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THANK YOU! THANK YOU! Thank You!

To all of the registered voters who took their time to go to the polls in support of the Special M & O Levy for the Key Peninsula Park & Recreation District, we wish to express our grateful thanks and appreciation.

With 961 "yes" votes and 471 "no's", the passage indicated the "stay together" attitude of the majority of the citizens of our peninsula area.

This vote also proved that the democratic process is still "alive and well." It proves that voters still have the opportunity to vote their conscience and the majority will prevail. Keeping the rights to speak, worship and vote are as important today as they were two hundred years ago.

We promise to allocate these funds in the most frugal and economical manner possible and that for the next two years "the Centers will remain in healthy condition."

Our sincere gratitude,
Key Peninsula Park & Recreation
Commissioners
Walt Smith, Chairman
Bob Schottland, Vice Chairman
Don Mills, Secretary
Oskar Schock, Treasurer
Rod Johnson, Commissioner



SANTA TRAIL

The Key Peninsula Boosters are sponsoring the Santa Train again this year for children up and down our peninsula. To connect with the train, read the following schedule for Saturday, December 12th.

- 9:30 AM-Purdy Parking Lot
- 11:15 AM-Arco Station at Horseshoe Lake and Highway 302
- 12:00 Noon - Corral at Key Center
- 1:30 PM-Home Post Office
- 2:15 PM-Longbranch Mercantile Store

There will be free polaroid pictures of your children with Santa. Only candy canes will be distributed. The business people sponsoring the event donated to the Health Clinic instead of investing in toys to hand out.

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CHRISTMAS

KEY PENINSULA FIREFIGHTER'S WELCOME "SANTA"

Christmas will soon be here, and Santa is visiting the Key Peninsula area again this year. He enjoyed the old and young alike the past 3 years very much.

Key Peninsula Firefighters from Fire District #16, will escort Santa around the District in hopes no one will be missed.

To help make it easier for everyone, we have a schedule of the routes we will be taking. There will be some special stop points this year that you can bring your children to. We will leave headquarters station in Key Center at 6:30 each evening, with the exception of Sunday, December 13th, at which time we will leave at 6:00 and plan on ending each night at 9:00.

Check the schedule for the stop point nearest you, and the routes in your area:

- Dec. 13th - Key Center to Hall Rd.; Bay View Rd. to Bliss Cochran; Nursing Home; 302 E. to Lake Holiday; and Lake of the Woods.
- Dec. 14th - Stop point for Longbranch area at Longbranch Fire St.#4. 7:00 - 7:30; on to Yazell Rd.; to Whiteman Rd.; then on to Palmer Lake.
- Dec. 15th - Stop point for Home, near gas station, 7:00 - 7:30; along "A" st.; to 10th St to Mc Ewen Rd.; ending at Jackson Lake
- Dec. 16th - Stop point acrossed from Wauna Post Office, 7:00-7:15; Emerald Shores to Danforth; Wauna Acres; Wauna Shores; Greentree Hill; Horseshoe Estates; ending at Fire St.#1, Wauna - Minter aprox 9:00.
- Dec. 17th - Minterbrook stop point near the Brook Restaurant, 7:00 - 7:30, Creviston Dr. Woodside Homes; S.Elgin; Minterbrook; Minter Beach; and Glen Cove.
- Dec. 18th - Lake Minterwood; on to stop point at Key Peninsula Civic Center, 7:00 to 8:00, back to Key Center Fire Station 8:00 to 9:00.

REMEMBER CANDY CANES FOR ALL THE KIDS





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The Key Peninsula Newsletter is published monthly by the Key Peninsula Civic Center as a community service and Board project. It is staffed by volunteers and solicits news of general interest to the community.

SKATING HOURS CHANGED

The skating at the Key Peninsula Civic Center is now under the management of Dale and Claudia Loy, custodians at the Civic Center.

There are new hours for skating. They are as follows:

1st Session-3rd grade and under
6:00-7:00 PM

2nd Session-All youngsters through eighth grade - 7:00-9:00 PM

3rd Session-Ages 14 and up - 9:00-11:00 PM

New prices are:

1st & 2nd Sessions-\$1.00 admission

\$1.50 admission & skate rental

3rd Session-\$1.50 admission

\$2.00 admission & skate rental

Claudia and Dale would like to encourage third graders and under to skate early from six to seven PM. It is much easier for them to navigate at that time.

Also, they encourage large groups who wish to skate to call for special rates and possibly using the Civic Center for skating on a night other than Friday.

YOUR PREZ SEZ:

The time has come to write this last column and I'd like to thank all those of you who have been such a help these past two years. I could not begin to list all the names but I want especially to thank Bob Schottland for his help as past president and Tom Van Slyke for his assistance in so many ways. Thanks also to Lila Hoem and Sue Shattuck for work as secretary and treasurer. All on the Board and Executive Committee deserve gold stars for support and help. I want especially to thank my husband for his help: answering the phone, revising vacation schedules, giving me the time and support to do the work.

Congratulations to Tom Van Slyke! Let's all pitch in and give him support and help and ideas for improving the work at the Center. Volunteer your help in all areas.

Membership contracts are due for next year this month. Remember to give Betty Beal a copy of your membership list when you sign a contract. These are kept in a file only in case the gambling commission wants to see them -- we do not use them for any other purpose. Each year the commission has asked if we have them so we must have them on file. Please also let us know right away who your organization will have as its representative on the Board next year so that all will run smoothly.

Our special thanks to members of the Newsletter staff who work each month to get out this paper and do it with very little fanfare.

-Marian Wagner

NEW OFFICERS FOR CIVIC CENTER

At our Board meeting on November 12th, Tom Van Slyke was elected to be president of the Civic Center Board for the next two years. Mike Salatino was chosen to be vice-president. Representatives were also elected as follows: Carney Lake, Betty Beal, James Taylor; Rocky Bay, Verba Ingersol; Victor, Jane Van Slyke; Vaughn, Connie Schaefer; Lake Holiday, Joe Davis; Lake of the Woods, Penny Zimmerman and Harry Klein.

