### Retirement 'toy' now a thriving business

By ERIC GORANSON

of The Oregonian staff

A couple's retirement "toy," purchased to keep them busy, has turned into a business adventure that may become a seven-day-a-

week operation.

About 17 months ago, Dale and Mary Fackrell purchased the bankrupt and run-down Lakeside Gardens restaurant at 16211 S.E. Foster Road — not exactly knowing what they would do with it.

Joining in the venture were their son and daughter-in-law, Brad and Diane Fackrell, and a

friend, Drinda Hansen.

"We bought it as a toy. If someone wanted to use it, we'd open it and let them," Mary Fackrell said. "We had eaten there several times and just liked the place. We do crazy things."

The idea was to make it available for weddings and private parties, she said. Prior to retirement, the Fackrells had run the Maverick and other eateries in East Multnomah County and on the Oregon coast.

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- Mary Fackrell, Lakeside Gardens co-owner

Thursday, after a successful summer of wedding receptions, the elder Fackrells announced that Lakeside Gardens was expanding to serve as a retreat for company gatherings, seminars and other business functions. Also, they will welcome class reunions, graduation parties and schoool proms.

Getting to that stage didn't come

easy, however.

Once they got into the place, Mary Fackrell said, they discovered that it was so run-down that it had to be completely renovated. The place hadn't been used for more than a year.

There were 400 dump-truck loads of silt and debris removed from the lake alone before they decided to quit the dredging operation, Mary Fackrell said. By the time everything was rebuilt, the investment had soared to \$500,000-plus, she said.

The investors almost didn't make it to the operations stage.

Located in a residential area, the restaurant had operated in nonconforming use and the Fackrells just made the deadline for extending that use. Had they not, the property would have reverted to residential use.

Interest in the place, however,

was always high.

Before opening for business, the operation was listed in the phone book and the phone was ringing off the hook, said Gretchen Mark, who handles publicity.

As many as 65 people called per day after the 1988 phone book was published, Mark said.

All were told it would be Ma before the place would open. B many brides-to-be came out to s the place, tramping through t mud and over and around lumb and construction debris, Mai said. More than one used a sa horse as a table to write a dow payment check, she said.

"The first wedding was May On May 3 the bride-to-be came of and burst into tears. The drivew was not paved and no drapes we up. But by the weekend, all w ready as promised," Mark said.

Since then, Mark said, Lakesi Gardens has had 60 wedding Every weekend through Septe ber has been booked. One had people show up when only ? were expected. Next year near every weekend through Augu has been booked.

With a few exceptions, just we ding receptions have been held Lakeside Gardens. "We wanted learn the ropes first," Hansen sa

"We constantly said we want to crawl before we walked," Ma Fackrell said.

