood beneath is wet and pulpy. A roofer has suggested putting heavy shingles over the existing ones. The contract on the original roof will be pulled from files and an attempt made to contact the contractor. Calendar dates for KPCC were filled in; other organizations' dates can now be firmed up.

Budget: It was MSC that the 1987 proposed budget be accepted. Pay Phone: Dan Orme requested the pay phone be re-installed for use of the general public using the Center. The telephone company has removed it because of "lack of use".

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Citizen of Year

First announcement of developing plans for the 1987 Citizen of the Year award and banquet has just been received. Planned for May 2, 1987 the award banquet is going to be bigger and better than last year's successful event.

The Lions Club of Key Peninsula will be sponsoring this annual event for the third year, and is represented by Bob Phair as Chairperson. Bob stresses the fact that nominations are now being sought. Anyone may submit a resume of the person they wish to nominate.

Two requirements are necessary:
1) The person (not a group) must be living or working on the Key Peninsula.
2) This person cannot currently be a member of the Lions Club. Resume information should be written clearly, or typed, and include details of the person's background and leadership accomplishments.

Such a resume should be mailed to Citizen of the Year Committee, K.P. Lions Club, P.O. Box 63, Vaughn, Wa. 98394.

The first year's recipient of the award was Sally Cornman. Last year's recipient was Dr. William F. Roes. It is anticipated that the 1987 recipient will be another person who has made outstanding contributions to the life of our community.



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CORNMAN WEDDING

Wally and Sally Cornman of Vaughn announce the engagement of their daughter Teresa Kathleen to John James Vergera, Jr. of Steilacoom. The wedding is to be held February 14 at Vaughn Community Church.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Peninsula High School and attended Ft. Steilacoom Community College. She is employed by The Stationers, Inc. in Tacoma. The groom-to-be is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Vergera, Sr. He is a graduate of Lakes High School and works for United Parcel Service.

The couple will make their future home in Gig Harbor.

Health Center Happenings

The KPHC Board of Directors thanks all of those who responded to the recent mailer with a donation to the Key Peninsula Health Center. This year, the donations from the Friends of the Center will be used to support the Respite program featured in the flier last month. To date \$300 has been raised. Again, many thanks to those who gave.

With the arrival of the flu season, we are busier than ever, and we are doing all we can to provide services to as many people as possible. One way you can help is to call for an appointment before "dropping in" for a medical visit. Most of our patients do this and it allows us to see more patients and stay on schedule. True emergencies are seen as soon as possible, but if it's not bleeding or broken, you'll get in sooner if you call first. Sue and Carla thank you for this courtesy.

The Health Center is preparing for many changes in 1987, the first one being the arrival of a computer to help with our patient billings. We hope to use this for our February statements, so if it looks different or seems confusing let us know. The Board of Directors is looking into working with the Pierce County Health Department to develop our local network of home health aids. Finally, in April of 1987 Dr. Roes will be providing the practice at the Center directly, and the agreement with the KPHC and Dr. Roes is developing satisfactorily. More on this in next month's Newsletter.

Coming Events

LOOKING AHEAD - CIVIC CENTER	
Fire Dept. Awards Banquet	- February
Lion's Spaghetti Dinner	- April 4
Easter Egg Hunt	- April 19
Mother's Day Branch	- May 10
July Fourth	
Pioneer Day	
Firemen's Ball	- August
Labor Day Picnic	
Health Fair	- October
Halloween Party	
Thanksgiving Dinners	- December
New Year's Dance	

In the Library

It's time to begin thinking about seed catalogs. The following resources in the library offer some unusual and specific information about seed companies and plant varieties.

HARROWSMITH magazine/Jan-Feb 1987. Contains an excellent several page listing of seed companies, profiling the offerings of each one. Two tantalizing entries: "Tom Butterbrooke claims to sell the least expensive, full-sized packets in North America." "This 147-year-old company provides standard varieties at rock-bottom prices."

GARDEN SEED INVENTORY/1985/ An inventory of seed catalogs--listing all non-hybrid vegetable and garden seeds still available in the United States and Canada. 239 companies inventoried, with 5,785 plant varieties included. This remarkable book describes varieties in detail. For example: "'Late crop" broccoli/ "Everbearing in mild areas, huge plants, prolific crops of sideshoots if kept picked, greenhouse potential"

THE COMPLETE VEGETABLE GARDENER'S SOURCEBOOK/1980/This book also includes detailed information about plant varieties and seed company mail-order sources. Not as comprehensive as the above title; includes hybrids.

THE FUTURE IS ABUNDANT/1982/A guide to sustainable agriculture. Published by Tilth, Arlington, WA. "...a guide to creating a sustainable agriculture in the Pacific Northwest ...The Plant Species Index describes the characteristics of over 300 useful species, and the Seed and Nursery List tells where these plants...can be obtained" Bioregional emphasis.

DESIGNING AND MAINTAINING YOUR EDIBLE LANDSCAPE NATURALLY/1986/A nine page listing and description of plant/seed companies.

ONWARD AND UPWARD IN THE GARDEN/1979/Katherine S. White. A personal critique of flower seed catalogs by the wife of E.B. White. Originally appeared in the New Yorker magazine.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME for ages 3-5 will be held Tuesdays, 10:30 to 11:00 am, February 3 through March 17 at the Key Center Library.

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Newart Electronic Sciences, Inc., Wayzata, MN announced today that Telephone Utilities of Washington will market the Phone Care Emergency Communications System on a rental and sales program throughout their service area.

Phone Care broadens the range of home communications already provided area residents. T. U. believes Phone Care is a service that many people -- especially the elderly and handicapped -- will find invaluable since it helps to maintain their independent living while providing peace of mind and security for them and their family.

The Phone Care system transforms the normal home or business telephone line into an instrument for active or passive emergency communications. The system consists of two components. A small telephone-sized base unit connects to the telephone outlet. A lightweight remote transmitter is worn around the neck or clipped to a belt. When a health or safety emergency occurs which prevents a person from summoning help by themselves, he or she can use the remote transmitter to activate the base unit from a distance of up to 150 feet away from their telephone.

Once activated, the system automatically dials "a phone care friend" at up to five different predetermined telephone numbers and delivers a message that help is needed. The Phone Care system continues to call the numbers until assistance arrives and the base unit reset button is pressed.

The system is also designed to protect a person who is unconscious or otherwise unable to activate the transmitter. Phone Care is equipped with an alarm that sounds at preset intervals selected by the user (e.g., hourly and half-hourly). If the individual does not press the base unit reset button within eight minutes, the system will automatically begin calling to relay the distress message. Individual identification is built into each system. Transmitters are modified at no cost for victims of Alz, M.S., M.D., arthritis, stroke and others who might have difficulty in pressing any regular transmitter button.

Phone Care can also be connected to existing fire and burglar alarms and will identify the calls as "fire" or "burglar." The same model Phone Care is used by corporations such as IBM and Exxon for safety purposes. Telephone Utilities of Washington will sell or rent Phone Care to hospitals, health agencies, insurance companies, government, businesses and individuals. The rental rate is \$15.95 per month.

Further information can be obtained by calling the telephone company business office.

New Business



In recent weeks a pickup truck with "A Team Enterprise" painted on side doors has attracted attention. This vehicle helps advertise a new service to our area providing in-home appliance service repairs for RCA, Whirlpool and Sears Kenmore models. Also, most microwave ovens can be serviced by Phil and Alice Whitman who operate the business. They operate out of their home, one-quarter mile north of Key Center across from Irv's Garage. Most appliance service calls they provide are taken care of within the one-hour rate.

The Whitmans came here from Oklahoma, where Phil had been a factory service representative in Altus.

Library

Humanities Program

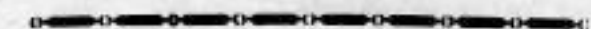
THE GIFT TO BE SIMPLE IS THE GIFT TO BE FREE: the hunter-gatherers of the South African Kalahari Desert, a talk by Richard Conlin, Humanities Project Coordinator for Metrocenter YMCA in Seattle, will be presented Wednesday, February 11 at the Key Center Library at 7 pm.

Seeking to deal with problems of world poverty, ecological crises, and economic difficulties, it is important to understand the way in which cultures much different from our own define wealth or economic success. Richard Conlin discusses both his and other scholars' research among hunter-gatherers of the Kalahari Desert. Their life, far from being "nasty, solitary, brutish, and short," is based on careful and comprehensive knowledge about natural history, geography, and management of social conflict. Using examples of literary and artistic products, Conlin illustrates the idea that a society with few material goods but much leisure can be viewed as "affluent."

This program is supported in part by the Washington Commission for the Humanities, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities, and by private contributors including Friends of the Humanities.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Key Center Library, the program is free and open to the public.

A business meeting of the friends will precede the program at 6 pm. The community is welcome to attend.



Next came the physical agility tests which included lifting a heavy object to face level, climbing and descending a 35-foot ladder, and negotiating a timed obstacle course. The latter included walking a 20-foot balance beam, scaling a six-foot wall, pulling a charged two-and-a-half inch hoseline, carrying a 50-foot bundle of two-and-a-half inch hose 320 feet, crawling through a 16-foot tunnel, and dragging a 130-pound dummy 30 feet. Only the top 22 candidates moved on from this phase.

The third phase was a written test from which the top twelve candidates would advance further. The purpose of this test was to evaluate each candidate's ability to perform basic education skills; it was not a test of firefighting skills. The test determined capabilities in mathematics, English comprehension and other basic skills.

The twelve top candidates then underwent separate oral interviews by a board of officers from other Fire Districts and one community representative. Each candidate was asked the same set of questions and their answers were evaluated and graded.

METHODIST CHURCH



The congregation of the Gig Harbor United Methodist Church moved into a new building at 7400 Pioneer Way and had their first service on January 25. The former building on north Harborview Drive is more than fifty years old and is no longer adequate for the growing congregation. A consecration service will be held soon marking acceptance of the building and setting it aside for divine worship.

The newly completed unit is the first of two to be erected for worship, education and fellowship purposes. The Pioneer Way site offers plenty of room for needed structures, parking and landscaping, and it overlooks the old town and harbor. This United Methodist Church serves the area north of the Narrows Bridge to Port Orchard and west to Shelton, where the other nearest congregations are located. Residents of the Key Peninsula of Methodist preference will be interested in this new building and the improved facilities it will offer.