Minter, Clarke White; Wauna, Sheila Comfort; Key Center, Shirley Olson and Joyce Niemann; Home, Keith Stiles and Ken Retherford; Lakebay, Mary Seidelman and Annabelle Evans; Longbranch, Vicki Henschel and Shirley Marietta; Palmer Lake, Frances Warren; Jackson Lake, Clem Kurz and Lake Minterwood, Aubrey Franklin.

Announced to fill in unexpired terms for treasurer was Lenore Jameson and for secretary, Shirley Frame.

Representatives from Organizations are chosen by those groups.

KEY PENINSULA LIBRARY HOURS

MON. & THURS.: 1-5 p.m. - 6-9 p.m.

TUES.: 1-5 p.m.

SATURDAY: 1-12 noon - 1-4 p.m.

FRIENDS OF THE KEY CENTER LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library who met together on November 18th, were told that the Performance Circle Players had cancelled their December 17th presentation of Dickens, "A Christmas Carol" at the Middle School. They sincerely regret this unfortunate circumstance.

On December 5th, the Friends will sponsor a booth at the Christmas Arts and Crafts Day at Vaughn Community Center. Home-cooked goodies will be sold from 10:00-4:00 at the Dickens' Sweet Shop.

A series of three free movies are planned for the children, the first of which will be shown from 7:00-9:00 PM on January 29th, title to be announced. The second will be The Hobbit on February 26th and the third will be on March 26th. Watch for further details.

A garden clinic conducted by a master gardener is in the works for March and there will be a spring sale in May. Since last years book marketing adventure developed to include such a variety of items, next years will also include not only books, but plants, foods and assorted white elephant objects.

Virginia Sands, Landscaping Committee Chairperson, and some of her committee are meeting with the architect in December to formulate the planting design so that work can begin when the adjoining medical complex is completed.

The next meeting of the Friends of the Key Center Library will be on January 21, 1982 at 8:00 PM in the library.

Arts & Crafts Fair Sat., Dec. 5

KEY PENINSULA CIVIC CENTER

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Friends:

Thank you very much for your excellent paper. Recognition of happy Randy Viers - "home boy makes good".

Thanks for "Stand Up and Be Counted", by Robert L. Wilder - almost as inspirational as the truism by Calvin Coolidge - one of our greatest heros! Such education must begin in infancy. So when the little ones reach school age (hopefully our educational system may reach the point where children are taught the basics and ability to think and speak their thoughts clearly) not how to play, disrespect authority, sex and foolish abstracts.

Thanks to Ruth Little. You gave me the fun of seeing the quilt display - food for thought of our brave pioneers who started this American art of necessity. Cloth was so scarce, every tiny scrap of material had to be used - nothing wasted.

Also, thanks for the fun of remembering having helped to set up a very special display at Henry Gallery, of antique dolls. In those years, always having loved dolls, I was active in the Seattle Doll Collectors Club. I joined it, at its beginning, when three of our sons left for overseas service. It was the first such club in Seattle, but now there are dozens of organizations in that vicinity. Two early members faithfully attended from Tacoma. Now, of course, there are several in Tacoma, but they have become so highly specialized - so few oldies extinct - not such fun! Also we served as hostess at the phenomenal doll show at the World's Fair in 1962. Enough?

Thanks also for news of sports, social events and "something for everyone". Your art work is so interesting and original. I would have tried to collaborate with this artist when I was a healthy young 72 year old girl going to college to try to learn how to have a book published - "Stories for Children". Grandchildren and so many other young ones enjoyed my stories about the "olden days" I had hoped to share them. My marvellous "Creative Writing" teacher talked me out of that urge. "Marie, you have talent for etc." In our class of 28 students, all young ones except three of us, the teacher was horrified to learn, only three had ever studied grammar. They knew not the meaning of "tense", 'apostrophe' or even 'noun' or 'verb'. I enjoyed only two sessions, but oh! how greatly! Someone else needed me at home.

Then started the rheumatoid arthritis and heart trouble - progressing so rapidly that made me the useless biped I now am. Without complaining, I am thanking God for my blessings. A son takes care of me in our new modern home with a view that 26 alphabetical letters and thousands of dictionary words cannot

describe, a private beach, tall evergreens, condominiums for dozens of different bird species, and best - the quiet peacefulness. Our reason for moving here is too long a story to write now.

I must place the pencil between two immobile fingers and propel it across the page - on a lap-board - by arm muscle movement. It becomes more and more of an effort to do even this - hope you have had the patience to overcome boredom - but, even if you have not - what's the difference? I will not even know! Every minute a new story idea pops up.

Our new neighbor, a young, energetic boy of 63 years old - his artificial limb hampers him not. He seems to love son Paul (mechanics, nuts and bolts in common) but his dog, Goofball, who now thinks he lives here (Paul's hospitality is too great) scratches fleas, eats too much, and worse, nips our guests to draw blood. A 4 year old great granddaughter calls long distance from Corvallis, Oregon, where her mother teaches and asks for a story about Goofball and about 'olden days' when there was no radio or T.V. When school is out she visits and loves the word 'mercantile' and the duck crossing sign etc. How about Longbranch Mercantile's expansion? How I'd enjoy the new antique shop!

Another story - we were happy when son Paul's beloved cat, Debuessy, adapted to the change, intimidated the dogs, caught the mice and roamed freely about. The beloved pet failed to come home one day - weeks ago - and Paul cannot get over the loss. What happened to him?

I had a birthday this week - 83 years - guests, gifts, cards, letters and long distance calls so gratefully received, but why? A part-time bionic woman - hooked up to oxygen tanks to help the wornout heart go on throbbing, though irregularly.

More power to your future success
Kindest wishes to the dedicated staff and thanks again for sending us an issue.

Fondly,
Marie M. Brown and son
Paul

DECEMBER BOARD MEETING

The December Board meeting will be a festive occasion with a potluck dinner on December 10th at 6:30 PM. At this meeting members of the Key Peninsula Newsletter staff, Park Board members and their spouses will be special guests.

Each person is to bring a small gift for the exchange, with men bringing a gift suitable for a man and women for a woman.

We want to see all old and new Board members out for this meeting.

