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It's the weekend to get rid of waste

Free disposal will be available for both common garden waste and household hazardous waste in South King County this weekend.

King County and state officials will be accepting hazardous waste Saturday, June 3, at several sites around the county. Locally, waste will be accepted at the Kent Fire Station, 20676 72nd Ave. S., in Kent.

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The disposal sites will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information on the free hazardous-waste disposal, call 296-4692.

For the second month in a row, King County officials will be accepting garden waste free of charge at the Neighborhood Recycle Center at South 343rd Street and Pacific Highway South in Federal Way. The disposal site will be open on Saturday and Sunday June 3 and 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Last month, 112.5 tons were collected at the Federal Way garden waste site. There were long lines at the site last month, but county officials say they have increased the number of staff people on duty at the site and dumpers shouldn't have to wait as long this time.

Do not bring hazardous waste to the garden-waste site.

The goal of the program is to reduce the amount of waste being dumped in county landfills. All material collected at the site will be recycled at a commercial yard-waste composting facility.

For more information on the program, call 296-4483.

Handpicking teachers

Proposed policy piques parents

By MELODIE STEIGER

It looks simple enough, this proposal to prevent parents from handpicking their children's elementary school teachers.

The proposed policy states that school principals will assign students to teachers based on the individual child's needs and the needs of the larger student

community.

The policy would better distribute student strengths and weaknesses among classrooms and bring a child's educational needs to the forefront, says Dolores Gibbons, assistant superintendent for elementary education.

But it's not so easy to discourage a practice that long

has been accepted at most schools. Although student placement in classrooms always has been the duty of principals, parents say they have welcomed the de facto practice of requesting, and mostly getting, particular teachers for their children.

"Who's going to tell me they know my child better than I

do?" queried a parent, who asked that her name not be used. "I (volunteer) at the school, I know the teachers. Don't tell me I don't have a choice."

PARENT VOLUNTEERS have taken particular notice of the proposed policy, which is now being considered by the Federal Way School Board. It is parent volunteers who most

often request favored teachers for their children, says Gibbons, often leaving unpopular teachers for children whose parents are not active in schools.

That could mean that unpopular teachers get classes made up predominantly of

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Midway Landfill approaches closure



A MIDWAY LANDFILL stormwater detention pond is finally doing its job after early problems with siltation from landfill runoff. Stormwater from the 60-acre former Seattle city garbage dump drains into the pond and eventually into nearby

McSorley Creek. Lin Robinson, project manager for the Seattle Solid Waste Division, is looking forward to the end of work on the landfill-closure project, which should come in the next year.

photo by Paul T. Erickson

But leachate, runoff pond are problem

By KURT HERZOG

The end of the Midway Landfill closure project is in sight, but new problems continue to ooze up.

A new type of leachate was discovered about two months ago that contains polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), a substance toxic to humans.

The leachate has likely been caused by stormwater draining down through the landfill, according to a study. There were no controls on what was dumped in the landfill after it began operating in 1966 and officials aren't sure what's causing the contaminated liquid to collect underground.

The oily leachate has not left the landfill site, officials say. Landfill workers have checked 130 groundwater and leachate monitoring wells to track the substance. To make sure the substance doesn't enter any drinking water wells, the city will drill two new extraction wells to see if the leachate can be pumped out.

THE CITY tried pumping it out with existing leachate pumps, but the substance burned those pumps out because it is

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Annexation group has big plans, small turnout

By KURT HERZOG

A group of eastside residents' plans to annex into Federal Way seem a little bigger than the turnout those plans generated, at the group's first public meeting Thursday.

About 10 people showed up at the meeting organized by REACT (Residents East of Interstate 5 Annexation Consideration Team). However, group leader Bill Seifert hopes more people will show up as REACT begins more actively

planning for annexation.

Despite the small turnout, Seifert discussed some of the issues the group hopes to study including starting a petition drive among eastsiders that would then be presented to the still-to-be-elected Federal Way City Council.

The petition would have to have the signatures of the owners of at least 10 percent of the assessed property value of the area to be annexed before the city council could consider

the proposal.

Seifert estimated that about 30,000 people live in the area bordered on the west by I-5, on the east by Auburn, Algona and Pacific, on the north by Kent and on the south by the Pierce County line.

After petitioners obtain the signatures of at least 10 percent of the property owners and the city council accepts the petition, annexations require that a number of additional steps be taken including the preparation

of an environmental impact statement (EIS), or a determination that an EIS is not required.

IF THE owners of at least 75 percent of area's property sign the petition, the annexation can be decided by the King County Boundary Review Board.

If petitioners don't gather the necessary 75 percent, then the annexation proposal must go on the ballot and receive a majority of the vote of all residents.

However, petitioning before

the city council is even formed may be jumping the gun and the group will discuss whether it wants to immediately petition the new city council or wait for a couple of years to see how Federal Way handles itself, Seifert said.

If the group decides to wait, it would like to take an active role as a watchdog of King County, which will still be the service-provider for all unincorporated

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All signs strong at St. Francis

By BRAD BROBERG

Dr. Michael Smith decided four months ago to open his first practice at St. Francis Community Hospital for several sound reasons.

The hospital serves a growing community, it's only 2 years old, it has a medical office building next door and it's small enough to foster a personal atmosphere.

Besides, added Smith, there's plenty of free parking and good food.

Smith said he often sees people from the community drive up to the cafeteria's rear entrance, dash in, grab their lunches, hop back in their cars and scoot away.

Cafeteria cuisine aside, the obstetrician/gynecologist couldn't be happier with his decision to join the St. Francis staff and open an office in the

Hospital chief's only lament is lack of Blue Shield pact

adjoining medical center.

"There's not anything at all that has been any disappointment," he said.

THE HOSPITAL'S chief executive officer, Craig Hendrickson, can almost, but not quite, say the same thing.

After two years in business, the hospital still is waiting to be named by King County Medical Blue Shield as a preferred provider for in-patient services, such as major surgery.

"I would have thought it would have happened by now," said Hendrickson. "I feel like we're close, but how close we are is difficult to assess.

"It (preferred-provider status) would certainly improve our financial strength to have that number of patients here, which would give us the ability to invest more in programs and equipment."

Nevertheless, the private, non-profit hospital had much to celebrate when it marked its second birthday May 6.

Comparing the first three quarters of the hospital's 1987-88 fiscal year to the first three quarters of 1988-89, Hendrickson said, "Everything's on the upswing."

In-patient admissions were up 25 percent, births were up 31

percent, emergency room visits were up 39 percent, overnight surgeries were up 40 percent and out-patient admissions were up 83 percent.

That last increase was fueled by King County Medical's decision last summer to designate St. Francis a preferred provider for out-patient services. That means the 600,000 subscribers to the health-insurance plan statewide can go to St. Francis for certain minor surgeries and diagnostic procedures with no extra premium charge.

WITH THE hospital growing, Hendrickson has found it necessary to continually recruit doctors to practice at St. Francis, where the staff has grown to 270 physicians, up 20 percent from a year ago.

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Sutherland's logic may be hazardous

The decision by the city of Tacoma to sue the state for requiring an environmental impact statement for a nearly-built incinerator amounts to a confession of mismanagement.

Mayor Doug Sutherland spoke out of both sides of his mouth Friday, saying Tacoma would obey the new law — passed by the Legislature and signed by the governor May 8. But he said in the next breath the city would sue the state for its "illegal action" because the state has "interfered" with city contracts. That might force the city to seek some other way to redeem \$5 million worth of bonds already issued to pay the construction costs on the \$48 million plant.

Ignoring Sutherland's double-talk for a moment, the talk of a lawsuit begs the question. The question is, should the city have provided an EIS in the first place? A related question is, whom does Sutherland represent?

In a dazzling show of logic, Sutherland argues that the city has a perfect right to build an incinerator with public funds, redeem bonds with public funds, and to declare the environmental hazards trivial, all without public support.

True, the city did advertise the project. True, citizens were invited to hearings. True, the project had a worthwhile intention, to reduce solid waste and augment the city's power supply.

But public hearings on technical issues like this are notoriously boring and sparsely attended. Research on incinerator technology consistently raises serious questions about how safe, thorough and appropriate the method is for disposing of waste. Site visits at "state-of-the-art" facilities in Maine and Europe commonly reveal unburnt materials, including wood and newsprint.

Storage of the ash produced by the method proposed in Tacoma has been haphazard in some locations, and toxic by-products have been allowed to leach into landfill sites. Carcinogenic agents escaping into the atmosphere may have certain unknown effects, especially when combined with other pollutants already present.

In short, there is enough evidence that hazard may exist, and enough uncertainty about other factors, to cause public anxiety, which ought to alert Sutherland that it is time to apologize and start over. His failure to do so is appalling, a hint that he is ill-suited for the office he holds.

A lawsuit now amounts to blaming the public for not insisting sooner on an EIS, when the city could have conducted one voluntarily to assure public trust. Given the options — source separation, recycling, more study on the combinative effect of particulates in the atmosphere — the city has a puny case, and would only spend more taxpayer dollars to go to court.

If Sutherland needed any other evidence of the right path to follow, he might have looked at the actions of two other elected officials — Gov. Booth Gardner and Sen. Peter von Reichbauer, both of whom heard the same evidence, saw the same citizen outrage, studied the same data, and concluded, in the public interest, that an EIS was prudent in spite of the cost.

This is not a turf war between the city and the state, as Sutherland would have us believe. It is a contest between enlightened leadership and old-fashioned tomfoolery at public expense. The city should stop talking lawsuit and start talking sense.

Tax teen cruisers for their pleasures

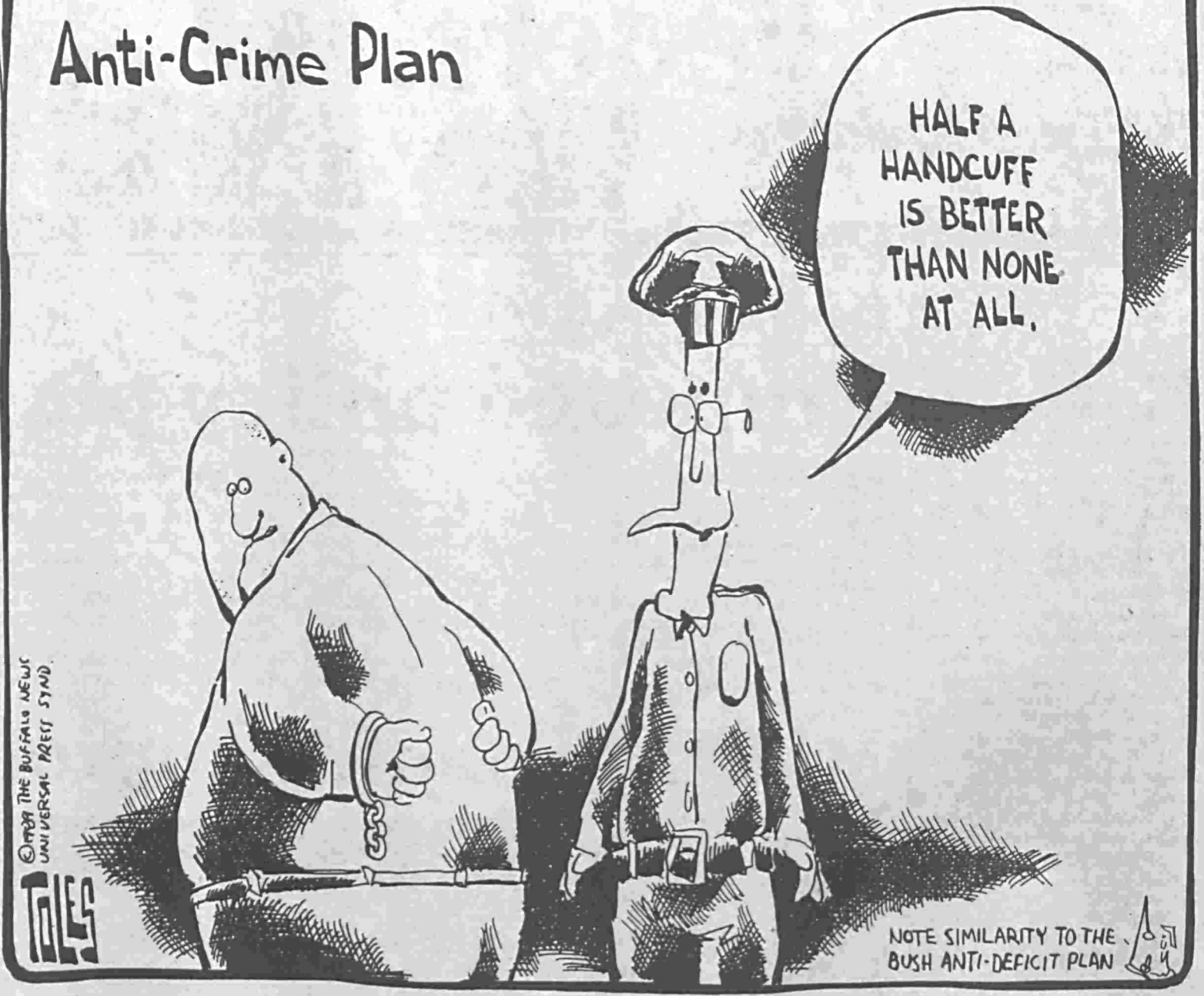
A proposed ban on cruising at sites like SeaTac reminds us of the tale of William Tell. For refusing to pay homage to a petty official, the legendary archer had to shoot an apple from his own son's head.