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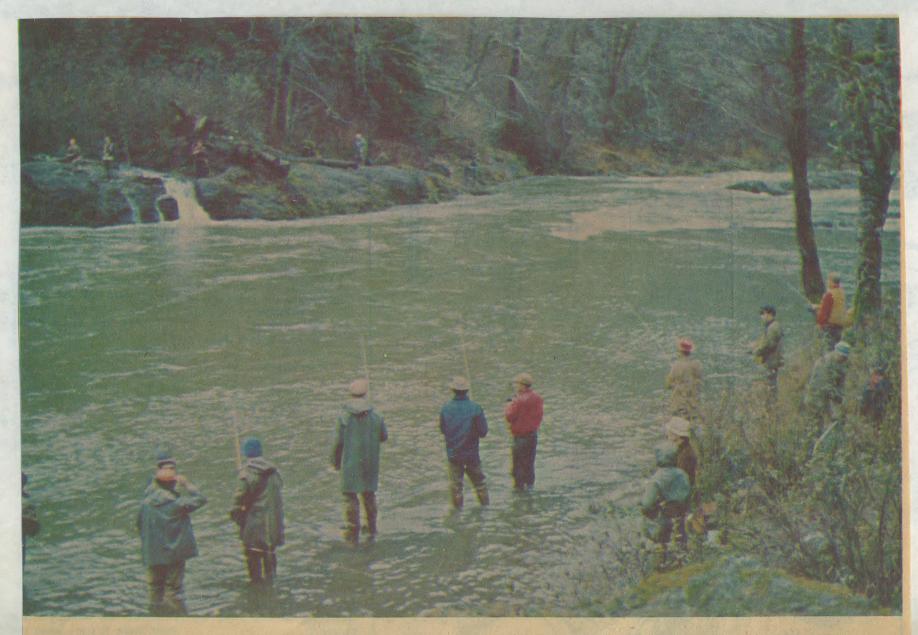
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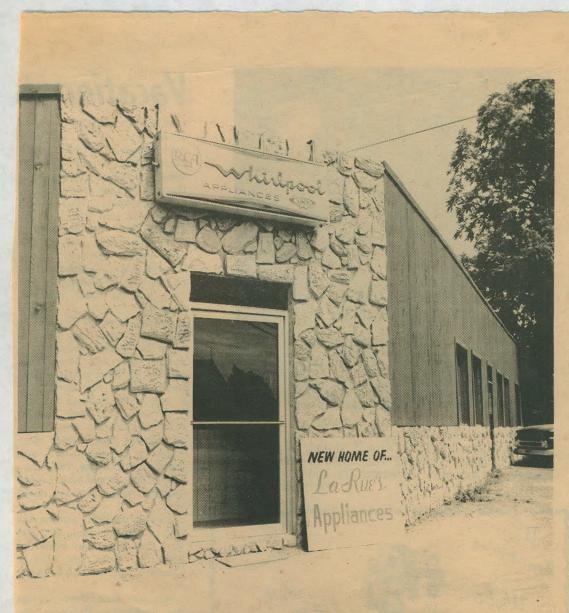
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# Goal to aid learning fuels business

by SCOTT NEWTON of The Outlook staff

Norma Faris has had parents tell her that educational materials purchased at Learning Palace stores have made a difference in the education of their child.

"It is altogether rewarding," she said of the business she owns with her husband, Norman.

Norman Faris worked for 20 years for Hanna International managing car washes. He was looking for a business idea in 1981 when his wife suggested a store selling educational materials.

The Farises opened a Learning Palace at Eastport Plaza in 1982, then opened outlets in Beaverton and Vancouver, Wash. On July 5, they opened a store at Gresham Town Fair shopping mall.

At 3,000 square feet, the store is similar in size to the three other Learning Palace stores, but the Gresham store is different in that it took off like a shot.

"This has been the best-received store," Norman Faris said. A good location and involved parents are among the reasons for the store's success, he said.

The Farises have 32 employes. At the Gresham store, three of the employees are full time and three are part time. Except for one employee, all the company's employees are part-time or substitute teachers.

The employees have a hand in reviewing and making recommendations on purchases. "The best way to help customers was to use experts in education," Norman Faris said.

Among the items for sale are posters, maps, children's books,



Norma and Norman Faris work to keep the latest in educational books and toys stocked in their Learning Palace stores.

stickers and blank award certificates, calculators, crayons and pencils, educational games, puzzles and train sets.

Norman Faris said the most popular item right now is Playmobil, a play station that has circus scenes, western scenes, space scenes and castles.

"We get a lot of comments from parents that they can come in and not find war toys, violent toys," Norma Faris said.

The Farises also mail a catalog every other year to educators throughout Washington and Oregon. Norman Faris said that allows him to reach potential customers outside of the Portland metropolitan area.

Although the Farises started the store during the peak of the recession in the 1980s, they believe it has worked for a number of reasons.

For starters, there are parents who are interested in the education of their children and want to supplement the instruction the students receive in the classroom.

The store is also popular with parents who teach their children at home, Norman Faris said.

In addition, the Farises make an effort to keep the shelves stocked with the most recent innovations in educational books and games. They have a factory outlet store to sell products they think have outlived their shelf life.

### Cancer, workplace effect topic of business forum

GRESHAM — Dealing with cancer and cancer-related issues in the workplace will be the topic discussed at a free business forum sponsored by Legacy Occupational Health Services at 7:30 p.m, Thursday, Sept. 15, at Mount Hood Medical Center, 24800 S.E. Stark St.