Scores from all levels of the testing were then compiled and the twelve remaining candidates were ranked 1 through 12. Of these, the top six moved into psychological testing, the purpose of which was to determine the candidate's level of maturity and suitability for the stress of emergency incident operations. (This type of testing has been used commonly in fire service testing in the past several years).

Next came a comprehensive medical examination by a physician. Only candidates in excellent physical condition can be considered and accepted by the State Firefighters Medical and Pension Plans.

The final phase of testing and evaluation was an interview with Key Peninsula Fire Chief Horace Kanno. In the interview, the Chief explained duties and responsibilities of the position and its requirements, and questioned the candidates individually in a number of aspects.

In the end, the best four applicants from the 46 who applied were selected. Effective September 2 these four were hired as Recruit Firefighters.

FIREFIGHTERS

By Tony Brentin

When hiring firefighters, you don't just place a "Help Wanted" sign in the window. Firefighting is a physically and mentally demanding, highly hazardous occupation. Only those few people meeting the minimum requirements for the job are considered. The Key Peninsula Fire Department used a seven-phase testing and evaluation process in selecting our four new employees.

The first phase was the application process. The Department accepted applications beginning May 1 and closing June 6. Minimum qualifications to apply were:

- a. At least six months of firefighting experience;
- b. Advanced First Aid certification within six months of date of hire;
- c. 18 years of age or older;
- d. High school graduate or equivalent;
- e. Must live within ten minutes of a Department fire station by date of hire.

Forty-six applications were received. Of these, 40 met the minimum qualifications and advanced into the testing process. Eighteen of the applicants were volunteers from our own Key Peninsula Fire Department;

these latter were given points for time of service within the Key Peninsula Department.

P. H. S. BAND CONCERT

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of their present director, Glenn Hull. They also participated in 1982 under the leadership of Ned Avery.

The band competition draws bands from Western Canada and the north-western states of the United States. The majority of the time, the bands from the United States have won the competition.

Financing the trip is being done by the Peninsula Band Boosters, the first project being a raffle. First prize will be \$250, second prize \$100, with additional miscellaneous prizes. The drawing will be held at the P.H.S. Band Concert on February 19. Tickets may be purchased from any band member. Donations will gladly be accepted as well. Admission for the evening will be \$1.00 or a raffle ticket. The concert, which starts at 7:30 pm will feature a variety of music from classical to contemporary works.



MACON BACON

Located at 134th and SR 302 is one of the first modern convenience stores to locate on the Key Peninsula. Here is a business that offers a wide range of convenience food items - in their own words, "eight days a week" from 10 am to 9 pm, including even emergency openings for urgent customer needs; also, on request, delivery to homes of customers unable to pick up items.

The Clarke White family had been in the home construction business until the bottom fell out. They then opened the first Macon Bacon store in downtown Tacoma, but this did not work out. Since they owned property on the Key Peninsula and believed in its future, they opened their store on 134th. Clarke and his wife Mickey, and sons Mike and Walt, all worked together to start this business, opening in October of 1978 and continuing with recent expansion.

This combination delicatessen and convenience grocery store offers various cold and hot meats such as ribs, chicken, and smoked and preserved meats. Smoking meat on the premises to customer satisfaction is unique to their service. Sandwiches containing their meats are popular. Other food products offered are canned, packaged or frozen, and include bread, milk, ice, chips, wine and soft drinks.

Their nearness to Lake of the Woods development, the new LDS Church and the now under development new location of Lakebay Lumber, makes Macon Bacon's location desirable and convenient for many.

NEWS ARTICLES ABOUT BUSINESSES

Under the present editor, the KP News has been running certain news articles about businesses, particularly new ones. These articles are not necessarily related to advertising. One or two a month are selected at the editor's option, and no obligation is accepted by the KP News to try to be uniform in treatment of all businesses.

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Business News

By Mary Ann Huntington

Cellular phones was the featured topic on the program of the Key Peninsula Business Association meeting at the Longbranch Chowder House. The Blundells were gracious hosts, keeping everyone wide awake with doughnuts and coffee at the early morning meeting.

Pam Donovan, marketing supervisor with Telephone Utilities, discussed cellular mobil service. She displayed a few examples and explained how you can call from your car, house, tennis court, or any number of places depending on the model you choose. The network of transmitting sites is expanding rapidly and the phone you install here in Pierce County can be used most any place in the United States. The Telephone Utilities antenna is located at the Artondale Golf course and will soon be putting out its full 100 watts of power; in fact, by the time this article goes to press the service may already be at full power.

Plans are underway to organize a map highlighting key sites in the surrounding area and to erect a large sign before you enter Wauna from Purdy directing the public to the Key Peninsula. The map will be on one side of the sign and the directions on the other side.

It was suggested KPBA have exchange meetings with Purdy Boosters. This will give an opportunity for more exposure for Key Peninsula merchants. Another long term project

proposed is the adoption of a needy family; many organizations have done this with great success. Daphne Daus, member of the Park Board, suggested KPBA provide a flyer to groups interested in sports tournaments to let them know the facilities available for their teams and supporters. She will also be gathering information for a community calendar. If Newsletter readers have an event they would like included in the calendar, give Daphne a call at 851-4701.

The writer can't let another article go by without mentioning appreciation to Wendy Wakeling, owner of Superior Signs in Vaughn, for designing and contributing the beautiful logo you see in KPBA's advertising. She can supply you with complete sign service, logo designs, business cards, stationery, and ad specialties. Give Wendy a call at 884-2008 to personalize your business.

"BOGUS CHECK WRITERS - BEWARE", the KPBA is organizing a telephone tree to keep all merchants informed when a bad check comes back to a business.

The next meeting will be February 6, 7:30 am, at The Eatery in Key Center. The public is invited.

Vaughn Garden Club

The February 18 meeting of the Vaughn Garden Club will be at the home of Beulah Kupka at 10:30 am. Helen Wolniewicz will be co-hostess. A program of "Care of House Plants" will be presented.

Cars will leave the Civic Center at 10:15 am.

NEW YEARS ECHOES

The co-chairmen of the 1986-87 New Year's Eve dance thank the following people:

Marty and Betty Pedersen, who catered a beautiful and delicious buffet dinner; Bob and Betty Beal, who again sat at the door to take tickets and sell mixers; Millie Nieman, Don Olson, Don Paulson, Dale, Amy and Taryn Loy, Lisa Biscealia, Brian Nichols, Mary Siedelman and whoever else helped blow up balloons and assisted with set up and decorating; Don Olson, Don Palmer, Joe Kremin, Bob Carpenter, Jeff Cormier and Bryan Nichols for clean up and Walt Schmidt who again donated the ice.

Comments have been good, saying this was one of the nicest New Year's dances. Thanks again, from the co-chairmen: Alice Palmer, Med Schwenka, Shirl Olson, Claudia Loy.

The Twilite Dance Club will hold a dance on Saturday, February 21, 9pm-1am. The Parvellas Band will supply the music. Theme: Hard Times. Guests are welcome.

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Middle School NATURAL HELPERS

In February six to eight students from Key Peninsula Middle School chosen for their abilities to help other students will go on a training retreat to the Pilgrim Firs Camp near Port Orchard. This is a part of the Natural Helpers program currently being promoted in middle and high schools of the state. Dan Smith is the faculty sponsor, and he will have assisting him Dee Adams, Cynthia Feek, Rick Selfors and Patty Van Valkenburg. Libby McCook is the professional trainer.

Organizations providing financial support to this activity, which is not covered by school curriculum support, include the following:

G. H. Kiwanis - \$500; K.P. Lions - \$500; Star Project, Sumner - \$500; Peninsula School District - \$350; G.H. Lions - \$100; G.H. Rotary - \$500.

A recent suicide of a Peninsula High School student in addition to damage done by the ongoing drug activities of some students, highlight the need for more counseling help for needy students. Since they listen first to each other, the Natural Helper program is expected to provide much assistance to adult counselors in the schools. See detailed article on Natural Helpers elsewhere in this and in the March issue.

NATURAL HELPERS PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY AND GOALS

A. Program Overview

The Natural Helpers program was developed as a way of helping adolescents within a school environment deal with the problems which they confront. Mood changes, problems with friends, families, school and drugs are typical struggles for teenagers. The effects of these struggles often show up in school as poor grades, absenteeism, and alcohol and drug use. Some young people try to handle their stresses alone. If they seek help, it is usually from their friends, who share similar values, expectations, and experiences. The friends do the best they can to help. However, sometimes they don't recognize the seriousness of the problem or they have incorrect information. Sometimes they don't know what to do to help and end up as involved in the problem as the friend who asked for help.

As a group, teenagers tend to distrust adults. When asked why they don't discuss their problems with adults, the most common response is "they wouldn't understand." They may hesitate to discuss day-to-day struggles such as fights with parents or boyfriends with anyone except a friend. Yet these seemingly small issues can have a tremendous effect on their behavior at school.

The Natural Helpers program is based on a simple premise: Within every school, an informal "helping network" exists. Students with problems naturally seek out other students - and also teachers or other

school staff - who they trust. They seek them out for advice, help in getting assistance, or just to provide empathetic listening. The Natural Helpers program utilizes this existing helping network and provides training to students and adults who are already serving as informal helpers. It gives them skills to more effectively help others.

Natural Helpers include a cross-section of students and adult staff members. They are identified and selected through an anonymous school-wide survey of both students and adults. After the helpers are identified, they are invited to participate in the Natural Helpers program. They

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CGB Helen Wolniewicz encourages as many members as possible to come to meetings and take part in hospital visits.

VPTO

The next VPTO meeting will be Feb. 10 at 7:00 pm. Due to the snow the Jan. 13 meeting was cut short, so there will be lots to discuss.

Santa's Secret Shop was a tremendous success this year, with a profit of \$619. A big thank you goes to Cathy Beal for doing such a wonderful job, and to all the volunteer parents who helped.

More students have completed 2000 minutes of reading for Read and Lead. They are Andrew King, Scott Hacker, David Davis, Andrew Hendrickson, Maria Jeffries, Juell Lugo, Cindy Ward and Trenton Bennett. A big congratulations to you all.

Preparations are under way for this year's Flip Flop Friday. This is a day when students take time for different projects such as cooking, sewing, painting, CPR, sign language, woodworking, basketball etc. Feb. 6 is the day.

Angel Guild

Do you have the "foggy blahs"? Are you looking for a new outlet for your energies - one that would help the community? If you answered yes to these questions, the Angel Guild would like to have you join their group.

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Business meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month at 10:00 am in the Kenneth Brones Room of the library, and we ask our members to donate at least six hours of time a month working in the shop.

