

August 17-20

Island County FAIR



Helen St. Amand,
4-H Leader of the Year

Georgie Smith,
Island County 4-Her of the Year



County fair adopts a country theme

The 1989 Island County Fair runs August 17-20, in Langley, promising lots of good, old-fashioned fun.

This year's theme is a "Country Centennial," and fairgoers will be treated to some special Centennial touches. Along with all the traditional elements of a country fair, see farm animals and equipment, watch 4-Hers in action, treat yourself to scones, barbecue and cotton candy, try your hand at carnival games and scare yourself silly on carnival rides.

Sit back and enjoy entertainment by headliners Paul Revere and the Raiders, Doc and the Do Wops, Ranch Romance (co-sponsored by the Washington Centennial Commission), the Hager Twins, Wickline and Johnny Rusk, and see displays of old-time logging skills at the Bunnan Busters Log Show.

Gordo the Clown will entertain the children, along with the Tears of Joy Puppet Theatre, which is co-sponsored by the Washington Centennial Commission, and special kiddies games for the little ones.

The traditional parade starts in downtown Langley at 10 a.m., and ends on the fairgrounds, preceded by the second annual Kiddie's Parade, which leaves the Langley Middle School bus barn at 10 a.m.

Fair hours are 9:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. General admission is \$5; children 6-13, seniors and military with identification, \$3; and children 5 and under are admitted free. Season tickets are \$14.

Eager 4-Hers await judges' decisions

By CLAIRE TUOHY-MORGAN
Special to Whidbey Press

Some of the most enjoyable exhibits at the Island County Fair are the many 4-H exhibits.

For 4-H'ers throughout the county, showing their projects at the fair is the culmination of a year's hard work, whether it be in the barn, the kitchen, or the garden, at a computer keyboard or in a darkroom.

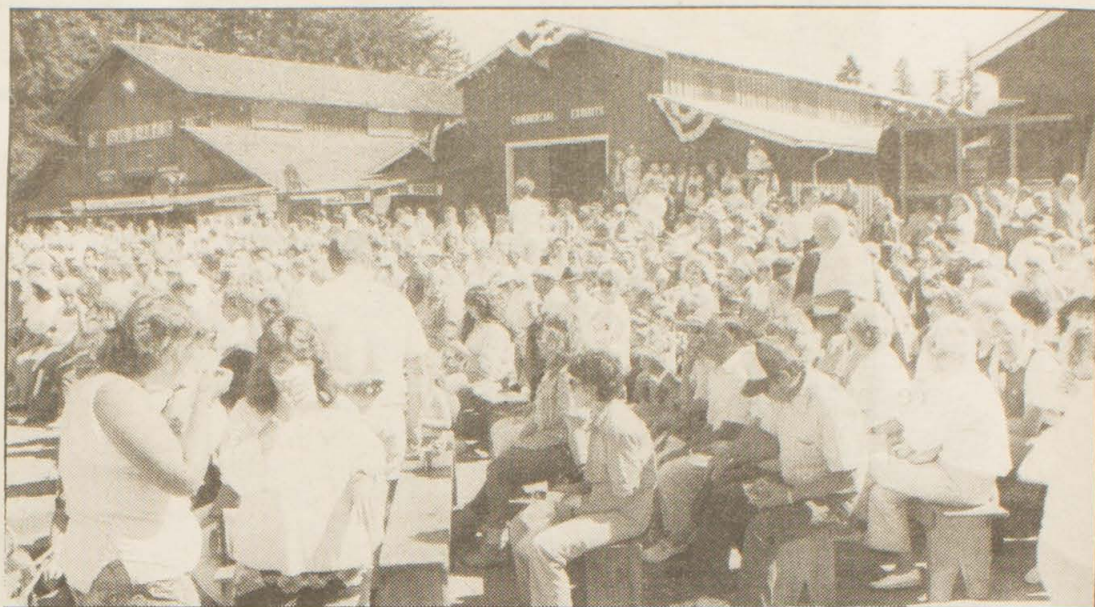
Island County youths have belonged to 4-H for nearly 70 years, and showing at the county fair each summer is an exciting and rewarding tradition. But 4-H involves much more than just an annual appearance at the fair.

The main purpose of 4-H is to help youths become effective citizens, led by volunteer 4-H leaders who help them have fun while learning.

4-H is the youth education program of the Cooperative Extension Service, conducted jointly by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the state land-grant universities — of which Washington State University is one — and county governments. Island County's Extension Office is at the Island County Courthouse in Coupeville.

The extension service was established to educate, to interpret and to encourage the practical use of the knowledge that comes out of scientific research. Its name comes from its mission to "extend" this knowledge to the public.

When it was set up in 1914, the extension service served mostly farm families in rural areas, but its assignment has always been to



Thousands of fair-goers share the projects prepared by 4-Hers.

disseminate useful information to "all the people."

Don Meehan is Island County's extension agent, Jan Coffman is program assistant for 4-H, and three extension agents from Skagit County have responsibility for livestock, dairy and home economics in Island County. Terry Moran is the county extension's office worker/support person.

Today's 4-H programs are for all youths, rural and urban, and reach girls and boys in a numbers of ways: as members of organized 4-H clubs, as participants in special interest groups and as enrollees in short-term projects.

In Island County today, youths have more than 100 projects to choose from, including all the different animals in animal science; the expressive arts: applied arts, leathercraft, spinning, photography, performing arts and clowning; family living: baby sit-

ting, sewing skills, knitting and crocheting, foods and nutrition and money management; mechanical sciences: aerospace, bicycle, small engines, wood-working and computers; natural resources: wildlife, forestry, geology, rifle and archery, marine science, outdoor survival, tropical fish and sailing; plant sciences: plants, vegetable, ornamental and container gardens, landscape management, beekeeping, entomology and weeds; and social sciences: citizenship, community pride, cross cultural, health and leadership.

Youths belong to the following age divisions: junior, third to fifth grades; intermediate, sixth to eighth grades; senior, 9th to 12th grades and/or until 19 years of age.

Throughout the year, and in addition to the fair, 4-H'ers do projects work, demonstrations,

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Paul Revere and the Raiders return

One of the most popular acts to appear on the fair circuit, Paul Revere and the Raiders, headlines the 1989 Fair, presenting two shows, at 6 and 8:30 p.m., Sunday, August 20.

No tired "classic" rock act, the Raiders are an excellent band

with a genuinely funny, talented leader. They play a lot of great music, as well as putting on a first-rate comedy act. They last appeared here in 1986.

The Raiders, featuring the original Paul Revere (his real name), and a band that's now been with him for six years, put on



Paul Revere, center, hits the main stage at the county fair once again this weekend. He and The Raiders last appeared here in 1986.

an energetic show featuring the Raiders hits of the 60s and 70s: "Louie, Louie," "Steppin' Out," "Just Like Me," "Kicks," "Hungry," "Good Thing," "Don't Take It So Hard," "Cinderella Sunshine," and "Indian Reservation." Revere, "the last Madman of Rock," directs it all with maniacal glee.

Organized in 1958 in Idaho by Revere, the group now consists of Revere, lead singer Carl Driggs,

drummer Omar Martinez, lead guitarist Doug Heath, bassist Ron Foss and keyboardist Daniel Krause.

The original Raiders were the first rock group to be signed by Columbia Records. The group subsequently had 25 consecutive hit singles and 26 albums (including five gold records), sold nearly 50 million records in the past 25 years.

Purpose of the Fair

The purpose of the Fair is to educate. You will see quality exhibits from the farm, including all types of crops, livestock and poultry. From the home, you will see clothing, household linens, art exhibits, baking, canning and booths showing how to do interesting things. From the youth, you will see the various projects they choose for recreation and learning. The Island County Fair promotes a better community spirit between town and country people of the county, and it helps us know more about the worth of our community and its potential.

Your Fair Board is comprised of men and women representing various farm, home, civic and youth organizations of the county. The Island County Fair is produced through the cooperation of the different civic and service clubs and other leading organizations in the county.

The Fair Board wishes to extend its thanks for the wonderful support it has received from all concerned. We have found a willingness to serve and promote the Fair. To the best of our ability, we will stage an event which pleases all supporters and patrons.

