

## Did You Know??

By Judie Lewis, Editor

At the recent KPOA Annual meeting, the majority of the questions raised during resident comments period were in regard to the Kala Point water system. Whereas it is true the water company is privately owned, it is also true that the state has oversight duties for any utility with public health concerns.

Water quality tests results for Kala Point are reviewed monthly by Jerrod Davis, (360-586-2510). The finances/procedures are reviewed by Jim Ward, (360-664-1250). If you have questions it would be better to ask those whose job it is to keep our water safe.

We are not powerless. If a significant percentage of our community have concerns, a petition drive representing that number would let Olympia know this. Remember, it's the squeaky wheel that gets oiled.

The rate increase due to the water meter change seems to be about 50% for many.

## ASDC President Mayhall

By Daphne Kilburn

Imagine trying to head a national organization whose Board and staff live in 16 or so states. One of our neighbors has successfully done this. Dr. Cheron Mayhall, a Kala Point resident since 1997, has completed three years as President of the American Society for Deaf Children (ASDC). She's also a working member of 4 other national boards related to deafness. She has served in many roles with the ASDC, but her tenure as President really stands out. She'll continue one more year on the Board at the ASDC as Past President.

Dr. Mayhall recently told me about her work: "I do most of the work from my home office ... I also do a great deal of traveling and public speaking on behalf of ASDC. The greatest joy is to work with a lot of dedicated people, many of whom are parents and grandparents of deaf or hard of hearing (d/hh) children. Raising children with hearing loss is a very consuming task, and ASDC is committed to providing education, support and advocacy to maximize the success of these kids and their families."

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## What Is Real, What's Perception

By Judie Lewis, Editor

Over the years of history records, many have asked the question, "What is real, and what is perception?" This is a very significant question because everybody's memory of events is affected by their perceptions of those events.

If you read several accounts of the Second World War written by the various generals who were in charge of fighting it, it's hard to understand how they could be writing about the same experiences and events so differently.

Perception not only clouds our past, it can cloud our future. How we expect something to happen is usually how we perceive it happening. This is a concern here in Kala Point.

Few would disagree that there have been some problems in the past. The feeling that, "there is a nucleus that runs things, and if you aren't part of that group sit back and shut up," is not a new thing. One person who has lived here over a decade said in an e-mail, "...you either run with the pack or the pack will eat you." There have been some that have sold their properties and moved out of Kala Point because of this.

When someone feels that he/she hasn't been

treated fairly by any committee or the Board with sway over some action of the individual, those feelings can compound as the individual presses on expecting unfairness to occur again.

However, with each new year (July) the makeup of the KP Board changes and sometimes the leadership as well. This needs to be looked at as an opportunity for positive change. If those who feel wronged aren't careful they will be unable to see positive changes even when they happen. Generally, KP residents are well educated, thinking folks who can overcome perceptions and keep an open mind once reminded that it is a good idea.

Let's all take a deep breath and try to look for positive change with this new Board and leadership. There is no doubt that the newly elected Board members are anxious to accomplish such changes. Many of the previously elected Board members are looking for positive future plans, too. Even some members on committees whose procedures were questioned in the last issue of To The Point have called to say they have been trying to exact changes to make their committee more user-friendly.

Kala Point is such a beautiful place. Living here is like stepping into the Garden of Eden. When you walk around the community, neighbors are friendlier than one would usually find. The new Board, the committees in question and residents have a wonderful opportunity. We can take something that is so worthy of effort, and iron out the wrinkles if we try. Logically, we all know that perfection is never possible but it is a good goal.

Soon the new Board will present their goals. The goals over the last decade have changed very little from one Board to another. One change to look for is if the new goals are truly new.

Another possible change for good could be the brainstorming sessions (seminars) that are going to be scheduled so residents can discuss solutions to some of the issues. Communication is a wonderful tool for change as long as it is a two-way street. Let's all look for a brighter future for all Kala Point citizens.

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## We Get Letters!!!

### To The Editor:

In addition to the information on Prescription Drugs by Daphne Kilburn in the July edition, I would like to add further information.

As with USA pharmacies, every pharmacy in Canada quotes a different price...and the hidden charges are different, so I call each and every one whenever I have a prescription to be filled.