Why not come to our next meeting on February 23.

By the way, we also need a desk with drawers and shelves in our shop. If you have one you no longer need, we would appreciate your donation.

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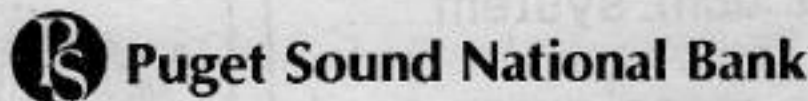
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When recently questioned about the student station, PHS drama teacher Milt Boyd said they hope to have the studio facility built by Oct. 15. It will be located in the apartment that formerly housed the special education department at PHS. The transmitter will be located at Evergreen Elementary School. He said they hope to be on the air by February, broadcasting Monday through Friday from 9 am to 6 pm.

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Marie Schwenka wishes to thank everyone who remembered her with gifts, cards, and flowers during her recent hospital stay.

Youth Group Leaders and Hobbyists: Country Mouse sometimes has surplus samples and similar items that can be donated to craft programs.

People have been asking about any progress in Senior Citizen Housing plans out here. It seems that Key Center water problems are the immediate bar to progress.

Projected are units to be built both at Key Center and at Lake Kathryn. Further information: Lela Long, 275-6404.

the project at this point is coming from The Evergreen State College.

TAKING TIME TO CARE

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Enabled by some state and federal subsidies, they have arranged with the Key Peninsula Civic Center to bring some of their people to the Center for exercise and socializing contacts. This is a pilot program and a first in this state.

Meeting three times a week under the guidance of Vicki Henschel, this group is led into experiences of learning to meet and greet new people. In such activities they get recognition and acceptance of themselves as persons of worth and learn to function better in normal contacts and experiences.

For such a program to be successful requires more of us who have normal capacities to go out of our way to become involved, and that we give recognition and respect to these persons whatever their handicapping condition might be.

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A Woman's Heart

by Elaine Forch

Every year I start a new diet and this year will be no exception. Usually, my refrigerator is plastered with pictures of gorgeous girls in junior-sized dresses and swimsuits. These cruel pictures are supposed to inspire and motivate me to choose a trim body and a glass of water instead of a slice of pizza. But, this year I'm not going to put up any pictures of women in sexy dresses. I've finally had to admit that my goal has somehow changed. These days I visualize a trim, but older middle-aged lady jogging down the road in a pair of those athletic-type shorts and tee-shirt. This lady is a picture of radiant good health. Her eyes sparkle - she smiles a lot - and she oozes enthusiasm and energy! She doesn't have to wear much make-up because her skin maintains that constant "aerobic glow". Her hair is cut in a pert, bouncy style and her teeth are dazzling! She wears attractive clothes that suit her personal style and that reflect the excitement that she feels about life.

Of course, this lady neither smokes nor drinks alcohol, coffee or tea. She eats a well-balanced, carefully portioned high-fiber diet and she drinks no less than eight glasses of water every day of her life. Aside from her weekend jogging routine, she attends a daily noontime aerobic class. Whenever she feels bored or worried, she steps out the door and takes a brisk walk

in the woods or along the beach.

In order for my lady to maintain her inner sparkle and vitality, she must also take care of her emotional, mental and spiritual health. She does this by maintaining constant communion with her Creator. The feedback that she receives from Him enables her to positively maintain her personal relationships and her sense of balance. She generally makes good decisions because she never feels panicky or vulnerable. If she does make an error, she quickly forgives herself and finds a way to glean something positive from the experience. Because she understands the real priorities of life, she has developed a great sense of humor. She loves to joke and tease and often has a mischievous twinkle in her eyes.

Her self-control carries over... into her financial life as well. She has short and long-term goals and a written plan that outlines her steps to achieve them. She plans her work - and works her plan. She never operates on impulse or emotion, yet she is tender-hearted toward others and regularly shares with those around her. She has a burden for the world and is able to find practical ways to make a positive difference. Her home reflects her love for others and her disciplined life. She is not a stranger to work - but she works to live - she does not live to work. She lives for others - yet she is kind to herself.

This is the lady that I want to become. If beginning is half-done - then I'm starting - today.

4-H Club

The last meeting of the Key Peninsula Four-H club was January 8. A caroling trip to Rocky Bay was discussed and all agreed that they enjoyed it. The 4-H-ers are starting to plan public presentations to be given in March.

For the next community service project the club will plant fir trees at Evergreen Elementary School. There is a "Meet Your Government" opportunity coming up in March for senior 4-H-ers. The next meeting will be February 5 at the Kents in Longbranch.



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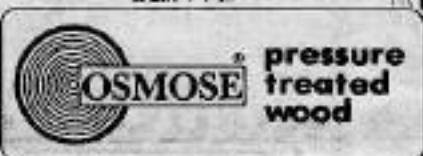


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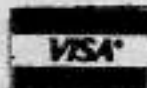
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Most of our driving entails passing through the village of Purdy. The posted speed limit there is 35, which I carefully observe. The law sometimes ambushes unwary drivers there, but so seldom that few of them pay any attention to the speed limit.

Heading south through Purdy, we are properly in the left lane, traveling at 35 until reaching the 50 mile sign, when I up my speed to 50. One car in 5 passes, whether they are behind or to my right. Those passes are illegal, but apparently not worthy of the attention of the law.

Continuing to the entry onto Hwy. 16, many drivers do not know

how to enter freeway traffic. Instead of smoothly accelerating, running out the acceleration lane and merging easily, they enter prematurely, sometimes even passing a car that is entering properly. Others get cold feet and slow down, or even stop in front of other entering traffic. One needs a lot of eyes at that place.

Once on the freeway, I am inclined to observe the '55 and stay alive' edict because of the bounty on my head. This infuriates some other drivers. They look daggers as they pass the old fossil chugging along. "Probably dreaming he is driving his Model-T sixty years ago!"

At the Narrows bridge traffic is supposed to travel at 45, another joke. Posted "No Lane Changing," I have seen heavy trucks switch lanes right on the bridge, within sight of the court that convicted me and my turn signal.

One thing I learned in the defensive driving course, that I was required to drive through heavy weekend traffic to attend, is: "Tap your horn when passing another car going the same way." The driver will probably think you are insulting him and ram you, but that is what the book says.

A benefit to me of completing the defensive driving course was a 5% reduction in part of my insurance. I actually got a refund of \$9.00! Subtracted from my \$90 fine, and the \$25 fee for taking the course, it probably paid my gas bill for learning to tap the horn when passing. Guess I forgot that when they put rear view mirrors and side windows in automobiles.

A friend has a court summons also. She is charged with not buying a license for her dead dog.

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- Sundays, 10:15 am Bible study
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11 am Church service,
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12 pm Handbell practice
- Feb. 1 Business meeting/coffee
hour following service
- Feb. 11 10 am Peninsula Neighbors
- Feb. 16 12 pm Ruth Circle
- Feb. 19 10 am Choir practice
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Restaurant Guide



By Janice McMillan

A restaurant that serves good, plentiful and inexpensive food is a real find. LAM'S Chinese Buffet Restaurant fits right into the after-the-holidays-and-before-taxes time frame of tightened purse strings. The food is good and the all-you-can-eat buffet has only one restriction—you are requested to use a clean plate each time you visit the buffet.

LAM'S (formerly Arnold's and also formerly Ben Dews) is located on 6th Avenue in the Highland Hills shopping district near Ernst Hardware. The restaurant has been remodeled since the Ben Dews days, and now has low lighting in the three new dining rooms. One room has tables and the main buffet, another smaller room has the salad buffet and a few booths, the third room has only booths. The booths are separated by floor-to-ceiling partitions with comfortable upholstered seats and light-colored wooden tables. The atmosphere is pleasant but not distinguished.

There is no menu at LAM'S; however, the buffets provide more than enough variety for any diner. The prices are \$5.45 for adults, \$2.50 for children under ten, and \$3.45 for seniors. Tea is included and served at your table.

The salad buffet included: tossed green salad, coleslaw, cottage cheese, potato salad (very good), orange slices, peaches, macaroni salad with black olives, pasta salad with carrot and celery, pistachio pudding with fruit and whipped cream.

The hot buffet included: won ton soup, chicken-vegetable won ton soup, chow mein noodles, fried won ton, fried rice, plain rice, gravy, sweet-and-sour sauce, sweet-and-sour pork, hot-and-spicy meat balls with BBQ pork, egg rolls, broccoli beef, fortune cookies, teriyaki chicken wings, BBQ pork spare ribs, pork chow mein, and egg foo yung.

I tried to taste all the offerings and those that I missed were sampled by my dear companion. I especially liked the broccoli beef and the hot-and-spicy meatballs with BBQ pork. My companion liked the won ton soup with chicken. The vegetables in all these dishes were plentiful and cooked carefully. All the meat was tender and each dish was more than enough in quantity.

The menu changes each day according to the fresh vegetables available. A hot and spicy dish is always included. Snow crab is featured on Friday and Saturday. The restaurant is open seven days a week from 3 pm until 9 pm. Reservations are only taken for groups

KEY PENINSULA SURVEY

PART I

The following is part one of two articles to be printed in successive issues. It is an analysis of survey opinion responses by residents of the Key Peninsula area, conducted during the summer of 1986 and prepared by the Pierce County Department of Economic Development. The material has been submitted by Roy K. Madsen, Park Commissioner.

The Key Peninsula extends from the Kitsap/Pierce County line to the Nisqually Reach of Puget Sound. Its eastern border begins west of the Purdy bridge. The Key Peninsula covers approximately 41,600 acres (65 square miles) and is a highly forested, rural area with many lakes and two state parks.

The Key Peninsula is a fast growing area. According to local sources, the Peninsula's population, particularly in the north, has been increasing rapidly and is expected to continue to grow at a fast pace. In spite of the influx of newcomers, 41 percent of the residents have lived on the Key Peninsula for over ten years. A high percentage (85%) of the Peninsula's residents own or are buying their homes. The housing stock on the Key Peninsula ranges from homes in good condition to homes that are in varying stages of deterioration. A large number of housing units on the Key Peninsula are mobile homes.