Parents here face a similar dilemma. Those who grew up cruising expect the same privileges for their own children. But a crowded parking lot is no place for an endless parade of kids who sometimes get into fistfights, sell drugs or disrupt the normal traffic.

To approve the ban, as is likely, will push the kids back on the streets. To ignore the problem invites teen traffic to grow until someone is injured or property damaged. Already, some mall shoppers are leery of the place when cruisers control the parking lot.

Short of a ban, nobody has offered a workable option. The ideal would be a mammoth cola machine, surrounded by a continuous track roughly two miles long, with exits to the freeway. It might be funded by a teen tax, paid by kids themselves, to help them appreciate that pleasure has a price, and when someone else is paying for it, our pleasures occur at their discretion.

The Bush Anti-Crime Plan



Parents keep some schools on top

A Federal Way School District employee was startled one spring to find himself called on the carpet. At midnight. In his own home, where his boss had telephoned to tell him what a group of parents wanted from him.

And they wanted it yesterday.

The employee had until that night been largely unaffected by public opinion and school district bosses. But a group of parents had found him, and they had some questions.

His off-hand complaint to a reporter was telling.

"You never want those people mad at you," he said. "They know the system."

And indeed, those parents did. They knew the system, knew who answered to whom and how to get things done, or at least how to ruffle some feathers.

They also were organized, persistent and willing and able to donate time at their local elementary school. They got what they wanted, they figured, because they gave to their school. And they gave a lot, in time and money.

Which is a long way of saying that yes, there certainly are demographic inequities among Federal Way schools.

At some schools, you probably would be hard-pressed to find a dozen parents who



Melodie Steiger

have attended a school board meeting, much less called the school district to demand action. The school gets little positive press because parents don't know the press is there. No major Northwest companies donate a computer to its classrooms because few of its parents work for major Northwest companies.

At other schools, those people can argue school policy verbatim. They know the teacher, the principals and the issues. Economically, they are comfortable enough to allow one parent to stay home, and perhaps help out at school.

That can lead to inequity. Inequity implies that not only does one school march

to a different drummer, figuratively speaking, but that it is in a better band, playing better instruments.

Right now, some Federal Way parents believe they are watching the band march through West Campus, around the well-worked hole that will be Silver Lake Elementary School come 1990. Silver Lake will take in children of The Alderbrook homes where, presumably, parents are comfortable and active and all the kids are above average.

One Lake Grove Elementary School parent, Wayne Boike, has written something akin to a short novel on the subject, particularly as it pertains to his school.

Silver Lake, says Boike, will not only have its own economically advantaged families from the newly-built Ridge homes, but will also take some of the better-off families from Lake Grove.

Boike pictures the downside of inequity as any of us would — less parental involvement at school, fewer advantages for students and less donated money with which to work.

Inequity is not the sole domain of Lake Grove, however. Meetings to discuss district boundary changes would be a lot duller if parents truly believed that one school was as good as

another. But parents argue, because parents want the best for their children and they know that inequity among schools makes the best impossible for everyone to get.

Inequity is also inevitable, to some degree. Federal Way has chosen neighborhood schools, and unless we move some neighborhoods, its schools will be defined by their environs.

Boike has a few ideas to tighten things up. All schools deserve what some schools now have, he says, such as additional classroom aides and secretarial support. Some need more, like special counseling for disadvantaged students.

I'd like to add a suggestion: Information. Let parents know how the school system works, and what it takes to improve it. Help more parents become those people.

And watch your boundaries, Boike adds. A careless borderline could lop off a vitally important neighborhood. A well-drawn line could add much-needed parental resources to a school.

In other words, if we can't be those people, move a few more of them in our neighborhoods.

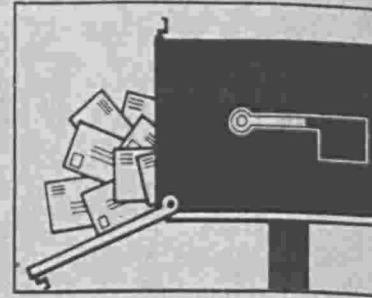
Jet noise group will assist citizens

Editor: Noise from operations at Sea-Tac Airport continues to plague our community; some might say residents become "adjusted" to the noise. Newspaper headlines and stories about the noise at Sea-Tac are common in local papers; some readers no longer pay attention to what is written about Sea-Tac noise.

Mediation about noise abatement at Sea-Tac Airport is new. The mediation panel on noise abatement is, in my opinion, a new and promising approach to the question: what can be done about the airport noise.

At the May 11 meeting of the Sea-Tac Noise Mediation committee in the main auditorium of Sea-Tac Airport I observed representatives of community residents, the port, the airlines, airline pilots, and the business community at work on noise abatement. These people were listening to expert witnesses on legal issues surrounding airport noise.

They were conducting the



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business of planning for the next meeting of the Mediation Committee and setting calendar dates for specific tasks they have assigned numerous sub-committees. I believe there is a very encouraging process taking place under the supervision of the Mediation consultants.

Concerned residents are able to attend general meetings as observers, but the better news is that the structure provides that impacted communities meet in sub-caucus groups regularly to follow and direct the work of the

Mediation Committee. For the first time in my experience as a community activist, the citizen groups have been provided with a support service to carry out the citizen program.

A consultant has been hired to work with the impacted community groups as facilitators, office staff, and administrators. This places concerned citizens

Article on sewer district was misleading

Editor: In a recent article about the Federal Way Water and Sewer District (April 12, "District chooses new consultants"), you attributed a statement to an employee of the district who mistakenly asserted that URS Consultants is taking a "direction away from municipal projects."

The Federal Way Water and Sewer District wishes to clarify for your readers that, in fact, URS continues to serve municipal clients and state and federal agencies throughout

on an equal status with the other groups such as pilots who have staff to support their efforts.

The Mediation Committee has designated Diane Summerhays at 433-5216 as contact person for citizens who want to learn about the mediation process and meetings.

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While the firm has recently successfully expanded into hazardous-waste management services, URS maintains serving municipalities in the planning and design of water, sewer, storm drainage and transportation projects.

Thank you for the opportunity to clarify this information for your readers.

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Policy puts placement in principals' hands

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children whose parents are not as involved with schools, and who may not be as motivated to learn. Or it could mean that those students whose parents aren't active get less-skilled teachers.

"One of (our intents) is to make certain we have advocates for all children and that we give all students in our system a fair shot, not just those students who have parents able...to spend lots of time in schools," Gibbons said.

Some parents argue, however, that the policy does not get at the heart of the problem — bad teachers.

"It's important to look at why

parents choose one teacher over another," said Susan Bremkamp, a Twin Lakes Elementary School parent volunteer. "More often than not, it's something that could be corrected if the school district works with the teacher. But all this does is redistribute the kids among the teachers, not solve the problem."

"Wouldn't (special requests) tell the district that something is wrong here?" asked Connie Myers, an Adelaide parent. "Why would they think one teacher would be requested over another one?"

GIBBONS SAYS the policy is designed to equally distribute students among classes by their gender, academic ability, and

emotional adjustment.

Parents can still make their wishes known by filling out a special form available at all schools. But no teacher requests, please. The forms only ask if the student has a physical handicap, a professionally documented academic or emotional problem, or any other idiosyncrasy that would affect the choice of teacher.

Although the school board has yet to adopt the placement policy, parents already are being asked to fill out the forms for next year.

"Our intent is to help parents focus on what the child needs and describe the situation from that point of view, as opposed to this teacher and not that teacher," Gibbons said.

But that still leaves the final choice up to the principal. And parents say not all principals make the right decision.

One parent made a request and found that the principal had already discerned her child's need, and had planned appropriately. Another parent at a different school noted her child's needs, but found the principal wouldn't accept her written form.

"He said all his teachers are equally as good, so we didn't need to do that," the parent, who asked not to be named, said. "I appreciate hearing that all his teachers are effective, but shouldn't we address that we're all different people, with different personalities and different styles?"

COMPUTERS ARE ALSO part of this equation. While teachers and principals in the past have worked with 3-by-5-inch cards, one for each child, to distribute students evenly, the same process will now be done by computer for all schools.

The computer system is already at work in the school district's central offices. Principals still are directed to consult teachers before and after the students' names go into the computers, and are directed to consult parents' notes, too.

Gibbons says the machines will make the process quicker and easier for teachers and principals.

But parents note that already this year they have seen com-

puters take over the boundary-redrawing process at elementary schools, and are now seeing a second major function handled by machine.

"I think parents are starting to feel that we've lost everything to the computer. They're upset, and they wonder, where's the human element here?" said Myers.

The Federal Way School Board will take a second look at the proposed policy at its June 5 meeting, which begins at 7 p.m. in the board room of school headquarters, 31405 18th Ave. S.

The school board can adopt the policy at that meeting. Comments on the policy are invited in the early stages of the meeting. For information, call 941-0100.

Hospital reports strong vital signs

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When the hospital first opened, Hendrickson targeted specialists, but now the need is for general practitioners and obstetricians such as Smith.

Smith, a former Army doctor, said he is "very happy" with his choice of hospitals.

"This is a good place for me to be," he said. "I'm already doing better than projected as far as accumulating patients."

About the hospital, Smith said "What it does, it does very well (but) it's not a high-risk facility." He explained that patients with serious complications must be transferred to larger hospitals.

One thing puzzles Smith: "The community is growing by leaps and bounds, but it seems there's still a significant number of people who aren't aware of the hospital."

HENDRICKSON said the hospital will continue to promote itself through forums, classes and special events.

He said the hospital has not been in existence long enough to determine its market share in Federal Way. However, to prosper, St. Francis must become the dominant hospital in the area, "if we're not already," said Hendrickson.

Designation as a King County Medical preferred provider for in-patient services would go a long way toward assuring dominance. Hospital officials have not given up the fight.

Dr. Robert Hoffman, medical director for King County Medical Blue Shield, said his agency continues to hear from Federal Way residents lobbying for the inclusion of St. Francis in



photo by Paul T. Erickson

DR. MICHAEL SMITH is one of the latest physicians to join the staff at St. Francis Community Hospital, which recently celebrated its second birthday. Officials are pleased with the hospital's continued growth and hope it continues.

its preferred-provider organization (PPO) for in-patient services.

Although exclusion from the preferred-provider organization does not prohibit King County Medical subscribers from using St. Francis, it does discourage them because their insurance does not cover them fully.

Hoffman is sympathetic but unbending — at least for now.

"At the present time we do not see a need for St. Francis in the

PPO," he said.

That does not mean the door is closed forever.

"Any managed-care health system is restrictive by its nature, but it requires adjustment," he explained. "That's one of the things we do every six months — see if an adjustment is required."