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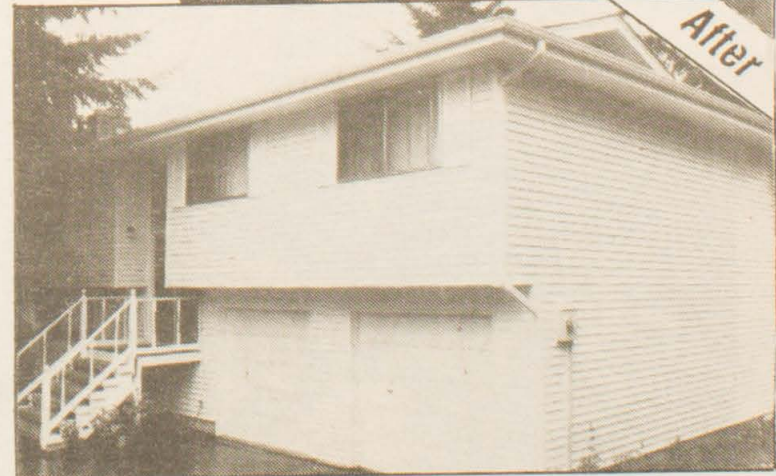
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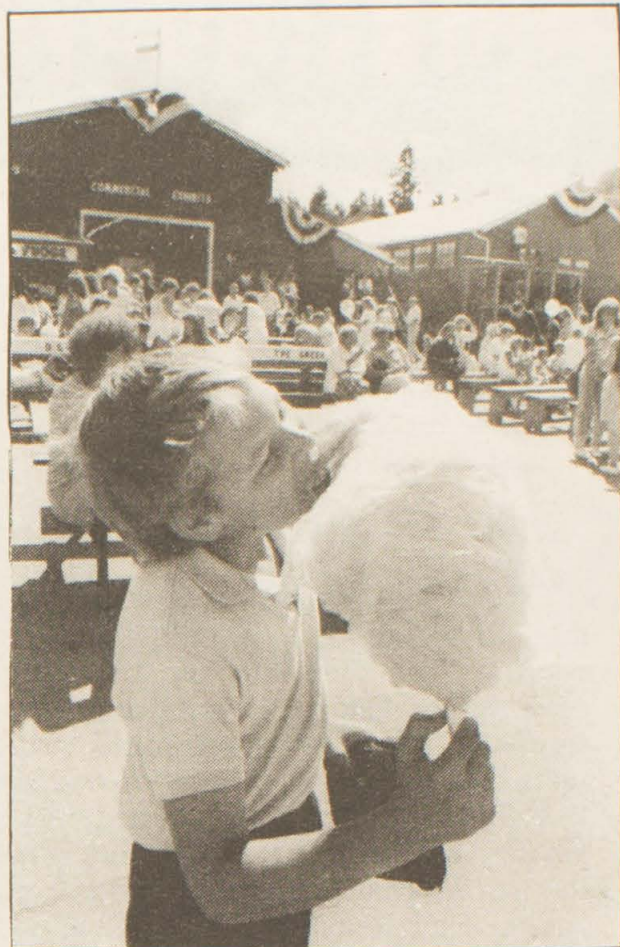


Thursday, August 17

- 8:00 a.m. Flag Ceremony (Arena)
- 9:00 a.m. Equitation over fences (Arena)
- 10:00 a.m. Cat Judging (Cat Barn)
- 4-H & Open Class Poultry Judging (Poultry Barn)
- 4-H & Open Class Rabbit and Cavy Judging (Rabbit Barn)
- 10-11:00 a.m. Food Judging Contest (4-H Building)
- 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Food Preparation Contest (4-H Building)
- 11:30 a.m. English Equitation & Novice Equitation (Arena)
- Noon Clown Show (Midway)
- 12:30 p.m. Tears of Joy Puppet Theatre (Pole Building)
- 1:00 p.m. 4-H Dairy Judging and Alumni Show (Grandstand)
- 1:15 p.m. Kiddies Games (Midway)
- 2:00 p.m. Ranch Romance (Midway)
- 2:45 p.m. Whidbey Island Conservation District Film (Pole Building)
- 3:00 p.m. Clown Show (Midway)
- 3:30 p.m. Tears of Joy Puppet Theatre (Pole Building)
- Western Pleasure and Horseless Horsemen (Arena)
- 4:30 p.m. Hager Twins and Jerry Owens and Westcoast (Midway)
- 6:00 p.m. Ranch Romance (Midway)
- Livestock Judging Contest (Grandstand)
- Horse Judging Contest (Arena)
- 7:00 p.m. Official Opening of 1989 Fair (Midway)
- Performing Arts Contest and Fashion Show (4-H Building)
- 7:45 p.m. Spies In the Night Dancers (Pole Building)
- 8:00 p.m. Hager Twins and Jerry Owens and Westcoast (Midway)
- 9:00 p.m. Teen Dance by the American Dance Machine (Pole Building)

Friday, August 18

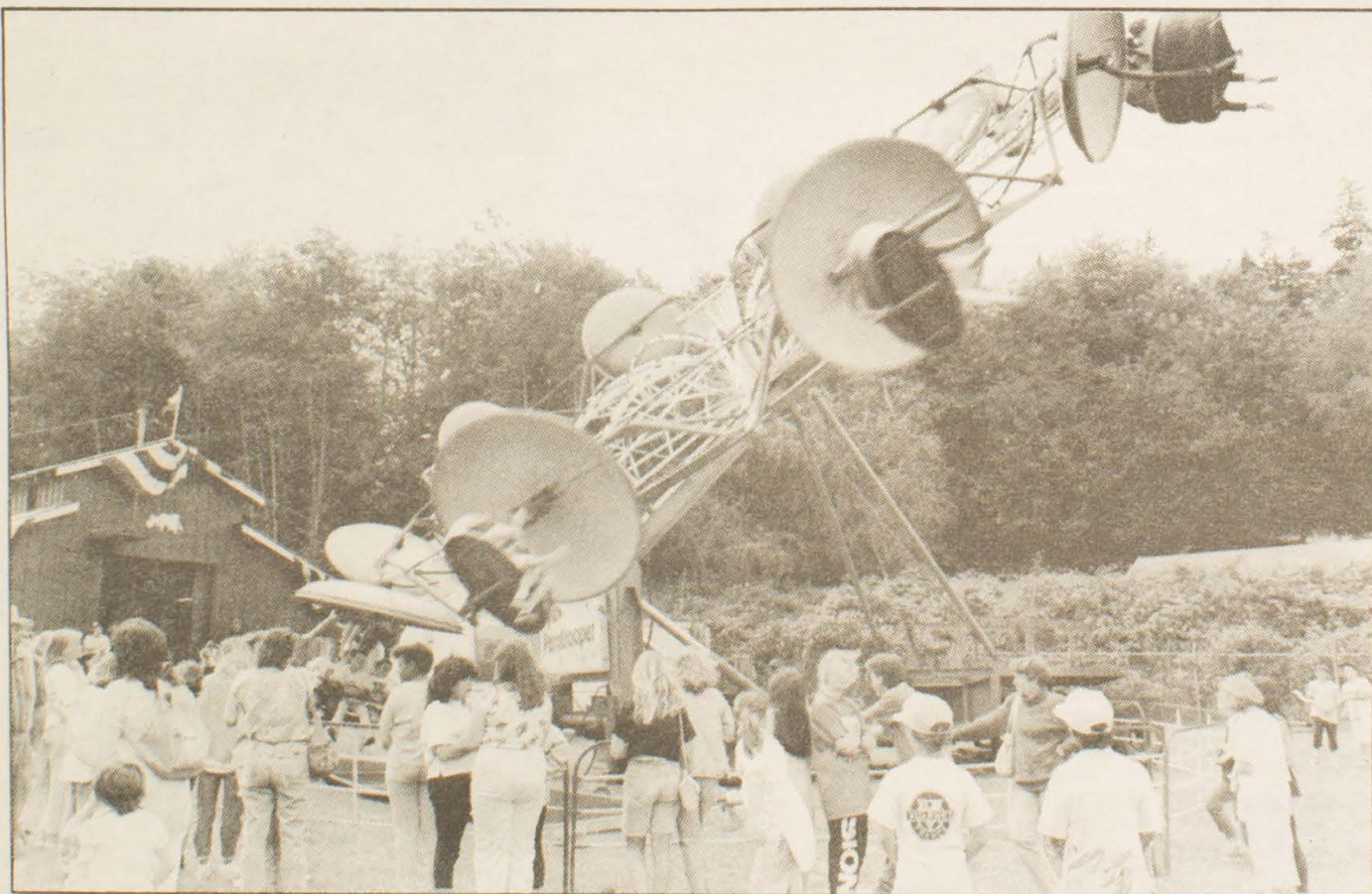
- 8:00 a.m. Flag Ceremony (Arena)
- 9:00 a.m. Clothing Construction Contests (4-H Building)
- 9:30 a.m. Dog Obedience Classes (Dog Arena)
- 10:00 a.m. Poultry and Rabbit Judging Contest (Poultry/Rabbit Barn)
- 4-H & Open Class Sheep Judging (Goat/Sheep Barn)
- 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Junior Public Presentations (4-H Building)
- 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Food Preparation Contests (4-H Building)
- 11:30 a.m. Senior Stock Seat Equitation and Novice Pleasure (Arena)
- Noon Clown Show (Midway)
- 12:30 p.m. Tears of Joy Puppet Theatre (Pole Building)
- 1:00 p.m. Rabbit Quiz Bowl (Rabbit Barn)
- 4-H Beef Judging (Grandstand)
- 1:15 p.m. Kiddie Games (Midway)
- 2:00 p.m. Whidbey Island Conservation District Film (Pole Building)
- 2:30 p.m. Talent Show (Midway)
- 3:00 p.m. English Pleasure & Kindergarten Classes (Arena)
- 3-8:00 p.m. Intermediate Public Presentations (4-H Building)
- 4:00 Clown Show (Midway)
- Open Class Beef Judging (Grandstand)
- 4:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Recognition (Midway)
- 5:30 p.m. Tears of Joy Puppet Theatre (Pole Building)
- 6:00 p.m. 4-H & Open Class Swine Judging (Swine Barn)
- 6:30 p.m. Spies In the Night Dancers (Pole Building)
- 7:00 p.m. Cat Judging Contest (Cat Barn)
- 7:30 p.m. Johnny Rusk — "A Tribute to Elvis" (Midway)
- 9:00 p.m. Laser Light Presentation (Midway)



