

The Daily Insider

Southern Washington Edition

Funeral for Bill Copps, who died Monday, is Saturday in the Vancouver Funeral Chapel

Bill Copps, co-owner of Bill Copps Inc., downtown Vancouver's last remaining new car dealership, died suddenly Monday after being taken to Southwest Washington Medical Center. He was 76.

Mr. Copps's only survivor is his wife of 53 years, **Eleanor**, whose father Austin McCoy founded the dealership in 1917.

The dealership at 901 C Street sells Cadillac, Pontiac, GMC and Suzuki vehicles.

Mr. Copps, a Vancouver native and a graduate of Vancouver High School, received a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Washington.

He was a member of the Episcopal Church, Vancouver Rotary, Royal Oaks Country Club, Elks Lodge, and the Smith-Reynolds Post of the American Legion.

The funeral is at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, in the Vancouver Funeral Chapel.

County unemployment rate down in December

Clark County's seasonally unadjusted unemployment rate fell to 7.9 percent in December, down 4 points from 8.3 percent in November, reports the state Employment Security Department.

The state's seasonally unadjusted rate rose one-tenth of a percent to 6.8 percent in December. The national rate for December was 6 percent.

Of the county's labor force of 186,900 persons, 14,700 were without jobs, according to the state report.

Vancouver Symphony's "Mexican Traditions" concert is Saturday and Sunday at Skyview

Vancouver Symphony guest conductor **Guillermo Salvador** will take listeners through a classical program of Mexican music during two concerts this weekend, 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25, and 7 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26, in the Skyview High School auditorium, 1300 NW 139th Street.

Tickets are available at the door ranging from \$15 to \$35. With each paid admission a student is admitted free.

Clark Public Utilities reopens historic Bridge Substation as residential conservation office

The historic Bridge Substation on Columbia Way at the foot of the Interstate Bridge has been reopened as Clark Public Utilities' residential conservation office.

When built in 1917, the building housed Portland General Electric's first Clark County electrical substation. It was acquired by the utility district in 1938 when PGE and Pacific Power, then known as Northwestern Electric, were acquired.

Owned by Clark Public Utilities, it had long been rented out as office space, most recently by the Columbia River Economic Development Council.

Clark Public Utilities offers a wide range of energy

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conservation information and programs, according to **Mat McCudden**, director of customer service.

"We provide customers with personalized conservation advice, plus we offer loans for installation of heat pumps and home weatherization measures, including insulation and windows. We also offer rebates on the purchase of Energy Star® clothes washers and dishwashers, and Super Good Cents manufactured homes."

Clark College Jazz festival 5 bucks a day

The 41st annual Clark College Jazz Festival of north-west band and vocal jazz competition opens at 8 a.m. Thursday and concludes with a 9 p.m. Saturday performance by the 2002 winning Garfield High School Jazz Ensemble.

In between are three days of day-long competition in Gaiser Hall on the campus. Tickets are \$5 per day. Children under 12 accompanied by an adult are free. For further information, call the college music department, **992-2188** or **992-2662**.

People

After an unprecedented three terms as chair of the Northwest Power Planning Council, Clark County's **Larry Cassidy** is resuming his duties as a member of the council. He was succeeded by **Judi Danielson**, Idaho. The council is represented by members from Washington, Oregon, Idaho and California. Cassidy, an outdoor sportsman, is a former chair of the Washington Fish and Game Commission.

Tuesday electronic events

Sustainability and Planning—4 p.m. CVTV
State of the City Address—6 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Focus—7:30 p.m. CVTV
City Minutes—8 p.m. CVTV
Scholar Athlete Awards Banquet—8:30 p.m. CVTV
Clark College Orchestra Fall Concert—10:30 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of northwest interest at 4 p.m. EST, Tuesday, Jan 21, 2002

Alaska Air Group	21.81	-1.16	Microsoft	51.33	-.13
Alcoa	21.14	-1.01	Nautilus	12.75	-.36
Amazon.com	21.08	-.32	Nike	43.84	-1.21
Bank of America	70.73	-.75	Nordstrom	18.24	-.54
Bemis	47.80	-1.20	PepsiCo	43.35	-.30
Boeing	32.40	-.89	Precision Cast	26.25	-.75
Boise Cascade	26.78	-.73	RLRN	18.00	-.62
CenturyTel	29.70	-.76	Starbucks	19.80	-.29
Costco	29.27	-.80	TSM	7.55	-.04
Expeditors Intl.	30.84	-.47	Tektronix	17.51	-.09
Georgia Pacific	16.44	-.28	UPS	62.65	-.79
HPQ	18.93	-.30	US Bancorp	22.10	-.33
Intel	16.29	-.05	Wash. Mutual	35.30	-.60
Kyocera	57.44	-.47	W. Coast Bancorp	15.41	-.13
Linear Technology	26.81	+1.17	Weyerhaeuser	51.20	-1.32

DOW: 8442.9 -143.5 ■ NASDAQ: 1364.25 -11.94 ■ S&P: 887.62 -14.16

Town Tabloids and The Weather

Jerry Watkins gets acknowledgment. ■■■■ Kelly O'Neill getting in another plug. ■■■■ Jo Harris telling tales of endurance. ■■■■ Paula Palmer sporting the season's finest. ■■■■ Gary Miller escorting fashionable dish. ■■■■ Sally Bodine taking care of the old fella. ■■■■ Tuesday , misty, traces of sunshine, 46. Wednesday , more rain, 50. Thursday , rain should let up, sunbreaks, 50.	Acapulco 90/73 Athens 52/40 Chicago 18/2 Dallas 57/35 Hong Kong 72/61 Los Angeles 66/52 London 47/38 New Orleans 73/57 New York 25/11 Orlando 74/50 Paris 42/33 Phoenix 70/49 Rome 54/41 Seattle 46/38 Sydney 96/67 Tokyo 45/30 Washington 30/14
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