Thirty-seven percent of the Key Peninsula's residents qualify as lower income under HUD guidelines. In devising the sampling strategy, the consultant divided the Peninsula into three perceived area types: lower density areas, higher density areas and communities. Based on Department survey, the majority of residents listed the quiet, rural quality of life as what they liked about living on the Key Peninsula. These qualities, along with the quality of available water, will likely be affected by development. Many residents listed their location as both "like" and a "dislike" -- they like the natural environment, but dislike the distance to work, shopping and county services. The issues of growth and convenience

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CONCLUSIONS: This restaurant had many families dining out the night we were there (plenty of high-chairs available) but with the separated booths the noise level was low and privacy assured. There was nothing exotic on the buffet but all the dishes were good. I found the food a little bland for my taste but the addition of extra soy sauce solved that problem. I highly recommend LAM'S Chinese Buffet Restaurant for hungry diners with a slim purse.

versus the quality of life need to be addressed as the Key Peninsula continues to grow. As described earlier in this analysis, Pierce County has been doing studies on growth and planning issues on the Key Peninsula. Further work with the community on needs and on plans to preserve the desired qualities and lessen the impact of development would be of use and continued efforts in this direction would be useful.

The second most desired project by lower-income residents is police protection. Through discussions with local residents, it appears they believe area police staffing is needed in order to promote quicker response time and traffic enforcement. Traffic control tied for the six most desired projects of lower-income residents. The Pierce County Sheriff has one station which serves many private roads. Many residents on private roads have not erected the signs for various reasons, such as not wishing to pay for the signs or not wishing to change the name of their street.

The consequent inconsistency of addresses and street signs can make navigating difficult on the Key Peninsula, a frustration that was experienced firsthand by the survey teams. A Pierce County employee working on the address correction program suggests that Key Peninsula residents experiencing problems with the address changes should contact the Pierce County Building Division.

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From Our Scrapbooks

by Margaret Paul

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From the Feb. 1972 edition:

Mrs. Libbie M. Forrest, 86, died Saturday. She had owned a cafeteria near Vaughn school for some years. Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Juanita Roberts of Fife and Myrtle E. Kalles of Steilacoom. Mrs. Forrest was preceded in death by a son, Stuart.

Tacoma Newspaper, April 1897:

Steamer passenger rates from Puget Sound to Alaska will make a mighty leap upward. To Juneau, the cabin rate will be \$32, steerage \$17; to Wrangell the cabin rate will be \$25 and steerage, \$13.

From the Peninsula Gateway, May 14, 1970:

Henry Kaffenberger, 86, died Wednesday in a local hospital. Born in Germany, he came as a child to the U. S. and with his parents first settled at Rocky Bay in 1903. He was engaged in logging on Camano Island, then operated his own bus from Vaughn to Gig Harbor before World War I. He came to Olympia in 1920 and worked for the first franchised bus company from Olympia to Tacoma. He and his wife Faith operated a chicken ranch in Purdy and a Christmas tree receiving yard for large tree companies for 20 years. He organized the Purdy chess club which was still operating in 1970.

From the Peninsula Gateway, Dec. 31, 1943, News of Home and vicinity:

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Uddenberg of Gig Harbor had Christmas dinner with Mrs. Uddenberg's mother, Mrs. Olive Ahearn and family.

Mrs. Stella Retherford is now teaching general science and biology at South Kitsap High School in Port Orchard. She and her son, Earl Kenneth, are living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Edmonds. News from Home and vicinity, April 28, 1944:

On the first of May, Mr. Harry Frishman will open up his barber shop in the new location, near the Home

Feed and Grocery Co., close to the bridge. This week Mr. and Mrs. Denver Yates moved into their new house. The building of this house was begun last winter by Mr. Ben Ault.

A notable change in boating circles was the settling of a half-interest in the freight steamer "Burro" by Capt. F. F. Hunt, to his brother, Engineer L. B. Hunt. Gig Harbor will be the home port of the "Burro."

FINANCIAL PLANNER

by David Barton, CFP

I am often asked the question, "what is a Certified Financial Planner?", and just as often reminded that almost anyone can hang out a shingle and call themselves a financial planner. Very simply, financial planning is helping people make the most efficient use of their assets. Until the financial planner came along, the investor was situated in the middle of a variety of professionals: an insurance person whose solution to everything was an insurance policy; a stock broker whose solution to everything was - buy more stocks and bonds; and an accountant, attorney or real estate person whose solution to everything was - buy more real estate; and the banker, whose solution was to put all of your money in the bank where it would be safe, without taking into consideration that between taxes and inflation the value of the account was actually shrinking.

The effective Certified Financial Planner works with all of these professional advisors and coordinates their efforts, or quarterback the team so to speak, in order to arrive at an overall, successful financial solution to the client's dilemma. When clients seek counsel from Certified Financial Planners, they may come to us with goals and objectives, or at least immediate priorities. Many times they only come to us with problems, not realizing they must have goals and objectives in order to achieve the financial success they want. Their goals and objectives may include a variety of material acquisitions, funds for educating their children, or plans for a comfortable retirement on a projected income which takes into consideration calculations which include taxes and inflation. Our job is to take inventory of where they are now, help them to crystallize their goals and objectives, and then aid them in repositioning their assets (at the same time insuring against catastrophe) in order to realize their financial success.

Now, the differences between a "Certified Financial Planner" and

Community House

by Helen Jamieson

By the time this has had an opportunity to be printed, Christmas will be a thing of the past for some of you, but I wanted to be sure to thank the Key Peninsula community and their friends for your support and response to our Food Drive for Christmas Project 1986.

Chairing the Christmas Project at Community House of Lakebay for two years has given me an opportunity to meet a lot of you and to work with some of you. I sincerely appreciate your tremendous response to our holiday drive. We were able to serve more than 100 families in need on the Key Peninsula this year and couldn't have done it without your help in donating food, money, clothing, toys and your precious time. Thank you very much!

Community House at Lakebay (Key Peninsula Community Service) is a year-round food bank and provides many services for those in need; such as energy assistance, emergency transportation and referrals to other agencies, as well as having a Senior Center. Wednesdays are Senior Day, with lunch and games and a lounge for relaxing or TV. Community House employs a part-time Senior Aide to assist seniors with their needs.

For those of you who keep Christmas in your hearts all year long, and for those who may not be able to retain that "Christmas feeling" all year, we would like you to know that donations of food, clothing and money are welcome any time. Volunteers are needed throughout the year to help with the many projects.

Stop by and see what is going on at Community House. Sharon Billups, the director, or any member of the Board of Directors, would be more than happy to share with you the many aspects of Key Peninsula Community Services and answer any questions you may have. Their hours are 10 am - 3 pm daily except Sunday, Monday and holidays. You may call 884-4440 for assistance or with questions.

Again, thank you Key Peninsula for your freely-given help in supplying our needy families with food baskets and gifts for the holidays!

someone who simply calls himself or herself a financial planner can be many. One thing you can be sure of when dealing with a Certified Financial Planner is - that person has met high educational standards and work experience requirements and is bound to a strict code of ethics.

I am a Certified Financial Planner and a registered representative of Financial Network Investment Corporation, a nation-wide, independent financial planning broker/dealer agency that provides objective financial choices for its clients. For more information you can call me at 857-5867.

Continued from Page 1**TRUCKS ARRIVE**

The foursome made the 1,600 mile round trip, which involved testing the equipment at the factory before accepting delivery, in three days. The delivery team notes that, "Parts of the trip involved some pretty tricky driving through snow-filled mountain passes."

Each engine cost \$104,000 plus \$8,216 for Washington State sales tax. Given the fact that the price of fire equipment increases about 1% per month, this compares favorably with the \$100,350 we paid for the first of the CanAm engines purchased in 1983. These three new engines were built precisely to our specifications and include such improvements as increasing pre-connect hose diameter which enables us to double the water flow from 100 to 200 gallons per minute. (All of our equipment is being modified for this increased capability. Considering that fire doubles in size each minute, these improvements are vital to the community's needs.)

The new engines carry 750 gallons of water; the engines they have replaced carried 500 gallons. Their pumps are warranted to deliver 1,000 gallons of water per minute; they will, in fact, deliver 1,250 gallons per minute. The engines they replaced delivered 750 gallons. The new engines have vastly improved serviceability and performance capacity.

Of all-aluminum construction they are some 3,000 pounds lighter than comparable equipment, which makes them safer and easier to handle on our rural roads and gives them greater braking capability. They will not rust, and, because they are made of marine grade aluminum, they will not corrode.

The new engines are diesel-powered, have air-brakes and are equipped with automatic gear shifts. This latter item insures smoother orientation and training time, and fewer breakdowns brought on by the varying driving techniques of many different firefighters using the equipment.

The cabs of the new engines, like the CanAm already in service, have seating for five firefighters, three of whom will be able to "suit-up" with back-pack breathing apparatus (SCBA) while enroute to the fire. Three SCBA are mounted in the seat backs to facilitate this time-saving operation. The new engines have a fourth SCBA unit mounted in a side panel compartment for rapid overhead "suing up."

"Our response time," said Ramsdell, "is determined by the long distances we must travel on the Peninsula." He added, "It is essential that we make up for time lost on the road by being ready to attack the fire immediately upon arrival at the scene." With justifiable pride Ramsdell said, "From the time our vehicle comes to a stop at the fire scene, we can have lines

charged with water in the hands of SCBA-suited firefighters in less than thirty seconds."

The new engines are now on duty at Station 1 (near Lake Katherine shopping complex), Station 3 (in Home) and Station 4 (in Longbranch). All three old engines have been declared "surplus" to the needs of the District. Two of them will be sold to the highest bidders. The third is on loan to the Washington State Fire Service Training Center at North Bend where all of our firefighters are eligible to take training; the engine will proudly wear the logo of the Key Peninsula Fire Department during its service there.

Chief Horace Kanno advises that, "These engines are of such high quality we expect them to remain in first line service a minimum of 15, possibly even 25 years; they are state-of-the-art and built to last."

He added, "The department is planning to hold open house at each of the District's stations to enable Key Peninsulans to examine the fine equipment their great support has made possible." The open house schedules will be announced soon.

Food Spoilage Tips

Recent power outages have left many homemakers wondering about foods in the freezer. Washington State University Pierce County Extension Home Economist Connie Lydon has the following guidelines for determining food safety.

If your freezer was fully loaded, it stayed cold enough to keep foods frozen for two days if the door was not opened. In a freezer with less than half a load, food probably was not frozen more than 24 hours.

The basis for safety in refreezing fruits and vegetables is the temperature at which thawed foods have been held and the length of time they were held after thawing.

You may safely refreeze frozen foods that have thawed if they still contain ice crystals or if they are still cold - about 40°F - and have been held no longer than one or two days at refrigerator temperatures after thawing. In general, if a food is safe to eat, it is safe to refreeze.