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Saturday, August 19

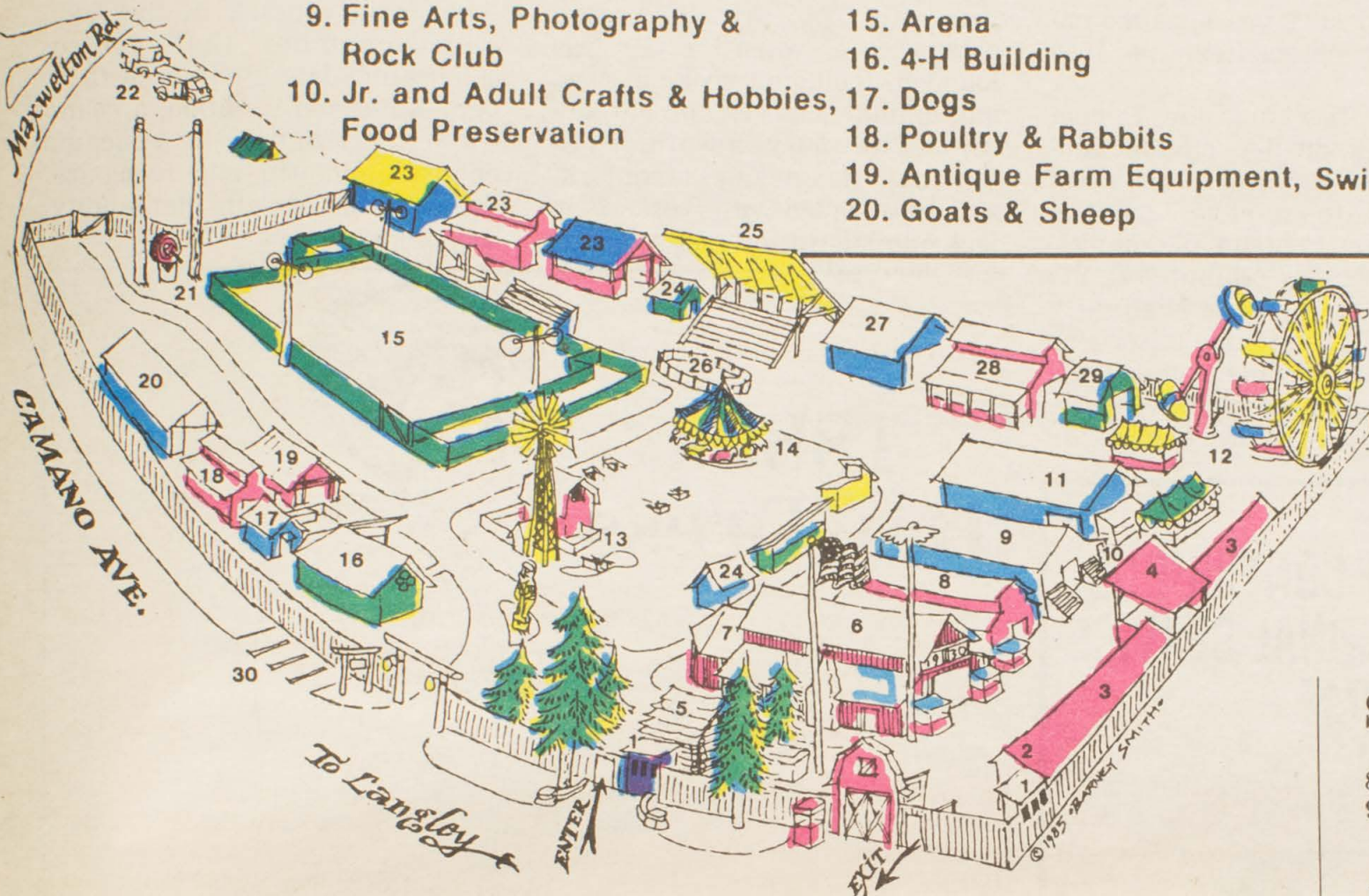
- 8:00 a.m. Flag Ceremony (Arena)
- 9:00 a.m. 4-H & Open Class Goat Judging (Goat/Sheep Barn)
- 10:00 a.m. Parade (from downtown Langley)
- 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Food Preparation Contest (4-H Building)
- 11:00 a.m. Wickline (Midway)
- 4-H Horse Club Drills (Arena)
- Noon Clown Show (Midway)
- Large Animal Round Robin Contest (Arena)
- Noon-8 p.m. Intermediate & Senior Public Presentation (4-H Building)
- 12:30 p.m. Horses Matched Pairs Contest (Arena)
- 1:00 p.m. U. S. Air Force Pacific NW Band "North Woods" (Midway)
- Small Animal Round Robin Contest (Poultry Barn)
- 1:30 p.m. Logging Show (Arena)
- 1:45 p.m. Whidbey Island Conservation District Film (Pole Building)
- 2:00 p.m. Dog Groom Squad (Dog Arena)
- Parade Trophy Presentations (Midway)
- 4-H Livestock Sale (Grandstand)
- 2:30 p.m. Clinton Chamber of Commerce Presentation (Pole Building)
- 3:30 p.m. U. S. Air Force Pacific NW Band "North Woods" (Midway)
- 4:00 p.m. Wild Steer Contest (Arena)
- 4:30 p.m. HOPE Therapeutic Riding Program Demonstration (Arena)
- Clown Show (Midway)
- 5:00 p.m. Galloway's West 40 Ranch Clydesdales (Arena)
- Wickline (Midway)
- 5:30 p.m. Western Games: Poles & Flag Race (Arena)
- 6:00 p.m. Spies In the Night Dancers (Pole Building)
- 7:00 p.m. Doc and the Doo-Wops (Midway)
- 4-H Cat Quiz Bowl (Cat Barn)
- 9:05 p.m. Teen Dance — Doc and the Doo-Wops (Midway)