PENN ANTS # 609

Penn Ants were everywhere at the Civic Center at Vaughn, helping with the spaghetti Dinner for the Health Clinic at Key Center. Cootiettes brought pies, cakes, salad greens, all ready for dressing and sauces for the spaghetti, and many were very busy serving. Nat Knox and Judy Wilson were given special recognition for their services donated as volunteers at the clinic and each was presented with a corsage.

Alice Palmer, Cora Lee Harriman, Marie Schwenka, and Thelma Cadle, visited the Bremerton Naval Hospital on October 27th.

Chief Grayback Daisy Mae Harfst, Coretta Van Antwerp, Alice Palmer, Brenda Obarr, Evelyn Stinson, Nat Knox, Cora Lee Harriman, Judy Wilson, and Marie Schwenka, visited the Anchoresses Club in Bremerton on Nov. 2nd.

On Nov. 12th, seven Cootiettes visited the Rocky Bay Health Center taking Bananas for the occupants and going to Cottesmore Convalescent home with 10 dozen cookies.

Our December calendar for the Christmas Parties at Rocky Bay will be Saturday, December 12th, and at Cottesmore on the 21st of December.

Penn Ants regular meeting night will be a Christmas Party refreshments, good food, a gift exchange, revealing secret pals and fixing food baskets for the needy families. Also we donate money to the American Lake Veterans, in the form of a gift certificates, for them to purchase presents.

Merry Christmas to All from
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FREE COMPUTERS

Christmas is still a day of hope, but the age of wide-eyed surprise is a lot younger than it used to be. Television has lowered the gullibility level. Kids who are hoping for an expensive computer are probably some sharper than we were at the same age. I wanted a windup train.

My knowledge of computers is pretty vague, but I think they have better uses for them than playing shoot'em down games. Along with aging we accumulate all kinds of numbers. The numbers are on paper, which clutter up the place. It gets lost, outdated, and makes us almost hopeful that we are not the favored ones who are going to live forever. In a couple hundred more years, we would spend all our time looking up stuff. So please, Santa, bring me a computer.

As I understand it, a few discs or tapes would store our life history in a fairly small space. In our old age we could just sit around punching buttons to keep track of who we are, our Social Security numbers and things. There would be family history, finances, (at least before R.R.) and neighborhood stories, with the good ones labeled 'top secret'. This would require a separate catalog arrangement, so our computer shows would not be shown to the wrong parties, (I already sense complications.) Imagine what a rerun of a neighborhood feud would stir up if the feuding parties happened to be attending a hoped for historical show and were shown a refun of the feud!

It is hard to imagine any kid lucky enough to get a computer trying to ruit it but it does happen. Soaked in alcohol, befogged with the smoke of tobacco, "grass", drugs and funny mushrooms, some computers lead a rugged life. Of course I am referring to the free ones that we come equipped with: brains. They are surprisingly durable, however.

Money cannot buy a machine with the ability to react to any situation, or love, or hate, or feel sympathy. Our free computers evaluate millions of bits every day. True, they make mistakes, but generally they keep our bodies going. Come to think of it, we are pretty lucky. If we had treated our free computers better when we were young, we wouldn't be wishing for one in our old age.

Now I was thinking of something else, but forget what it was. Let me think a minute. Oh yes--MERRY CHRISTMAS!!

PENINSULA SOCIAL CLUB

A potluck dinner and meeting of the Peninsula Social Club will be held at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, December 8th at the Longbranch Church Annex.

Guests that evening will be Mr. and Mrs. John Entwhistle who will lead the group in the singing of Christmas Carols.

Those living in Home and vicinity are welcome to come.

BOOK REVIEW

Tepee Fires is the title of a book by W. Corwin Chase of Vaughn published this month by Coffee Break Press of Burley.

The book contains 20 full page pen and ink drawings by the artist - plus complete instructions for making a tepee.

The text of the book relates the adventures of 2 young artists who learned to make wood block prints in color while living four years in tepees in the Puget Sound country.

The book is available at local book stores.

RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to winners of the raffle at the Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Dinner.

Gift Certificates were awarded to the following:
Zoe Sanders, Jerry's Cafe; Dora Heinrich, Texaco Lube Job; Helene Wolniwicz, Schick's Floor Covering; Marie Dodge, Dick Boyle's Oil Change; Tina Johnson, Fitzgerald Ford Oil/Filter Special; Josephyne Lee, Harbortique Fabrics; Bud Franklin, K.C. Shell.

HARD WORK and ambition can carry us far, even if we don't have much formal education. A junk dealer in a northeastern state who is a millionaire never got beyond the eighth grade. When asked how he managed to do so well in spite of this, the fellow replied: "Well, it ain't hard, really. I just buy things for \$1 and sell them for \$4. You'd be surprised how fast that 3% profit piles up."

PEOPLE have a way of becoming what you encourage them to be, not what you nag them to be.

PIERCE COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION NEWS RELEASE

REPORT ON TANSY RAGWORT

The Pierce County Weed Board took a strong stand on control of Tansy Ragwort during the summer of 1981.

According to Woody Bernard, Area Extension Agent, the Board has begun court proceedings against 67 landowners, including timber companies whose neighbors have complained because they have not controlled Tansy. Those people can be found guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of \$500.

Board members also have contracted with spray services to cut and spray two parcels of land that have been heavily infested for several years. In both cases, the land owners have been billed for that expense. If not paid, the bill will be attached as a tax lien to the property.

In addition to regulatory control of Tansy Ragwort, the Weed Board has provided information and cost-sharing programs for county residents also. Over 5000 phone calls were recorded on the weed phone and over 3000 personal contacts were made. Sprayers were purchased and made available for over 1000 use days during the short period they have been available.

At a recent meeting, the Board approved an increased amount of cost share money for chemicals to be used for fall spraying. For further information on Tansy Ragwort control call the Weed Board office at 535-0600. An 6 Tansy plants killed this fall will not be around next spring.

John W. Bernard
Area Extension Agent

Coffee Break

presents **PRESS**
Gifts of Books
by local authors

(all new) *Weed Eater's Cookbook*, Cora Chase \$5.95. Identification and delectable cooking methods of Peninsula weeds. Graphically illustrated.