Guidelines for many common frozen foods:

Fruits can be refrozen successfully. They will usually ferment when they start to spoil which does not make the fruits dangerous but may spoil the flavor.

Caution should be used in meats and poultry as they become unsafe to eat when they start to spoil. Do not refreeze shellfish, cooked foods such as mixtures that contain sauces and gravies, or cooked poultry unless the ice crystals are in abundance. Bacteria multiply rapidly in these foods.

Do not refreeze melted ice cream. Commercially prepared frozen foods such as TV dinners, meat pies, fish and chips, and frozen juice concentrates should not be refrozen. Breads and pastries can be refrozen but will tend to lose flavor and be drier.

Luncheon meats, bacon, ham slices, sausage, ground meats and leftover stuffing, gravy or broth should not be kept if refrigerator warmed up to 40° and stayed at that temperature or warmer for more than 3 or 4 hours.

Even partial thawing and refreezing reduces quality of fruits and vegetables. Foods that have been frozen and thawed require the same care as foods that have never been frozen. Use refrozen foods as soon as possible to save as much of their eating quality as you can.

Freezing does not kill bacteria in food, it simply stops their multiplication. They continue to multiply after the food is thawed. The number of bacteria in and on foods must be held at a minimum before food is frozen.

For further reference in the event of another power outage, Pierce County residents can help save their frozen food by the following methods: Place dry ice in the freezer soon after the power is off. Twenty-five pounds should keep the temperature below freezing for two or three days in a 10-cubic foot cabinet with half a load, three or four days in a loaded cabinet.

Place the dry ice on cardboard or small boards on top of packages and do not open freezer again except to put in more dry ice or to remove it when normal operation is resumed. Do not handle dry ice with bare hands; it can cause burns. Be sure room is well ventilated before you use it. Ed. Note: Look in the yellow pages of the Tacoma phone book for locations for dry ice.)

If you can't obtain dry ice, insulate the outside of the freezer with thick layers of papers and blankets to keep the heat out. If you put blankets or other coverings on the freezer, be sure to pin or fasten them so that they will not cover the air-vent openings. The power may go on unexpectedly and ventilation will be needed. This method is only about half as effective as the dry ice. As a final resort, the frozen food can be well wrapped in thick layers of papers or insulated boxes and be placed in a protected area outside the home if the temperatures are in the 30°F range. Remember, if the odor or color of any food is poor or questionable, get rid of it.

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Continued from Page 7**Natural Helpers Program**

receive at least 30 hours of training in communication and decision making skills, information on major problems facing students, use of local resources, and awareness of their limits as helpers. This training assists the Natural Helpers to listen empathetically, provide information or referral if needed, and help others make their own choices. They are not professionally trained therapists or counselors.

Natural Helpers work in a variety of roles within the school, from providing one-to-one listening, support and referral, to leading discussion groups and organizing school-wide prevention activities and education programs. They may concentrate on one issue - such as alcohol and drug abuse - or offer help in all areas of concern.

Leadership for the Natural Helpers program is provided by an in-school coordinator. He/she is assisted by student coordinators and by an advisory committee. The cost for the program varies depending on the number of participants, training format, and program goals. An average figure is \$3,000 per year to train and support about 35 Natural Helpers.

The Natural Helpers program was first developed and pilot tested in Washington State at Mercer Island High School in 1979 and at Sumner High School in 1980.

B. Program Goals

The general goal of the Natural Helpers program is to provide skilled listeners in the school setting so students get the help they need. The help may include listening, supporting, providing information, referral or intervention.

The original Natural Helpers model was designed for helping high school students concerned about drug related problems, but it quickly expanded to other problems identified in the survey. The model may also be applicable to other age groups and settings. The general process objectives are:

1. To identify staff and students who are helping others in the school with personal or academic problems.
2. To train these individuals in communication, decision making, problem solving, referrals and other areas.
3. To identify leading problems faced by students in the school and to provide helpers with information relevant to these problem areas.
4. To establish programs and situations where Natural Helpers can use their skills to help others.
5. To provide support to the helpers for their own problems and for those they encounter in helping others.

MORE ON THIS SUBJECT IN MARCH ISSUE

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both the Gig Harbor, the Key Peninsula and Herron Island from Gig Harbor. Six officers currently patrol this part of the district, with a part-time deputy residing on Anderson Island. According to the Pierce County Comprehensive Land-Use Plan, the Department has no immediate plans to expand this patrol, but is considering moving the Gig Harbor station to the Purdy area to better serve both peninsulas. This proposed move, with additional emphasis placed on traffic control, could address some of the safety concerns of Key Peninsula residents.

Lower-income residents listed a community center as their third priority and also noted other services, such as utility assistance, a food bank and youth programs. This ranking is of interest as the Key Peninsula already has two community centers: Peninsula Community Services, which houses a food bank, clothing bank, senior center and offers classes to all ages; and the Civic Center, which has a senior club and offers a variety of activities. Although events and programs are publicized, there appears to be a lack of awareness of the activities of both community centers. Youth Center, schools and recreational activities were also noted by lower-income residents and may be associated with the request for a community center and related programs. Interviewers received many comments about youth vandalism and the requests for youth related projects could also be connected to residents' feelings about vandalism.

Lower-income residents ranked parks as their fourth priority project. Although the Key Peninsula is a largely forested, natural environment, respondents believe more parks are needed. There are two state parks, but the Key Peninsula is a large area, with public transportation extending only to Key Center, which limits access for many to the existing parks. Although not one of the top five requests, public transportation was noted as a priority project.

A water-related project was the fifth priority of lower-income residents. The results of the 1985 Pierce County Planning Department survey of the Key Peninsula show concern about the impact of development and an increasing threat to water quality due to problems with septic tanks. According to the Pierce County Comprehensive Land-Use Plan, the Department of Ecology has found inordinately high fecal bacteria counts in the Burley and Minter watersheds due to a combination of failing septic systems and wastes from domestic animals.

Development on the Key Peninsula is an important issue, especially since substantial growth is predicted. In the 1986 Needs Assessment survey and the 1985 Pierce County Planning

field observations, there seemed to be a higher percentage of lower-income residents in the lower density areas and in the southern portion of the Peninsula.

Of the top five projects requested by lower-income residents, all but those related to a community center were also of high priority in a 1985 Pierce County Planning Department survey of the Key Peninsula. Although the current zoning laws and permit process were not among the top five projects, many Key Peninsula residents expressed frustration and confusion over these issues. Pierce County has recently developed a Comprehensive Land-Use Plan and a Zoning Ordinance. These documents include information specific to the Key Peninsula, such as requiring a higher standard of development. Three residents of the Key Peninsula were members of the 11-member Citizen Advisory Board that helped to shape the land-use plan.

The most desired project by Key Peninsula lower-income residents is related to street improvements, which fall into three probable categories -- safety, maintenance and congestion. As with most rural areas, many roads are unpaved, bumpy and contain potholes. Existing main roads are not wide enough, have deep ditches and do not have shoulders or pedestrian/bike lanes. According to the Key Center Fire Department, the area between the Purdy bridge and Key Center has been repaved, but the pavement is uneven and can be extremely slick, causing cars to lose control at times. According to the statistics of the Key Center Fire Department, there is a high number of automobile accidents, including head-on collisions, at a number of intersections. These intersections are: Lackey Road and Key Peninsula Highway; Elgin Clifton and Highway 302; Elgin Clifton and Wright Bliss; 94th and Highway 302; 118th and Highway 302; 134th and Elgin Clifton; and 134th and Highway 302. Also, many of the main roads become congested at peak travel times.

Missing or inconsistently named street signs is another street-related problem that was not reflected directly in the survey results, but was noted by the interviewers as a source of frustration for Key Peninsula residents. Due to the 911 emergency system taking effect in Pierce County, an Address Correction Program has been instituted to standardize all Pierce County addresses. The Department of Public Works has been responsible for changing the signs on public county roads and has strongly recommended that residents living on private roads have signs made and erected. Because of the geography of the area, there are

FLOYD OLES WRITES A NEW YEAR'S LETTER

This year, the Christmas season came upon me so rapidly and went by so fast that I never quite got around to doing it justice. Save for my World War I artillerymen comrades, who got their usual Christmas letter, gift-giving was limited to family and close friends and neighbors. Living alone since Helga's death in March of 1985 is no bed of roses, but is improved by a caring family and wonderful neighbors, and by fellowship at the Elks and the Tacoma Agate Club, both populated by kindred spirits.

A number of good things have happened this year. The spring convention of the Pierce County Republican Party was formally dedicated to me, much to my astonishment. I have spoken about Glencove to various groups, always a pleasant experience. I attend Tacoma Agate Club regularly, and at its Christmas party I installed its new officers. My old "gang" at the Elks meets regularly on Wednesdays at the Round Table and at dinner. I usually attend Lodge and almost always the Wednesday noon Board of Trustees meetings where I still have odds and ends of tasks to perform in my capacity as chairman (and only member) of the Lodge's Committee on Government Relations. I confess to having largely neglected the several veteran groups of which I have long been a life member. Having no longer any office in the Republican Party, I have limited my participation to lending a bit of financial support to a number of Repub-

lican groups, including the Republican National Committee, and to state, Pierce County and Olympia organizations and to some individual candidates. I continue to support the charitable work of Tacoma Elks Lodge 174.

Most exciting of this year's activities has been the publication of my book, "Glencove," whose subtitle is "Scenes from a Puget Sound Boyhood." Printed by A.B.C. Printers of Tacoma, 1008 copies now repose in 18 boxes of 56 copies each in my back bedroom, save for one box at Bruce LeRoy's home. I am keeping a record of the disposition of each copy thus far, though it will become more difficult after the "autograph session" at Washington State Historical Society on January 17. In all that concerns the book and its forthcoming sequel, I rely heavily on Bruce LeRoy, now Director Emeritus of W.S.H.S., whose knowledge and experience in such matters is tremendous and unique.

Christmas 1986 was celebrated in Seattle with Stuart and Ilse and their expanded family and with the Don Treadgolds, Laura's family. It involved a delightful but exhausting two days and nights, and I am "sleeping it off" at 9 to 10 hours nightly. Christmas night itself was celebrated at Karl and Melinda's home, where Daniel, my great grandson of 2½-months of age, was the center of interest and affection.

Given the fact of loneliness, whose only palliatives are family,

friends and activity, this has been a good year, and to all who have helped to make it so, I am deeply grateful. To you all I quote my father's blessing when seeing me off to two world wars, "May God have His arm around you."