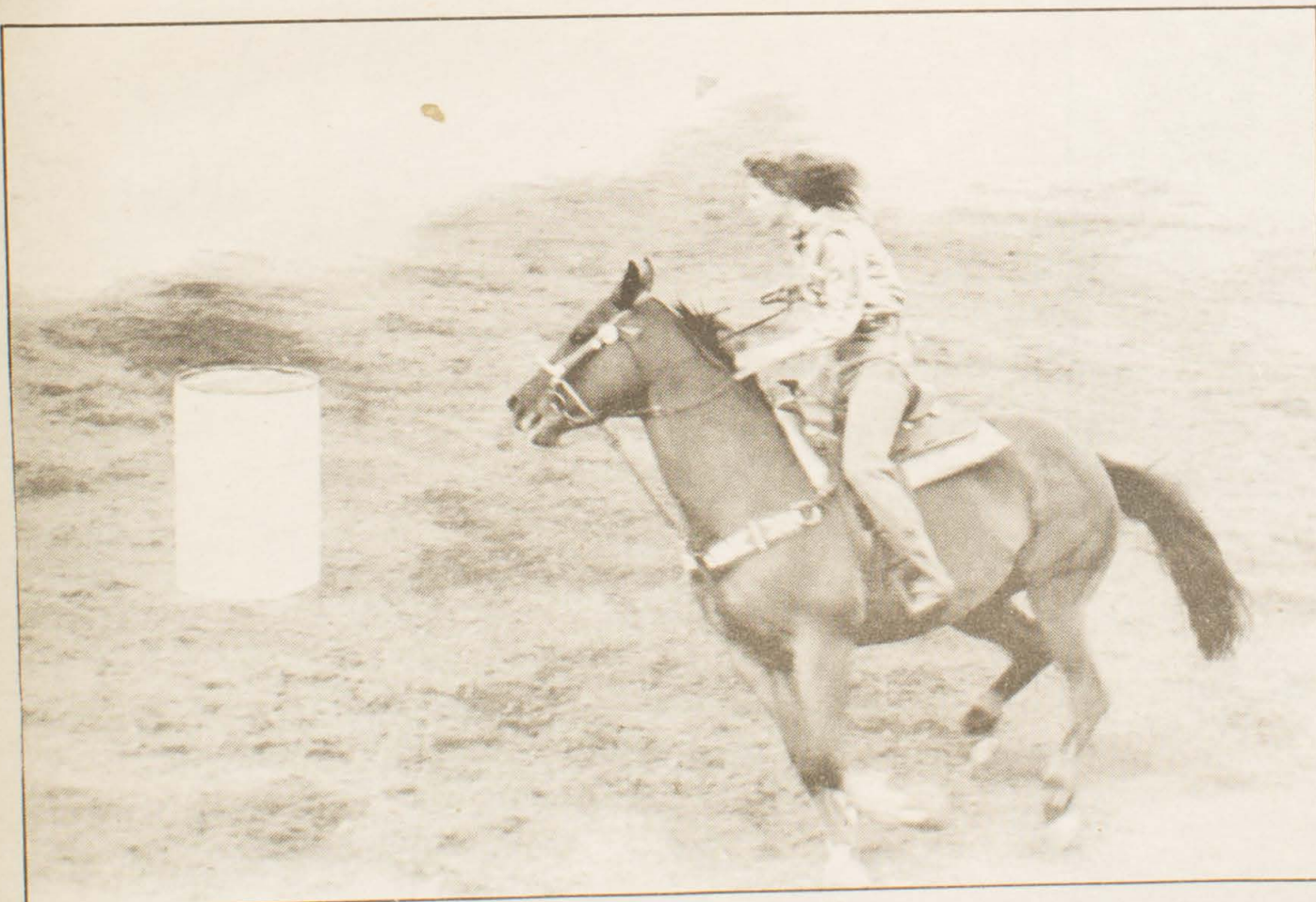
Island County Fair Program

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| 1. Ticket Booths | 6. Auditorium Stage, Vegetable, Fruit, Grange, Bees, Grains & Grasses | 11. Floral, Fiber Arts, Quilts, Clothing, Needlework, Baked Goods | 21. Logging Show Area |
| 2. Information | 7. Fair Office | 12. Carnival | 22. Camping |
| 3. Concessions | 8. Commercial Exhibits | 13. Fiddle Faddle Farm | 23. Horse Barns |
| 4. Midway Stage | 9. Fine Arts, Photography & Rock Club | 14. Kiddie Carnival | 24. Public Restrooms |
| 5. Historic Exhibit | 10. Jr. and Adult Crafts & Hobbies, Food Preservation | 15. Arena | 25. Grandstand, Draft Horses |
| | | 16. 4-H Building | 26. Livestock Arena |
| | | 17. Dogs | 27. Beef Cattle |
| | | 18. Poultry & Rabbits | 28. Dairy Cattle |
| | | 19. Antique Farm Equipment, Swine | 29. Milking Parlor |
| | | 20. Goats & Sheep | 30. Police, Emergency, Aid Parking |



Sunday, August 20

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| 8:00 a.m. | Flag Ceremony (Arena) |
| 9:00 a.m. | Western Games: Idaho Figure 8 and Speed Barrels (Arena) |
| | Dog Quiz Bowl (4-H Building) |
| 11:00 a.m. | Home Economics Quiz Bowl (4-H Building) |
| 11:30 a.m. | Kindergarten Equitation (Arena) |
| Noon | 4-H Most Beautiful Animal Contest (Arena) |
| | Clown Show (Midway) |
| 1:00 p.m. | Dog Games (Dog Arena) |
| | Boys & Girls Calf Scramble (13-16 year olds, Arena) |
| | Foods of the Pacific Northwest Contest (4-H Building) |
| 2:00 p.m. | Dairy Quiz Bowl (4-H Building) |
| | Greased Pig Contest (8-9 year olds, Arena) |
| | Whidbey Island Conservation District Film (Pole Building) |
| 2:30 p.m. | Spies In the Night Dancers (Pole Building) |
| | Wild Cow Milking (Arena) |
| 3:00 p.m. | Barnyard Scramble (4-7 year olds, Arena) |
| | Wickline (Midway) |
| 4:00 p.m. | Clown Show (Midway) |
| | HOPE Demonstration (Arena) |
| 4:30 p.m. | Clydesdales |
| 5:00 p.m. | Skateboard Demonstration (Midway) |
| 5:30 p.m. | Pie-eating Contest (Under 8-year-olds) |
| 6:00 p.m. | "Paul Revere and the Raiders" (Midway) |
| 7:00 p.m. | Wickline (Midway) |
| 8:30 p.m. | "Paul Revere and the Raiders" (Midway) |
| 10:00 p.m. | Fireworks — End of Fair 1989 |





Special activities in store for children at fair

Children under 8 are special at the Fair, with their own parade and games to play, and animal exhibits set up just for fun.

Kiddie Games are scheduled for 1:15 p.m., on the midway, Thursday and Friday, with a special Centennial pie-eating contest at 5:30 p.m., Sunday, and the Kid-

die's parade preceding the main parade on Saturday.

The Kiddie's Games were included for the first time five years ago, and have changed a little bit

since then — for instance, the money scramble has become a sugarless candy scramble.

Other games this year include

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Exhibit superintendents to wear period costumes

Island County Fair 1989 celebrates Washington State's Centennial by taking "Country Centennial" as its theme.

In keeping with that theme, fair officials have added a couple of historical touches to this year's event.

Fairgoers will see exhibit superintendents in 1880s costumes and day dresses made from patterns by Past Patterns. A special Centennial exhibit traces the activities of 4-H and WSU's County

Extension Service in Island County in the past 70 years, as the nation 4-H celebrates its 75th birthday.

At the Tears of Joy Puppet Theatre production on the midway August 17, watch a Northwest Indian tale unravel as the Washington Centennial Commission co-sponsors "Hamitchou, the Miser," a Cowlitz-Nisqually legend about an Indian miser who forsakes tribal values and climbs a mountain in search of treasure.

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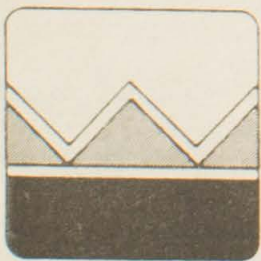
current fair: many of the exhibits you will see are the same categories as when the fair was founded, including cooking, sewing, animal sciences and gardening. The 53-year-old Pole Building, a Langley landmark, was constructed with Works Project Administration (WPA) funds

during the Great Depression.

So enjoy yourself at the fair, and remember that you're celebrating late summer with a very American tradition, a country fair designed to educate, entertain, inform and recognize the efforts of all community members.

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Clydesdales draft team to pull Centennial wagon

Four Clydesdale draft horses from Galloway's West 40 Ranch of Lynden will be on display throughout the Fair, and will pull a Centennial covered wagon in the arena on Saturday and Sunday. They are also tentatively scheduled to pull a carriage full of fair dignitaries in the parade Saturday morning.

Owner Cap Galloway also restores wagons and buggies, used as props for movies and displays. Seven of his rigs, in-

cluding a stagecoach, fancy Victoria cab and farm wagons, are currently being used in the movie "Border Town," being filmed in Langley, B.C.

Galloway helped organize the Bi-Centennial Wagon Train, which traveled from Blaine to Philadelphia, Pa., from 1975 to 1976.

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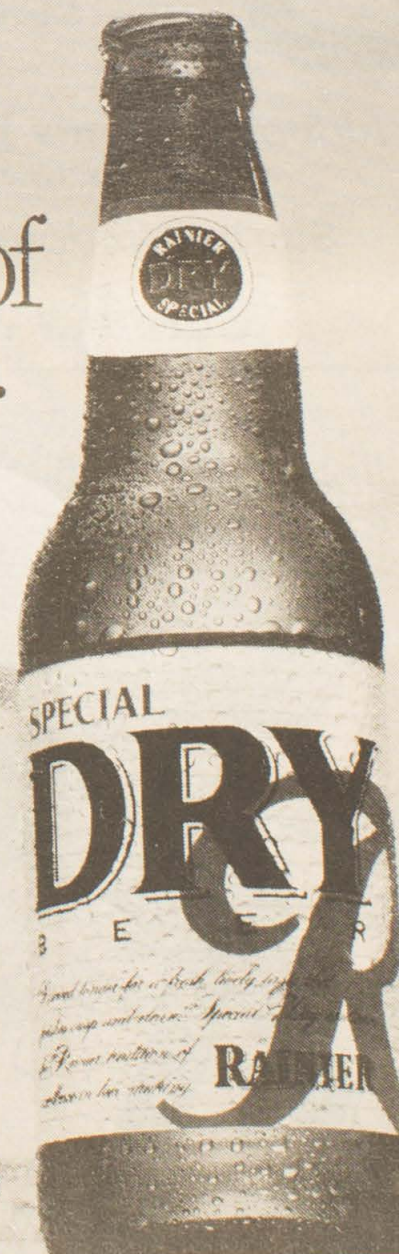
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Extension exhibit traces local 4-H history

As Washington State celebrates 100 years of statehood, 4-H celebrates 75 years in Washington. To mark the event, Jan Coffman, Washington State University Extension program assistant, has put together a

Coffman has found records of 4-H clubs in the county in 1920, though Beth Izett McGinnis of Clinton told Coffman she remembers being in 4-H before 1918, in cooking and sewing.

The exhibit shows how the county's 4-H projects have evolved

from primarily rural, farm and home-based projects to more recreational projects and pets.

Project enrollment for 1939 shows the highest single enrollment: 51 projects in clothing, 12 in food preparation, 10 in game property, 10 in gardening, nine in baking, eight in swine, six in home furnishings and four in dairy.

Project enrollment in 1989 shows 245 youths with 285 projects in animal science (some have more than one animal); 86 in expressive arts; 63 in social science; 39 in family living; 35 in natural resource and 15 in plant science.

Of the 285 animal science projects there are 97 horse projects; 57 dogs; 31 cats; 25 in veterinary

science; 24 rabbits; 19 beef; 15 dairy; seven sheep; four goats and four poultry.

New projects this year include the veterinary science project and photojournalism.

Since 1952, when Al Sherman traveled to Austria, 17 county youths have gone to foreign countries on the IFYE program. They have gone to New Zealand, Taiwan, Italy, Guatemala, India, Japan, Costa Rica, Switzerland, Spain and France. In 1989, the county sent two IFYE ambassadors: Amy Hagstrom to Spain and Sherrey Smith to France.

Total enrollment in 4-H has grown from under 100 in 1945 to a peak of just over 500 in 1975. Since 1975 enrollment steadily decreased to just under 400 in 1985, but has grown to 483 in 1989.

presentation about 4-H in Island County, which will be on exhibit during the 1989 fair.