Hoffman said any adjustment would be based on the number of subscribers in the area and on the proximity of other

preferred-provider hospitals. The nearest ones are Valley Medical Center, St. Joseph Hospital and Highline Community Hospital.

Hoffman would not divulge the number of subscribers in the Federal Way area, but did say King County Medical is pleased with its decision to designate St. Francis a preferred provider for out-patient services.

"They're a first class hospital," he said.

Hospital's new budget reflects growth

Although the state Hospital Commission's rate-setting powers expired this year, hospitals still must submit their budgets to that agency for record-keeping purposes.

St. Francis Community Hospital recently submitted a 1989-90 fiscal year budget (July 1 to June 30) that shows a healthy increase in revenue and expenditures as well as a 5 percent rate hike.

Operating expenses for 1989-90 will be \$22.1 million compared to \$19.4 million in 1988-89.

Revenues will rise to \$27.9 million from \$20.8 million. Most of the \$5.8 million difference between operating expenses and revenue will be eaten up by \$5 million worth of shortfalls in Medicare and Medicaid reimbursements,

charity care and bad debts.

The remainder could be classified as "profit," except St. Francis is a non-profit hospital owned by the Sisters of St. Francis in Philadelphia.

The hospital will use the remaining funds to pay off a short-term loan and to buy equipment.

Craig Hendrickson, chief executive officer of the hospital, said St. Francis hopes to pay

off the \$2 million loan, secured two years ago to provide start-up funds, by the end of the coming fiscal year.

That would allow the hospital to begin accumulating a cash reserve, said Hendrickson.

Next year's budget is based on an expected overnight census of 42 patients in the 110-bed hospital. Last year's was 38.

Virginia Power hires local firm

Pacific Nuclear Systems has been awarded a service contract by Virginia Electric and Power Company.

NuPac Services, a Pacific Nuclear subsidiary, will provide radioactive waste processing, packaging, transportation and

disposal services of radioactive waste on a demand basis for the next year.

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New landfill gas flares to start burning soon

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thicker than the other groundwater leachates.

The oily, PCB-laden leachate doesn't pose any threats to people right now, said Lin Robinson, project manager of the closure.

"(But) I'm concerned that we try to get it out as soon as possible," Robinson said.

New pumps will be installed soon to see if the substance can be pumped out of the ground.

BESIDES THE leachate trouble, problems arose with the new plastic-lined stormwater detention pond on the north side of the landfill after it began being used in early March.

Grading work was finished in March and stormwater was channeled into the new 10-million-gallon pond. Because the site has not been seeded or

planted, silt eroded into the stormwater and consequently into the pond. The resulting discharge was too muddy to be released into McSorley (formerly Smith) Creek so state Department of Ecology (DOE) staff shut down the pipeline for a while.

City officials tried several different methods to settle out the silt and finally settled on adding aluminum sulfate (alum) to the pond. The alum settles out the silt.

AFTER SEVERAL rainstorms, workers finally got the method to work and the city was allowed to open the pipeline into McSorley Creek. Officials say alum is not harmful to the stream or living organisms.

Once the site is planted, the amount of soil being eroded should be reduced, Robinson said.

Before the site is planted, however, a plastic liner will be placed over the entire landfill. Another layer of dirt will go over the liner.

Hopefully, the liner and final dirt cover will be completed by this fall, Robinson said. If not, construction crews will have to wait until next spring because of winter weather.

A permanent flare system to burn off the methane gas produced by the buried garbage will be completed in a couple of months. When the four new covered flares are working, they will replace the two existing uncovered flares.

The existing flares are an annoyance to some neighbors because they are a constant, burning reminder of the problems that have forced hundreds of Midway residents to move away from the landfill.

SEATTLE operated the 60-acre landfill until 1983. Methane was discovered in several homes soon after the dump closed, forcing the evacuation of some residents.

Methane is a non-toxic, colorless, odorless gas, but can explode in low concentrations.

Seattle Solid Waste Division officials say they will be able to extract about 95 percent of the methane once the motor blower and flares begin working.

Two other projects still to be started are a stormwater pumping station to pump water from the east side of Interstate 5 into the pond, and a permanent system of piping to extract gas from the landfill.

Those projects will go to bid this summer.

Also, the city will remove 50 gas monitoring probes from the landfill later this year. Many of

the probes were installed in area residents' yards to monitor movement of the gas. The probes no longer are needed for gas measurement, officials said.

If weather permits, most closure work could be done by the end of this year, Robinson said.

JUST WHAT the landfill eventually will be isn't known yet. After all closure work is completed, the landfill will be left alone for about five years "to settle," Robinson said. Currently, no one is allowed on the site without an official escort and fencing has been installed the around perimeter.

The city is currently organizing a citizens advisory committee of area residents who have been active on other neighborhood landfill watchdog committees to determine what will become of the site. At least

some residents would eventually like to see it become a park.

So far, the city of Seattle has spent \$33 million on all landfill-associated costs, including the Good Neighbor home-buyout program. The Good Neighbor program subsidized the plumbing home values in the area caused by the discovery of the methane gas.

The city eventually expects to spend \$49 million on all landfill-closure and associated costs, Robinson said.

Though there's still work left to be done, some city Solid Waste Division employees are beginning to look toward the end of the closure project. It's not clear what will happen to the city staff who've been working on Midway.

"We're kind of working ourselves out of a job," Robinson said.

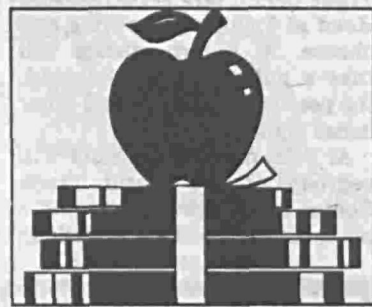
Star Lake to hold picnic and carnival

The Star Lake Elementary School PTA will hold its annual picnic and carnival from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., June 2, at the school, 4014 S. 270th St., Kent.

Games, a moonwalk and food are the featured attractions.

The PTA will use funds raised at the picnic/carnival to purchase a computer for Star Lake's library and to build a wall for students to bounce balls against.

Contact the school at 854-0320 for more information.



Our Schools

Decatur to hold baccalaureate

All students, families and friends are invited to attend the Decatur High School Class of 1989 Baccalaureate.

The non-denominational celebration begins at 2 p.m. Sunday, June 4, at St. Theresa's Catholic Church, 3939 S.W. 331st

St. The program includes musical presentations by Decatur students and a guest speaker. Refreshments will be served afterward. The traditional event is sponsored by the Decatur Booster Club.

Nautilus honors reading students

Keith Eldredge, KOMO News 4 personality, recently helped honor 239 students who recently read 284,400 minutes, or six-and-a-half months, for Nautilus Elementary School's Read and Lead program.

Eldredge addressed students and parents at a recent awards assembly held to laud top readers in Read and Lead, a PTA program which stresses reading for students and parents alike.

Readers who read the most minutes per grade at Nautilus were kindergartners Andrew Carr, Charlotte Cron, Colin Hunter; first-graders Billy Nasset, Travis Torkelson and Ryan Misumoto; second-graders Steven Richards, Jana Swenson and Kevin Weishaar; third-graders Jessica Woods, Alex Arthur, Jennifer Nordyke and Ryan Hunter;

Fourth-graders Deede White, Eric Wakefield, Mohana Kumar, Jodie Salz and Christopher Twigg; fifth-graders Kelly Thayer, Gane

Bourgeois, Amy Dingman; sixth-graders B.J. Carlson, Maria Waldo and Jackie Lo; and ungraded transition students Tyler Hatfield Hatfield and Richie Zook.

Thayer read the most minutes of all students, 9,400.

TJ students will present dance show

Thomas Jefferson High School will host a dance show at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow to help pay off its drill team's recent trip to state competition.

The Raiderettes, the Raider Dudes, the cheerleaders and the drill team will perform in the school gym. Admission is \$3/adults, \$2/students. Call Lisa at 839-1574 for information.

Diplomas awarded by Annie Wright

Four Federal Way residents will graduate in the 1989 Annie Wright School commencement exercises, to take place at 10 a.m., June 4, in Raynor Chapel at the Tacoma school.

The four students are: Cami Cooper, Sophia Korum, Angela Wemyss and Marion Williamson.

Diplomas will be awarded to 24 students.

We want news about schools

The Federal Way News/Community News wants to know what's happening in your school. That's why we periodically publish an Our Schools column.

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Group considers annexation petition

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areas, Seifert said.

"Services might just begin to change a bit when Federal Way incorporates," Seifert said. "We're just going to be one little finger (of unincorporated area)."

ANOTHER group member said he fears that the county will begin directing all multi-family

housing development into the east side after Federal Way officially incorporates and begins controlling its own development.

"It will all just change directions to east of I-5," said Chuck Hastings.

The Federal Way Community Council, a group of residents who live both inside and outside of the new city boundaries and

advise the King County Council on local issues, will still exist after incorporation. REACT hopes to work with the community council on trying to control development in the east side.

Seifert said he's in favor of annexation and has already talked to four Federal Way City Council candidates about it. Those

council members have told Seifert they're in favor of annexing the east side, Seifert said.

For now, REACT is still just getting off the ground. It has not decided where or when to hold its next meeting. However, the meeting place and time will be announced.

For more information on REACT, call Seifert at 874-4810.

Safe sex guide now available

A brochure titled "Straight Talk: Rx For Safe Sex" is now available through pharmacies in Western Washington.

The brochure, published by the Washington State Pharmacists Association and KING TV5, is free and includes information on how AIDS is transmitted. It also highlights the different sexual practices that are safe, relatively safe or unsafe.

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Disposables Diapers pose increasing threat to environment

By PHIL WEST

Disposable diapers, widely regarded as a godsend by parents and daycare centers, are now a glaring environmental problem.

Diapers represent about 4 percent of household waste; with the exception of newspaper and beverage and food containers, no other single consumer product finds its way into landfills more often.

About 18 billion disposable diapers — more than 3.6 million tons of plastic, wood pulp and excrement — are dumped into the national flow of garbage each year.

The human waste that ends up in landfills instead of sewers carries the potential for disease. And the plastic doesn't disappear — experts estimate the life span of a disposable diaper in a landfill to be 500 years.

Although the majority of diapers are used by children up to 3 years old, incontinent adults are responsible for 10 percent of the total. The growing numbers of American senior citizens, the major market for adult diapers, ensures that the mountain of plastic diapers will get taller.

Solutions to this diaper dilemma are emerging, ranging from innovative new technologies to common sense, time-proven ideas.

A \$150,000 allotment in the proposed state budget, awaiting approval by Gov. Booth Gardner, would go toward a program to recycle disposable diapers. Another recent development is the manufacturing of a biodegradable disposable diaper. At the same time, environmentalists are pushing for a return to cloth diapers.

NONE IS a quick-fix answer, but each could have a significant role in turning the problem around.

State Rep. Georgette Valle of West Seattle has made this issue a career-long crusade, and money in the proposed state budget for a disposable-diaper recycling program is her first victory.

If the funding is approved, Valle believes local governments will split the money for at least three disposable-diaper programs in the state, including Anderson Diaper Co. of Seattle, owners of a patent on recycling diapers.

Washington and Oregon are the only states to consider diaper laws to date, and Valle claims the recycling measure is the first legislation of its kind.

"I don't think disposable diaper companies oppose this kind of legislation. A lot of people would like to see this become successful," she said.

Gene Anderson, owner of Seat-

tle's Anderson Diaper Co., which supplies cloth and disposable diapers to its customers, has been recycling disposable diapers for a year and a half.

His original idea for disposing of disposables was burning them, but it wasn't feasible because of the toxic fumes wet diapers give off, so he simply patented the idea of washing and separating the plastic from the pulp.

The 30,000 diapers a week that Anderson's company collects from King, Snohomish, Pierce and Kitsap county households are washed and the plastic is recycled. The pulp goes to a sludge project of Metro (the agency responsible for sewage treatment in much of King County), and after treatment, it is used to fertilize newly planted forests.

ANDERSON is losing money on the program but he hopes that buying a machine to automate the process, contracting his idea to other firms, and the state funding will turn around what he calls the "numbers game." He would focus the funding on education to make people more aware of the problems created by disposable diapers.