I have used the Canadian system twice now and find that each time the best prices (for my needs) were from Surrey B.C. 1-866-600-5262, quoted in USA funds. It is never necessary to travel, however, I chose to drive up the first time. We got the 10 a.m. Port Townsend ferry, visited the doctor (to have your prescriptions rewritten), visited the bank, had lunch and were home on the 4 p.m. ferry, (and this included crossing the border 2 weeks after 9/11). The cost of the ferry is the same as the shipping charge but the advantage is you avoid the 2-3 week wait for the drugs...and it's an interesting day. At the visitor center directly across the border they give you a map and show the route to the doctor/pharmacy.

Also, I followed up on the dot-com sites mentioned in the July edition. Global Drugs is for Canada only. Halfoffmeds.com is a liaison for Canada, but located in Florida. Shari Loomis

### Dear Editor:

During the fire we experienced a few years ago on Cedarview Drive it was apparently difficult to get a water flow from an adjacent fire hydrant. A fire hydrant further away was selected.

Later an attempt was made to find: a schedule for flushing the fire lines, whose responsibility is it, who keeps the records and is it available to Kala Point residents to see. This may be a point to bring up along with those listed on page 4 of the July issue of To The Point. Poul Oxenbol

**Editor's Response:** Poul, I brought this up at the annual meeting and Brian said that the hydrant failure during the Cedarview fire was inaccurate. Perhaps you should call him regarding this.

We have received many positive notes/letters lauding the efforts of To The Point. Here are some.

### Judie Lewis (Editor):

Good luck with this - KP needs a real newsletter with opposite points of view available. Phil Meany

**KIN:** Thank you! As a KP resident since 1989 (and a lot owner since 1979), it's wonderful to see your start-up support/advertisers...nearly all old & good friends. Lynne Webster

### Hi Judie (Editor):

This note is to express our appreciation for the initiative you have taken to better inform KP residents of the issues that have import to them and that they are entitled to know about. There

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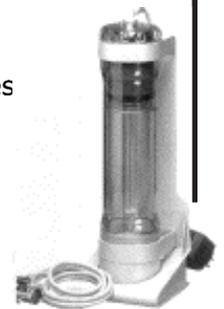


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## Impressions From the KPOA Annual Meeting

By Judie Lewis, Editor

This year's Annual KPOA meeting was more interesting than the previous three years. Generally the business side is the usual busyness stuff that we hope is being taken care of by the Board and various committees as assigned. There seemed to be no surprises. The KPOA version of the results of the Clubhouse use research were interesting. The KPVA represents only 6% of our total residency. Their usage of: the pool/spa was 46%; of the Clubhouse game rooms, etc. was 19%; and of the overall facilities, 35%. If the KPVA results agree, this should help resolve the suit.

On voting for the Board candidates, about 324 families voted. All three candidates received over 300 votes each. On the resolution where the voters were asked to give an up or down approval on the 2001-02 Board and committee actions, 241 voted to approve and 81 voted to disapprove. The disapproval rate was slightly over 25%. That should send a message to anyone in power who is listening. The other resolution to waive an outside audit for this last year, 247 voted to waive, 77 voted to have the audit. Even though both of these resolutions passed, the results indicate that Kala Point citizen trust needs to be re-earned by those holding office here.

During the citizen comment section at the end,

several subjects were brought up as concerns including: recycling bins, speeding on KP streets, not stopping at KP stop signs, property values, reasons for the fresh gravel job on the shoulders of Kala Point Drive, clearing of the downed timber on undeveloped properties, clearing by the KPOA of the downed material on nature trails, open burning outside Kala Point gate, collective bargaining for KP residents with organizations like the cable company, etc., and water issues.

Amazingly enough, the water issue was the one that got the most comment. In the first three issues of *To The Point*, this issue was **not** discussed and barely mentioned. So, the interest in this issue came only from the citizens. *TTP* knows you are educated, intelligent people who think for yourselves, but it is nice to have such a glowing example to prove this premise.