Sue Frymark, a registered nurse with experience in managing cancer programs, will discuss myths, fears, facts, how to react to a stricken co-worker and understanding the cancer patient's experiences.

The two-hour session also will include a panel discussion involving patients, doctors and consultants.

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Registered nurse Jennifer Dormandy helps Brittany Fort, 6, put the finishing touches on her doll while Adini Buhai, 8, puts a diaper on hers. This activity and others will be offered at the ninth annual "One-Stop Kids' Health Fair." The free event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Legacy Mount Hood Medical Center campus, 24800 S.E. Stark St. Over 70 hospital and community groups will participate.

#### Class set for back-injury sufferers

GRESHAM — Legacy Mount Hood Medical Center, 24800 S.E. Stark St., is offering in September the first of a monthly three-part class for backinjury sufferers.

People must have a physician referral to attend.

A physical therapist will conduct a "Back School" from 7 to 8 a.m. Wednesdays through Sept. 21. Topics include:

- Back facts and anatomy
- Common causes of back pain
- Keeping your back healthy

The workshop is designed to er courage patient responsibility fo maintaining a pain-free back an preventing re-injury.

Call 661-9123 to register.

# Diagnosis good for children's health fair

GRESHAM — A free, fun-filled day of wellness and safety for children is available at the "One-Stop Kids' Health Fair."

The ninth annual free event is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Legacy Mount Hood Medical Center campus, 24800 S.E. Stark St. More than 70 hospital and community groups will participate.

This year's fair will focus on prevention; persons attending will receive health and safety information combined with hands-on, fun activities. Preventive measures include free immunizations, and vision and hearing screenings for children ages 2 to 12.

To celebrate the hospital's new birthing center, scheduled to open in December, visitors will be able to "adopt" a family birth center baby. They can dress and personalize the fabric dolls and take them home as souvenirs — complete with birth certificates.

Youngsters can have their fingers outfitted with authentic casts and learn how to make slime from household products.

A surgery table, mini-EKGs and a lifelike replica of the human intestines are part of exhibits to help children better understand what goes on in a hospital.

A new attraction this year is the Portland Mountain Rescue truck. Visitors are invited to sign up for the Life Flight helicopter tour.

A Teddy Bear Clinic will be open to stuffed animals in need of first aid. Volunteers will mend seams

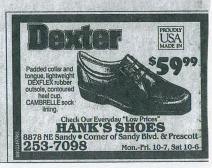
and replace missing noses and eyes. Additional activities include:

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Celebrity characters include the K-9 Car Unit Dog, a robot called Barney the Bus, Z-bop, Garfield, Sunshine Bear and Debbie Honor Doll. The Shriners' Clowns also will mingle with the youngsters.

Bicycle helmets will be sold for \$13.

A new Oregon law requires that children under 16 wear them.





Left, Legacy Mount Hood Healing Garden celebrated its five-year milestone with a free public garden celebration.

Below, Teresia
Hazen, a registered
horticultural
therapist for
Legacy Health,
talks about the
donors who helped
bring about the
Legacy Mount Hood
Healing Garden.

# Garden marks five years of healing at Gresham hospital

Healing Garden offers a place for restoration

By LISA K. ANDERSON The Outlook

n Nov. 19, 2009, Legacy Mount Hood Medical Center opened an outdoor green space that has become an oasis for community members, patients, staff members and wildlife alike.

A small group gathered Wednesday to celebrate the fifth anniversary of Legacy Mount Hood's Healing Garden with music, gardening information, tours and door prizes.

"The garden is an important piece of medicine in stress coping for families, patients and employees;" said Teresia Hazen, a registered horticultural therapist and coordinator of therapeutic garden for Legacy. "It's a place where you can work on restoring and rebuilding your energy so that you can deal with really challenging situations."

Hazen described the garden as a public place open around the clock where folks can go to decompress and regain their wits.

"Even when a birth is perfect, people have stress," she

Families will visit the garden to engage about something other than the heart attack someone just had, while children can let off steam as they learn about plants, gardening and wildlife. Senior groups and garden clubs also frequent the space.

Legacy Mount Hood has plans to create garden signage about its eight most commonly sighted birds, Hazen said. One of the hospital's goals is to offer educational programming about healthy habitat and gardening.