Another diaper law proposal, to be presented at the city of Seattle Board of Health meeting in June, would make it illegal to send diapers containing fecal material to landfills. People would have to wash diapers before disposing of them.

Chuck Kleeberg, director of environmental health for the Seattle-King County Health Department, says the law would function more as an "educational regulation," designed to make the public aware, rather than working as an enforceable sanction.

The need to educate the public about the health dangers of excrement getting into the landfills prompted the King County Nurses Association to establish a Disposable Diapers Task Force in January 1988.

"In human stool, viruses can last from six to 12 months, which are potentially dangerous for sanitation workers to handle," explained Annie Bruck, project coordinator. More than 100 intestinal viruses can be transmitted through stool, including polio.

Kleeberg sees several solutions to the problem, with cloth diapers being the most obvious one.

A December 1988 report by Carl Lehrburger of Energy Answers Corp., funded in part by the National Association of Diaper Services, shows that disposables are the most expen-

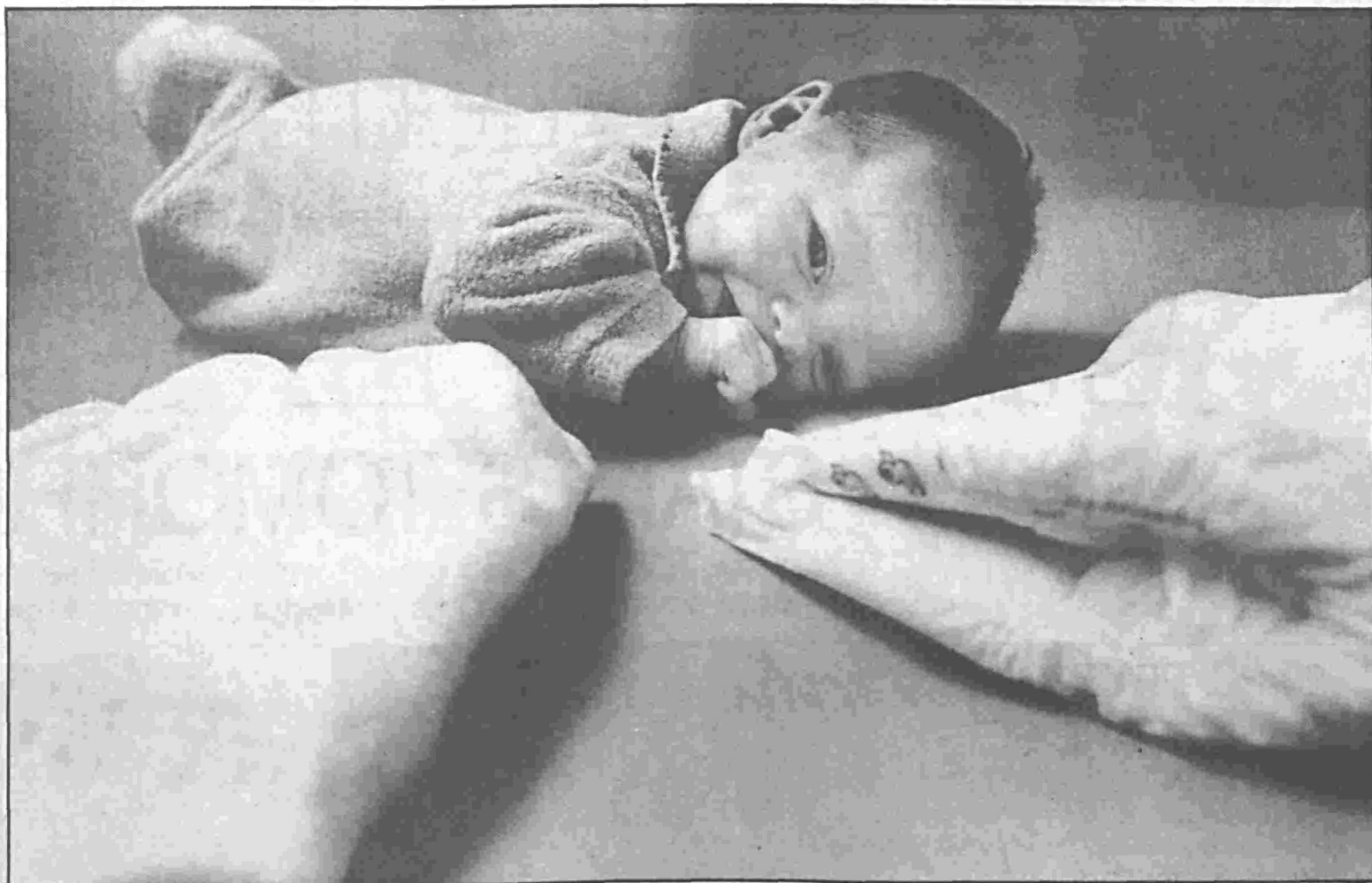


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AT ONLY 6 weeks old, Julia Robinson is confronted by decisions about solid waste disposal that will have global implications — to use cloth diapers or disposable ones? Julia's parents helped her to make up her mind: Cloth diapers are

the best, most of the time. Disposable diapers, with a landfill life of up to 500 years, are of growing concern to environmentalists and solid waste managers.

sive diaper. The study revealed cloth diapers washed at home cost 3 cents per diaper, cloth diapers through a diaper service company cost 15 cents per diaper, and disposables cost 22 cents per diaper.

The convenience of disposables, however, has made the single-use plastic diaper a \$3.4 billion-per-year industry in this country.

Even Kleeberg uses disposable diapers on his children occasionally, because "sometimes, convenience wins out over our own strong environmental concerns."

ANOTHER answer to the concern over disposable diapers is being offered through TenderCare, a biodegradable diaper manufactured by R-Med Industries of Sedone, Ariz. It is made of a corn-starch based

plastic that takes two to 20 years to decompose.

Carlene Estacion, vice president for operations at R-Med, said that sales for TenderCare have been booming since the biodegradable plastic was introduced in December 1988, although TenderCare still carries less than 1 percent of the disposable diaper market.

TenderCare is being carried in the Puget Sound region by the Fred Meyer department store chain, priced about 10 percent higher than conventional brands. A spokesman in Fred Meyer's Portland office says the product is aimed at a narrow segment of the market, but those who are buying it have written positive letters to the company.

SOME criticize the biodegradable diaper as a

"pseudo-solution" to the dangers of putting diapers in landfills, but Estacion claims "so much depends on landfill management and the way the diaper is handled. If the diaper is rolled into a ball, even though the majority of the diaper is biodegradable, the breakdown can't happen."

Kleeberg, although he sees cloth and recycling as better solutions, likes the biodegradable diaper. "In terms of volume reduction and not consuming land, it's a good idea," he said. "It doesn't completely disappear, but it separates into smaller piles, and does it a lot faster."

"Of course, the landfills need moisture and bacteria to degrade. Newspapers left in the rain break down to nothing in less than a year, but in some

landfills closed in the '50s, we've found newspapers with Eisenhower speeches on them still intact."

Those concerned about the issue say the diaper problem, though significant in itself, also serves as an example of the entire solid-waste picture.

Jeanne L. Wirka, a policy analyst with the Environmental Action Foundation in Washington, D.C., said recently in The New York Times, "It's a perfect case where we're using a disposable product that costs more than a reusable product, is more environmentally dangerous and uses up non-renewable resources."

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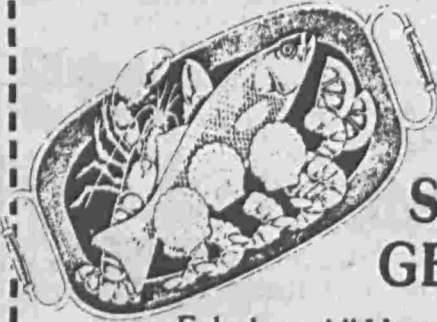
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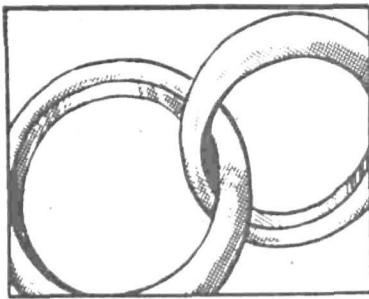
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The groom-to-be is the son of Gena and Boyd Smith of Federal Way. He attended Whatcom Community College and is employed by Heath Techa



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The wedding will take place Aug. 12 at St. Theresa's Catholic Church.



Beth and Karl Deissler

Piller-Deisler wed at Bow Lake

Beth Marie Piller and Karlheins H. Deissler exchanged wedding vows April 29 at the Bow Lake Church of God in Seattle. Pastor Glenn Peterson performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Johanne and Clifton Fitch of Dover, N.H. She works as a secretary for National Pipe and Piling, Inc., in Renton. Lynn Piller was her maid of honor and Sheri Piller her bridesmaid.

The groom is the son of Doris and Helmut Deissler of Auburn. He is a Fife High School graduate and attended Green River Community College. He manages an Arby's Restaurant in Tacoma.

Kurt Deissler was his best man and his groomsmen were: Aaron Keith, Mitch Arndt and Bob Cook.

The couple honeymooned in Tulalip and are living in Auburn.



Michael-Ann Kercher and Michael McAboy

Kercher-McAboy to marry in Fife

Michael-Ann Kercher and Michael McAboy have announced that they will be married at St. Martin of Tours Church in Fife on July 15.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Myrna and Michael Kercher of Auburn. She graduated from Decatur High School in 1985 and anticipates earning a bachelor of science in math from Central Washington University this spring.

Her fiance is the son of Judy McAboy, Edmonds, and of Carol and David McAboy, Edmonds. He graduated from Edmonds High School in 1985 and anticipates earning a bachelor of science in economics from Central Washington University this spring.

June wedding to unite local couple

Teri Hammermaster and Timothy Hickel will be married June 3, the couple announced last fall.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Gayle and Richard Hammermaster of Puyallup. She graduated from Puyallup High School and attended Washington State University, where she was affiliated with the Pi Beta Phi sorority. She is employed by Safaris Inc. — Destination Management Co.

Kathryn Hickel of Federal Way and the late Elmer Hickel. He graduated from Federal Way High School, the University of Washington and the University of Puget Sound Law School. He belonged to the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and is employed by a law firm in Monterey, Calif.

The wedding will take place at First Presbyterian Church of Puyallup.

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SIMPSON
Teri and Joseph Simpson Jr., Federal Way, welcomed a son May 8 at Tacoma General Hospital. Joseph Cethus IV weighed 8 pounds and 3 ounces at birth. He joins six sisters, Shawna, 18, Jody, 16, Jacki, 10, Linda, 9, Joni, 8, Ashli, 2. His grandparents are Ruth and Leon Kindt, Yelm, Becky and Joe Simpson, Roy. His great-grandparents are Archie and Ruth Porter, Enid, Okla., Lucille Kindt, Enid, Okla.

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BLAKEMAN
Caroline and Richard Blakeman, Auburn, welcomed their second son May 2 at Auburn General Hospital. Cody Donald weighed 7 pounds and 8 ounces at birth. He has a brother Casey, 16½ months. His grandparents are Nancy McGurty, Algona, Marlene and Dick Blakeman, Ocean Shores. His great-grandparents are Anita and Joseph McGurty, Kent.

YOUNG
Nicole Elizabeth, first child of Toni and Merrill Young, Federal Way, was born April 15 at St. Francis Community Hospital. Nicole weighed 7 pounds at birth. Her grandparents are Jane and Richard Scuderi, Federal Way, Verla and Ernest Young, Des Moines. Her great-grandparent is Totty Scuderi, Englewood, Fla.

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Eagle track teams soar at state meet

By GERARDO BOLONG

A second-place finish by Federal Way High School's Andrea Anderson highlighted the second and final day of state track competition from Tacoma's Lincoln Bowl. Results from Saturday action combined with Friday's performances of glory earned the soaring Eagles high state rankings in team competition over the two-day Star Track VIII event.

Federal Way's boys' team finished fifth in state AAA competition with 20 points. Garfield tied Mead of Spokane for first with 64 points. The Eagle girls flew to a tie for seventh with Lewis and Clark at 22 points. Mountain View of Vancouver won with 45 points.