For your information, a comprehensive report on how the KP Utility Company does business and keeps books has recently been completed. The current new Board has it in hand for consideration. In addition, some citizens are looking for options. One mentioned at the meeting that struck quite a lot of wonder was that there are no rules against our drilling our own wells. Two local families are actually discussing this possibility.

One thing for sure, we haven't heard the last on this issue yet. Stand by for the unveiling of the rest of the iceberg!

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## Kala Kwips

By one of our funnier but shy residents

### Chocolate Mathematics

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2. Multiply this number by 2 (just to be bold).
3. Add 5 (for Sunday).
4. Multiply by 50. We'll wait while you get a calculator if you wish.
5. If you have already had your birthday this year, add 1752. If you haven't, add 1751.
6. Now, subtract the year that you were born.

You should now have a three digit number: the first digit is the number of times you said you want chocolate each week; the next two numbers are your age! (OH yes it is!!)

### Half a Proverb

A first-grade teacher gave each child in her class the first half of a proverb and asked them to come up with the rest of the proverb.

Better to be safe than... punch a 5th grader.

Strike while the... bug is close.

It's always darkest before... daylight savings time.

Never underestimate the power of... termites.

Don't bite the hand that.... looks dirty.

No news is... impossible.

You can't teach an old dog new... math.

If you lie down with dogs, you'll .... stink.

Love all, trust...me.

An idle mind is... the best way to relax.

Where there's smoke, there's... pollution.

A penny saved is... not much.

Don't put off 'til tomorrow what... you put on to go to bed.

Laugh and the whole world laughs with you; cry and... you have to blow your nose.

Children should be seen and not... spanked or grounded.

If at first you don't succeed... get new batteries.

When the blind lead the blind... get out of the way.

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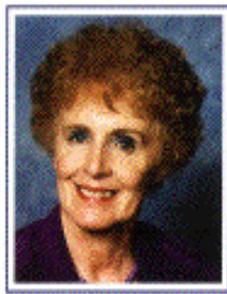
by Jim Pate, Kala Point UGN Representative

The 2002 United Good Neighbors (UGN) campaign will begin in September. UGN of Jefferson County is the primary way local residents direct charitable donations to their local neighbors in need. Your donations stay in Jefferson County and help support more than thirty organizations. They go to provide shelter and medical care for the poor and homeless, help feed the hungry, help the infirm and elderly and provide child care.

Please give thoughtful attention to the letter and UGN information you will receive next month. Every donation helps. Come, join in!

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### -Water Oversight Information Verified-

By Daphne Kilburn

At the Annual KPOA Meeting, water utility concerns were aired. Some basic information was offered regarding oversight of the utility's actions. In case you missed it, here is the info: The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission oversees private and public water utilities including Kala Point's. Their web site is [www.wutc.wa.gov](http://www.wutc.wa.gov). There you can find direct links to enter comments, and complaints. Or, you may email [consumer@wutc.wa.gov](mailto:consumer@wutc.wa.gov). They prefer to hear from consumers by email. But you can request info by mail: **WUTC Contact Information:** P.O.Box 47250, Olympia, WA 98504-7250.

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## Do You Need Help?

By Judie Lewis, Editor

Another great organization within our general area that is dedicated to helping those who need help is ECHHO (phone is 379-ECHO).

ECHHO was organized through 23 local churches in Jefferson County for the purpose of reaching out to help brothers and sisters in need. Tasks could include: driving someone somewhere; food deliveries; helping with repairs on someone's home; loaning hospital supplies like a wheel chair, bed pans, walking aids, etc.; even assisting someone confused about his/her medications. All efforts through ECHHO are free of charge. If you have these or other needs call ECHHO.

We at Kala Point should consider such a coordinating office here to help our neighbors in need. We have many widows and elderly who might need help with yard or house work or driving.

## Adopt A Pet or Volunteer

by Daphne Kilburn

The Jefferson County Animal Services animal shelter is off the same road as the dump, down a little drive called Critter Lane. There are numerous kittens and puppies now available for adoption.

The shelter also needs volunteers. You can find out more by stopping by, or check out the web site at <http://www.co.jefferson.wa.us/animalservices/adoption.html>, or call 385-3292.

