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Wearing an \$8 red sports jacket he bought years ago in China, Ed Firstenburg helps dedicate the Firstenburg Technology Center on the Clark County Skills Center's 20-year-old campus Saturday

Clark County Skills Center celebrates 20 years with new Firstenburg Technology Center

"A couple of years ago," said **Nancy Sourek**, executive director of the Community Foundation for Southwest Washington, during dedication of the Firstenburg Technology Center on the Clark County Skills Center campus Saturday, "**Ed Firstenburg** and I had lunch in the Skills Center restaurant." The rest is history.

The community foundation manages the Ed and Mary Firstenburg Family Fund. The lunch led to a tour of the facilities by Skills Center executive director **Dennis Kampe**.

A duly impressed Firstenburg asked Kampe what the greatest needs were at the school, which serves nine high schools in southwest Washington.

Kampe replied that a technology center was at the top of a wish list, but it would cost upwards of \$2 million.

Firstenburg contributed the first \$1 million. **Ed and Dollie Lynch** came up with the next \$50,000, and the campaign continued until Kampe had enough money to build the 13,000-square-foot building that will house 240 students.

Over 900 students a year attend the Skills Center, where in addition to completing their regular course work at their respective high schools, they get accelerated training in a variety of skills, ranging from banking, pre-engineering, computer technology, to culinary arts, nursing, and construction trades. In all the school, which has graduated 13,000 students since 1983, offers 15 technical and professional training programs.

Utility supports downtown business district

A request from the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce for a \$5,000 contribution to assist in the formation of a business improvement district gained Clark

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Public Utilities support by a 2-1 vote last week.

Chamber officials asked the utility to join in a partnership with Clark County, Vancouver, Port of Vancouver, C-TRAN, and Identity Clark County.

The proposed district focuses on transportation, security and marketing for the downtown area.

Utility commissioners **Carol Curtis** and **Byron Hanke** supported the request, while commissioner **Nancy Barnes** voted against it. Curtis and Hanke said the contribution was a small investment to help revitalize downtown Vancouver. Barnes said she thought it was inappropriate, even though the amount was relatively small.

Future of Vancouver National Historic Reserve gets informal airing Tuesday

An informal discussion, "The Future at the Vancouver National Historic Reserve," in on the agenda for the First Tuesday Panel Discussion by the Vancouver Planning Commission at 4 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, in City Hall.

The moderator is commissioner **Mike Heywood**.

News briefs

The Vancouver City Council will tour the VancouverCenter during the first hour of its 4 p.m. workshop today. At 5 p.m. the council returns to city hall to hear a report from on the staff on the final draft of the city's 20-year transportation plan. A regular council meeting follows at 7 p.m. tonight. Lake Clark Public Utilities' commissioners meet in workshop session at 9 a.m. Tuesday, June 3, for a discussion of power supply risk management. Lake Clark County commissioners meet in regular session at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 3.

Monday on the air

Clark County Close Up—3 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver City Council Workshop (live)—4 p.m. CVTV
Las Vegas at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD
Vancouver City Council (live)—7 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EDT Monday, June 2, 2003					
Alaska Air Group	19.69	+.68	Linear Technology	35.00	-1.43
Alcoa	25.30	+.69	Microsoft	24.64	+.03
Amazon.com	35.40	49	Nautilus	12.95	04
Bank of America	74.13	07	Nike	55.97	02
Bank of Clark County	15.60	unch	Nordstrom	18.80	+.15
Bemis	46.01	+.23	PepsiCo	44.10	10
Boeing	31.96	+1.29	Precision Cast	29.24	01
Boise Cascade	24.88	+.31	RLRN	23.91	+1.01
CenturyTel	34.05	+.38	Starbucks	24.49	18
Costco	37.33	+.08	TSM	10.18	+.04
Expeditors Intl. Georgia Pacific	34.88		Tektronix	21.06	02
Georgia Pacific	17.49		US Bancorp	23.64	06
HPQ	20.05		Wash. Mutual	40.69	10
Intel	20.38	44	W. Coast Bancorp	16.43	32
Kyocera	56.49	+1.05	Weyerhaeuser	52.24	+.86
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