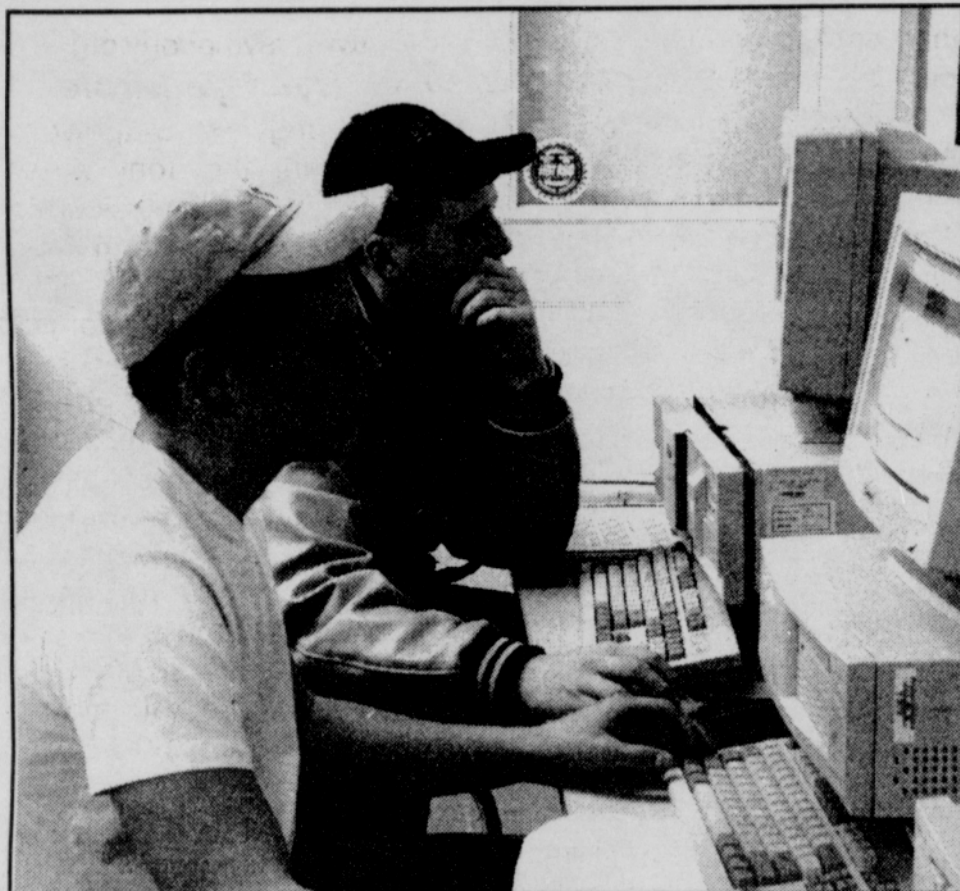


They're StRUTin' their way through computer repair technology



Justin Baer, left, and Darcy Kunkel study the problems involved in repairing and recycling used computer equipment.

Indoor baseball camp scheduled

Columbia County Slough Cats Adult Baseball Club has partnered with Genesis Sports in Rainier to host an indoor baseball camp, March 2-3.

The two-day camp will provide youth with an opportunity to learn baseball skills and fundamentals in an exciting, competitive environment. Slough Cat players and coaches will cover base running, hitting, throwing, pitching, catching and fielding, as well as proper warm-up and stretching routines for injury prevention.

The camp is open to boys and girls ages 7-18, with 7-12

year-olds attending the morning session. Youth from 13 to 18 will be scheduled for the afternoon.

The cost is \$45, which includes snacks, prizes and a camp T-shirt. Brochures are available at Genesis Sports in Rainier, Main Street Pizza in Scappoose, or Fultano's Pizza in Clatskanie. You may also visit sloughcats.com for an online brochure. To ensure a slot in the camp, register by February 25. For additional information, call Jarrod Hogue at 503-397-2554 or e-mail cats@team-page.com.

When Dick Cheney came to teach at Vernonia High School three years ago, he was given a classroom, a pile of used computers and a group of students, and asked to develop a program. Today StRUT (Students Recycling Used Technology) provides technical training for students interested in the "nuts-and-bolts" of computer

Youth baseball registration time

It's time to dust off those cleats and loosen up the old mitt. Baseball season is here again.

The Vernonia Youth Athletic Association is sponsoring Vernonia Youth Baseball/Softball for the 2002 season.

Signups will take place on Wednesday, February 20, at the Washington Grade School cafeteria from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Signup sheets will be distributed around town for those who wish to get an early start.

This year, team/age levels are as follows: T-ball/6-8; Boys-Girls/9-10, 11-12, and 13-14 American/National.

Volunteers are needed for coaching, working on fields, selling concessions and help with fundraising.

Anyone interested is urged to attend the next meeting on Wednesday, February 6, at the Vernonia Fire Station meeting hall at 6:00 p.m.

For more information, call 503-429-4026 after 5:00 p.m.

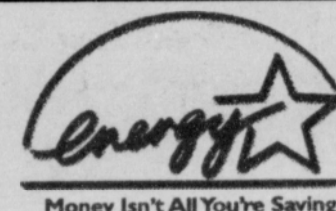
hardware.

Using A+ Certification as a text, students learn troubleshooting and repair for computer hardware and software. This curriculum is the industry standard used to certify computer technicians. The course is designed for two semesters of study. The first semester concentrates on hardware and some applications; the second semester expands the curriculum to include web applications

and networking.

Computers are donated to the program through the Northwest Regional ESD. This year the 13 students in the first semester have refurbished nine of the eleven computers they received from the ESD. For their final project, students must select an area of concentration — hard drives, for instance — and prepare a Power Point presentation and a written report.

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