

## TRAVEL NOTES



July travelers had a wonderful trip to the San Juan Islands (Roche Harbor) and Mt. Baker. No trips are planned for the month of August, September is the first of several one day outings.

On September 12<sup>th</sup> Northwest Trek Animal Park near Eatonville, Washington is on our Day trip docket. Last year's adventure went so well it is back for a repeat trip. Last count we had a few seats left. Remember no reservation is complete until your payment is received.

Our King Tut Trip on October 8<sup>th</sup> is sold out. With such a large demand for this wonderful trip we were able to get more tickets for the October 15<sup>th</sup>. We have already started to fill seat on the bus. Do not delay if you are want to go, as these seats on the bus will go quickly!  
Our PSAC is continuing to enter into joint ventures with groups within our community to the common benefit of each. Last year's Northwest Trek we partnered with our local Audubon Bird Club. It worked very well. This year we are again teaming with another group call **ENCORE** (Exploring New Concepts of Retirement Education). ENCORE'S first collaboration with PSAC will be our October 15<sup>th</sup> excursion to King Tut.



*Lucile Robinson-Lee* is the **volunteer of the month**, and has the longest record of being a PSAC member and volunteer. Lucile began volunteering in 1993, along with a group of people who felt there was a need for a Senior Center on the Peninsula. At that time the group used to meet at the Ocean Park Fire Hall making plans to

build a Senior Center, not only structurally but what it could provide for the Seniors and how to fund such a project. It was during this time that Lucile met her husband George. He had just lost his wife and was very lonely; her daughter knew George as she delivered his newspapers, and she encouraged Lucile to ask him to go for coffee, when she did, he replied how about breakfast. She said she couldn't as she had to attend a PSAC planning meeting. She invited him to go to the meeting, so he joined her and George too became very active in the development of the PSAC. Lucile was in charge of planning the senior trips, so the two traveled together, and on one of the bus trip to Reno they decided to marry. The folks on the bus gave them a shower and when they arrived in Reno they were married. Lucile remains a loyal and active member/volunteer of the Center. She is a member of the finance committee and works in the office every week. She is also active in AARP, as the treasurer. Thanks to the hard work of Lucile and all of the people that believed in a Senior Center we now have a great place today.

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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thanks to Glenn Ripley for donating and setting up the computer for use for our membership. It is available in the great room from 12- 4:00pm.

Twelve of our members just returned from their trip to the San Juan Islands. They enjoyed gorgeous weather and during the ferry crossing they got to watch large group of gray whales at play. We have just a few seats left for the King Tut trip on Oct 15<sup>th</sup>. These day trips have proved to be very popular and Ron and Nancy Schnitger are planning to do more of them next year. Call them if you have a destination in mind.

**RSVP**( Retired Senior Volunteer Program) group awarded the Peninsula Senior Center the "**2011 Worksite of the year** " award. This award is given to the organization that has the most volunteer hours in Pacific County. They had their annual recognition celebration at the Peninsula Senior Center. We received this award as a result of the nearly 60 hard working folks who make it possible for the center to work so successfully!  
Dennis Crumbley also received the **2011 volunteer of the year award** .

The Hawaiian style lunch was catered by the Senior Center with John Vale as our chef! The entertainment provided by local musicians and singers, with ukulele music and guitars. Everyone had a great time!

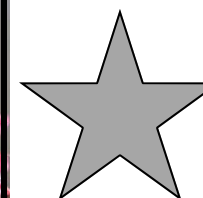
**Don't forget our big garage sale on August 11<sup>th</sup>!** Sylvie, Sandy Stewart and John Vale have spent many hours putting together a display of some really nice items with super low prices.

