

**Businesswoman Lydia Work
earns SBDC Silver Star Award**



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Lydia Work, founder and owner of American Paper Converting Inc., Woodland, is being recognized by the Washington State University Small Business Development Center-Vancouver with its Silver Star Award for "outstanding business development and contributions to the Southwest Washington community."

The award will be presented Friday, Feb. 4, during the Small Business Development Center's "Grow and Thrive in 2005" seminar in E. B. Hamilton Hall in the Red Cross Building at Vancouver Barracks.

American Paper Converting Inc., 1660 Heritage Street, Woodland, manufacturers of bathroom tissue and paper towel products, was founded by Work in 1997 as a flexible and innovative supplier of towel and tissue to janitorial and food service distributors.

By 2001 APC opened a 48,000-square-foot plant in Woodland, which currently employs 60 persons. According to SBDC spokesperson **Jan Harte**, Work first came to the SBDC in 1995 to develop a business plan, following that up by opening the company with two employees in 1997. Work then found a new technology for producing customized paper products at a trade show in France. Work applied the new system at her start-up company and, since, APC offers an exclusive Soft'n Solid coreless bath tissue system. APC towel and tissue products are sold to janitorial and food service independent distributors.

Sponsored by the *Vancouver Business Journal* and Byrd Financial Group, the half-day seminar, designed to teach business owners how to focus on net worth, is 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Registration for the \$15

event must be completed by Tuesday, Feb. 1. For further information, call **992-2939**.

**Substance abuse survey
can be completed on-line**

A community attitude survey about the problem of substance abuse in Clark County has been posted on the Internet at www.clark.wa.gov/alcohol-drug/index.html.

All responses will be held confidential, according to **Geoff Knapp**, spokesperson for the county Department of Community Services.

The data collected will be used in prevention and treatment planning.

Miller and Rodda paints can be recycled

A pilot program developed by Clark County and two paint manufacturers offers county residents an opportunity to take old paint and paint products to two local stores where they will be recycled into alternative fuel.

The program participants will accept only paint and paint-related products sold by their company. They are Miller Paint Company, 2607 NE Andresen Road, and Rodda Paint & Décor Center, 7723 NE Fourth Plain Boulevard.

For further information on solid waste and recycling, call **397-6118**, extension **4352**.

**Jim Dunn appointed assistant ranking
Republican on Housing Committee**

State Rep. **Jim Dunn** (R-17th) has been appointed assistant ranking Republican on the Housing Committee in the state House of Representatives.

After sitting out for two years, Dunn was elected to a new term in the legislature in November. He is also a member of the House Children & Family Services and the Agricultural & Trade Committees.

Dinner theater mystery solved

The cause of the lack of telephone calls to the American Legion Post 14 Dinner Theatre from actors trying to set up appointments for auditions being held Saturday, Feb. 5, at the legion post, 4607 NE St. James Road, is that the telephone number was jumbled in the Thursday, Jan. 20, edition of the *Daily Insider*. The number to call to audition for two mysteries and one drama is **253-8582**.

News briefs

Vancouver Symphony Orchestra opens a Mozart weekend with its Simian Trio performing free at Borders Books Music Movies and Café, 811 SE 160th Avenue. Orchestra is joined with pianist **Barbara Roberts** for its Mostly Mozart concerts at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan 23, in the concert hall at Skyview High School, 1300 NE 139th Street. Tickets at the door are \$15 to \$35.

Friday headlines from at home and around the world:

[Vancouver Lake half-marathon is Sunday--Oregonian, **Dee Anne Finken**](#)

[Bill Fromhold says higher education has to grow--Oregonian, **Brian Turner**](#)

[Will Vancouver convention center sink or swim--Columbian, **Jonathan Nelson and Jeffrey Mize**](#)

[Thursday Mount St. Helens blast wrecks scientific instruments--Columbian, **Erik Robinson**](#)

[Hockinson levy would not increase taxes--Oregonian, **Holley Gilbert**](#)

[Voters will decide parks and school issues--Oregonian, **Bill Stewart**](#)

[Mayor John Idsinga reports that growth has been the key to success for the city--Columbian, Margaret Ellis Kirkwood and Kirkwood propose 15-acre recreation-entertainment project in east Vancouver--Columbian, Gretchen Fehrenbacher](#)
[Columbian's best bets for entertainment](#)
[Methane rain, rivers, discovered on Titan--USA TODAY, AP, John Leicester](#)

Friday on the air

Scholar Athlete Awards Banquet—4 p.m. CVTV
Animal Control Hearings (1/12)—7 p.m. CVTV
Portland Winter Hawks at Kelowna (live)—7 p.m. KUPL
National Mentoring Month—9 p.m. CVTV
Greg Kimsey Town Hall—10 p.m. CVTV
Bravo! Vancouver: Quartet for the End of Time—10:30 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver's Funk Factor—11:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the weather

Rhonda Carey seriously seeking postal scale. 📖 **Becky Archibald** getting ready for really big pow wow. 📖 **Bruce Romanish** suffers klutz in stride. 📖 **Rich Riegel** squeezing in new assignments. 📖 **Ken Cole** looking for \$184,999,815.00. 📖 **Charlotte Elznic** waiting for telephone calls. 📖 **Jim Rourk**'s sleuthing solves mystery. 📖 **Friday**, brindle, but showers unlikely, 59. **Saturday**, more sunbreaks, 55. **Sunday**, showers and sunbreaks, 58.