Tepee Fires, W. Corwin Chase \$14.95. The exciting chronicle of two men who traveled through the Washington Wilderness capturing its splendor in wood block prints. Four years of camping beautifully illustrated.

Past and Repast, Betty Marsh \$5.95. A delicate weave of a young girl's tender memories with recipes from a past of gracious repast.

Men of Valor, Captain Donald K. Ross, USN (ret.) and Helen L. Ross \$14.95. Historical dramatization of the stories behind the WA State recipients of the Medal of Honor.

Grandies Are Great, Evelyn L. Perrigo \$5. Humorous philosophical bits of wisdom encouraging Grandies to recognize their self worth.

Color-a-Story Books (first 2 in a series)

Niddy Noddy the Noodlemaker, Virginia H. Maas \$4. An engaging fantasy which explains the origin of the rainbow, illustrated by Carolyn McIntosh.

The Summer the Flowers Had No Scent, 3rd edition, D. Miles Nicolai, \$3. Presented on NBC/TV 4/1/79. Charming fantasy about a lazy elf. Delightfully illustrated by nationally honored Victoria Poyser and redesigned by Paula Bodnar.



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Longbranch News

PENINSULA NEIGHBORS

Sponsoring Christmas gift ideas will be by Joann Ross of the Pierce County Extension Office. The Program is on Monday, November 30th, at 10:00 AM. The public is cordially invited. The Peninsula Neighbors will also meet on December 9th at 11:30 AM for a potluck and cookie exchange.



NUTRITION

December 8th at 1:00 PM will be the Senior Nutrition Lunch. Ann Engelsen of Clover Park has planned Turkey and Dressing Loaf, Gingerale Mold, and her favorite Carrot Pudding with Foamy Sauce. On December 22nd there will be a potluck and gift exchange at the home of Jean Humphreys.



LONGBRANCH COMMUNITY CHURCH

Saturday, December 19th, a Potluck Supper at 5:30 followed by a Candlelight Christmas program at the Longbranch Community Church.

BAYSHORE GARDEN CLUB

Bayshore Garden Club will meet on Friday, December 18th. Each member is to bring a Holiday arrangement which will be exchanged with other members.

The hostesses are Dorothy Peusa, Virginia Tillman and Peg Lemp.

PNEUMOVAX VACCINE UNDER MEDICARE

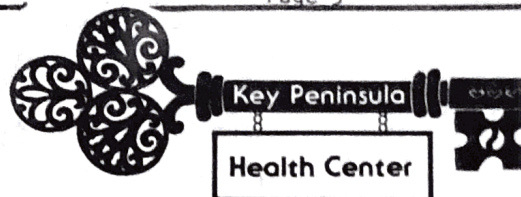
You can now be protected against pneumococcal pneumonia for five years. The vaccine is not a cure or treatment. You must have it before you get an infection.

Pneumococcal pneumonia is a leading cause of serious illness, hospitalization, and death among people over 65; especially when certain chronic diseases are present, such as diabetes, lung, kidney, or heart disease.

You must get your vaccination through your own doctor. The Key Peninsula Health Clinic cannot give it unless you are one of their regular patients.

I BELIEVE that a human being can do a lot himself to shape his life. For me, the most important thing is to work hard when I work and acquire all possible knowledge in my line of work ... and then learn how to relax in between.

Lauritz Melchoir



KEY PENINSULA HEALTH CENTER

SPECIAL THANKS:

Thanks to everyone who helped to make the October 24th spaghetti dinner/Raffle a huge success -- Over \$2,000 raised. Donations of food, money, merchandise, and services; and the time and efforts of many volunteers; Plus: The Double Tub Juggernaut Band, who entertained; The Civic Center, which donated the space; The Angel Guild, who raised an additional \$ 2000 with their Key Center Thrift Shop operation. All this shows the kind of community spirit necessary to make good things happen. Proceed will be used to purchase needed medical equipment.

ACCIDENT PREVENTION:

PLAYPENS: The safest playpens are those with the mesh sides and padded surfaces. Watch for pinch points, sharp corners, breakable plastic ornaments, loose fitting hardware, and decorations that might come loose and be inhaled. Slats and side rails should be free of splinters and have non-toxic surfaces. Slats should be no more than 2½ to 3 inches apart. Don't use the play pen in a moving motor vehicle.

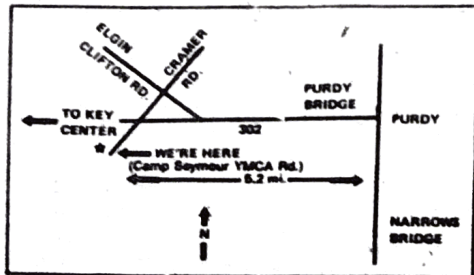
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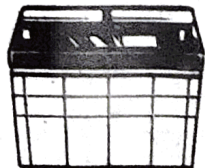
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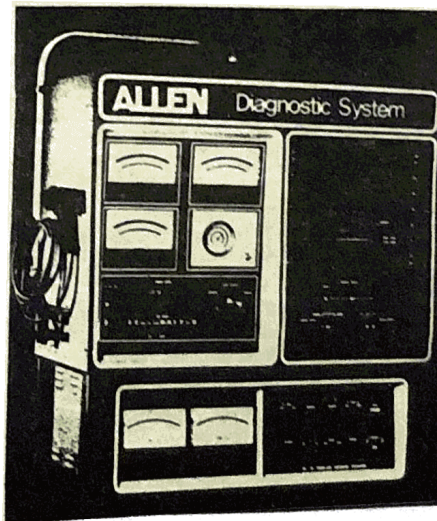


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V.F.W. POST 4990

The Post and Auxiliary will have their annual Christmas party on December 14th in the Gold Room at the Civic Center.

Refreshments will be served at 6:30 PM. At 7:30 PM there will be a potluck dinner with the Post furnishing the meat.

We welcome all old members to come meet with friends you haven't seen for a while and we wish to see the new members and friends who are interested in joining us.

After dinner, there will be an exchange of gifts, with each woman bringing a gift for a woman, and the men bringing gifts for men.

