

The Daily Insider

Southern Washington Edition

Renate Atkins appointed SWMC COO

Renate Atkins today was named chief operating officer at Southwest Washington Medical Center by **Joe Kortum**, the medical center's president and CEO.

Atkins comes to SWMC from Verde Valley Medical Center in North Central Arizona, where she served as Vice President of Operations since 1999.

Atkins is credited with starting the first coronary care angioplasty program in Northern and Central Arizona. She led several major construction and remodeling projects at Verde Valley, including a 40,000-square foot medical office building and an 8,600-square foot ambulatory surgery center. She helped turn what had been a modest hospital into one of the most profitable and sophisticated medical facilities in Arizona, according to Kortum.

Atkins began her career as a neonatal nurse practitioner in Flagstaff, Arizona. She was honored as the Nurse of the Year by the Arizona Nurses' Association in 1990 and is a recipient of the Distinguished Alumni Award from Northern Arizona University.

As a member of the medical center's leadership team, Atkins will oversee all clinical, technical and support services.

"Atkins is one of those people who gets things done," Kortum said today, "She really knows how to energize an organization to make change happen and make people feel good about that change."

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Fire evacuates Church of Nazarene

More than 300 churchgoers at the Hillcrest Church of the Nazarene 14410 NW 21st Avenue, were evacuated about 8 p.m. last night when a sprinkler system-actuated fire alarm was sounded.

No one was hurt. The fire, of suspicious origin, was extinguished by a single sprinkler head, according to Fire District 6 fire marshal **Richard Martin**. Damage was minimal.

Nancy Barnes elected president of state utility districts association

Nancy Barnes, Clark Public Utilities commissioner, has been elected president of the Washington Public Utility Districts Association.

The association represents 28 public utility districts that



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provide electricity, water, sewer and wholesale telecommunications service to over 1.7 million people in the state.

Barnes, who has served as a utility district commissioner since 1992, was elected to a second six-year term in 1998. Active in community, education issues, Barnes is a graduate of Brigham Young University, where she studied English and journalism.



Nancy Barnes

News briefs

The Vancouver City council, which usually meets on Mondays, will not meet this week. ~~###~~ The board of trustees of the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District meets in regular session at 6 p.m. today in Truman Elementary School, 4505 NE 42nd Avenue. ~~###~~ The Neighborhood Associations Council of Clark County meets at 7 p.m. tonight in the Public Service Center. ~~###~~ Clark Public Utilities' commissioners, meeting at 9 a.m. Tuesday, will hold a public hearing on the district's 2004 budget. ~~###~~ Clark County commissioners have scheduled hearings on proposed updates of the county Growth Management Plan at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9. ~~###~~ Port of Vancouver commissioners meet in regular session at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, to hear comments from the public on the port's proposed Columbia Gateway Project.

Monday on the Air

Vancouver City Council Workshop (12/1)—5:30 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver City Council (12/1)—7:30 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EST Monday, Dec. 8, 2003

Alaska Air Group	25.63	+16	Linear Technolog	40.96	+66
Alcoa	35.52	+54	Microsoft	26.24	+26
Amazon.com	51.08	-48	Nautilus	13.21	+01
Bank of America	76.00	+89	Nike	65.58	+04
Bank of Clark County	15.00	unch	Nordstrom	33.96	+26
Bemis	48.20	+87	PepsiCo	48.26	-24
Boeing	39.12	+12	Precision Cast	45.90	+210
Boise Cascade	30.81	+61	RLRN	23.99	+10
CenturyTel	30.92	-90	Starbucks	32.32	+48
Costco	36.14	+32	TSM	10.56	-23
Expeditors Intl.	38.25	+06	Tektronix	27.02	+09
Georgia Pacific	29.05	+76	US Bancorp	28.15	+29
HPQ	22.48	+37	Wash. Mutual	43.85	+43
Intel	31.64	-46	W. Coast Bancorp	21.21	+58
Kyocera	63.26	+81	Weyerhaeuser	60.27	+182

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Town Tabloids and The Weather

Edith Woods earning extra bow.
~~###~~ **Michael Kissenger** doing second banana trick. ~~###~~ **Wendy Stack** taking care of details. ~~###~~ **Jo Marie Hansen** doing Hallelujahs ~~###~~ **Jane Halcom** extending Turkey season. ~~###~~ **Monday**, cloudy, light showers, and sunbreaks, 46. **Tuesday**, mostly cloudy, a few showers, 46. **Wednesday**, another dreary day with a few showers, 46.

Acapulco	90/72
Athens	49/37
Chicago	45/38
Dallas	70/58
Hong Kong	71/59
Los Angeles	67/47
London	47/41
New Orleans	68/60
New York	36/29
Orlando	72/53
Paris	43/34
Phoenix	66/42
Rome	40/35
Seattle	46/36
Sydney	78/58
Tokyo	49/38
Washington	40/25