

# A tradition of service...



TVBS in Astoria was founded in 1912 as Alfred Puusti and Company, a popular hardware store and marine supply on the Uniontown District of west Astoria for over 60 years. In 1962 the store was moved to its present location due to construction of the Astoria-Megler bridge. In 1965 "Puusti's" became the areas first True Value Hardware Store and continues this tradition today. In 1973 Gordon and Lindon Ferrell purchased the business and Ferrell Home Center operated for over twenty years until sold in 1994 to Mike Hillier, president of Tualatin Valley Builders Supply.

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**82 Years**

## JCPenney

1343 Commercial Street, Downtown Astoria

Many people still remember the days when the Downtown Astoria JCPenney store used a numanic tube cash system for purchases and transactions. This system, similar to a bank's drive up window, incorporated a metal tube connected to a network of guidewires from each floor register to a cashier's cage on the second floor. The floor clerk would ring up the purchases at the register, then shoot the customer's money up to a cashier who would receive the money, make and return the change to the customer, all via these numanic tubes.

Those days are gone, but the same Downtown JCPenney store exists. Penney's has been a part of Astoria since 1913, and is one of the oldest stores in what is now one of the largest retail chains in America. The company was started by James Cash Penney in 1902 in Kemmerer, Wyoming, and was first named The Golden Rule.

**78 Years**

**ASTORIA GRANITE**

415 W. Marine Drie • 325-0761  
A French Stone Cutter named Paul Thompson arrived in Astoria in 1912. He started Astoria Granite Works in 1922. He built this building with salvage lumber from the Socialist Hall. In a small apartment upstairs, he raised 5 children, the youngest being Dick and Danny who took over the business in 1942, as teenagers, upon the unexpected death of Paul. The boys ran the business for 52 years, and in 1993 they retired. At that time, Russ Warr bought the business. Russ' desire is to try to carry on the tradition of quality workmanship that Paul Thompson so thoroughly instilled in his sons.

**76 Years**

**KNUTSEN INSURANCE**

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Bob Knutsen, Bob Canessa,  
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The firm was founded in 1919 by Martin Knutsen and was located in the Van Dusen building on 10th St. Several years later the insurance firm was moved to the ground level in the Astor building on 12th Street. Martin Knutsen & Son specializes in General insurance, including Health and Life.

In March of 1986 Knutsen Insurance moved to 968 Commercial.

A second office opened in Seaside in March 1987. In 1989 the Seaside office moved to its present location at 1555 N. Roosevelt Drive.

**76 Years**

## Loop - Jacobsen Inc.

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Loop-Jacobsen was started in 1932 when Harvey K. Loop bought out Schultz in Schultz-Jacobsen. Schultz-Jacobsen was started about 1919. Harvey K. Loop also purchased Donnerberg Jewelry, owned by Frank Donnerberg, consolidating the two stores into one store, located in the Astor Building. The store was moved to its present location in 1961. Richard and Estel Van Winkle, bought the store on April 1, 1977. Son Frank now runs the business.

The Van Winkles sell and repair jewelry, watches and clocks. They have a selection of batteries for watches & clocks.

They also do custom engraving on metals and plastic for trophies, engrave name tags and inside ring engraving. With every engravable purchase, engraving is free.

Frank designs jewelry to your special needs. He also makes pendants, rings, bracelets and earrings for the store. Frank checks your rings to make sure all the prongs are secure and then will clean your ring. Judy restrings and knots those broken strands of pearls or beads.



Frank & Judy Van Winkle