NEWYEAR FELLOWSHIP

Members and friends of the Longbranch Church will have a potluck and fellowship at the home of Ken and Olie' McDowell on Saturday, January 2nd at 4:30 PM.

ASHES

The Dec. 3rd. meeting will be at Fire Station #2 in Key Center at 10:30 a.m. After the meeting we will have a Christmas Party, with a gift exchange with a \$2.50 limit and a potluck. We wish everyone a Happy Holiday.

Silver Threads

KEY PENINSULA SENIOR SOCIETY

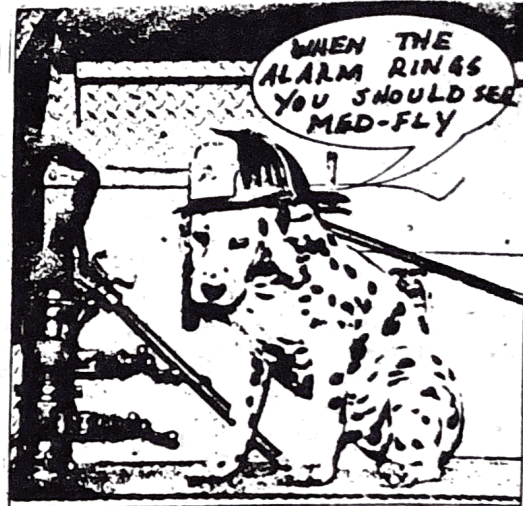
There is no need to be lonely on a Thursday because 35 to 50 seniors meet every Thursday at noon in the Gold Room of the Civic Center, and will be happy to greet you. Bring your favorite dish for pot-luck and join the crowd.

The Thanksgiving luncheon on November 19 was a howling success, due to the hard work of Mary Joy Entwistle and her committee. The tables were set for ninety with a Thanksgiving decor and looked very festive as one entered the Gold Room.

The raffle was an exciting part of the day when the following enthusiastic recipients held lucky numbers: Marie Dodge, Tina Johnson, Dora Heinrich, Sue Franklin, JoLee Helen Wolniwicz, and Zoe Sanders. Seniors are looking forward to DECEMBER 21st when the Pierce County Transit buses will start rolling from Tacoma to Key Center and return with a transfer point at Community College. The senior van will make its last shopping run to Tacoma on December 18th. A BIG THANK YOU to the drivers of the van that made these shopping trips possible.

Mark your calendars for December 3rd which is the next pot luck followed by the regular monthly meeting. Come and get acquainted!!

Firehouse Competition



"SPARKY" Fire District #16's mascot. **MURIEL BURHANS**



FIRE DISTRICT # 16

Congradulation to the winners of the " Sparky Waggish Words " Contest held during Fire Prevention Week. Muriel Burhans took the top prize. Other winners were Ronnie and Andy Simons and Robert Kanno.

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COFFEE ANY TIME

Now Open in Key Center

Come in and say Hello, so we can get Acquainted



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Taking Things On Consignment

DR. PENROSE GUILD

The Dr. Penrose Orthopedic Guild's annual Christmas Auction and luncheon will be held at the Key Center home of Mrs. Kenneth Brones on December 10th. Mrs. Stuart Arns will once again demonstrate her talents as auctioneer to raise money for the Mary Bridge Children's Hospital.

Members, associate members, and guests are asked to arrive at 11:00 AM. Each member is reminded to bring two dozen Christmas cookies plus an item for the auction.

Hostesses for this annual event are Mrs. Dominic Marietta, Ms. Judy Cleghorn, Mrs. Christopher Milspaugh, Mrs. Robert Rodine, and Mrs. George Nayer.

LOCAL ART COMPETITION WINNERS

The Peninsula Bay Artisan's presented "Peninsula Country" arts and crafts show last month. Winners in the competition were: Key Peninsula Middle School; 1st, Lisa Thompson, 2nd, Rikki Thompson, 3rd, Dave Duchnowski, Honorable Mention, Steve Johnson. Adults; 1st, Marion Fina, Raft Island-silkscreen, 2nd, Brint Sagle, Lakebay-watercolor, 3rd, Ernie Donehower, Gig Harbor-watercolor, Honorable Mention, Carol Mikelson, Lakebay-pen and ink.

People's choice was Margaret Henley. Mrs. Henley, who is 75, commutes from her Herron Island Home to study art at T.C.C.

VAUGHN GARDEN CLUB

Garden Club members will attend a Christmas luncheon and gift exchange at the home of Marylou Moore on Crescent Beach Road, (formerly the end of South Vaughn Road). The luncheon is at 12:30 on Wednesday, December 16. Co-hostesses are Pauline Read and Ruth Watt.

Each member is ask to bring one dozan cookies and a \$1.00 gift. Cars meet at the civic center parking lot about 12:15, for those who need rides or directions.

SQUARE DANCERS

The Skirts-N-Flirts Square Dance Club would like to wish you all a very merry Christmas.

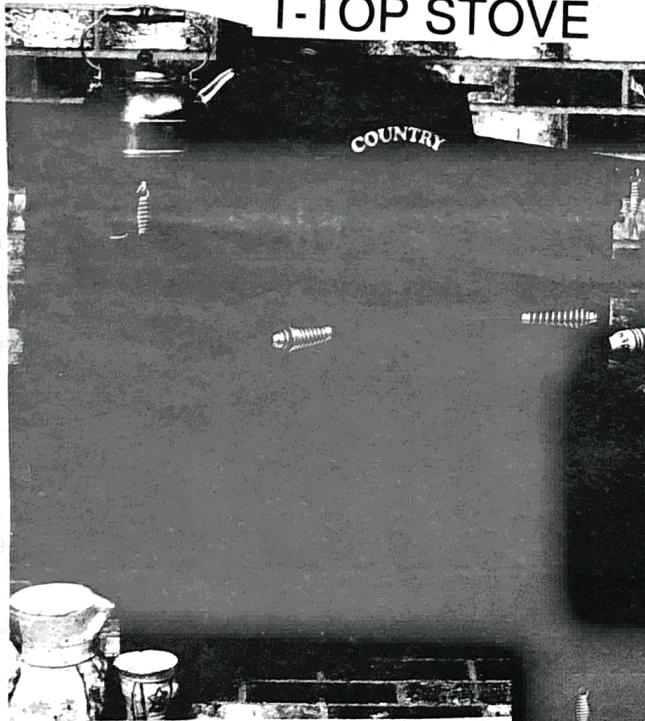
They would like to invite all beginning dancers and all former dancers who may be a little rusty, to their Christmas Dance on December 19th in the gym at the Civic Center.