Legacy also plans to study the scientific effects of gardens on laboring moms, families in the ICU and nurses, Hazen

Sandy resident Barbara





Bird houses encourage many different species of birds to make their home in the garden.

garden. She said she witnesses a variety of touching moments. "You will see dads with their say, 'I have a new sister!""

Debbie Torres, a Gresham resident and Legacy Mount Hood barista, originally was disappointed to hear a garden was coming in five years ago because she loved the ducks that hung out by the flagpole.

She was delighted to see them return to the garden area, along with hummingbirds, dragon flies and even the occasional bald eagle.

At her home, Torres set up bird baths and feeders she had won through Healing Garden events. The hospital's garden inspired a new hobby of bird-

As she recovered from surgery this year, Torres loved watching birds. "I didn't think I

Grant, a Les Schwab sales and service employee, removes tires from the back of a truck to replace studded tires on the vehicle. The Burnside Street business is pulling snow tires from about 150 cars per day to meet the Sunday, April 1, dead-line.



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# **Berry industry** changes, but still important

Housewives who complain about the price of sugar have never had to buy 40 tons to fill their sugar bin.

Buying that much sugar is routine for Dale Lewis, president of Lewis Packing Co., Gresham

"We can go through almost a load of sugar a day during the peak of the strawberry season,"he said. The packing plant located on Cleveland Avenue south of Division Street has processed countless tons of berries during its long history.

"The plant was started on this site in 1937 by R. I. MacLaughlan, a pioneer in the frozen food industry," Lewis

"I worked here when I was in school and eventually became plant was made of wood and the plant manager. I resigned in 1946 and started my own plant on Division Street across from the Gresham Armory.

That site is now occupied by agricultural projects and experiments being conducted by members of the Gresham High School Future Farmers of America chapter. Lewis has donated use of the land to the FFA chapter for several years.

purchased Cleveland Avenue plant in 1959.

The cold storage facility was installed in 1957. The entire needed to be improved.

"We built over the old plant while berries were being processed," Lewis recalled. The cement block construction was completed and the inner wood structure was torn down after the berry season was over. Part of the original building still stands at the west end of the plant.

Things have changed a lot since Lewis came into the

"When we started in 1946 there were eight to 10 independent processors in the immediate

area," said Lewis. "Now that number is down to two.

"We used to receive berries grown between here and Portland, now I guess you could say we get all of them between here and Mt. Hood."

He remembered that their receiving station at Cottrell used to be flooded with Marshall strawberries, a major crop in that area in the past. Now the Marshall is all but



WASHED AND graded berries spill off the moving belt into these 30 pound tins. This employe pulls empty tins off the overhead

employes who weigh, lid, wash, code, stack and transport fruit to cold storage.

(Outlook photo)

# to Gresham area

extinct for commercial use due to disease and growing problems that have given the market to other varieties.

"We still get Marshalls at our North Plains receiving station in Washington County. "Lewis described himself as a holdout because most packers don't bother to pack Marshall strawberries.

"The Marshall has flavor and aroma all its own," he claimed.

The Gresham plant processes strawberries, red and black raspberries, logan, boysen, and Marion berries, and evergreen blackberries.

Lewis Packing owns a similar plant in the Puyallup Valley in Washington. A Weiser, Idaho plant specializes in preserving the sour red cherries grown there.

"They're the kind of cherries you find in George Washington cherry pie,"Lewis said. Most of the cherries packed by Lewis go to the bakery trade.

"We service the jam and jelly and preserves makers and the bakery and ice cream trade," said Lewis. Almost all fruit processed by Lewis goes to Eastern markets and into a number of national brands.

"The berry industry is a teriffic industry," Lewis claimed. "It is what has made the community here. I think berry growers and processors have done well by Gresham over the years. It has always been a stable, conservative community."

"The berry industry is a very clean industry, there's no smoke or debris and it is basically non-polluting." Lewis said since almost all berries go out of state, the industry brings outside money in and it is spent here.