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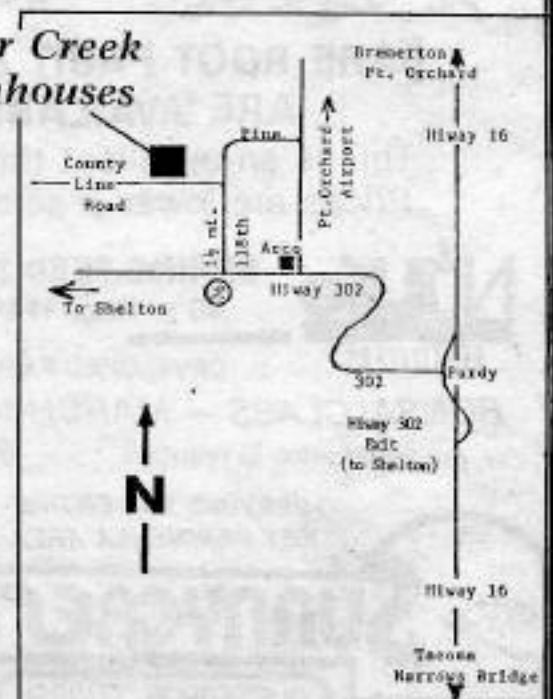
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NORTHWEST TREK

Northwest Trek Foundation President, Mark T. Haley of Brown & Haley Co. in Tacoma, has announced that its fundraising efforts have gone beyond the halfway point toward achieving a \$150,000 goal to build bobcat, lynx, and cougar exhibits at Northwest Trek Wildlife Park near Eatonville. "The action last week by the Ben B. Cheney Foundation in awarding us \$25,000 for Cat Country puts our total contributions and pledges at \$85000, more than halfway toward our goal," said Haley. The Cheney Foundation has been instrumental in supporting Northwest Trek since its opening in 1974.

By mid-October, the next phase of fundraising began with an aluminum can recycling program, "Cans for Cats." KNBO radio and Reynolds Aluminum joined in sponsoring special promotion of this activity in schools throughout the Puget Sound. Special prizes and naturalist programs are being awarded to schools collecting the most aluminum.

A Metropolitan Park District Bond Issue passed by Tacoma voters last February provides \$100,000 for Cat Country; however, private funds must be raised for the remaining \$150,000. The four-acre site is scheduled to see construction activity as soon as fundraising is completed and is to open by next summer. Due to the natural and spacious design of the exhibits, efforts are already

underway to secure animals for display so that they will acclimate well. Northwest Trek Animal Curator Dave Ellis combined a trip to the National AAZPA conference (American Association of Zoological Parks and Aquariums) with checking on Native Cats while in Minnesota last month. "We located some lynx kittens born in captivity and being exhibited in large, natural displays. They would really be perfect for our new area and opportunities like this do not come along very often with lynx." Ellis is anxious to see construction begin on den and holding facilities so that the animals can be brought in for adequate adjustment to their surroundings before public display.

A pair of wolverines is once again on display in the forest animals exhibit at Northwest Trek Wildlife Park near Eatonville. Only a male wolverine had been shown since the female disappeared from its outdoor habitat in early March.

According to David Ellis, Curator of Animals at the park, there were no claw marks or other clues to indicate how the wolverine escaped, but to add security to the exhibit, rock-like walls have been extended two to three feet and pitched inward. The surfaces were also smoothed to make them more difficult for animals to climb.

No trace of the missing female has been found, but Ellis emphasized the creature would try to avoid people and domestic animals and would likely

pose no danger.

"A new female wolverine was acquired from the Pittsburgh Zoo," Ellis said. "It went there after being captured in the Yukon Territory, the same source as Trek's original pair."

Northwest Trek's wolverine exhibit was first opened in June, 1985 after money for renovations and animals was donated by the University of Michigan Alumni Club of Seattle and park benefactor Dr. David Hellyer.

According to Ellis, only 21 wolverines are exhibited to the public in recognized zoos worldwide. Northwest Trek is the only place where they can be seen in an outdoor exhibit simulating their natural environment.

Wolverines are large members of the weasel family, with dark brown or black markings. They can weigh up to 40 lbs. In the wild they require extensive territory to supply abundant quantities of food. While they have been known to eat animals as large as moose, small animals such as rabbits and birds are their chief prey. "They are primarily opportunists," Ellis said. "Normally whatever food they can find..."

Wolverines are related to otters, badgers, skunks, marten and fisher, which are also displayed in the Northwest Trek forest animal habitat. Northwest Trek is located near Eatonville on Highway 161 on the way to Mt. Rainier. It is operated by the Metropolitan Parks District of Tacoma. For information contact: Les Bagley, (206) 832-6116.



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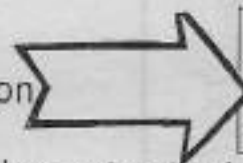
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BURLEY GALLERIA

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Neighbors are busy sewing, knitting, and crocheting fashions for full-figured women, and these will be featured in the "Lady Bug Room," using two of the bedrooms. Another bedroom is reserved for children's furnishings, clothing and toys. The fourth bedroom, the dining room, living room and part of the kitchen, will showcase a broad selection of art and handcrafts.

A bathroom has been replaced by displays for books by local authors. A sales counter divides the kitchen into displays and an area for browsing through samples and ordering wedding invitations.

Because Burley Galleria will publish a mail-order catalog and will ship local handcrafts nationwide, it will also act as an agent for United Parcel Service.

Owners Larry Dolores Nicolai say response to Burley Galleria has been "fantastic." However, they will continue to accept applications. Especially needed are clothing designers and sewers for the Ladybug Room.

All work shown in Burley Galleria must undergo a screening process. Only fine-quality work will be accepted. After screening, participating artists and craftspersons pay a nominal monthly display fee. No commissions are taken above that fee. Artists are not required to clerk. Experienced, salaried personnel will operate Burley Galleria. Participating artists have the option of inclusion in the mail-order catalog. Seniors only may elect to submit work on a consignment

basis.

For detailed information and an application for participation, write Burley Galleria, Box 99, Burley, WA 98322, or call Dolores 851-4074.

Interested persons should respond with haste. Special lighting and displays are now being purchased, and your work will be best featured if plans are effected now.

Fire Department

FIRE DEPT. ACTIVITY

From December 15 through 31 there were 27 calls. Of these, 33 were aid calls with 26 persons transported. There were three fire calls, all chimney fires; three auto calls and three service calls.

On 12/17 at 16:36 at 94th and SR 302 - a two-car accident, non-injury, was removed from the roadway. Firefighters assisted until WSP took over. On 12/27 at 21:25 there was a non-injury, one-car accident and a car in ditch at Minter Creek and SR 302. Owner removed car from ditch and left scene before WSP arrived.

On 1/6/87 at 19:44 at Creviston and SR 302 - a non-injury three-car accident; firefighters controlled traffic until WSP arrived. Speaking for the fire department, Mrs. Ramsdell states December was a bad month for the Key Peninsula. She relates that we lost at least a dozen of our residents during that time. The holiday season is always stressful and several out-of-hand domestic problems were responded to. Also, the cold weather has people doing heavy work such as carrying wood and overtaxing themselves, attacks and strokes result. A local Key Peninsula resident.

Around The Yard

by Tim Kezele

TREE'S & SHRUBS: Fruit tree pruning, for established trees: Take out rangy top and side growth and inward-pointing dead or damaged branches. Also include crossing branches. Remember, you can always cut off branches, but putting them back on is another story. Try standing back and looking at the tree. You want it to look good, so take off 1/3 growth at a time.

How to get a bare-root tree off to the best start. Plant with the wind and sun in mind. Longest roots should point in direction of prevailing wind. Thinnest side should face the afternoon sun to stimulate growth and balance tree. Bud union should be on shady side of trunk to prevent sun damage to critical area.

STORED BULBS: Examine stored bulbs, rhizomes, and tubers for mildew and rot. Keep dahlia and begonia tubers moist so they won't shrivel, but not so damp that they rot. Store in cool, dark place. Remove any that have rotted. Do not store bulbs or tubers so they touch each other.

PERENIALS: Bait around primroses for slugs, also winter-blooming iris and wild ginger.

LOW TEMPERATURE: For the first half of the month of January the average nighttime low temperature was 28° at 100' elevation (Jackson Lake). This information will be a regular feature for the coming issues.



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YOUNG ASTRONAUTS

by Mel Oliver

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Thanks to the help of enthusiastic persons like the Lions Clubs and others, we now have over 9,000 chapters (108,000 young people) all across the country, and 1987-88 continues to be the most exciting year ever for the Young Astronaut program.

We will have plastic models, science kits, telescopes, binoculars, active-wear garments and many other school supplies. There will be international student exchanges to learn about space exploration conducted by other countries, and you also become involved in a mentoring program that encourages other students in space activities. There will soon be teacher training seminars held at locations around the country.

Also you will continue to enjoy fascinating field trips, receive exciting teaching materials, color curriculum posters, curriculum planning charts and access to ASTRONET -

the Young Astronaut computer data network.

Materials and programs are planned by the Education and Technology Advisory Board which includes the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), the National Education Association (NEA), and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

It is truly because of organizations like the Lions Clubs which have volunteered time and enthusiasm, that we have developed a drug-free program that has enjoyed such overwhelming success during its first three years in existence.

Ashes

FIRE DISTRICT #16 AUXILIARY MEETING

Date: First Thursday of each month
Time: 10:30 a.m.
Place: Fire Hall, Key Center
Potluck follows the meeting. No dues.
Meetings are open to all women in Fire District #16. Please feel free to join us!

On Saturday, April 25th will be a rummage sale from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Fire Hall. Donations of good, usable clothing, furniture or other items would be appreciated. Proceeds of this rummage sale will be given to the Ambulance Fund. Further information may be obtained from any of the following listed Ashes (Auxiliary) officers: Alice Palmer, 884-3882; Marie Schweka, 884-2221; Irma Kelly, 884-2848.

Eagle Boosters

The Evergreen Elementary Eagle Boosters will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 3, at 7:00 pm in the school activity room. Following a short business meeting, Dave Ellingson, Evergreen's school counselor, will speak on child abuse and the sex education program.

All parents of students at Evergreen, and community members, are welcome to attend. We offer free baby-sitting to those who need it. Following the meeting cookies and other assorted goodies (brought by the parents) will be shared. Please join us and help support our kids!