Workshop begins at 8:00 PM with the dance starting at 8:30 PM. This dance will be held at the 10 lesson level so everyone can come and have a good time.

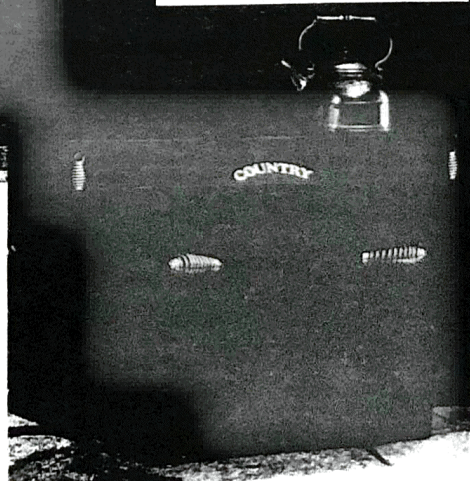
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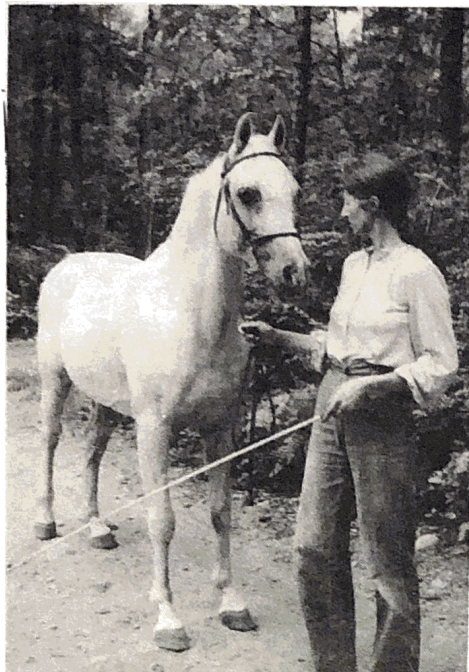
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ART PRESENTATION

On Sunday November 22nd, there was an impressive presentation and sale of works by area artisans at Full Moon Creations Workshop on Lackey Road. The many guests were treated to view a variety of quality work.

The artisans and their works were as follows: Ruth Brockmann, Art Glass; Richard LaLonde, Art Glass; Walter Barkas, Woodcarving; Britta Brones, Weaving; Margaret Campbell, Walking Sticks; Cora Chase, Author; Corwin Chase, Author and Printmaker; Michael Dupille, Watercolors and Art Shirts; Janet Gormly, Weaving; Reni Moriarity, Pottery; Melinda McGraw, Ukranian Eggs; Pat Rutledge, Batik; Rivkah Sweedler, Fiber Arts; and Patsy Werner, Pottery.

Richard LaLonde displayed his first pieces of glasswork blown in his own furnace on the location. Ruth Brockman's stained glass exhibit was prominent and her works can also be seen inlaid in the Key Center Library windows. Corwin Chase sold many copies of his book *Tepee Fires* just off the press. Cora Chase had several of her books for sale. Janet Gormly and Britta Brones had individualistic artistic weavings as well as practical



BUS SERVICE COMING!!!

Pierce County Transit buses are scheduled to begin operation Dec. 21 between Tacoma and Key Center. There may also be a "feeder" service between Longbranch and Key Center. When we have more details, including schedules and fares, they will be published in the next Newsletter.

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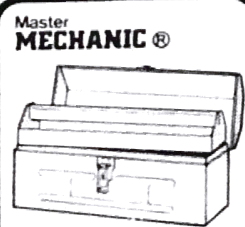
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Little by Little

-By Ruth Little

The mushroom crop didn't amount to much at the beginning of the Season: the ground was too dry in most places. But when the rains began and the weather stayed mild, they exploded all over the woods. There was a great variety of species to be found - really exciting for the true mycologist. I have never seen such large specimens of King Boletus. Most of the fungi were of no interest to the average 'pot hunters' since they are interested in edible mushrooms only. I'm definitely in that class so I limited my picking mostly to chanterelles. A day spent in the woods looking for mushrooms is such fun!

I must tell you about my last trip to gather mushrooms. A friend and I were sauntering about in opposite directions as we often do. She met a man picking brush who asked whether she had permission to be there. She assured him that she was with Mrs. Little who had been talking to the owner of that property. He then asked whether Mrs. Little had ever taught school and when she told him "yes", he joined her until they came to the spot where I had discovered some chanterelles.

I was pleased to learn that he had been in my first grade class in 1945 - my first year in Vaughn. I had 46 first and second graders whom I taught until 3 o'clock at which time I went to the main building (the present Civic Center) to teach the High School Glee Club. They won some sort of recognition at a county choral contest. Elsie Olson was one mother who attended the affair (Do you remember any more details, Elsie?)

My, here I've written a couple of pages about mushrooms and digressions related to them and I planned to write just a sentence or two. Mushroom season is just about past and Christmas season is almost here.

When I was a child back in the stone age, Christmas decorations were done the day before Christmas. This was not a peculiarity of just the Putnam family. All of our friends and neighbors in Spokane celebrated Christmas that way. Of course there were no Christmas trees for sale in the stores. Everyone went to the woods and cut a tree. It was trimmed the night before Christmas after the children went to bed.

When we grew older we were allowed to stay up and trim the tree and we feasted on pop corn and apples which were a nightly ritual at our home. My father popped (downstairs in the furnace) a huge dish pan of pop corn almost every night and of course we always had lots of apples.

In those days all trees were lighted by real candles which fit into a small metal clip that snapped onto the branches of the tree. It makes me shudder now just to think of the danger but I never heard of anyone having a fire. Those twinkling candles were beautiful! In fact even after I began teaching, we used real candles on our trees at school programs and also church "Christmas Exercises" as they were called. Seems incredible now.