Andrea Anderson completed her long-distance trilogy with a personal best time of 4:57.67 in the AAA girls 1,600-meters to place second in the finals behind Mead's Sara Schwald (4:52.06). Anderson edged out Rogers of Spokane's Lisa Dressel, whom she had defeated Friday night to win the state championship in the 3,200 meters.

Earlier in the day, Anderson clocked 2:14.19 to finish fourth in the girls 800 meters.

Another award-winning achievement on Saturday belonged to Lake Dawson of Federal Way. Dawson gained fifth in the state by running and jumping to a time of 39.38 in the 300-meter hurdles event. Myron Wise of Lakes took the top spot

with a state AAA best time of 37.66.

Continuing her gutsy comeback from a stress fracture suffered at the Federal Way Invitational five weeks ago, Federal Way's Kelly Czubin just missed a state medal in the AAA girls' high jump. Needing to clear 5-3 to stay in the competition, the redhead barely brushed the bar and watched as the bar wavered much like a golfer's put would teeter on the edge of the hole. In this case, the bar finally fell and with it fell the tough junior's state placing aspirations for 1989.

"She just ran out of strength," said Eagle girls coach Bill Harris. "It's taken time to regain the stamina for five or six jumps. The competitive ability is still there and this just whets her appetite for next year's competitions."

Czubin had cleared 5-4 at the Tacoma Invitational earlier this season.

Also competing in the high jump was Thomas Jefferson's Barb McCarthy. McCarthy entered Star Track with the state's second best high jump mark of 5-6, but could only clear 5-1 this time. Junior McCarthy will have another chance next season.

"We've done about what we expected," said Jefferson girls' coach Sam Beesly on Friday. "Jesse (Casbere) got through to the 200 finals and our 1,600-meter relay team is poised to place. We'll just see how things

go."

Junior sprinter Casbere went on to sixth place in the 200-meters, while the 1,600-meter relay team did likewise.

Although Jefferson gained no further state medals, the sophomore-junior dominated Raiders should make a big noise in seasons to come.

Federal Way boys' coach Bob France was pleased with his boys' team's performance in the state meet.

"We're really building our program. Last year we scored 14 points at state. This year we got 20. I'm thrilled with our performances. Of course, Ed Miller's repeat high jump title is memorable. Lake Dawson learned a lot from his first time at state. Dawson got off to a confused start in the 300 hurdles, straying into another lane and throwing his stride off or he might have finished higher. Jeff Perry and Tom Moen ran well in the 3,200 despite not placing in the top six. This is just great for our program."

"Andrea Anderson had a stellar performance," Federal Way's Harris observed. "She recorded personal bests in all three of her races. With steady splits, she was steady and ran her best. On this weekend, she certainly proved her ability to run three long races and succeed."

On that high note the 1989 high school track season has ended.

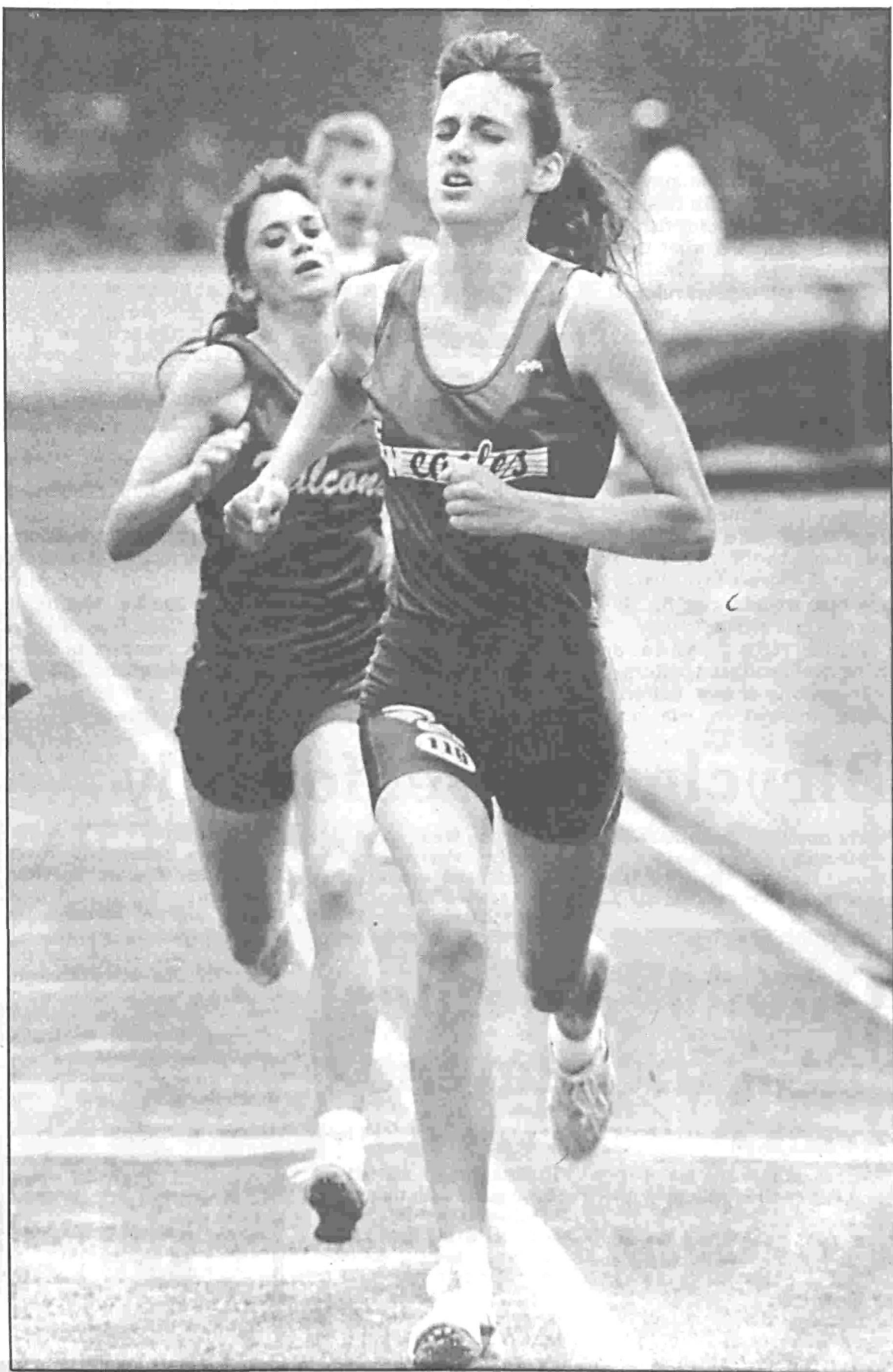


photo by Ralph Radford

ANDREA ANDERSON of Federal Way, who upset defending state champion Lisa Dressel of Rogers of Spokane to win the 3,200 meters at Star Track VIII Friday, finished fourth in the 800 meter run at the state track and field championships Saturday in the Lincoln Bowl.

Federal Way Omni jumps out to a quick Legion start

By TIM CLINTON

So far, the 'O' in Omni has stood for a big zero in the loss column for the Federal Way American Legion baseball team.

The Omni Executive Center-sponsored Legionnaires jumped out to a 2-0 start in District 11 play, defeating Enumclaw by a 1-0 score at Decatur Friday and Bothell on the same field Sunday, 7-1. Federal Way is 4-0 overall, including 11-0 and 14-0 non-league wins over Lakewood the Sunday before.

Obviously when a team allows only one run in four games, pitching and defense have been a key. The Omni Execs have committed just two errors so far, and the one earned run in 24 innings of play (the two Lakewood games were shortened to five in-

nings each because of a 10-run slaughter rule) gives them a 0.38 team earned run average.

Three of the four wins belong to Floyd French, a junior from Federal Way High School, including the two District 11 wins this past weekend.

French threw three innings of no-hit relief against Enumclaw Friday to get the win, striking out four and walking only one.

French started Sunday and allowed just two hits and the one earned run in six innings in spite of a tired arm, racking up nine strikeouts with three walks and one hit batter.

"I threw a two-hitter on a bad day, so I guess that's a good sign," said French. "I didn't have my best pitches going and didn't have the heater, so I had to keep them off balance and get

them to hit ground balls so the defense could make the plays."

For the year, French has a 0.69 earned run average in 13 innings of work with 17 strikeouts, but he is not the only one having a good year.

THIS PAST weekend senior Matt Wimmer from Seattle Christian (0-0, 0.00 in seven innings) threw four innings of shutout ball against Enumclaw, and Luke Almaden (1-0, 0.00 in four innings) completed French's two-hitter by throwing the seventh inning Sunday.

Wimmer was perfect until giving up a two-out single in the third Friday and allowed four hits while striking out two and walking none. Sunday Almaden retired three of four batters in

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Junior Legionnaires win again

The Federal Way Junior American Legion baseball team edged Bellevue Hondas, 7-6, Saturday to improve its District 11 and overall record to 2-0.

The winning run was scored in the bottom of the fifth, as Kevin Caldwell walked, stole second and came home on a base hit by Sur Johnson.

Aside from getting the game-winning hit, Johnson was also

the winning pitcher, throwing the last 2½ innings in relief of starter Mike Sugg.

Caldwell blasted a three-run home run in the bottom of the first, and the Omni Execs scored three more runs in the fourth.

Caldwell walked and stole second ahead of a Rod Janson walk, and Steve Martell bunted the two runners over to set the stage for a two-run single by

Danny Graham.

Dan Lydell singled and Jeff Range walked to load the bases for Sugg, who singled in the third run of the inning.

Federal Way is scheduled to be off until Saturday, when Inglemoor comes to Sacajawea Park for an 8 p.m. game. Kent Security (formerly Horizon Air) comes to the same field at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, with Kirkland Red visiting at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

SportsWatch

Around Town

Mariners

The Seattle Mariners conclude their current road swing with a 4:30 p.m. game against the Yankees in New York today before coming home for seven straight.

The Texas Rangers, whose manager is former Mariner Bobby Valentine, come to the Kingdome for 7:05 p.m. game tomorrow through Saturday and for a 1:35 p.m. clash Sunday.

The Kansas City Royals followed the Rangers into town for 7:05 p.m. action Monday and Tuesday and a 1:35 p.m. game Wednesday.

All Seattle games are broadcast on KIRO-Radio 710.

Tigers

The Tacoma Tigers are playing at home in Cheney Stadium today and tomorrow against Vancouver.

The Pacific Coast League AAA action will start at 7:35 p.m. both days.

Tacoma travels to Portland to take on the Beavers Friday through Monday, and Tuesday the Tigers open a four-game series in Calgary against the Seattle Mariners' farm team.

Tacoma games can be heard on KTAC-Radio 850.

Storm

The Seattle Storm will host the Portland Timbers in Western Soccer League action Saturday.

Saturday's game — known as the AT&T Cup — will start at 7:30 p.m. at Seattle Memorial Stadium.

Longacres

Longacres is open for horse racing action tomorrow through Sunday this week, with nothing on tap for today.

Tomorrow's and Friday's races start at 5 p.m. and Saturday's and Sunday's at 1 p.m.

Sunday is the \$30,000-added Everett Handicap.