K.P. Seniors Society

The Key Peninsula Senior Society elected new officers for 1987. They are: President, Bob Smith; 1st Vice President, Betty Logan; 2nd Vice President, Alan Kruger; Treasurer, Evelyn Stinson; Recording Secretary, Martha Applegate; Corresponding Secretary, Dorothy Svinth; Directors, Beulah Kupka and Oscar Johnson.

We wish the new officers well as they take office, and we thank the fine people who worked so hard to make this last year a success.

Meetings are held each Thursday at noon at the Civic Center in Vaughn. Lunch is potluck, and cards and other games follow. Van service is available. Call 884-3623 or 884-4394.



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At Home on the Range

By Janice McMillan

I met Jackie Johnson of Maple Valley at a potluck dinner when we were both banished outdoors for smoking. This dinner lasted for hours so we got to know each other quite well and eventually talked of food and recipes. She is a superb craftsperson (she makes exquisite teeny, tiny teddy bears and beautiful miniature reproductions of existing rooms) and doesn't have a lot of time for cooking. She loves unusual, weird, and strange recipes, and sent me ten handwritten pages of recipes from her collection. The following is her recipe for caramel corn (not one of the strange ones).

CARAMEL CORN

- 2 c. brown sugar
- 1/2 c. white corn syrup
- 1 c. butter or margarine
- 1 tsp. cream of tartar
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 5 qts. popped popcorn

Bring brown sugar, syrup, butter and cream of tartar to boil. Boil for five minutes. Remove from heat and add baking soda. Stir thoroughly. Pour over popcorn and mix well. Bake at 225 degrees for one hour in large pan. Stir occasionally. Spread out on waxed paper to cool and store in airtight container.

NOTE: It seems to me that some Spanish-style peanuts added to the caramel syrup and then mixed with the popcorn would be a nice addition.

Your Park Board

A presentation was made to the Key Peninsula Park Board during the January 14 meeting by Lee Falk regarding proposed construction of a "memory lane" on the grounds of the Civic Center and Volunteer Park. The designated area would be an ongoing project where trees donated on behalf of community members or organizations who have supported either facility would be planted. Mr. Falk will donate his expertise and time to develop plans and present them at a future meeting.

The Angel Guild donated \$1,000 to the district to be used to purchase bleachers and a sandbox frame for Volunteer Park. Our community is very fortunate to be the home of such a generous organization which donates its earnings to enhance our community facilities.

Roy Madsen, chairman of the Board, is contacting endowment foundations in hopes of securing grants. He is also submitting an application to the Pierce County Department of Economic Development for a block grant. The funds would be used to install a sprinkler system in the Civic Center.

The Board would like to extend an invitation to all interested community members to attend our next meeting on February 11 at 7:30 pm at the Civic Center.

Upper Sound Grange

Upper Sound Grange #705 held its potluck and meeting January 2 at Key Peninsula Civic Center.

Guests were David Suter, pastor from Longbranch Church, and his wife Kris and daughter.

Kris talked about her French alpine goats - how she started raising them, how to take care of them, what they eat, and how much milk they give. She showed pictures, and the table decorations were goats her son had made and things she had won at shows.

Three members: Bob Ingersoll, Verda Ingersoll and Marguerite Bussard went to Fruitland Grange for their January 17 meeting.

Upper Sound Grange will have a potluck dinner meeting on February 6 at 7 pm. Guest speakers will be Dale and Claudia Loy of Sunnycrest Nursery. Pruning Trees and Gardening are their topics.

Valentine's Day will be the decorating theme. Business meeting at 8 p.m.

Lecturer Marguerite Bussard

K.P. Sportsmen's Club

- February 5 - Board Meeting
- February 7 - Card Party
- February 12 - Dinner and Meeting
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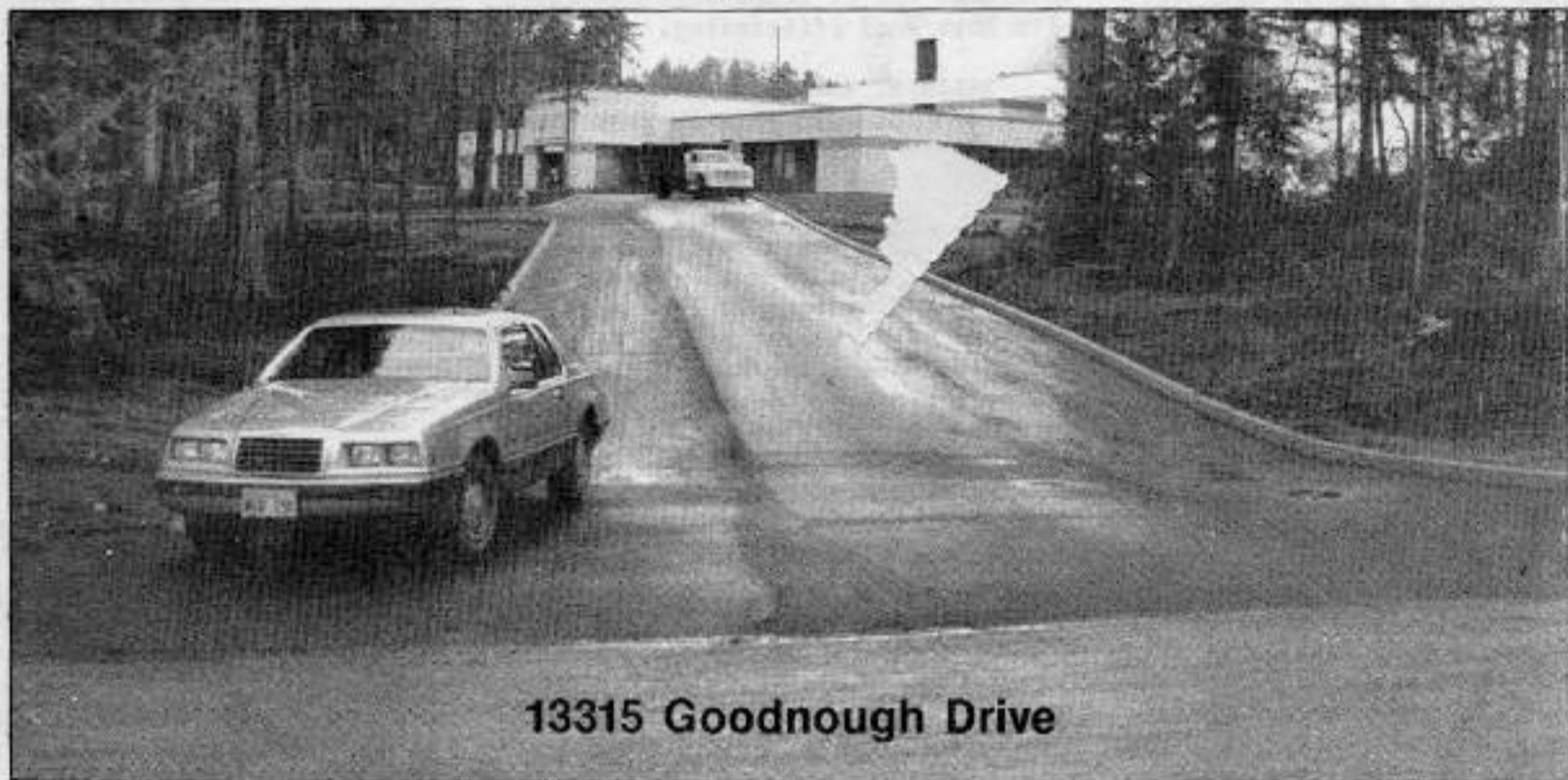
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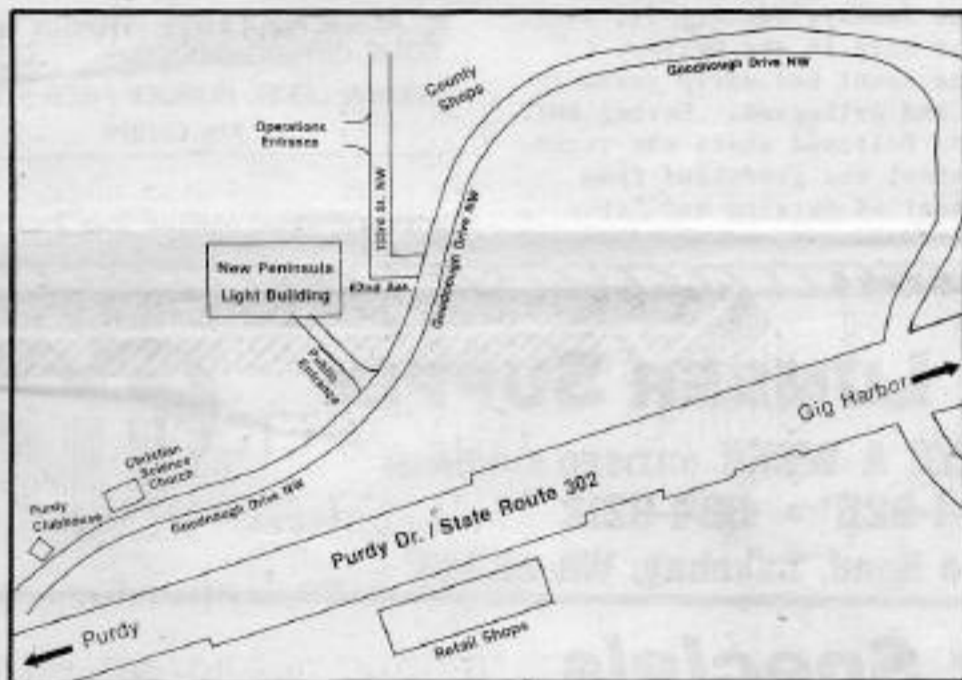
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This new location brings all Peninsula Light Company operations to a central location to serve the more than 16,000 members and customers more efficiently.

Customer parking spaces have been increased. Working areas for the 65 employees has been expanded to meet the service demands of the growing electric utility.

The map at the left shows the location of and access to Goodnough Drive.

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Payments may also be made at the Night Depositories of the Pay Stations (The Night Depository at the former Peninsula Light office will be closed on January 17.)

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Obituaries

PHYLLIS J. TANK was born April 10, 1920 and died December 18, 1986. Gilman and Phyllis Tank made their home in Longbranch. She was a member of Thousand Trails camping association. Memorial services were held on December 26 at the Longbranch Community Church.

