

Business Notes



Ken Bateman gets acquainted with a new computer installation which connects Vernonia Realty with other Northwest realtors in a multiple listing service, enhancing their ability to help Vernonia clients find buyers for their properties, as well as serving non-residents by acquainting them with real estate opportunities in this area.

Jewell meet for Watershed group

If you have a stake in the current and future health of the Nehalem River watershed, the Upper Nehalem Watershed Council invites you to attend their next meeting, to be held at Jewell School on Tuesday, December 3, at 7:30 p.m.

The council meeting, usually held on the second Tuesday of each month at Washington Grade School in Vernonia, has been relocated downriver to provide more local people a chance to participate in this unique opportunity.

A watershed council is a grassroots organization that provides ongoing opportunities for local people representing a diversity of interests, to sit together and have their voices heard, questions answered, concerns ad-

ressed and interests protected.

Many issues face our communities, watershed health, land use practices, salmon habitat restoration and government regulation, to name just a few. A watershed council seeks local solutions for local issues.

For further information contact Maggie Peyton at 429-2401, or Mary Patterson at 755-2209.

Watershed Planning committee meeting

The Upper Nehalem Watershed Council Management Plan Committee will meet on the first Tuesday of every month. The next meeting will be December 3rd at 11 a.m. in the Treharne Cafe, just south of Vernonia.

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Ridge Riders elect officers for '97

The Vernonia Ridge Riders elected officers for 1997 at their annual Fall Banquet, held November 7 in the Mist School gym. Handling the reins next year will be President Tim Titus, Vice-president Skip Goodman, Secretary Teri Greenwood, Treasurer Michelle Gilbertson and Publicity Secretary Sue East.

Awards were presented to Eleanor Thompson and Jennie Siedelman for their many years of service and dedication. Ridge Rider of the Year trophy was presented to Sue East.

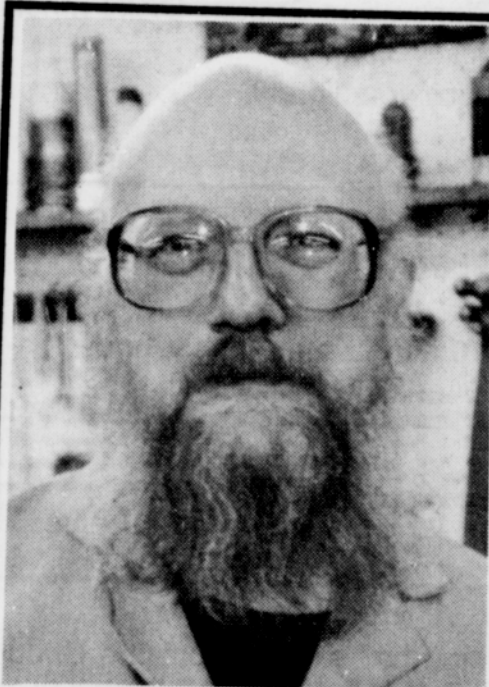
The Ridge Riders regular meetings are on the last

Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Vernonia City Library.

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Are you interested in the future of Vernonia?

*Do the number of vacant stores in
the downtown area concern you?*

Mayor Jony Hyde and the Vernonia City Council invite you to attend a community meeting to help Vernonia businesses succeed. Over 40 community leaders were interviewed and their ideas for Vernonia's economic development will be shared December 11, at 6:30 p.m. in the Vernonia High School library. This meeting is the kickoff for the economic development process.

Please attend and add your valuable opinion to Vernonia's future.

Troy W. Horton

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