In those days children got just a few simple presents - two or three. We hung our stockings and guess what was the big deal in them - an orange and a banana. Of course those fruits were not commonplace. At our home we had lots of delicious candy, cookies and cakes.

Now when I shop for my great-grand-children, I'm disturbed at how difficult it is to find any toys or games that aren't shoddy junk - poorly built, mechanical toys that barely last through the holidays. They are a waste of money and bad training for the children. I understand that there will be some sturdy home made wooden toys for sale at our next Arts and Crafts show.

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Our Christmas party is December 18th. There will be a \$2.00 gift exchange. Meat and rolls will be furnished. Bring salads or desserts, plus cans of fruit or vegetables for the "Food Bank".

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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YEAR END TAX PLANNING

by Walt Paulsen
Peninsula Accounting Associates

Today is not too early to think about actions affecting your 1981 federal income tax return---- January 1 may be too late. We'll try to point out a few items and give an overview of items to consider. For specific questions we advise consulting with your tax advisor.

USE PENCIL AND PAPER, good strategy will generally call for accelerating deductions to reduce 1981 income and postponing income to 1982 which will be taxed at a lower rate. At this point, listing 1981 income and deductions to date and highlight those which might be controllable at reporting time.

1. Zero Bracket Amount: The zero bracket amount provides most taxpayers a standard, minimum deduction from adjusted income; a married joint return allows \$ 3400, Married separate is \$1700 and single is \$ 2300. A cash basis taxpayer can determine if such items as interest, charitable contributions, and medical expense are most advantageous in 1981 or 1982.

2. Year End Payments by check, note or credit card. A cash-basis taxpayer will obtain the deduction when paid; Further, a check delivered to a payee before the year end (even if not cashed until 1982) will be a 1981 deduction. A tax deductible

payment made by credit card in 1981 is deductible in 1981 even though payment is made next year. The counterpart also holds, a check received in 1981 is income even though cashed in 1982.

3. Lump-Sum Pension Distributions: If retiring this year or next it may be important to ask your employer to pay you the total benefit within one year to qualify for lump sum treatment.

4. Annual bonus Commission or Contract: If you expect a year-end bonus, consider that the bonus be paid delayed until January to shift income out of 1981. Similarly, completion of contracts, finishing construction jobs, etc. are possibilities.

5. Capital Gains and Losses Offset. Within limitations, you can decide to sell money-making stocks next year and unload losers in 1981; your particular tax picture may dictate a reversal of this procedure.

6. Losses to reduce income: If you anticipate property which you own will eventually be sold at a loss, decide whether you benefit most by taking the loss now as the sale is bona fide, the loss will be recognized.

7. TAXES: Payment of some deductible taxes can be timed, too, if you are on the cash basis. Some real estate taxes and other taxes may be accelerated into 1981 if contract wording permits prepayment; however, mere deposit before Liability incurred will not be a deduction.

Purchase of a new car, motorcycle boat, mobile home, truck (or material

to build home if you're the contractor, before January 1, will allow the lump sum tax payment above optional sales tax tables.

8. Medical Expense: You still have the chance to defer medical bill payments to 1982 if the amount paid in 1981 is less than 3% of your gross income.

9. Charitable Contributions: The timing of charitable contributions is more readily controlled than most other deductible items; the year the contributions are made is the year of the deduction.

10. Year End Gifts: If you've made no gifts so far in 1981, you can take advantage of the annual gift tax exclusion for the first \$3000 (\$10,000 in 1982) in gift to each donee. Exclusion may be increased to \$6000 (\$20,000 in 1982) if your spouse consents a half from each of you.

If you own substantial corporate stocks, you might find it advantageous to make gifts before year end dividends are declared, this act will take advantage of the gift tax exclusion and avoid dividend income in 1981.



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PHS (V and JV) BB and BBB at Fife | Dec. 12 | Artondale Holiday Bazaar at Artondale
GHHS Ski Swap at GHHS
PHS Winter Tolo |
| Dec. 2 | GHHS WR at Curtis | Dec. 14 | GHHS Choir Concert at GHHS
KPMS BBB at KPMS vs Cedar Heights
Goodman Choral Concert at Goodman
PHS FR BBB at CK |
| Dec. 3 | Goodman BBB at Goodman vs. Pioneer
Bellarmine WR at KPMS
KPMS BBB at NK
PHS BB at Sedgewick (FR)
PHS GrBB at Stadium | Dec. 15 | GHHS BBB at GHHS vs Sequim
GHHS GrBB at Sequim
KPMS Choir Concert at KPMS
Goodman Band Concert at Goodman
PHS V and JV BBB at CK |
| Dec. 4 | GHHS BBB at Sequim
GHHS Band Choir Festival at GHHS
GHHS GrBB at Sequim | Dec. 16 | GHHS Boys Swim at PHS
GHHS WR at PHS
Purdy Holiday Songfest at Purdy
PHS Boys Swim at PHS vs GHHS |
| Dec. 5 | PHS V and JV BBB at GHHS vs Olympic | Dec. 17 | GHHS WR at GHHS vs Franklin Pierce
PHS Choir and Band Concert at Purdy
Goodman BBB at KPMS
Purdy Alpine Quad Program at Purdy (3 and 4th gr.)
PHS FR BBB at Marcus Whitman |
| Dec. 7 | GHHS WR at Mt. Si
PHS GrBB at Stadium (V and JV)
PHS FR at Bainbridge Is. | Dec. 18 | GHHS BBB and GrBB at GHHS vs Franklin Pierce
GHHS WR Tournament at PHS
PHS V GrBB at Washington (also JV)
PHS V BBB at Washington (also JV) |
| Dec. 8 | GHHS WR Tournament at GHHS, PHS, CK and Olympic
Harbor Heights Christmas Program
PHS V and JV BBB at NK | Dec. 19 | GHHS JV WR Tournament at Olympia |
| Dec. 9 | GHHS BBB at GHHS vs Tye | Dec. 21 | GHHS BBB at Mt. Si (V and JV) |
| Dec. 10 | GHHS Band Concert at GHHS
KPMS Band Concert at KPMS
KPMS BBB at Pioneer
Goodman BBB at Goodman vs Bainbridge Is.
PHS GrBB at GHHS vs Olympic (also JV) | Dec. 21-31 | Christmas Vacation |
| Dec. 11 | GHHS WR at Yelm
GHHS GrBB at GHHS (FR)
GHHS Christmas Dance at GHHS
Artondale Holiday Bazaar at Artondale (Dec. 11 and 12)
PHS V and JV BBB at NK
PHS Boys Swim at PHS vs Bremerton | Dec. 29 | GHHS GrBB at GHHS vs Olympia
GHHS WR at Timberline
PHS WR at Lincoln |
| | | Dec. 30 | GHHS WR at GHHS vs Clover Park |

