

The Daily Insider

Southern Washington Edition

Hakan Gurocak named director of WSU's new Institute for Engineering and Science

Hakan Gurocak, director of engineering and computer science programs at Washington State University Vancouver, has been named director of the new WSU Vancouver Institute for Engineering and Science.

The Vancouver-based institute is a public-private partnership in collaboration with Clark and Lower Columbia Colleges that will offer seamless, four-year degrees to students in southwest Washington beginning in September 2004.



Hakan Gurocak

"The institute will expand higher education access in disciplines that are particularly important to the area's high-technology employers," says WSU Vancouver chancellor **Hal Dengerink**.

"Dr. Gurocak's extensive background in engineering and research, his personal commitment to teaching and an impressive record of collaboration with area industry make him the ideal choice to direct the new institute."

Gurocak, who has been a professor of manufacturing engineering at WSU Vancouver since 1997, has brought to the Vancouver campus more than \$1 million in industry equipment donations and grants funded by the National Science Foundation and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers Education Association.

He chairs the manufacturing division of the American Society for Engineering and Education

Revenues up for Clark Public Utilities

Electricity sales revenues were higher than expected and expenses were below expectations, during the first half of the year, Clark Public Utilities' director of finance **Rick Dyer** reported to utility commissioners this week.

The electric utility's net income for the first half of 2003 was \$3.3 million, more than double of what was expected, he said.

Water sales revenues were also ahead of projections.

Residential customer growth was less than last year, but nonetheless the utility added 1,436 new residential customers—an annual rate of growth of nearly 2 percent.

Clark's water utility grew by 429 customers in the first half of the year, a growth rate of 3.27 percent. The water utility serves the populous Hazel Dell-Salmon Creek area.

Hundreds participated in realistic disaster at Skyview High School this morning

Portraying school personnel, hysterical parents and injured students, hundreds of people enacted life-like

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school emergencies and responses beginning at 7:45 a.m. today at Skyview High School, 1300 NW 139th Street.

The exercise, coordinated by the Clark County Safe Schools Task Force, included real life news people, law enforcement personnel, fire fighters and emergency services people.

It was the third year that local educators participated in a county-wide safety summit.

City's development code changes available

Proposed changes in Vancouver's development code are available for public review, reports planning technician **Linda Floyd**.

A three-month series of public meetings on the draft document begins at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 20, in the Rose Besserman community room at the Fisher's Landing Transit Center.

For copies of the draft, call Floyd at **735-8873**.

People

Opening the 2004 political season at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 15, are **Ed** and **Kasey Cote**, with a political fund raiser for freshman state Rep. **Jim Moeller** (D-49th), in the Cotes's home at 4608 Olive Street.

News briefs

Port of Ridgefield commissioners meet in regular session at 6 p.m. today in Port offices at 111 W Division Street, and will discuss the transportation element of Ridgefield's Capital Facilities Plan, and capital impact fees. Also on the agenda is an update of the Ridgefield railroad overpass.

Wednesday on the air

Clark County Commissioners (7/29)—4 p.m. CVTV
Toronto at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KTKO
Nashville at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD
Telecommunications Commission (7/2)—8 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver Planning Commission (8-12)—9 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EDT Wednesday, Aug. 13, 2003

Alaska Air Group	24.17	-.21	Linear Technology	36.67	+1.11
Alcoa	27.02	-.08	Microsoft	25.60	-.13
Amazon.com	40.21	+.36	Nautilus	11.31	+.01
Bank of America	80.79	-.64	Nike	54.65	+.38
Bank of Clark County	15.00	unch	Nordstrom	22.97	-.01
Bemis	44.36	-.32	PepsiCo	44.97	-.63
Boeing	32.38	-.06	Precision Cast	31.83	+.26
Boise Cascade	25.34	unch	RLRN	23.70	+.17
CenturyTel	33.85	-.87	Starbucks	26.51	-.14
Costco	30.30	+.25	TSM	10.01	+.33
Expeditors Intl.	36.77	-.34	Tektronix	20.69	+.05
Georgia Pacific	21.93	+.05	US Bancorp	23.82	-.43
HPQ	21.05	+.10	Wash. Mutual	38.85	-.63
Intel	24.71	+.34	W. Coast Bancorp	18.76	-.28
Kyocera	57.45	unch	Weverhaeuser	56.38	-.17

DOW: 9271.76 -38.3 ∇ NASDAQ: 1686.61 -4 ∇ S&P: 984.03 -6.32

Town Tabloids and The Weather

Jada Rupley has news.— Jim and Elaine Tompkins making the rounds.— Jon Burpee singing in French and English.— Greg Shine handling host chores easily.— Dollie Lynch taking her turn with paddle.— Peggy Pollard with the guy in white shoes.— Jilayne Jordan perfecting nearly impeccable directions.— Wednesday , sun overpowers clouds, 80. Thursday , mixed bag, dry thunder, 80. Friday , sunny again, 84.	Acapulco 90/75 Athens 86/69 Chicago 82/66 Dallas 86/68 Hong Kong 90/78 Los Angeles 88/67 London 79/55 New Orleans 85/77 New York 86/76 Orlando 90/74 Paris 96/65 Phoenix 108/86 Rome 94/72 Seattle 76/54 Sydney 72/54 Tokyo 81/66 Washington 89/74
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