*Ernie Henson Board President*



*Dennis Crumbley*

**GREAT  
JOB!**



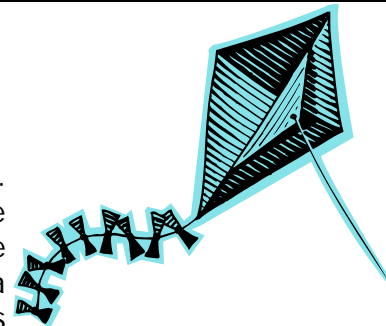
*Jenny Knutson & Dorothy Tenney*

# KITE FESTIVAL – AUGUST 20-26

## “HOW IT BEGAN “

### KITE MUSEUM- Kay Buesing Director

The idea for a Kite Festival came in 1982 when Harry Osborne, a teacher at Edmonds Community College in Edmonds, WA, visited the Long Beach Peninsula. Seeing the beach he remarked what a great place to fly kites. Returning home he collected several students to come to the beach and participate in flying a kite. The goal was to set a world record in keeping a kite aloft the longest time. And set a record they did, they kept the kite in the air for 180 hours and 17 minutes, which is listed in the Book of Guinness. When the wind would appear to be dying down the students would jump on the back of a truck and drive like the wind keeping the kite in the air. Thus the first Kite Festival began, with only seven or eight people in attendance, one of the observers was a gentleman named Rod Beamguard, who still attends the Festival every year. Mr. Osborne encouraged the powers to be in Long Beach to continue the tradition each year, but not everyone was in agreement, however the ones that agreed made it happen. When the news of the world record at the Long Beach Peninsula was published in several Kite magazines, interest grew in the local Kite Festival with more people attending the event each year. As the festival grew, it became more organized and required more volunteers. Today there are approximately 8,000 in attendance over the 7 days event. To enter the Kite festival, contestants sign up for one or more of the categories, there is no entry charge to participate. Winners are awarded either ribbons or pins depending on the event.



During this time the State of Washington was preparing for their upcoming 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 1989, and in conjunction to the celebration the government was encouraging the establishing of various museums by offering grant money to those organizations willing to do so. Now with the growing interest in the kite festival in Long Beach, and the state government offering money for a museum it seemed a great idea to have a kite museum on the Peninsula. Jim and Kay Buesing who moved to the Peninsula in 1979 from Yakima WA were very active in the Kite Festival and wanted to make the museum happen. Jim became involved in the process of establishing the museum, getting the money from the State, and applying for a 501C3 Non-Profit status. In 1987 they opened a kite store in the old Fire Hall. They learned how to run a museum by going to work shops and visiting other museums. To further interest in both the kite festival and the museum, Jim wrote and received a grant to provide transportation in bringing a team of Kite Experts from Japan and France to the peninsula. Local businesses participated by providing housing for the team. In 1988 the first kite exhibit was held at the old Long Beach City Hall, with kites from several foreign countries, some which are still on display at the museum today. The Colter family owned a small building near Dennis Company and offered this to the museum, which is where they were until 2004 when they acquired the building they now reside in. It took 7 years and a lot of hard work to raise the money to buy the Kite Museum building, many of those who gave generously are named on a plaque at the museum. The Kite Festival and the museum are very important to the tourism on the peninsula. The museum has many other activities throughout the year for adults, children and families. The museum is open every day May - September; 11am-5pm, October - April they are open Friday – Tuesday 11am-5pm.

By Gwen Wagner

### UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>Friday, August 3rd</b>	<b>Luncheon</b>	<b>11:00am</b>
Weenie Roast , Chili Dogs, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Brownie \$5.00		
<b>Thursday, August 16th</b>	<b>“Beach Picnic “ Party</b>	<b>5:00 pm</b>
Oven Fried Chicken, Potato Salad, Cucumbers in sour cream, Tomatoes, Strawberry shortcake and Lemonade.		
<b>Wear your sandals, get a treat!</b>		
<b>Saturday, August 25th</b>	<b>Movie Matinee</b>	<b>2:30pm</b>
Showing: “ Big Miracle”		

## SPOTLIGHTING OUR ADVERTISERS

The Hungry Harbor Grill and Taft’s Plumbing are the Advertisers being spotlighted this month.