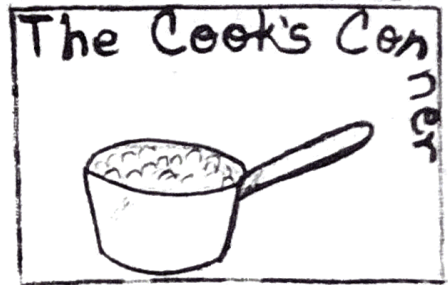
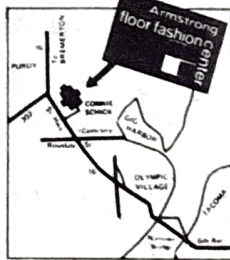
Abbreviations Key:

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| GHHS Gig Harbor High School | NK North Kitsap | FR Freshman |
| PHS Peninsula High School | CK Central Kitsap | BBB Boys Basketball |
| KPMS Key Peninsula Middle School | GrBB Girls Basketball | JV Junior Varsity |
| | WR Wrestling | V Varsity |

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- Ingredients:
- 1/2 c. butter or margerine, creamed.
 - 2 eggs beaten.
 - 1 c. sugar
 - 2 c. flour
 - 1 tsp. baking soda
 - pinch of salt
 - 3 med. bananas

Cream butter and eggs with sugar. Sift together flour, soda, and salt. Mix well with butter and eggs mixture. Mash bananas well and mix in with rest of batter.

Bake at 375 in a loaf pan for 50 to 60 minutes, until top splits and center is done.

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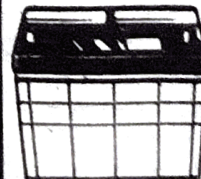


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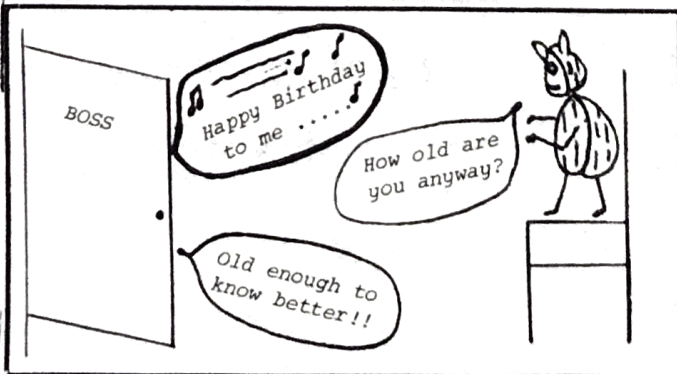
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Arts & Crafts Fair Dec. 5, 1981 Civic Center - 10 to 4		1 Girl Scouts-3:30 SR Karate-6:30 Gym Bridge-7:30 GR	2 GAME NIGHT 7:30 Gym	3 Senior Society-1:00 GR Brownies-3:30 SR Volleyball-7:30 Gym	4 Grange-6:30 GR SKATING 6:00-11:00 PM	5 Arts & Crafts Fair - 10:00 AM-5:00 PM
6 Lutheran Church Ch. School-9:30 Worship-10:30 AM	7 Square Dance Lessons 7:00 PM- Gym Cub Scouts-7:30 SR	8 Girl Scouts-3:30 SR Karate-6:30 Gym Bridge-7:30 GR EX. Board-7:30 Office	9 GAME NIGHT 7:30 Gym	10 Senior Society-1:00 GR Brownies-3:30 SR Board Christmas Party 6:30 GR Volleyball-7:30 Gym	11 SKATING 6:00-11:00 PM Lake Minterwood-8:00 GR	12 Karate 10:00 AM Gym Pamona Grange-8:00 Lk. Minterwood ^{GR} 8:00 Dance Club-9:00 Gym
13 Lutheran Church Ch. School 9:30 Worship-10:30 AM	14 Square Dance Lessons 7:00 PM - Gym Cub Scouts-7:30 SR	15 Girl Scouts-3:30 SR Karate-6:30 Gym Bridge-7:30 GR	16 GAME NIGHT 7:30 Gym	17 Senior Society-1:00 GR Brownies-3:30 SR Kootiettes-7:00 GR Volleyball-7:30 Gym	18 Grange-6:30 GR SKATING 6:00-11:00 PM	19 Karate 10:00 AM Gym Fire Dist. Party 6:00 GR Skirts-N-Flirts Square Dance-8:00 10 level - Gym
20 Lutheran Church Ch. School-9:30 Worship-10:30 AM	21 Square Dance Lessons 7:00 PM - Gym Cub Scouts-7:30 SR	22 Girl Scouts-3:30 SR Karate-6:30 Gym Bridge-7:30 GR Boy Scouts-7:30 SR	23 GAME NIGHT 7:30 Gym	24 Senior Society-1:00 GR Brownies-3:30 SR Church-7:00 Volleyball-7:30 Gym	25 Church-10:30 AM MERRY CHRISTMAS!	26
27 Lutheran Church Ch. School-9:30 Worship-10:30 AM	28 Square Dance Lessons 7:00 PM - Gym Cub Scouts-7:30 SR	29 Girl Scouts-3:30 SR Karate-6:30 Gym Bridge-7:30 GR	30 GAME NIGHT 7:30 Gym	31 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY 9:00 PM - 2:00 AM	PEACE 