The exhibit traces the history of 4-H, extension and the International Farm Youth Exchange (IFYE) in Island County over the past 69 years.

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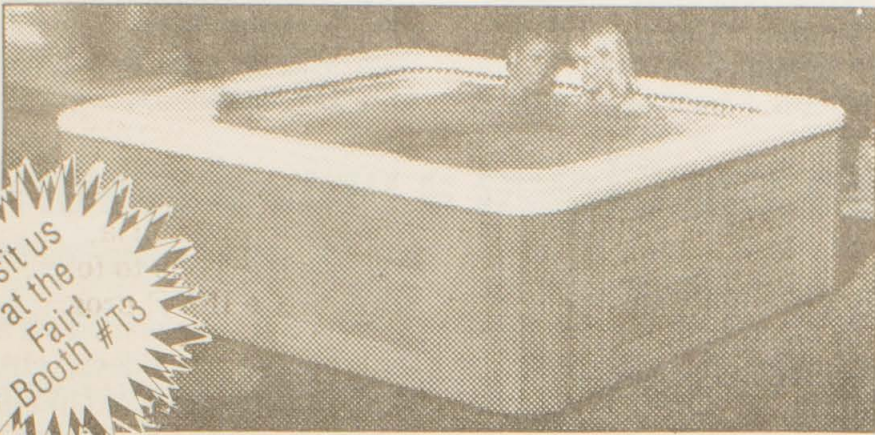
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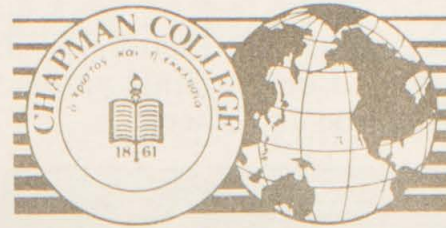
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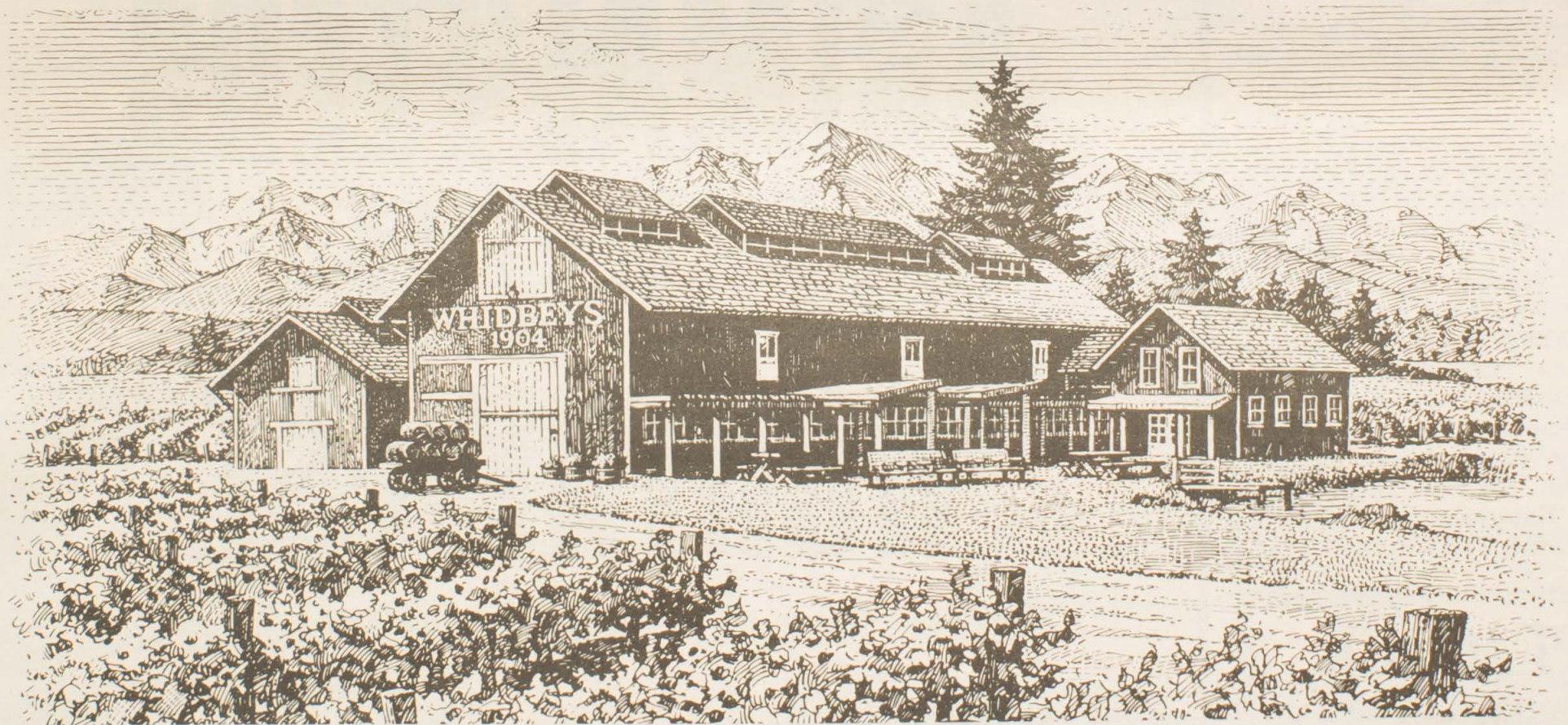
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Seattle performer offers 'A Tribute to Elvis'

Seattle entertainer Johnny Rusk presents his acclaimed "A Tribute to Elvis," at 7:30 p.m., Friday, on the midway.

Rusk, who does not attempt to imitate or impersonate Elvis, presents a full, 90-minute Las Vegas review, featuring two separate shows, "Elvis of the 50s," and "Elvis of the 70s."

His backup band, "American Thunder," provides dance music before and after the show. The whole show is highly entertaining and evokes decades of memories.

Rusk has performed his tribute to Elvis since 1973, in clubs and at fairs all over the world, and has appeared with the Kingston Trio, the Limelighters, the Diamonds,

the Coasters, the Platters, the Ink Spots, Ferlyn Husky, Hank Thompson and others.



See Johnny Rusk's 'Tribute to Elvis.'

He stresses that his show is a tribute, not an impersonation.

"I don't go out and try to be Elvis," he says. "I'm not trying to convince people that Elvis is not here, but I am. I don't even think I

sound that much like Elvis. But some people do."

Rusk presents his show as Elvis would, right down to wiping his face with scarves which he tosses into the audience.

Gordo the Clown a crowd favorite

Gordo the Clown delights audiences of all ages in several performances throughout the Fair.

Gordo is a 1986 Ringling Brothers Barnum and Bailey Clown College graduate and a 1987 graduate of the Dell'Arte School of Physical Theater. His skills include unicycling, juggling, stiltwalking, trickshooting, magic, balloon sculpture, parachute games, acrobatics, mime, slack rope walking, new

games, story telling, dance and more.

Gordo has performed all across the country at rodeos, circuses, carnivals, trade shows, public and private school assemblies, parades, state and county fairs and many other places since he began performing in 1985.

He has appeared at the Evergreen State, Pierce County, Klickitat County and Walla Walla fairs, in addition to Bumbershoot and the Imagination Celebration.

Bluegrass band to play on midway

Wickline, a four- to five-piece strolling bluegrass group performs on the midway at 11 a.m. and 5 p.m., Saturday, and 3 and 7 p.m., Sunday.

"Wickline entertains in a grassroots fashion with some of the finest down-home pickin' and singin' around," says Bob Wickline.

The group has toured for the past five years for the Washington State Arts Commission's Cultural Enrichment Program, demonstrating bluegrass to elementary school children and faculty throughout Washington.

They play banjo and fiddle classics such as "Duelin' Banjos," "Wabash Cannonball," "Foggy Mountain Breakdown," and "Orange Blossom Special," as well as "Banjo Fantasy," written by Wickline band members.

Wickline's music videos have recently been shown on The Nashville Network, the Today Show, Entertainment Tonight, Superstation TBS and HBO.

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Five islanders to perform

Don't miss the Talent Show, set for 2:30 p.m., Friday, on the midway, when five talented islanders perform.

Selected at a July 29 audition by celebrity judges Brian Tracey, Bob Sabatini and Nora Michaels, the singers and dancers you'll see were the cream of a very good

crop of performers, says talent show organizer Jean Gaznier.

Claiming the hearts of both judges and audience alike, Jamee Brown, 3, and Katie Riggs, 4, the "Little Dollies of the 50s," tap danced their way into the show.