Other survivors include a daughter April Hoff of Lakebay; sisters, Evelyn Carlson of Longbranch, Helen Shearer of Moline, Illinois, Caroline Moon of Des Moines, Iowa; a brother Carl B. Carlson of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; eight nieces, eleven nephews and one step-granddaughter. Phyllis was preceded in death by her son, Phillip.

WILLIAM HARRY WOOLDRIDGE died December 14, 1986. Bill Wooldridge was born in the Dalles, Oregon on January 16, 1917. A resident of Lakebay for fifty years he was an evergreen picker and local wholesaler.

Bill was a WWII Veteran of the US Army, also he was a member of VFW Post 4990 in Vaughn and past District Commander of the Fourth District VFW. He was active in civic life and was instrumental in establishing the Peninsula Fire Department and the Key Peninsula Civic Center. He was a hunter and a sportsman.

Survivors include his wife Betty of the home; a son Bill Jr. of Port Orchard; daughters, Donna Dixon of Everett and Kimberly

Boettger of Okanogan; his mother Roxy McCurdy of Tacoma; brothers, Jim of Longbranch and Dick of Shelton. Also five grandchildren.

Services were held December 17 at Longbranch Community Church. Interment was at Longbranch cemetery with Rhys Wood officiating.

BELLE M. BRONES died December 22, 1986. She was born at Sauk Centre, Minnesota on August 30, 1891. She was a long-time resident of Vaughn prior to moving to Tacoma, where she resided at the Frank Tobey Jones Home. Known as Grandma Brones, she was a cook for Vaughn schools for many years.

She was a member of the Vaughn Community Church and was very active in civic affairs. Graveside services were held December 26 at the Vaughn Bay Cemetery.

Survivors include sons, Wayne J. Brones, Inglewood, California; Ben Brones, Seattle; daughters, Janice Paton of El Paso, Texas, Audrey Trittle of Longbranch; brothers, Theman McGuire of Canada and Willis McGuire of North Dakota. Remembrances to Vaughn Bay Cemetery Assn.

SAVANNE WOOD SHIRLEY, 56, of Vaughn, died Sunday, January 11, 1987.

She was born in the Dalles, Oregon. She spent her early years in the Dalles and Arlington. During WWII she moved to Portland where she attended high school and graduated from Emanuel School of Nursing and later

Willamette University. She moved to Vaughn in 1973 and had been active in scouting, church, and school activities, and was a charter member and on the board of directors of the Peninsula High School Scholarship Committee. She was a member of Key Peninsula Lutheran Church.

Family members include her husband, Frank; her sons Crawford, Timothy, David, and Spencer; and her mother Mary M. Wood of Terrebonne, Oregon.

Services were held January 15 at Key Peninsula Lutheran Church. Interment was at Vaughn Cemetery, arrangements made by Haven of Rest, Gig Harbor.

Remembrances may be made to the Peninsula High School Scholarship Fund, c/o Peninsula High School, 14105 St. Rd. 16 N.W., Gig Harbor, Wa. 98335, or the American Cancer Society, 515 So. M St., Tacoma, Wa. 98405.

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LIVING WILLS AND ESTATE PLANNING By Jeffrey A. Robinson

In 1979, the Washington State Legislature passed a bill entitled the "Natural Death Act." The purpose of the new law is to allow adults the right to control decisions relating to their own medical care. This includes the power to have life-sustaining procedures withheld or withdrawn when the individual's medical condition is of a terminal nature. The law establishes the right of an adult to make a written document instructing their physician to withhold or withdraw such life-sustaining procedures.

Popularly known as the Living Will, this document is permitted in other states, as well as in Washington. The legislature believed that the dignity of the patient is paramount; and because of the uncertainty as to the legality of terminating the use of life-sustaining procedures, the intent was to allow the patient to make his/her own decision.

What is a "life-sustaining procedure"? The definition includes any medical or surgical procedure which uses mechanical or artificial means to sustain a life when this would only serve to artificially prolong the moment of death. So, where a person is suffering from an incurable condition which would result in death, one may refuse to allow the application of life-sustaining procedures merely to postpone the moment of death.

How does someone insure against

the use of such procedures when they are terminally ill? The Living Will is a document which directs the physician to refrain from prolonging life by artificial means. Certain requirements must be met if this Will is to become effective. First, the person must be of sound mind and make the declaration voluntarily. Second, it must be signed in the presence of two witnesses who are not related and who would not be entitled to inherit any part of the estate of the declarer, either by Will or by intestacy. Third, neither the physician, nor his/her employee, nor any employee of the hospital where the declarer is a patient may be a witness. Furthermore, no one who has any claim against this person's estate may be a witness. After following the proper method of executing this document, it will become a part of the patient's medical record.

Finally, this Living Will may be revoked by the declarer at any time, in any number of ways, including tearing it up or verbally expressing to the physician that he or she wishes it to be terminated.

There are many things to consider before signing a Living Will; but the fact that this is now an option provides an important alternative to many. It is essential that the proper procedures be followed, so before drafting this document, consult someone who can provide you with the necessary information and assistance.

Many senior citizens own their home and perhaps other real estate. Faced with the increased difficulty of maintaining their homes, they are faced with the need to sell. Often, this property is the largest asset they possess. Also, it is quite common that the home was purchased many years ago, and the value has increased dramatically. Thus, the owner must decide how to sell and what price is adequate.

These problems can be terrifying without proper counseling. The sale of the largest asset you own has a direct effect on the estate plan you wish to create. Therefore, it is advisable that individuals consult an attorney about how they wish to distribute their estate. In addition, if there will be significant income from the sale, then a tax professional should work with the attorney to provide proper protection for the individual. The need for proper planning for your estate cannot be over-emphasized. Often, one thinks he owns very little but, after calculating all assets, the total wealth can be substantial and have serious tax consequences upon death.

So, if you plan to sell your home or if you are unsure, a will is necessary to achieve the estate plan desired.

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VOLUNTEERS ARE THE CORE OF THE KP FIRE DEPARTMENT

By Tony Brentin

The volunteer firefighter is the core of the Key Peninsula Fire Department. Without these dedicated individuals the Fire Department could not even begin to deliver the quality service that the public has come to expect. Without the volunteer firefighter, the Fire Department would not exist.

If the volunteer is the core, then the career staff is the support. The term "career" means full-time -- a salaried employee of the Fire Department. These firefighters are the quick-response personnel who are able to respond to emergencies quicker because they are in the station or in a District vehicle at the time an

emergency call is received. However, because there may be only one on-duty career firefighter at any one time, they cannot handle most calls themselves. Volunteer firefighters provide the needed manpower support.

Responding to emergencies is where the career firefighter's job only begins. The career staff handles the day-to-day operational and maintenance chores. Vehicle and facility repairs, checking, maintaining and testing support equipment and fire protections systems, equipment purchase, specification writing, maintenance of records, correspondence and procedural review are only some of the support functions the career staff performs. As the community's demand for services grows, so does the work load necessary to maintain around the clock operational readiness.

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it was suggested a petition be circulated among the groups and presented to the phone company.

Vents are needed in both bathrooms; bids will be obtained and the work should be done before the roof is repaired.

Advertising Civic Center space for weddings was discussed, and because of limited availability of dates it was decided to advertise in the Newsletter only.

The next meeting of the Civic Center Board will be held February 12.

Respectfully submitted,
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CLASSIFIED AD RATE CHANGE

Effective September '86 classified ads will cost 15c a word, with a minimum charge of \$2.00. 50c will be added as a billing charge if ads are not prepaid.

NEW POLICY

When news coverage is desired at community events complimentary tickets must be provided K. P. News staff.

KEY PENINSULA CIVIC CENTER EVENTS FEBRUARY 1987

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Volleyball (10 am - (teams) 12 pm) Girl Scouts 1-3 pm	2 Aerobics 9-10 am Rocky Bay 12:30 - 1:30 Cub Scouts - Webelos 7-8 pm Teen AA - 7-9 pm Volleyball - 7-9 pm (public practice)	3 Cub Scouts-Wolves 3:15-5 pm Aerobics 6-7 pm TOPS 6:30-8 pm Karate - 7-9 pm KPAAs - 7 pm	4 Aerobics 9-10 am Rocky Bay 12:30-1:30 Cub Scouts-Bears 3:15-5 pm Brownies 3:40-5 pm Fun Night 7 pm	5 Seniors 11-4 pm Aerobics 6-7 pm Karate 7-9 pm Teen AA 7-9 pm	6 Aerobics 9-10 am Rocky Bay 12:30-1:30 Skating 6-7:45 pm, 8-9:30 pm Grange 6-11 pm	7 Aerobics 8:30-9:30
8 Volleyball (teams) (10 am - 12 pm) Girl Scouts 1-3 pm	9 Aerobics 9-10 am Rocky Bay 12:30 - 1:30 Cub Scouts - Webelos 7-8 pm Teen AA 7-9 pm Volleyball 7-10 pm (public practice) VFW & Aux. 8-10 pm	10 Cub Scouts-Wolves 3:15 - 5 pm Aerobics 6-7 pm TOPS 6:30 - 8 pm Karate 7-9 pm Exec. Board 7:30 pm	11 Aerobics Rocky Bay Daisies 3:15-5 pm Fun Night Park Board 7:30 pm	12 Seniors Aerobics Karate Teen A.A. KPCC Board 7:30 pm	13 Aerobics Rocky Bay Skating	14 Aerobics Dahl-Wheeler Wedding Cornman Wedding
15 Volleyball (teams) (10 am - 12 pm) Girl Scouts 1-3 pm	16 Aerobics 9-10 pm Rocky Bay 12:30 - 1:30 Cub Scouts - Webelos 7-8 pm Teen AA 7-9 pm Volleyball 7-10 pm (public practice)	17 Cub Scouts-Wolves Aerobics TOPS Karate	18 Aerobics Rocky Bay Cub Scouts - Bears Brownies Fun Night	19 Seniors Aerobics Karate Teen A.A. Cootiettes 7-11 pm	20 Aerobics Rocky Bay V.C.S. Skate 1:30-2:30 pm Skate Night	21 Aerobics Twilite Dance 9 pm
22 Volleyball (Teams) Girl Scouts	23 Aerobics Rocky Bay Cub Scouts -Webelos Teen A.A. Volleyball (public)	24 Cub Scouts - Wolves Aerobics TOPS Karate	25 Aerobics Rocky Bay Cub Scouts-Bears Daisies Fun Night	26 Seniors Aerobics Karate Teen A.A. Cub Scouts - 7 pm	27 Aerobics Rocky Bay Skate Night	28 Aerobics Fire Dept. Banquet 12 pm-11 pm



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