### Hungry Harbor Grill Restaurant

Dennis & Lois Roberts bought the Hungry Harbor Grill four years ago. Owing a restaurant has been a dream of Dennis’s since he was a small boy standing on a step stool flipping burgers at his Grandmother’s Dairy Queen in Camas Washington. Lois is very supportive and enjoys being a part of fulfilling Dennis’s dream of owning the restaurant. The restaurant business certainly keeps them busy, since the Grill is open seven days a week, with summer hours being 10 am to 9pm and winter hours 11 am to 8 pm. Besides the normal burgers, fries, and shakes they serve a special Sunday Breakfast Buffet (\$8.99), and Baby Back Ribs or Prime Rib (\$9.99) on Friday & Saturday’s from 4pm to closing. Dennis and Lois love the Peninsula and the tourists in the summer, but have a special place in their hearts for the loyalty and friendship of their Local Clientele. The Roberts moved here from Vancouver, WA where Dennis was a Real Estate Broker and Lois was an Escrow Officer at a Title Company. Their two sons and their families reside in Vancouver, Washington.

### Taft’s Plumbing

Dick Taft is the owner/operator of Taft’s Plumbing, which is celebrating 50 years of service this year. The Taft family has lived on the Peninsula all of their lives, Dick’s Grandfather owned a Blacksmith shop in Ilwaco for many years. While Gene, Dick’s father, opened Taft’s Plumbing in 1962, Dick worked with his father while going to school, after finishing school in 1966 and getting married in 1969, Dick continued working with his father in the family business. At the time Dick took over the family business he worked out of his house, then in 1996 he built the building at 1403 227<sup>th</sup> PL where he is located today. Taft’s Plumbing is a third generation business, as Clayton, Dick’s son is also partnering in the business today. Taft’s is a full line plumbing store, providing not only new construction and remodeling household plumbing items, but pumps, wells, and sprinkling systems etc. In compliance with Washington State regulations, all of the personnel working at Taft’s take Continuing Education Classes associated with the plumbing business. Dick generously offers a 10% discount to seniors if you mention you are a member of the Peninsula Active Senior Center (PASC). As Dick says watch for the Green Taft Truck!

### JOKE CORNER

Stella lived the good life in Beverly Hills. Married to a successful producer, she had everything a woman could want. One evening, during one of her many fabulous parties, Stella passed out and was rushed to the hospital. While on the gurney, she had a near-death experience. She saw God and asked, “Is my time over?” God replied, “Not at all, Stella. You will live healthy and happy to a ripe old age.” Waking up in the recovery room, Stella vowed that if she had so many good years left she was going to make the most of it. She summoned a plastic surgeon and told him that she wanted to be scheduled for liposuction, a tummy tuck, a nose job, and a face lift. She also called in a beautician who dyed her hair and did her nails. Stella was very pleased with her wonderful new self and looked forward to getting on with her life, but as she left the hospital, she was run over by an ambulance and killed.

In another meeting with God, this time at the gates of Heaven, Stella complained, “I thought you said I’d live to a ripe old age.” God replied with surprise, “Stella? I’m sorry I didn’t recognize you.”

### ROTEL KING RANCH MEXICAN CASSEROLE

- ¼ C margarine
- 1 medium green bell pepper chopped
- 1 medium onion chopped
- 1 can (10 3/4oz) **undiluted** condensed cream of mushroom soup or chicken soup.
- 1 can (10oz) extra hot or mild RO-TEL green chilies
- 2 C cubed chicken (I use the frozen chicken breasts)
- 12 corn tortillas, torn into bite size pieces.
- 2 cups shredded cheddar cheese



Preheat oven to 325. In large saucepan cook peppers and onion in melted margarine until tender. Add soup, RO TEL chilies and chicken, stirring until well blended. In a 13x9x2 baking pan, alternately layer tortillas, soup mixture and cheese repeating for three layers.

Bake 40 minutes or until hot and bubbling.