They'll be joined by Karli Hunter, Tracy Nance, Collette

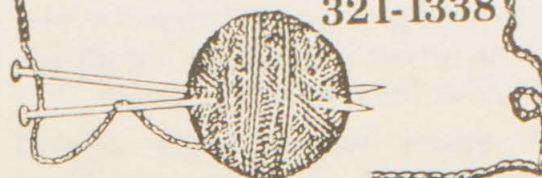
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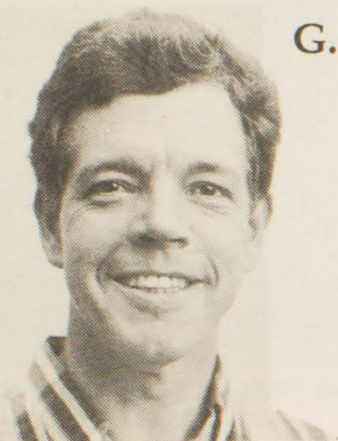
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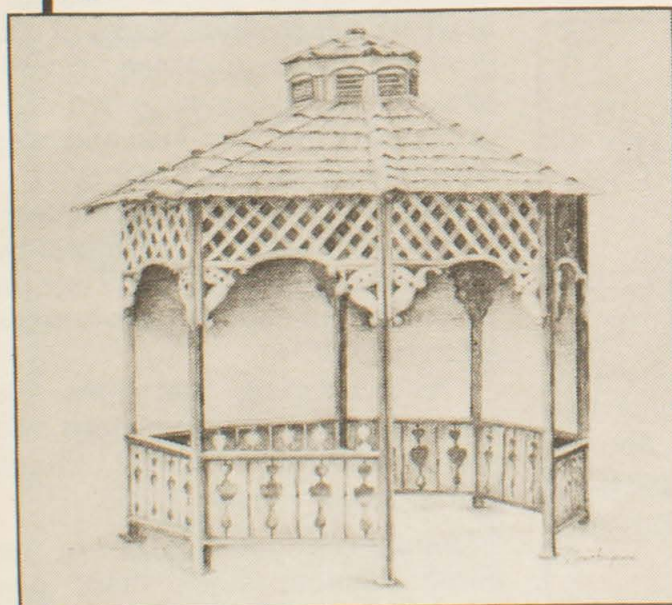
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Doc and Doo-Wops mix music, theater, dance

"Doc and the Doo-Wops" recreate the music and good times of the 40s, 50s and 60s in midway performances at 7:05 and for the teen dance beginning at 9:05 p.m., Saturday. Their dance music will also include current hits.

Their fresh, new approach mixes unique, fun, character portrayals with exuberant, contagious singing. Their popularity is growing at a fast pace, and resulted in the longest-running show of its kind at Expo '86 in Vancouver, B.C.

The group shares a comedy and musical theater background. "Doc" (Hugh Taylor) has appeared in West Coast theatrical productions for over a decade, including lead roles in "Fiddler on the Roof," "Brigadoon," "Jesus Christ Superstar," and "Wizard of Oz."

Donna Heighes' theatrical

credits are equally extensive, and she brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the group.

Susan Wilkey spent several years with the Edmonton Light Opera before moving to Victoria to perform for the Victoria Operatic Society. She also starred in two movies which were filmed in B.C.

"Doc and Doo-Wops" made their first professional appearance in 1982, and went on to stage their own unique "show dances" using musical theater at a live dance.

The experiment proved to be an instant success, and subsequently landed the group a tour of Canadian Armed Forces bases in Trenton, Ontario, Goose Bay, Newfoundland and Alert, Northwest Territories with Doug and the Slugs, in early 1987, as well as several appearances in the Pacific Northwest.



Doc (right) and the Doo-Wops share a comedy and musical theater background.

'Hope' participants build riding skills, self-esteem

Fairgoers will see something special Saturday and Sunday afternoon when riders from the HOPE Therapeutic Riding Program demonstrate their new skills in the arena.

The four riders have various emotional, mental or physical handicaps, and each will be accompanied by two volunteers — one leading and one walking on

the side — as they weave through cones set up in the ring.

Learning to handle the big animals is quite an achievement for the nine adults and young people now in the program, says coordinator Pat Webb, who adds that the riders not only enjoy increased self-esteem, but better balance and posture, too.

The riders have hour-long lessons once a week, and they also groom and tack up the horses.

Three of the riders are now able to do all of the guiding for short periods, with the aid of sidewalkers.

The program can accommodate any disability. The wide range of handicaps includes some who have become learning disabled in abusive homes, says Webb, while one of the older riders is going blind. The youngest of the riders is 10, the oldest mid-30s.

"It's very positive for them,"

says Webb. "They achieve something on their own, and they feel positive about themselves."

The four horses used in the program have either been loaned or donated. Lessons are at the fairgrounds, with a mounting ramp located right behind the grandstands.

Webb and Anna Unum started the program about four years ago, and they feel very lucky to have a certified instructor, Debbie Fearnow, who has eight years of experience with disabled riders' programs. Fearnow joined this program when her husband was transferred to NAS Whidbey.

Webb praises the fair management, which has "been really good to us," but says the program is always in need of contributions and volunteers.

"We're hoping that with the general public hearing more and seeing what we're doing, things will go better," says Webb.

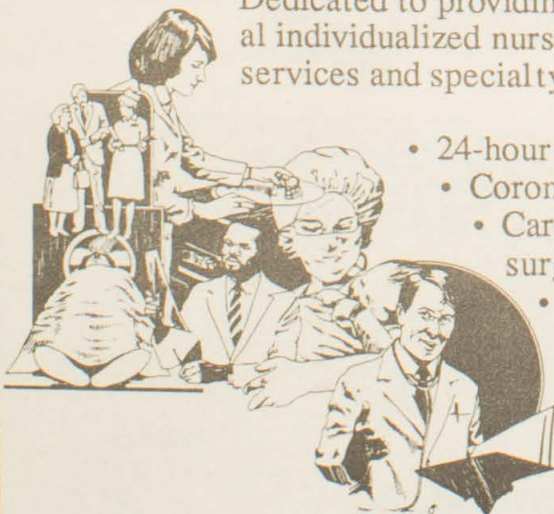
Volunteers don't have to be horse-oriented, since there are always a lot of non-horse jobs to do.

HOPE demonstrations are scheduled for 4:30 p.m., Saturday, and 4 p.m., Sunday. The program's office is in the House of Hope. For more information, or a brochure, call 221-7197 or 321-4219.



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Special activities in store for children at fair

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hula hoop contests, bean bag throws, races and bubble gum blowing contests. The children — all under 8 years old — are divided into age groups, so they compete against their peers.

The parade gathers at the Langley Middle School bus barn at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, and leaves for the fairgrounds at 10 a.m., just ahead of the main parade, passing before the review stands for all to see.

John and Maewin Brown coordinate the games and parade for

the young children. For more information on either event, call 221-3562.

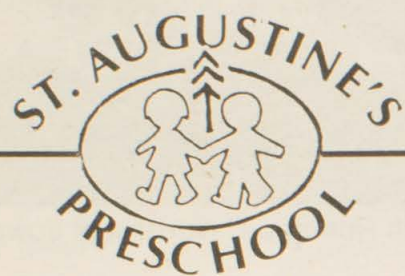
Another traditional feature for young children is Fiddle Faddle Farm. Non-judged, Fiddle Faddle Farm is set up just for the education and enjoyment of young

children.

Special exhibits this year are a cow with triplet calves (a rarity), as well as hatching eggs.

Exhibits begun years ago by Paul and Wanda Green, may include animal nurseries, such as a sow and litter, pony and colt or

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A spin-off of the All Star Cowgirl Revue, which debuted in Seattle a couple of years ago, Ranch Romance includes the "cream of the crop" — the real show stoppers from the Revue appearances.

The cowgirls sing of open spaces and tall timberlands, the joy of experiencing the great Western outdoors, and life on the range — from a "gal's" point of view.

Their music includes the songs of Patsy Montana, Red River Dave and Roy Rogers, and features complex harmony yodeling and Western Swing in the tradition of such legendary bands as the Sons of the Pioneers and Bob Wills and the Texas Playboys.

They can also melt your heart with a Patsy Cline ballad or get you tapping to a rockabilly tune.

Their performance is dynamic, with costumes and props that help recreate the feel of the West and the cowgirl at her best.

Ranch Romance has performed to rave reviews in various cities across the Northwest, and made its national television debut on The Nashville Network's "Nashville Now" in September 1988.

Since the fall of 1987, Ranch Romance has been featured in many stage and broadcast performances, including Sandy Bradley's nationally-syndicated "Potluck" radio show, Seattle's Northwest Folklife Festival and Bumbershoot, Seattle's Festival of the Arts.

They've appeared with Riders in the Sky, as well as country music singers Patsy Montana and Cathy Fink, and have opened shows for recording artists Guy Clark and Delbert McClinton.

Jo Miller has performed with Blue Ridge Express and the Skyline Drifters, who won Marlboro's Country Band of the Year in 1986.

Barbara Lamb is a Washington State and Northwest Regional



These five women appear onstage as 'Ranch Romance,' Northwest cowgirls whose repertoire includes yodeling.

Fiddle Champion, and has placed in the Top 10 nationally.

Nancy Katz drives the band with her spunky and energetic string bass playing.