## Neighbors With Needs

By Mary Ann Verneuil

Last month, we lost our heads and spelled Mahlon Gane's name incorrectly. We do apologize. Mahlon, we pray for a speedy recovery for you from your heart attack.

As always, our best wishes are sent to Grace Miller (dealing with a long term illness); and Hal Faverty, Adele Lowe, Jude Davies, and Baike Dunnet who are fighting cancer.

## Calendar -August Events

By Bev Green, Events Coordinator

- Aug 1...How to Paint Women in Watercolor, 5 PM, PTTV-Channel 42, PT.  
Aug 1-31...PT Farmers Market, 9:30 AM, Washington & Madison St, PT.  
Aug 1-31...Acting for Kids, PT Children's Theater, PT.  
Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30...Centrum Free Noon Concerts, Noon, Behind Bread & Roses, PT.  
Aug 2-3...Centrum's PT Blues & Heritage Festival, Fort Worden SP.  
Aug 2-25...You're a Good Man Charlie Brown, Key City Playhouse, PT.  
Aug 2-21...Summer Youth Sea Camp, Wooden Boat Foundation, PT.  
Aug 3... Gallery Walk, Up/Downtown, PT.  
Aug 3-4...Grand Masters Shuffleboard Tournament, Quilcene.  
Aug 3-25...Olympic Music Festival, Quilcene.  
Aug 3...PT Shorts, 7:30 PM, Pope Marine Bldg.  
Aug 4-10...Hands on Marine Science Center Overnight Summer Camp, MSC, Fort Worden.  
Aug 9-11... Jefferson County Fair, Fairgrounds.  
Aug 10...Centrum's Bill Evans Dance Company Reunion Concert, 7:30 PM, Mc Curdy Pavilion.  
Aug 16-18... 4th Annual Wooden Kayak Rendezvous, Noon, Fort Worden SP.  
Aug 17... Uptown Street Fair, Uptown, PT.  
Aug 17... Kiwanis Classic Car Show, Memorial Field, PT.  
Aug 17... The Rose Theater Outdoor Movie, Memorial Field, PT.  
Aug 18-22... Elderhostel, Fort Worden SP.  
Aug 19-25...Sail Training For Adults, Wooden Boat Foundation.  
Aug 25...Summer Band Concert, Chetzemoka Park, PT.  
Aug 31...Sidewalk Summer Sale, Downtown PT.

For further information, call the Port Townsend Visitor Inform. Ctr., 385- 2722; Marine Science Ctr., 385-5582; Centrum, 385-3102; or Jefferson Cty. Library, 385-6544. Web site [www.ptguide.com](http://www.ptguide.com).

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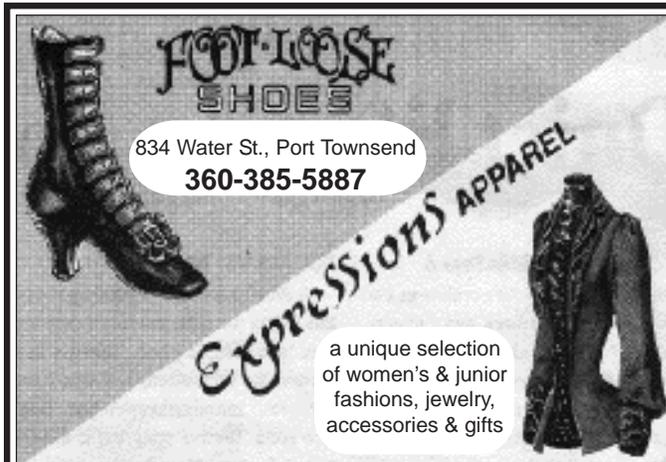


## Encore Performers Entertaining Continues

By Karen Pate

Encore will be up and running again on **Tuesday, August 6!** Port Townsend author, **Sy Kahn**, will be our special guest for the evening, discussing and reading from his published book, **Between Tedium and Terror**, A Soldier's World War II Diary, 1943-45. Kahn's diary "is special not so much for its depiction of warfare...but as a chronicle of a sensitive young soldier's journey toward maturity."

We invite you to join us for this most enlightening Encore evening at the Clubhouse, 7 p.m. Hope to see you there!