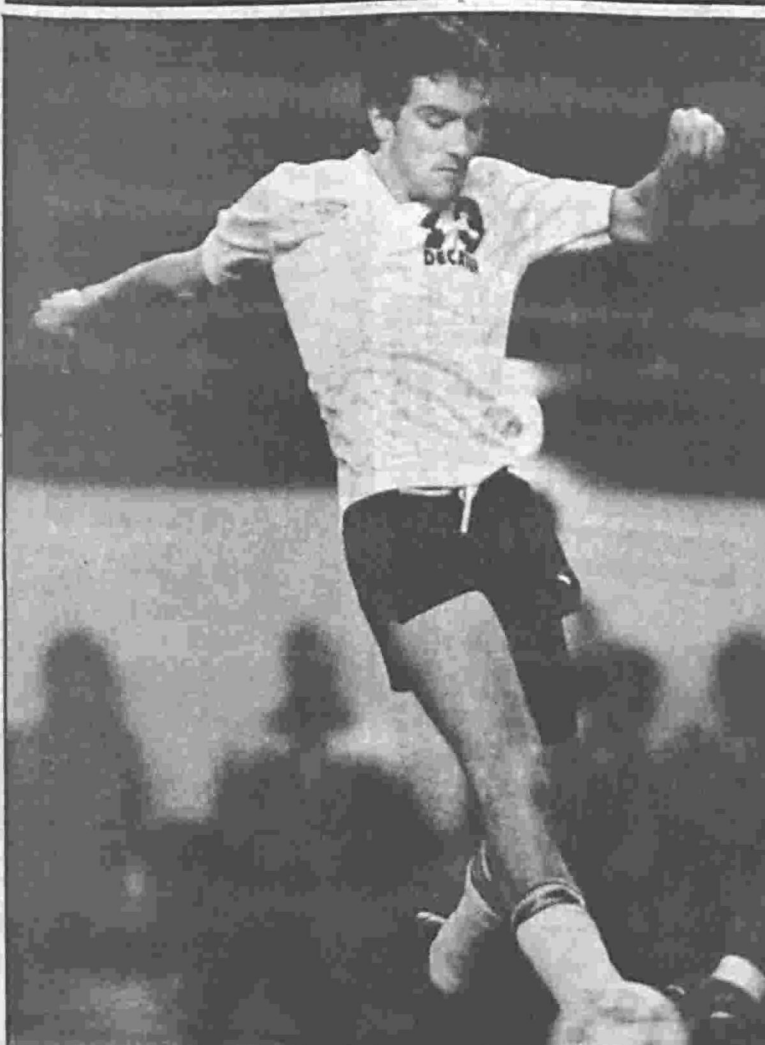


photo by Rhonda Davis

MIGUEL PARDO and the Decatur boys' soccer team finished third in the state with a 2-0 win over Mead Saturday (see story). This Saturday City League soccer action gets underway as Federal Way hosts Rainier Kitsap.

Home Teams

Soccer

Federal Way's summer City League soccer teams will open their seasons Saturday, hosting Rainier Kitsap at Federal Way Memorial Field.

The men's game will get underway at 11 a.m. and the women's at 1 p.m.

Legion

Federal Way Omni will be on the road for American Legion baseball action tomorrow, visiting defending District 11 champion Kirkland for an 8:30 p.m. game at Peter Kirk.

Friday the locals come home to play Burien at the same time at Sacajawea Park, before traveling to Bannerwood Park in Bellevue to take on Bellevue Honda at noon Saturday.

Tuesday Federal Way takes on the new Auburn team in 4 p.m. action at Brannon Park.

Junior Legion

Federal Way's Junior Legion team will be at home Saturday, taking on Inglemoor in an 8 p.m. game at Sacajawea Park.

Kent Security comes to the same field at 6:30 p.m. Sunday and Kirkland Red pays a visit at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Around Town

Spanaway Speedway

Spanaway Speedway is hosting Wednesday Night Fever auto racing starting at 6 p.m. today, with super figure eights, compacts and spectator drags scheduled.

More action is on tap Friday at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday starting at 6 p.m.

New fishing techniques prove helpful in Okanogan

The wind blew, the rain poured, it snowed in the passes and I took the week off to do some camping and fly fishing in the Okanogan. To say the experience was less than hoped for would be an understatement, but the new techniques I learned were valuable.



Dick Benbow

You see, I'd fallen into the habit of fishing with floating line for visibly feeding fish. If your fly matched what they were eating, it was like shooting fish in a barrel. But this year's trip put me in choppy, blowing conditions that required using a sink tip and full sinking line.

At first I used big attractor patterns such as leeches, but as I realized the insect hatch still was on, I matched the hatch with standard patterns. Fish seemed to be facing into the current developed by the wind so that a cast 45 degrees to the left of my tube would swing the fly across their vision.

While the standard chironomid and scud patterns worked OK, a new pattern soon emerged to win my

and the weed growth almost nil. We'll have a longer season this year, I think. Ell Lake was extremely low just as it was last year, which surprised me. Most fish were in the 15-inch range, but I did see two fish caught that easily exceeded 20 inches. One angler had a boat with an electronic depth sounder. He was a tremendous assist in locating fish. They hovered about 10 feet below the surface in water that was 20 feet deep. A 10-foot sink-tip line was perfect to get the fly down to the right depth.

Next time out, when no fish are showing on the surface, you'll have to go deep like I did. It's amazing what you can catch.

Those readers concerned with new commercial marine fishing regulations should be aware of a state Department of Fisheries meeting June 8 at 10 a.m. at 7600 Sand Point Way N.E. in the NOAA complex in Seattle. The hagfish will be reclassified as a possible commercial fish along with

five other regulation proposals. For details contact the fisheries department at 753-6600.

Members of the South Sound Fly Fishers will be hosting "Fly Fishing in the Northwest II" on Sept. 15-17 at the Westwater Inn in Olympia. The event will feature noted anglers Gary Borger and Left Kreh. For more details call Ed Casey, 866-4077.

866-4077.

Good news for anglers who like to fish Lake Fenwick in Kent. Some \$300,000 worth of paths, docks and floating walkways are scheduled to be installed this fall. The lake is open year-round and for the past two years has received a plant of huge brood trout. It also has a healthy population of big bass.

The pathways will link a narrow island to the shoreline, creating some 455 feet of additional access for anglers. Bids will be let by the city of Kent in July. The city is putting up \$173,000 while federal funds of \$120,000 will be used. The lake is nestled on the West Hill just north of South 272nd Street on, what else, Lake Fenwick Road.

Bicycle tour set for July

The Round the Sound bike tour challenges cyclists to ride 150 miles through the Olympic Peninsula on the weekend of July 15 and 16.

The tour begins with a ferry

favor. It was a deep hair clipped scud that was buoyant. You'd cast it on a short 3- or 4-foot leader along with a sink-tip line. The fly would rise up slowly after a twitch or two and was devastatingly effective. In fact, it got so that too many fish were taking this pattern too deep into their throats and were being injured, so we actually switched to something *less* effective.

The spring has been cooler

ride from West Seattle's Fauntleroy Ferry dock to Southworth and weaves along the back roads of Kitsap County. Cyclists will then head north and over the Hood Canal Bridge to

Port Townsend. Sunday's return will cover Poulsbo and Bremerton before the return ferry crossing to West Seattle and a barbeque at Lincoln Park.

The registration fee for the ride is \$25 plus each participant is asked to raise a minimum of \$150 in pledges for multiple sclerosis. Cyclists are eligible to win prizes.

For more information on registering call 728-1088.

Omni team rides pitching, defense

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the seventh with his performance marred only by a hit batter.

Offensively, Federal Way only outthit Enumclaw, 6-4, and Bothell, 5-2, but the long ball saved the day.

Shortstop Gregg Landskov won Friday's game with a solo home run in the bottom of the seventh, and Sunday Jeff Wagner put two shots over the Decatur fence to lead the Omni Execs to the 7-1 win.

Friday Federal Way had left runners on second and third with no outs in the second and left the bases loaded with no outs in the fourth. On top of that, runners were left on second in the first, fifth and sixth.

But Landskov — who had driven the ball to the fence only to have it caught in the fourth — stepped up to the plate to lead off the seventh and put the first pitch onto the grassy bank in left field for the 1-0 win.

"We'll take it," said Omni Executive Center head coach Tom Wagner of the win. "We didn't move people around real well, but we didn't make any mistakes, either. We had the timely hit — that's the way to win."

Aaron Martin was the leading

hitter in that game, going 3-for-3 with a double.

FEDERAL WAY started off Sunday's game with three runs in the bottom of the first.

Mark Nielsen led off by hitting into an error, and one out later Wagner blasted a home run to left. Two errors and a two-out single by Landskov resulted in the third run of the rally.

Wagner led off the third with a home run to left center, and the Omni Execs scored three insurance runs in the sixth with the help of a Jamie Sonnenfeld bunt single, three walks and a hit batter.

Wagner finished with a 2-for-2 day with the two home runs and two walks.

Federal Way was to visit Bellevue Milam last night, with an 8:30 p.m. visit to defending District 11 champion Kirkland scheduled for tomorrow.

Johnson takes third in state

Decatur tennis player Forrester Johnson captured third place in singles at the boys' Class AAA state tennis tournament in Kennewick.

Johnson, who had finished first in singles at the West Central District tournament, defeated Jansen of Snohomish, 6-1, 6-1 in the first round of this year's state tourney.

He added a 6-4, 6-2 win over Dapas of Interlake in the quarterfinals, but then suffered a 6-3, 3-6, 6-0 loss to Umakoshi of Redmond in the semifinals.

Johnson came back to beat Graber of Kamiakin in the match for third and fifth place, 6-3, 6-3.

In doubles action, Tom Sanger and Kurt Wessenburg of Decatur, who earned a berth to state by placing sixth at district, lost two close matches.

Sanger and Wessenburg opened with a 7-6, 6-2 loss to Wright and Roessler of Eisenhower, and then lost to the team of Thacker and Bauman of Cascade by a 7-5, 5-7, 6-0 margin.

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All proposals must be received at the South King County Multi-Service Center Office, 1505 South 356th Street, Federal Way, Washington 98003 no later than 3:00 p.m., June 15, 1989. Proposals must be clearly labeled with the name of this project which is FOOD BANK/OFFICE RELOCATION. Proposals will be screened and all firms notified by June 30, 1989, of the outcome of the selection process. The SKCMSC accepts no financial or legal responsibility for any costs incurred by the bidder in responding to this Request For Proposal. The SKCMSC is an Equal Opportunity Contractor and welcomes minority owned enterprise bids.

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Decatur rebounds to take third

By CHUCK MINGORI
The Decatur boys' soccer team rebounded from a tough loss to Newport in the semifinals on Friday to beat Mead on Saturday for third place in the Class AAA boys' state soccer tournament.

The Gators' 2-0 victory over Mead in the consolation game closed out a 14-5 season for Decatur, which ended regular season play as co-champions of the South Puget Sound League with Jefferson.

Decatur opened up state tournament action with a 3-0 victory in Vancouver over Mountain View, edged Shorecrest 1-0 in a shootout in the state quarterfinals and then came up short by a 3-2 margin against Newport in the semifinals on Friday night.

"It's nice to come back after last night. We wanted to prove that we were worthy of the game we played last night," said Decatur coach Rick Dennison on Saturday. "We had our chances and we could have been in the state finals, but because of a few bounces here and there we weren't. At least we finished third."

Newport captured second place in the state tournament after losing, 4-0, to Cascade in the finals Saturday night. Mead had lost to Cascade, 1-0, in the other semifinal game on Friday night.

"We had a lousy first half and it was hard to get started," explained Dennison, "but we talked about it last night and we talked about it this morning when we got on the bus about what the game meant. By the time we got here we were ready to go."

MEAD HAD a good opportunity to score with 18:48 left in the first half when Jeff Ellis had the ball in a one-on-one situation with Decatur goalkeeper Ryan Berg. Ellis booted the ball directly at Berg, however, and the Gator goalie made the save.

Late in the first half, the Gators came close when Sean Young made a sliding hook shot from the right wing. The Mead goalkeeper came out to defend Young's shot, which skidded just wide left of the goalmouth.

Decatur began to control the ball more in the second half with superior passing and aggressive play.

"We had watched Mead play a

couple times," said Dennison. "We knew that they would match up well with us. They play a 4-4-3 most of the time and they move the ball around good and they play the ball on the ground, which plays into us."

"Last night we had to play a kick and run type of game, where as soon as they got their foot on it, they tried to hit their fast forwards, and that's not our style of play."

DECATUR'S STYLE of play became evident in the second half when the Gators scored two goals on well-executed plays.

The first came with 19:50 left in the game. Dan Heidal started the goal-scoring play with a pass to Young on the right wing. Young outran a defender into the corner and then crossed the ball in front of the goal to Jamie Carter, who put the shot into the back of the net for a 1-0 Decatur lead.