Lisa Theo began playing mandolin in 1979, and her strong vocal and instrumental leads have been

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The logging skills competition gives a glimpse into the island's logging past, while educating the

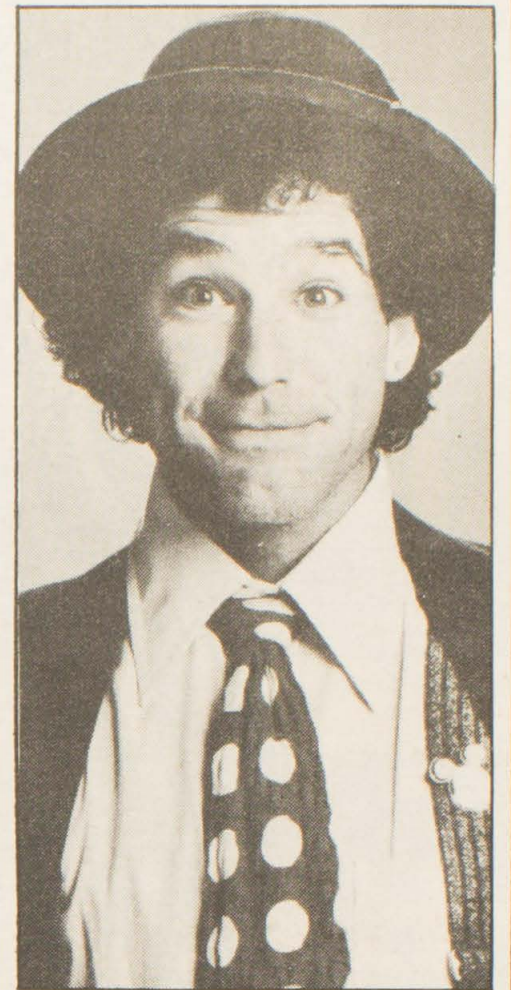
public about the methods and the dangers involved in the logging industry.

Events include the four-person, four-event relay; spike driving; power saw bucking; speed climbing, novice speed climbing and women's speed climbing; obstacle choker setting; horizontal handchopping and axe throwing. The relay teams must be either three-men, one-woman, or

three-women, one-man teams.

Dennis Butler, world champion speed climber, will do his now-annual exhibition, and a professional clown will also entertain.

Participants in the logging show were chosen in a qualifying competition in July. Logging show secretary Melanie Sceva, treasurer Marilyn Sterba and president Albert Gabelein coordinated this year's show.



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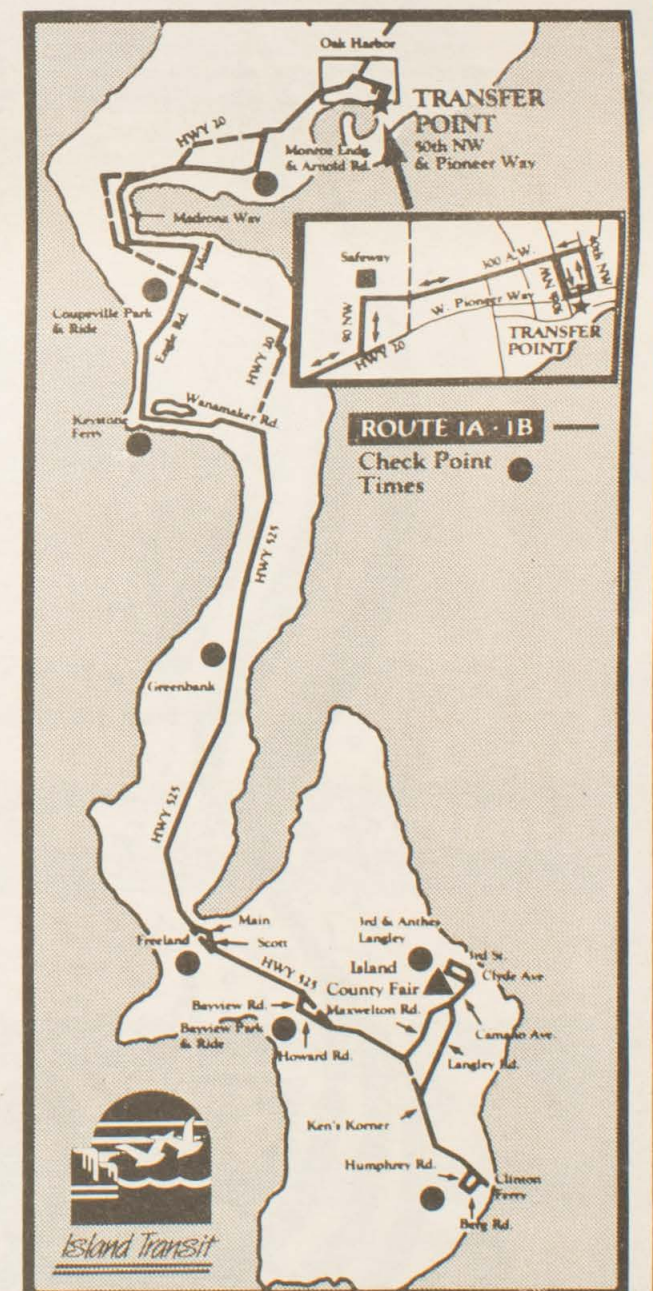
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Air Force group to perform

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Members of North Woods combine their varied musical backgrounds to create an exciting and distinctive sound.

North Woods has been featured at the Western Washington State Fair, the Sumner and Edmonds Art Festivals, Expo 86 in Vancouver, B.C., the National Collegiate Rodeo in Bozeman, Montana and the Balloon Festival in Walla Walla. Special performances outside the Pacific Northwest include visits to Hawaii, Florida, New Mexico, North Dakota, Nevada and Arizona.

They perform a variety of con-

temporary music from Top 40/rock to country & western and easy listening.

Their music comes from such diverse artists as Huey Lewis and the News, Heart, Whitney Houston, Alabama, Barbra Streisand, Linda Ronstadt and many others. No matter what your particular musical preference, any performance by North Woods is sure to leave you completely entertained.

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Members of the Air Force's 'North Woods' band perform a variety of contemporary music, from Top 40 to country western.

Special events range from lasers to Centennial skit

As always, the 1989 fair is jam-packed with entertainment, including headliners on each day. And each day offers its own special events as well.

Animal exhibitions and demonstrations are set for all four days in the arena. Don't miss the Whidbey Island Conservation District Film in the Pole Building throughout the fair, the official fair opening at 7 p.m., Thursday, or a special teen dance at 9 p.m., in the Pole Building, with music by the American Dance Machine.

Charlene Brown's popular "Spies in the Night Dancers" perform in the Pole Building at various times throughout the fair, while the island's most talented performers take the midway stage in a special, one-time only Talent Show at 2:30 p.m., Friday.

Senior citizen recognition is set for 4:30 p.m., on the midway, and a Laser Light Presentation, a product of Laser Fantasy, Inc. of Redmond, lights up the midway at 9 p.m.

The Clinton Chamber of Commerce presents a Centennial skit in the Pole Building at 2:30 p.m., Saturday, and the annual Teen Dance begins at 9:05 p.m., on the midway.

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Five islanders to perform

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Riggs and Rachaelle Walsh, the "That's Jazz" Dance group; Jennifer Todd, acoustic guitarist/vocalist; Maria Bolner, singer/guitarist, harmonica player; and Janie Cribbs and Dave Draper, singer and guitarist.

Additionally, a few runners-up may be included in the show. Those being considered for participation are Kim Nerison, who

gave a stirring accapella rendition of the national anthem; Daniel Rosenburg, who lip-synched "Great Balls of Fire;" the "Four Freckled Farmers," the Van de Werfhorst family, who sang and played "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" on a violin and guitar; and Karli Hunter, whose "Bat Dance," says Gaznier, was "something else."

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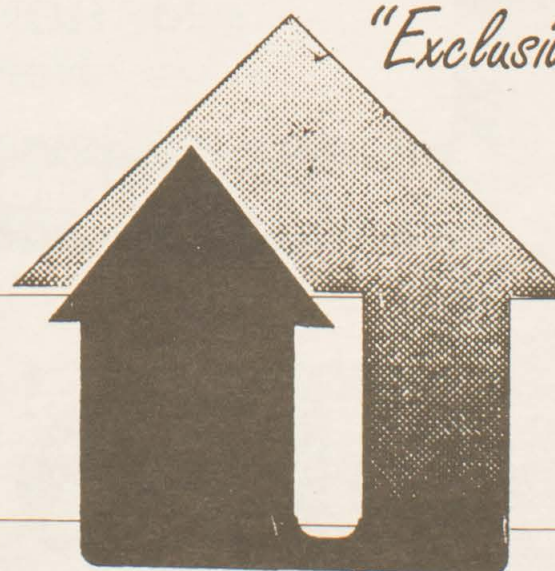
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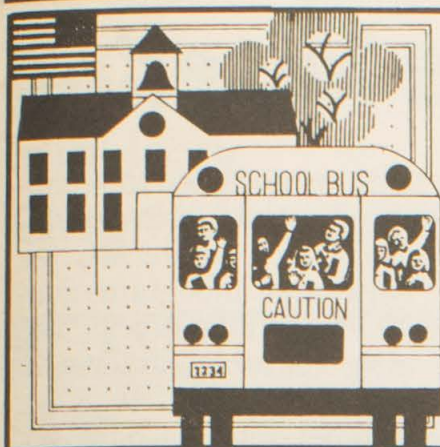
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The Vancouver-based national touring company, co-sponsored by the Washington Centennial Commission, has adapted for the 40-minute production the legend of an Indian miser who forsakes tribal values and climbs a mountain in search of treasure.

Hamitchou loves the precious trade shells more than anything else in life, climbs Mt. Rainier to find more of the shells and instead encounters spirits who send him home a wiser man.

