

Business Notes



Carol Barker and Carol Noah

Naturopathic physician opens office in Vernonia

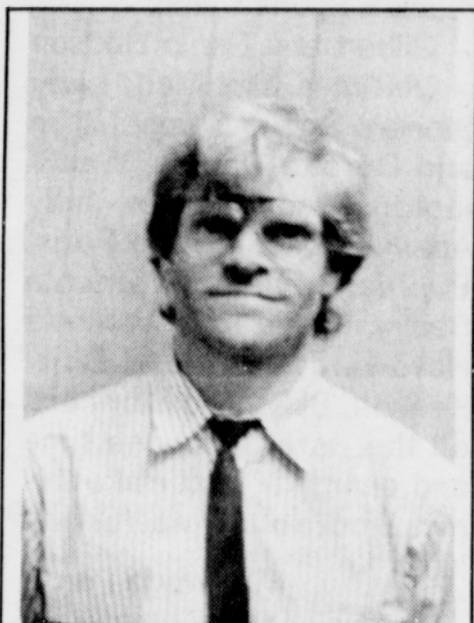
Dr. James Hutton, a naturopathic physician, has expanded his practice to include an office in the Vernonia Federal Credit Union building. Naturopathic medicine is a method of healing which incorporates the use of natural ingredients such as light, air, water, herbs and diet to maintain good health.

Hutton has spent twenty-two years in the medical community, beginning as an orderly in various hospitals in California and Oregon. Completing his education as he worked, provided hands-on experience in the medical profession and, as he matured, his interest was drawn to "traditional" medicine instead of "conventional" medicine.

Traditional medicine uses natural means to remedy illness or injury, while conventional medicine uses pharmaceuticals and manufactured methods to obtain the same results. Conventional medicine is the system most widely used by doctors in our society. In recent years, however, traditional medicine has become accepted as an alternative form of health care.

Hutton admits that, in his early years, he was somewhat rebellious as he pursued naturopathic medicine. However, as he gained more knowledge and experience, he realized the conflict between the two forms of medicine really didn't exist.

Hutton attended school in California before coming to Oregon to attend the National College of Naturopathic Medicine, one of only two such colleges in the nation to be



Dr. James Hutton

acknowledged by the U.S. Department of Education. After completing his education in 1992, Hutton joined Dr. Turesk in his Mist family practice.

Hutton chose Vernonia for an office partly because the convenient location allows him to continue serving patients from southwest Washington in addition to those from the Portland and Salem areas. This, along with the beauty of the area, made Vernonia his choice. Hutton also said he enjoys a place where you can leave your car unlocked and find it's still there when you return.

Dr. Hutton will be offering his services in the Vernonia office on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10-5 and Saturdays from 10-1. At other times, he can be reached through his answering service at 503-241-5352.

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Noah appointed as U.S. Bank manager

Carol Noah has been appointed manager of U.S. Bank's Vernonia branch, to fill the vacancy left by Betts Enneberg's retirement. Noah will be doing double duty as she divides her time between the Banks' branch of U.S. Bank and the Vernonia facility.

During the past two-and-a-half years, Noah has managed the Banks branch, offering professional service and learning the needs of local businesses and citizens. As banking practices have changed over the years, she strives to offer all of the modern improvements while retaining the personal touch that lets customers know they are more than a document that's processed in triplicate.

Noah started as a teller and worked her way up through the positions of personal banker, savings counselor, investments, loan officer, operations officer and, finally, to manager, a position she has held at three different banks.

In order to make the transition a bit easier, Enneberg spent some time showing her around the community, introducing her and filling her in on some of the local history. Combining the Banks and Vernonia branches under one manager is part of U.S. Bank's strategy of downsizing the company.

Noah will spend at least two days a week in the Vernonia branch, with one of the days being either the begin-

ning or the end of the week. She reminds those who may fear chaos at the lack of a full time manager, that the bank already has a very capable staff and that she is just a phone call away if she is needed. In addition to her experience, Noah brings an eagerness to serve the banking needs of the community.

Noah, who grew up on Pumpkin Ridge, says she is very familiar with small communities and, in fact, hopes to soon make her home in one; at this time, she lives in Cornelius. She is treasurer of the Banks Area Merchants Association, is a charter

member of Day Break Rotary Club of Forest Grove and is involved in the Junior Achievement program. She also plans to become involved in the Vernonia Area Chamber of Commerce.

While change has been constant in Noah's career, she recently underwent change in her personal life, too, when she married Jim Noah in April. This is a positive note not just for the newlyweds, but for the people of Vernonia as well; otherwise Carol Noah would have taken her place as the fourth Carol Davis in Vernonia.

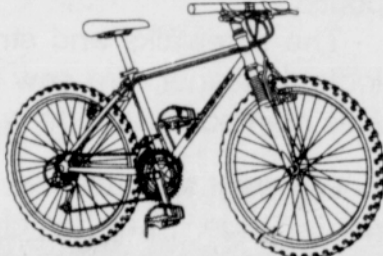
Clean Pointe takes over carpet cleaning service as J-4 leaves

Jody Jones, owner of J-4 Professional Cleaning Systems, has returned to Indiana to assist in the family business, but not without arranging for another carpet and upholstery cleaner to service the Vernonia area.

Rick Hailey, of Clean Pointe Services, Inc., will continue to serve area customers, even keeping the

same Vernonia phone number—429-3770—previously used by J-4.

Hailey, who is based in Portland, has operated Clean Pointe for seventeen years. He hopes to schedule Vernonia area appointments in "clusters" so he can do several jobs in one day, thereby avoiding a trip charge for each customer.



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