Decatur added another goal with 7:28 left in the game to make it 2-0 in Decatur's favor. Heidal passed the ball from the center to the left wing for Young, who fired a shot into the goal for a 2-0 score.

Mead's Chris Cullen threatened with 2:14 in the game with a bullet-like shot on goal. But Berg batted the ball down and Scott Greene's follow-up attempt sailed high over the goal.

Decatur senior defender Derick Baker had to leave the game with 27:54 remaining after colliding with a Mead player and splitting open his head. The injury to the top of his head would need stitches, said Decatur trainer Robert Thomas.

Coach Dennison was pleased with the final results after not knowing how far his team would go to start the 1989 soccer season.

"We knew we had a good side, we didn't know how good," he said. "We knew we were going to be scoring some goals and we just kind of let the rest of it fall into place."

DENNISON SAID the SPSL season toughened his squad for post-season play.

"Those tough games in league really aged us as far as the young players," he said. "The game against Shorecrest, we got into a shootout with them and because of the way the league format goes, we've been in shootouts before. We were able

to handle that kind of pressure." Decatur finished SPSL play with a 7-3 record. Two of Decatur's three league losses went into shootouts.

Dennison added that the experience of the state tournament can only benefit his young squad, which includes seven seniors. Decatur will lose Sean Young, Derick Baker, Scott Mendenhall, Miguel Pardo, Tom Simonson, Pete Milic and Jeff

Johnson to graduation. Decatur underclassmen include Ryan Berg, Gil Geyman, Sean Murphy, Dan Heidal, Sisto Pina, Mike Command, Tom Helmer, Gary Wagner, Mike McClain, Jeff Hamling, Erik Fulwiler, Jamie Carter and Spiro Zeffreys.

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The physicals, held in August last year, will be \$7 this year to help cover the cost for staff time and supplies.

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The following is the schedule: Federal Way girls, 8 a.m. to 9:15 p.m.; Decatur girls, 9:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.; Thomas Jefferson girls, 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.; Decatur boys, noon to 1:15 p.m.; Thomas Jefferson boys, 1:15 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.; and Federal Way boys, 2:30 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

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Nautilus	7-2
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Lakegrove	3-6
Woodmont	3-6
Lakeland I	2-8
Mirror Lake	1-9
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photo by Rhonda Davis

REGINA KOH grimaces on this putt, despite getting a par on the hole during Twin Lakes Ladies Invitational golf tournament action Friday at the Twin Lakes Golf and Country Club.

Twin Lakes ladies tourney champs named

Sue Ursino of Sahalee shot a round of 75 to take low gross of the field honors in the annual Twin Lakes Ladies Invitational Golf Tournament last Friday.

Dottie Fredrickson of Fairwood earned low net of the field honors with a score of 60.

Low gross first division winner was Lee Fesler of Rainier with a 79, while Delores Sutherland of Port Gardner in Bremerton shot an 80 to take second division honors.

JoAnn Schriber of Twin Lakes had an 87 to lead the way in the third division.

There was a tie for fourth division between Lyla Dell of Twin Lakes and Betty Jo Senuty of Bellingham Country Club as each shot a 90.

Fifth division winner was Barbara Brueggeman of Tam-O-Shanner and Esther Peters of Oakbrook with identical marks

of 94. Low net first division winner was B.J. Larimer of Port Gardner with 69, while Rosemary Austin of Twin Lakes shot a 62 to win the second division and Jeanne Stumpf of Twin Lakes finished with a 63 to take first place in the third division.

Betty Webb of Twin Lakes fired a 66 for first among the fourth division of golfers and Ann Crain of Fairwood shot a 65 to take first place in the fifth division.

In the best ball division, Cindy Ostrom and JoAnne Schriber teamed up to shoot a score of 55 for 18 holes to take first place.

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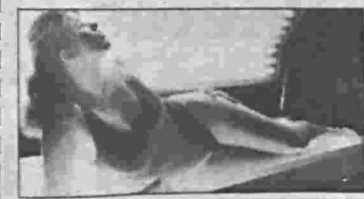


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JFK softball team finishes 6-12

By ADAM WORCESTER

All in all, coach Bob Bourgette couldn't be happier with his 1989 Kennedy girls' softball team.

"This is the best group of kids I've ever been associated with. I just wish we had another half season to go," he says.

If they did, the Lancers might well have snagged one of the North Puget Sound League's four playoff berths. Kennedy charged back from a 0-9 league start to wind up 6-12, eighth in the NPSL standings.

During the second half of the season the team was as good as any in the league, Bourgette claims.

"Nothing good was happening for us the first half," says Bourgette. In six of the Lancers' nine losses, they were ahead entering the sixth inning. "But the girls kept the faith. They've

changed the softball program around, just by their attitude."

Bourgette cites a 9-5 victory over Highline May 4 as evidence of his group's newfound determination. Lancer players were upset with themselves for not keeping a 9-1 lead.

"In the past, I've seen us happy after a close loss. (This time) they were mad. That's unusual around here for softball," Bourgette says.

But then again, it was an unusual season. If Bourgette had it to do over again, he would have given the team a few days off at the start of the campaign.

Most of the Lancers were coming off long fall and winter sports seasons that were extended by state-playoff trips, and they may have been suffering from fatigue.

"I should have told them, 'Just sit down and relax,'"

Bourgette says. "We started trying too hard. There was a lot of frustration."

When the team finally settled down, it began to play like Bourgette says it was capable of all along.

Junior Marisa Bernasek led the Lancers in batting average with a .696 mark and had 17 RBI's. Senior catcher Julie Holmes hit .570.

Sophomore Teresa Rigoni knocked in 14 runs on her way to a .462 average, and Bridgette Bourgette hit .626 as a utility player.

Shortstop Marne Hazlegrove hit .423, despite playing all year with a sore arm. Third baseman Karen Shaull led the league with 11 doubles.

Kennedy will lose five seniors to graduation this year— Captain Denise Jaramillo, Susan Utschinski, Jodi McCann, Shaull and Holmes. Bourgette hates to see them leave.

"The attitude is so positive right now. We ended on a really good note," he says. "I just wish we could keep going. With a group like this, you hate for the season to end."

Totem Lasers set tryouts

Tryouts for the Totem Lasers, a boys' U-10 select soccer team, will be held at Grandview Park on Saturday, June 3, from noon to 2 p.m. and on Sunday, June 4, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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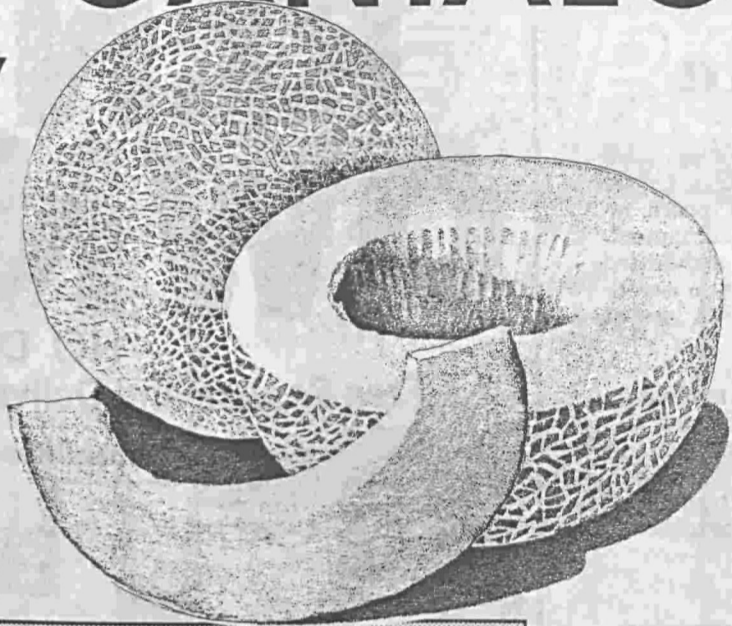
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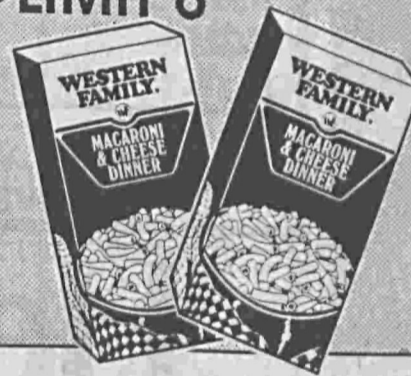
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Computer program to help league statisticians

By ADAM WORCESTER

Ron Randall had a problem a couple of years ago. He wanted to gather standings for his Cascade Middle School girls' softball team and the 11 other league clubs sponsored by the Highline P.T.S.A. But he found it a tough chore. "It involved another volunteer because someone would have to keep track of every game, compile the results and bring them to the local media. There was no simple, easy way to do it," Randall says. So he devised an answer: "Score Keeper."

"Score Keeper" is a computer program that makes it easy to record and update wins, losses, ties, percentages and game results, Randall claims. It includes a printout capacity to produce ready-to-publish standings at the touch of a button and can handle leagues of up to 50 teams and contests to 199 points. It's not exotic, Randall admits, "But probably for 80 percent of amateur, semipro and church leagues, this is all they need." RANDALL HIT upon the idea for "Score Keeper" following a

P.T.S.A. discussion on how to publicize its softball league. He called various computer stores searching for an easy record-keeping program, but found none were available. So one morning he asked Lloyd Albin, a co-worker at Color Art Print in White Center, how tough it would be to design the type of program he had in mind. Albin, a computer buff and 1987 Ingraham High School graduate, took it from there. He invented a program, Randall proofread and troubleshot it, and before long the pair had a marketable commodity.

"It's pretty well perfected now for ease and simplicity. We need to correct some of the spelling," Randall says. As far as the two know, it is the only program of its kind. "Score Keeper" can handle any "two-team" sport, such as basketball, baseball and football, that keeps score by whole digits. It automatically puts team standings in order after the latest results have been entered. AS A FUND-RAISER for

Cascade P.T.S.A., Randall is selling his program disc for \$30. Half that fee goes to Randall and Albin, the other half to Cascade for classroom computers and other student needs. Although he has not yet sold any, Randall says a software company has expressed interest in marketing the discs. Eventually, he hopes to market the program nationwide. "If it takes off, we would add other categories, like goals for, goals against and track times,"

Randall says. "The program could also handle different leagues at the same time." Because each double-sided program disc contains 360,000K (keyboard strokes) memory, one should last most leagues forever, Randall says. For \$30, customers receive a D.O.S.-based disc compatible with IBM systems, an instruction booklet and a phone number to call for questions and service. Then, Randall says, "That's it for life."

Freestyle wrestlers take state

Two young wrestlers, Ben Cruzat and Scott Thorsteinson, continued their successful careers earlier this month at the state freestyle championships at Snohomish High School. Cruzat, 11, won the 70-pound division for 12 & under boys. Thorsteinson, 10, took second place in the 60-lb. category. It was Cruzat's second victory in five trips to the USA state tournament. He has finished second three times. Thorsteinson has wrestled in the state tourney on four different occasions, with three second-place finishes and one

first. Both boys are members of the Federal Way Tornadoes wrestling club and former members of the Highline Hawks. Both say they will wrestle in high school and would like to one day compete in the Olympic Games. Cruzat, a student at Christain State School, will attend Kilo Junior High School and Thomas Jefferson High. Thorsteinson, a student at Cedarhurst Elementary, will go to Sylvester Middle School and Highline High. They just completed a Tornadoes' season that began in

late February and featured a match every weekend. Cruzat finished with a 42-1 record, including the state tournament. Thorsteinson was undefeated at 60 pounds — he also wrestled at 65 — until his loss at state. By placing in the top four at state, each qualified for the USA national tournament June 14-15, in Gillette, Wyoming. Cruzat is currently training at a Tacoma club for the trip.

LaSac hosts boot try out

Signup forms for the LaSac Soccer Club boys' and girls' soccer teams are now being distributed to Adelaide, Lake Grove, Mirror Lake, Nautilus and St. Vincent Elementary Schools. Those who did not receive a form and reside within these school boundaries and wish to play can contact Gary Fetters at 874-0982 or Chris Popich at 941-1343. Teams for the players born in 1982 and earlier will be formed

in June and league play will start in early September. The start of practice will be determined by the coaches. Deadline for signups are Friday, June 9. Preliminary teams for the players born in 1983 and 1984 will be formed in June. Final teams will be assembled in early September. This will enable the club to include players starting kindergarten in the fall of 1989. Practice will start early September and league play will start in late September.