Other characters in the play are the guardian spirits of Mount Rainier, including Elk, Moon, Otter and Storm, and the performers recreate Nisqually Indian rhythms with such things as clappers and drums.

The show features 42-inch, 7-pound humanlike banraku puppets made of maple, fir and marine plywood, and dressed in

rough textures designed to recapture the time when Northwest Indians used such materials as cedar bark and mountain goat hair for their clothing fabric. The show also features actors in masks.

The production is a special project of statewide significance for the Centennial, and is funded in part by the commission, by the Henson Foundation and by Hewlett Packard. It was designed and directed by John Miller.

Tears of Joy Theatre is recognized as one of the nation's finest puppet theaters. Using this ancient form to transform myths and tales in exciting theater, the company uses a variety of skills, techniques and varied traditions of puppetry. Founded in 1971, the theater travels throughout the U.S. and abroad.

The troupe has produced some 40 shows of varying lengths in its 14-year history, and many of those have focused on the importance of instilling values in youth.

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Fair started in Coupeville, moved to Langley

The Island County Fair was born in Coupeville in 1912, moving permanently to Langley in 1917.

Since that time the fair has grown and exhibits have changed from such things as corset covers to computer projects. The main entertainment is now a rock band, instead of an inter-city baseball game, but the point is still the

same — educate the community and give community members a chance to be recognized for their achievements.

The original fairgrounds were located at the Coupeville play pavilion, according to Langley historian Lorna Cherry in her book "Langley, the Village by the Sea." But the fair didn't succeed in Coupeville, since the roads were bad and Coupeville too far for comfortable travel by horseback or horsedrawn carriage from South Whidbey. Cherry reports that in 1916 the fair netted \$25, which was applied to a \$50 debt held over from previous years.

Cherry reports that excursion

boats, such as the Atalanta, picked up passengers at Camano and various Whidbey docks, but as most of the fair exhibits were put together by schoolchildren, most of the passengers were students.

Prizes at the 1916 fair, the last held in Coupeville, were given for homemade bread, produce, maps, essays, corset covers, fudge aprons, fancy shirtwaists, tatting and buttonholes.

Annual baseball games between Langley and Coupeville, according to Cherry, were a highlight of each fair, including a special women's game in 1916. Star players for Langley were Lucy Catron, Grace McGinnis and Hannah Jacobsen; star players

for Coupeville were Bernice Howard, Frances Hathaway, Hazel Otto, Emma Parker and Mrs. John Kineth.

Cherry says that when the fair came to Langley in 1917, it was located in the pavilion building on the Langley waterfront. The Island County Fair Association was formalized in 1922, when the fair was held in the Langley school gym and, by 1934, it had outgrown its home. The Works Project Administration (WPA) agreed to build a permanent fair building.

Fair Association President Albert Nelsen and treasurer E. E. Noble purchased a six-acre chicken ranch adjacent to the school grounds for just over \$300, says Cherry, and construction was begun on the Pole Building in 1936.

The building, which of course is still in use year-round, was reportedly the largest of its kind in the U.S., and all of the materials except the hard maple flooring were from Whidbey Island.

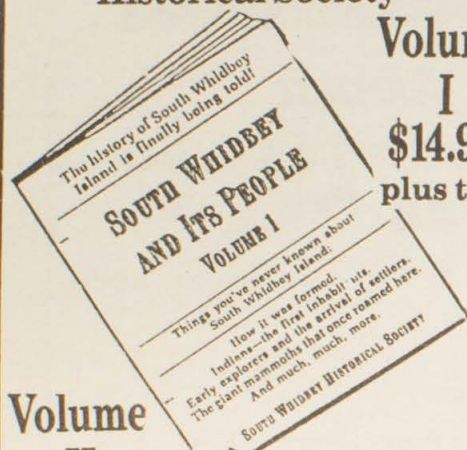
Local farmers, fishermen and lumbermen, unemployed because of the Depression — 28 men during peak times — were employed on the project.

Later more buildings were added as the fair continued to grow and gain renown throughout the state.

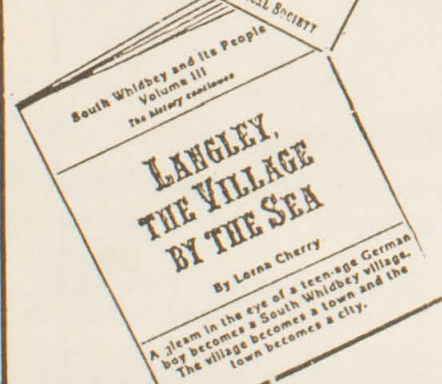
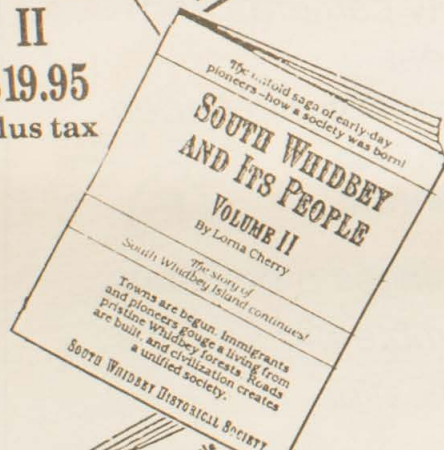
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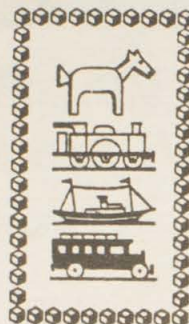
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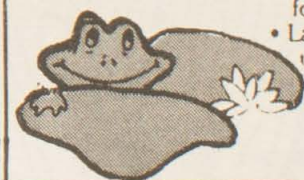
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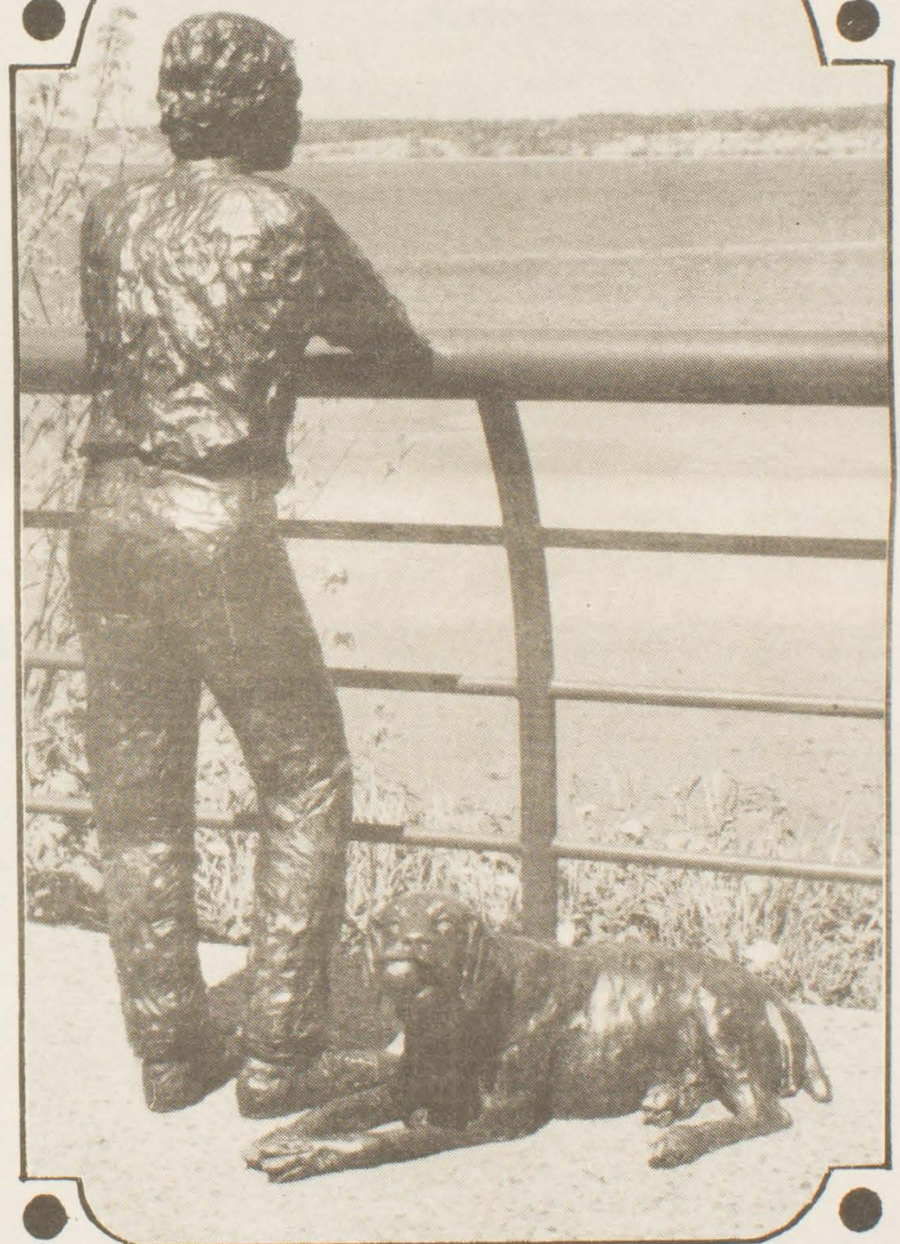
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