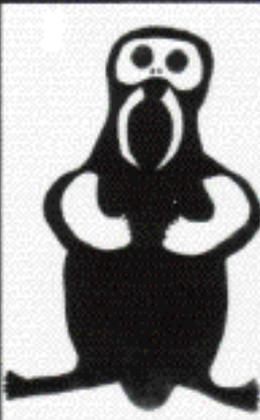


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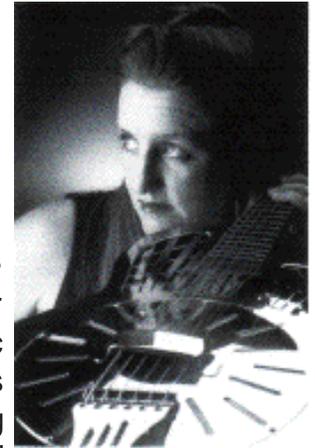
## Nothing But Class at Blues Festival

By Daphne Kilburn, (from Centrum w/permission)

Port Townsend's Centrum can be proud of the class of performers it draws for its annual Blues and Heritage festival. This year's event, August 2 & 3 is Centrum's 10th Annual Blues Festival. It promises to be a fantastic weekend featuring two major components: downtown club performances, and an all-day festival. The entertainment begins with a free dance at Union Wharf from 5 to 7pm on Friday, August 2. Then on Friday and Saturday nights, (one ticket each night \$15, 21+ only) will get you into any of 8 clubs in downtown PT to enjoy a wide array of blues music. Saturday August 3 is a full day, from noon to 7p.m., with a

circus tent, McCurdy Pavilion and the Joseph F. Wheeler Theater trying to contain the vibrant music of more than 20 artists. The price is \$22 per adult, accompanied 14 &/under are free.

Del Rey, pictured here, is always a favorite with blues audiences at Centrum's Blues and Heritage Festival. Other regional and world-renowned performers are scheduled, including Henry Gray • Howlin' Wolf's piano player ; Jerry Ricks • peripatetic finger-picker ; Corey Harris • young ground-breaking acoustic blues singer ; Paul Rishell and Annie Raines • hot East coast duo ; The Ethel Caffie-Austin Singers • power-drenched gospel from West Virginia.



That's not all: John Miller • the Northwest's Blues Utility-Man ; Ari Eisinger • blues and ragtime king of Pennsylvania ; Michael Jerome Browne • Montreal's country blues treasure ; Harry Lewman • 12-string man from the Lead-belly tradition and Tiny Robinson • Leadbelly's niece ; Cephas and Wiggins • blues masters ; Jude Taylor and the Burning Flames, featuring Lil' Buck Sinegal ; Paul Delay ...and many more.

As you can see, this is quite a mixture of styles. Anyone who appreciates blues music from any tradition will appreciate this weekend. More information can be found at [www.centrum.org](http://www.centrum.org) or you can get ticket information by calling 385-5320.

## Join In -Mixed Nuts Games Nights

The Mixed Nuts group meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Clubhouse. So far, the games include: Pinochle, Cribbage, Dominoes, Chess and Skip-Bo. If you have a favorite game or want to join in any of the ones listed, come and enjoy!! It's a fun group!

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## Special For Kala's Art Lovers

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We have many fine art galleries in this beautiful historic town. If you haven't joined the fun during the Gallery Walk, maybe this is the time to start. Many of the galleries schedule special guest artists to be on site during the event. You have a chance to meet some nationally and internationally known artists in person!

An example is Ancestral Spirits Gallery, located on Water Street. Their artistic emphasis is Native art from the USA and Canada. During August's Gallery Walk, Ojibway artist Michael Robinson will be on site to visit with you. The Ojibway are from the Ontario area, so this may be your only chance to meet Michael. See you there!

## What Else at Centrum

Centrum's summer season finishes with a flourish with a truly unique dance event on August 10 at 7:30 p.m. at McCurdy Pavilion. Centrum is pleased to present the world-renowned Bill Evans Dance Company's Reunion Concert. A day-long reunion event for many former company members will celebrate the company's 28-year history.