Seattle Raiders turn out

The Seattle Raiders, a new semi-pro football team, invites prospective players to tryouts Saturday, June 3, at 1 p.m. at Fort Dent playfield. Participants will be judged on

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Hard work confronts founders of new cities

By RANDY BLACK

They aren't the sons, or even daughters, of the pioneers. They are the pioneers themselves.

But when the 28 Sea-Tac and Federal Way city council candidates started hearing how much work it will take to get their brand new cities started, they must have considered turning around the wagons and heading back east.

"How do you pay the city manager?" asked Julia Patterson, a Sea-Tac candidate. "How do you buy the paper the budget is printed on?"

Gary English, a Federal Way-area resident, was asked what problems his city has with parks, recreation and arts.

"We don't have any parks, we don't have any recreation and we don't have any arts," he cracked.

The candidates met Tuesday morning with consultants, elected officials and city and government staff members to get an idea of just what it will take to get from election day to incorporation day.

BY THE TIME they were done, three walls of a conference room at the Red Lion Sea-Tac were covered with the problems the candidates will face.

There wasn't time to even start thinking about solutions.

The problems ranged from the big ones — such as who will pro-

vide police service — to the mundane.

Mill Creek city clerk Michele Schutz stood up late in the meeting to remind candidates they should rent a post office box as soon as practical, so the city would at least have an address.

Schutz, whose city was the last one in the state to incorporate, brought a list of 31 ordinances the councils must address at their early meetings.

The council must: establish meeting times; name an official newspaper; impose sales, use and real estate excise taxes; adopt SEPA environmental controls; create a planning commission; create a claims and payroll fund; authorize the treasurer to borrow money; adopt interim zoning; adopt salaries for council members; adopt a budget; adopt council meeting rules; create special activity funds like street and capital improvements; authorize the city to collect its share of already-collected tax money; and on and on.

IN ADDITION, Schutz said, the city must contact the IRS to apply for a tax ID number, send out address forms to departments in Olympia the city will deal with, and install phones.

County road engineer Lou Haff listed more than a dozen items required by the state just

to operate a public works department.

Federal Way District Court Judge Carole Hayek said the councils should think about whether to set up a municipal court and how much it should charge for speeding tickets.

If the council candidates' heads weren't swimming by then, they heard similar reports from groups that discussed parks, land-use, personnel, sewer and water, budget,

finance, police and jail, fire and building, organization, city hall, and others.

THE COUNCIL candidates were active participants in the discussions.

While they all said the conference was useful, some seemed a bit daunted by the amount of work that will go into starting the cities.

"It's a very good forum to give us a lot of basic knowledge," said Don DeHan, a Sea-Tac can-

didate. "We're trying to educate ourselves," said Bob Wood, a Federal Way hopeful. "The more information we have, the more we can be ready for the day of incorporation."

Terry Ellis, Kirkland's city manager, told the group that cityhood is "empowering" to people living in the new cities.

But he said the two councils will have a chance to build a city that's progressive and suc-

cessful without the baggage brought by earlier administrations.

"It's the most challenging, exciting, difficult and all-consuming thing you'll ever do," he said.

He left the group with the words of an oath given to all the citizens of ancient Athens.

"Thus in all, we will transmit this city not only not less, but greater and more beautiful than it was transmitted to us."

Fight expected over tough policies

Federal Way and Sea-Tac city council candidates have until Monday, June 5, to respond to a set of controversial new policies on county regional services.

The proposals, written by the King County Council's policy analysts, call for full recovery of costs for services the county provides on a regional basis, including police, health care and parks maintenance.

If adopted by the County Council, the new policy could force cities to shoulder more of the costs of those services than they have in the past.

The proposals were distributed to all council candidates last week, with the request that they respond to the council by June 5.

Bruce Laing, chairman of the council's Parks and Resources committee, said that so far he hasn't heard from the candidates.

"It's only been a few days. We expect to hear from them loud and clear before the deadline,"

he said. The new cost policies sprang out of the council's realization that incorporation votes in Sea-Tac and Federal Way could cost the county as much as \$35 million in lost revenue. That tax money will go to the new cities once they officially incorporate.

Councilmembers quickly directed their staff to come up with recommendations on how the county could absorb that loss and still provide needed regional services.

The staff prepared a thick report that boils down to a requirement that cities pay full cost for the services provided by the county.

Suburban cities are also responding to these new policies, joining new cities in the argument over how to define "full costs." They also have a deadline of June 5.

The debate could come to a head June 12 when the council has scheduled its first public hearing on the new policies.

Forum will focus on open space parcels

Federal Way residents will have a chance to tell county officials what local lands should be saved from development at a meeting on open space tomorrow.

The 7:30 p.m. meeting will be part of the Federal Way Community Council meeting. It is also being sponsored by the Citizens Advisory Committee on Open Space.

The citizens committee has been working since March compiling a list of more than 80 properties countywide for possible inclusion in a bond proposal to buy the properties and preserve them.

Federal Way representatives on the committee are Dick Burris and Dave Kaplan. Together, they identified a list six properties in the Federal Way area worth \$10.9 million.

After tomorrow's forum, the committee will decide just what parcels will be passed along to the King County Council for its

approval. It is up to the county council to decide what parcels will be placed on the bond issue. Committee members anticipate the bond issue will be placed on the November ballot.

It's estimated the bond issue could total \$120 million. A 1988 open space bond issue totaled \$89.5 million, but failed largely because of the inclusion of money for the Seattle Aquarium and other items not related to open space.

Tomorrow's meeting will be held at the Federal Way School District headquarters, 31405 18th Ave. S.

For more information on the bond issue, call Gene Duvernoy, 296-1690.

The community council also will discuss a survey it plans to conduct on the "Vision of Federal Way," and will talk about fund-raising suggestions for the council.

Pacific Nuclear posts more profits

Pacific Nuclear Systems Inc., has announced its earnings for the first quarter of 1989.

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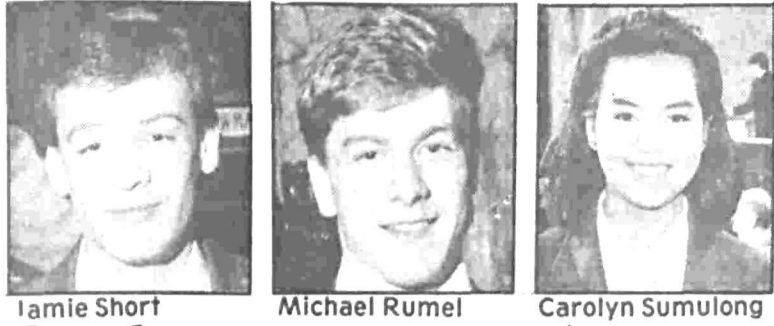
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Students serve as pages

Jamie Short, a sophomore at Decatur High School, was among a number of local students who recently served as pages at the state Capitol. Short, sponsored by Rep. Dick Schoon, (R-30th), worked in the House of Representatives. He is the son of Marilynn and James Short. Federal Way High School sophomore Michael Rumel also served as a page in the House. Rumel, the son of Janet and Steven Rumel, was sponsored by Rep. Jean Marie Brough (R-30th).

Carolyn Sumulong, a freshman at Seattle Preparatory School and a Federal Way resident, served two stints at the Capitol, one on each side of the rotunda. Sumalong was sponsored in the House by Schoon and in the Senate by Sen. Peter von Reichbauer (R-30th). She is the daughter of Connie and Carlos Sumulong.

Neighbors drop apartment appeal

By KURT HERZOG
Woodmont residents and members of a local land-use watchdog committee have dropped their appeal of a 232-unit apartment complex proposed for the Woodmont area. The Springwood Manor apartment complex will be built at 2136 S. 260th St. in a primarily residential neighborhood. The 19.8-acre complex will sit next to a 100-foot-deep ravine that is highly valued by neighbors. The ravine, through which McSorley (formerly Smith) Creek runs, is home to hawks, raccoons, skunks and trout. Centron agreed to put a fence around the apartment complex

and to inform apartment residents not to use the ravine, according to Dick Burris, a leader of DIRE (Development Impact Resistance Exercise), a local land-use watchdog group. CENTRON ALSO agreed to add a center turn lane on nearby South 260th Street, to help with traffic signal revisions and to ban parking on South 260th Street, according to Kim Boyce, a Centron attorney. Centron, a Bellevue development firm, also cooperated with residents around the Greystone Meadows apartment complex at South 312th Street and First Avenue South. "This is really to their credit," Burris said of Centron.

"They've been very responsive." Representatives of Centron met with DIRE and Woodmont residents at least twice to discuss the project. About 65 residents showed up at one community meeting after they found out about the project. DIRE also has been successful in its appeals of county decisions not to require preparation of environmental impact statements (EIS) on three projects around the Hylebos Wetlands. The most recent of those successes was an appeal of an EIS determination of non-significance for the Regency Woods commercial center, a

75,000-square-foot complex at the northwest corner of Kit Corner Road and South 368th Street. Developers Venture Partners are proposing to fill in two ravines with Hylebos tributaries there. A county hearing examiner decided the developers must complete an EIS before they can proceed with the project. DIRE includes many community activists such as Debbie Ertel, Burris, Bob Roper, Dale Roper, Francis and Ilene Marckx, Jim Cron and Charlotte Kirkwood. DIRE can be reached by writing to P.O. Box 4586, Federal Way, WA 98063. Or call Jim or Betty Cron at 941-2948.

Private schools hold graduations

Private schools that draw students from the Federal Way area will be holding graduation ceremonies soon.

- The Annie Wright School's commencement exercises will begin at 10 a.m., June 4, in the school's Raymond Chapel, 827 Tacoma Ave. N.
- Graduating seniors will be honored for their academic achievements at a ceremony at 4 p.m., June 3. The school's phone number is 272-2216.
- Bellarmino Preparatory School will hold graduation at noon, June 4, in the Tacoma Dome. Archbishop Thomas Murphy will address the senior class.
- A reception for seniors will follow commencement at 2 p.m. in Bellarmino's student center, 2300 S. Washington, Tacoma. The school's phone number is 752-7701.
- Charles Wright Academy seniors will receive their diplomas at 2 p.m., June 3, in an outdoor ceremony by the upper school, 7723 Chambers Creek Road W., Tacoma.
- Baccalaureate services will be held June 1. The school's phone number is 564-2171.
- Baccalaureate for John F. Kennedy High School will be at 10 a.m., June 5, at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 15236 21st Ave. S.W., Burien.
- Graduation ceremonies will begin at 7 that evening at the school, 140 S. 140th St., Burien. After graduation, seniors will depart to an all-night party. The school's number is 246-0500.
- Seattle Christian School will hold graduation ceremonies at 7:30 p.m., June 8, in the school's gym, 19639 28th Ave. S. The school's number is 824-1310. There will be no baccalaureate service.

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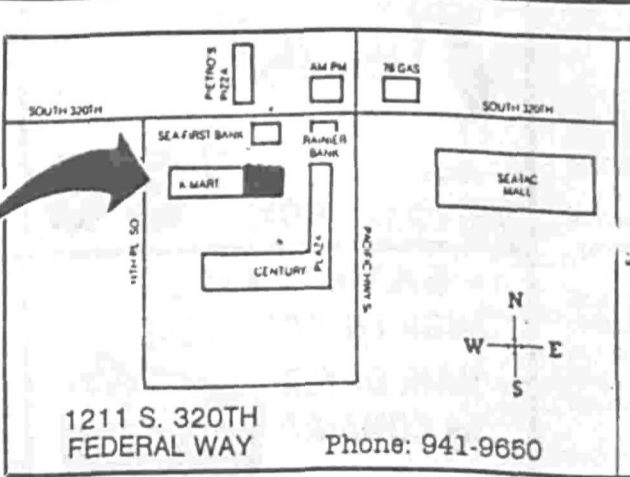
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