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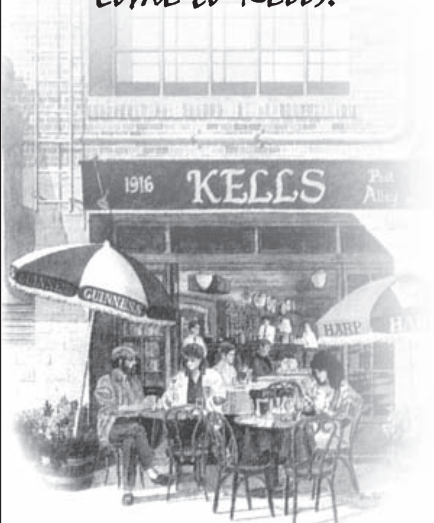
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From cats to Congressmen, they all visit the Market

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her distinctive throaty voice, "You are the nicest man I have met *all night*."

Pennywhistle player Stuart Esson began teaching lessons in his unusual art at Dusty Strings Guitar Center in Fremont. He is excited to demonstrate his lively pennywhistle technique and the jigs and reels of Scotland and Ireland – step-by-step and intermediate level.

Those dramatic, painted performers from the Moon Penny Opera are back in the Market after a summer in the circus. Rubber Chicken Candy Land infiltrated the confines of the Circus Contraption.

The big busker story of August was the Cat World/Drug Bust story: A few organic Sundays ago a woman, new to the Market, signed a complaint alleging that the cats were drugged. That afternoon, a Humane Society representative, with two geared SPD officers, arrived to confiscate the cats and see if the allegations were true. Patrick and Jason were beside themselves and didn't know what to do. Tuesday the cats' test came back negative and they were returned and the majority of the fines were waived. Through the hassle Cat World has a new connection with and appreciation for the Humane Society. So, "a little good did come from it."

Seattle Aquarium sounds bound to be the biggest and best in the country, when the current construction is done – with more than 100,000 fishes – including beluga whales. A stealth Aquarium representative has been stopping by City Fish, at closing time, to get fresh tidbits. All day long they throw the guts and stuff in a bucket that is taken to bait the cameras set up around Puget Sound, with big screen monitors in the Aquarium.

Hot news from Wall Street Journal: Aprons aren't just for housewives anymore. They are fashion.

The ever scandalous Rubber Rainbow, is sadly shut after many years. The revolutionary shop, developed by healthcare professionals in 1992, opened with the goal of fostering a non-threatening environment in which the community could obtain birth control/disease control resources with a

sense of humor and piece of mind. The assorted accessories added spice. Rubber Rainbows motto was, "Save the Humans." Chris and Chris will be missed . . . the worry is that diseases will run rampant in the Market now.

The Creamery project, on Western Avenue, continues. The first floor slab was poured and the crane is installed. Things are headed upward.

Some sort of National Legislation Convention rolled through town – name-tagged folk shopping in the arcades told the story. Speaker of the House, J. Dennis Hastert (R-Ill.), was spotted eating at Etta's seafood restaurant, north market, with an onslaught of secret service agents and a long black limo.

The hombres from Los Tigres del Norte were spotted poking around the Market, shopping and seeing El Mercado. The Dead Baby Bicycle race made its annual trip through town, and Dave was spotted in the Market, working with Jim. Ramazan, one-named Market celebrity and noted theatric chain guy, is now The Dog in the Park. He's reopened his show in the Westlake Park You never know what is next from this guy.

The Livingston-Baker line-up is becoming a celebrity entity to be reckoned with. This ever-changing group of men in plastic chairs gathers at the front entrance, near Le Pichet, on First Avenue. They post-up, on the sidewalk, under the awning if its raining, and watch the preoccupied parade of humanity rush past.

The anniversary of Elvis' death, August 16, passed without a proper spotting. Our Market Elvis (the infamous "Cab-Elvis") was seen, in full regalia, riding on the back of a female's Harley Davidson in Waikiki. He was having a great time with his new girlfriend, but several passing drivers cast critical commentary.

We know you know what you know. Dish it! Tell us what titillating tales of tumultuous tawdryness transpired today? Pop an anonymous note by the Merchant's Association Office or e-mail scandal to ppmnewsdonkey@hotmail.com.

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