Franklin Court Concerts, will continue, Fridays at noon, through August 23. Sample Centrum's festival entertainment, readings, dance and more, Fridays at noon. The free concerts take place in a beautiful downtown Port Townsend garden behind the Bread & Roses Bakery, 230 Quincy Street.

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seems to be a distinct sense of disregard and disrespect on the part of some Board and Committee members toward KP resident legitimate interests. We hope that the stated purpose of KPOA can be changed from “protecting property values,” to “promoting neighborliness and protecting property values.”

It might also be interesting if a policy statement were formulated that spelled out resident expectations for the Board and Committee member behavior in carrying out their duties in service to all of the community. If this were done, whoever told the Favertys’ daughter to “shut-up and sit down” could and should be dismissed as a committee/board member.

We have voted against Resolution I and hope

the vote tally on this resolution gets publicized. Best regards, Barbara and Lou Martel

**Editor’s Response:** Barbara & Lou, Thank you for your good wishes. Please note that the efforts for this publication are not mine alone. I have a fine staff of writers, sales persons, bookkeeper, and more. The results of election are on page 4.

### We also received this note:

**Judie (Editor),**

We are disappointed that your newsletter is not intended to foster harmony in our community. Instead it is negative, harshly inaccurate and vituperative.

Remove our names from the distribution list for the newsletter. We do not want to receive it in the future. Sincerely, Bob & Janet Morgan

### “Mayhall” continued from page 1

In 1983, Cheron graduated with a Ph.D. from Oregon State University in Counseling and Adult Education. Throughout the years she has worked as a rural community development social worker (in the Peace Corps, Honduras), Counselor/Therapist, Director of Christian Education, College Instructor, Medical Social Worker, and Nonprofit Executive Director.

In moving here from Oregon, her husband closed his private practice in orthopedic surgery and has since worked as an independent medical examiner. Cheron retired from 14 years as director of a nonprofit organization that she founded in 1983. They have three adult children, (the middle child is deaf).

Cheron says they love living in the serenity of Kala Point. She sees the Peninsula as “truly a paradise, and I am grateful everyday for its blessings”.

We’re grateful to know excellent leaders of worthwhile organizations, Cheron. Congratulations on your many achievements.

For more information on the ASDC, check out their web site at [www.deafchildren.org](http://www.deafchildren.org).

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## Our Congratulations

By Judie Lewis, Editor

At the KPOA Annual meeting, Bud Babcock was given a special community appreciation award for his services as our weatherman. It was said that it was for his regular reports in the Kala Pointer. As the person who recommended him for this award, I would like to add: in the 2001 year of the Kala Pointer, Bud wrote two special informational articles, his annual evaluation of our weather and his monthly reports. He met all deadlines even though his wife passed during one. That is exceptional dedication!! Thanks Bud.

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## Kala Point Calendar August 2002

**Aug 1+** - Coed exercise, every Tues. & Thurs., 9 to 10 a.m., Clubhouse.

**Aug 2+** - Exercise class for ladies, every Mon., Wed. & Fri., from 9 to 10 a.m., Clubhouse.

**Aug 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30** - TGIF, held every Friday evening, 5:30 p.m., Clubhouse.

**Aug 5, 12, 19 & 26** - Play Bridge, every Monday, 11:30. Clubhouse.

**Aug 6** - Encore Performers Group

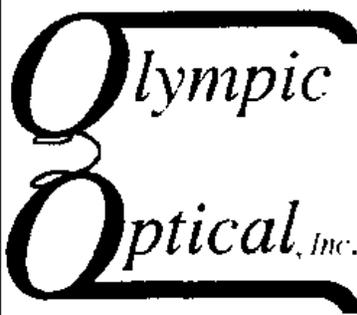
**Aug 6 & 21** - Mixed Nuts Games Group, every 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7 to 9 p.m., Clubhouse.

**Aug 13** - Computer Users' Group, 1:30 p.m., Clubhouse. Beginners' Group meets first then at 2:30, regulars join them.

**Aug 20 & 27** - Friends of Old Fort Townsend meet to clear forest trails, 9 a.m. Call Steinbergs for point of contact.

**Starting-up Sept 9 again** - KP Readers' Club.

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