Another change Lewis noted is the improvement in packing techniques. He described how the frozen food industry began by packing fruit and ice together in wooden barrels. Now the fruit is fresh frozen in 6½ pound cans, 30 pound tins and 50 gallon barrels and

placed in cold storage.

Most of the fruit going East is shipped by rail from the siding adjacent to the packing plant, said Lewis.

The plant cold storage facility overflows each year, even though it holds three and a half million pounds of fruit. With only the strawberry and raspberry harvest completed, the giant freezer is already full and fruit is transported to Gresham Cold Storage or shipped East.

Lewis said his wife, Johanna, is kept busy scheduling shipping throughout the year. A son, Larry, helps out with the business during his summer vacations from Oregon State University.

"Most of the winter is spent getting ready for summer," said Lewis. He does a lot of grower contact work and makes a yearly trip to talk to buyers.

Though Lewis keeps busy with paperwork through the winter months he says the business is feast or famine as far as work goes. At the peak of the season Lewis employs around 150 people who work around the clock to get the fruit off the loading docks and into the freezer.

"When the season is over, we're awfully happy to be through," Lewis commented. "I enjoy the business. It's always challenging, there's something new every minute.





LEWIS PACKING building in 1937, prior to its purchase by Dale Lewis. West end of building is familiar to many, as it is part of the present structure.

(Outlook photo)

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# Organic grocery plans arrival in downtown Gresham

Marketplace helps fill natural foods void in East County

> By Shannon O. Wells staff writer

The dynamic of historic downtown Gresham these days presents a classic chicken-or-egg like this:

to buy food, and who wants to in-

there to buy it?

In an effort to improve central Gresham's livability, a local developer, a natural foods buyer and city leaders are joining to establish a natural foods grocery store in the heart of downtown.

If all goes as planned, Dwight Unti, developer of Third Central - at Third Street and Miller Avenue - will offer a scaled-down, conundrum that goes something community level version of the former Nature's Northwest/Wild Who wants to live downtown Oats supermarket, Lillian's Natuwhen there's no convenient place ral Marketplace, as soon as July.

Along the lines of a scaledvest in a place to buy food when down New Seasons or Whole there are not enough people Foods, Lillian's will provide a

community-oriented store featuring organically grown and produced vegetables, meats, cheeses and packaged food and beverage groceries. Amenities such as a deli, fresh meat and seafood counters, juice bar, salad bar, along with indoor and outdoor seating, will complete the alternative food-store vision.

He sees Lillian's as a gathering place and focal point for a growing downtown residential community, which includes residents in the mostly occupied luxury apartments at Third Central.

"We want people to have a shopping environment that's completely different from the traditional chain-store experience," Unti says from his homey Tokola Properties office on Northwest Ava Avenue. "We want to create more of a community-based environment. I think the store's going to appeal to a wide diversity of people."

If the store's amenities don't achieve that end, the bubbly personality of the store's namesake likely will.

Lillian Negron, a natural foods broker for the former Gresham Wild Oats store, says the feedback she gets about the store is

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staff photo by JIM CLARK

Lillian Negron, left, and Dwight Unti discuss the new Lillian's Natural Marketplace that will open at Third Central. OUTLOOK = 5-05-10

# Grocery: Incentive program helps

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overwhelmingly positive.

"The more people I've told we were gonna be here, the more excitement I can see," she says. "They say 'Oh, thank God I don't have to drive out there.' It saves them gas and time, and they get to shop in their own backyard again."

Unti says the need for a downtown grocery anchor has been evident for years. He cites a 2005 economic analysis that showed an increase in downtown residents was not likely without a grocery store serving as a catalyst for activity.

"It became really clear, really fast that the vitality of the downtown historic core needed some help," he says, "with more people living there and more services downtown. One of the big missing components is a downtown grocery store."

For nearly a decade, Nature's Northwest and Wild Oats provided East County a bona

cided to close it and channel Lillian was the missing link." resources into its other Portland-area outlets.

Efforts by developers and city leaders to attract a New Seasons or Trader Joe's bore no fruit.

When economic conditions left the ground floor of Third Central vacant months after its summer 2009 completion, Unti started considering other op-

He found a new path when the city of Gresham announced a small-business incentive program that waives all city-related business fees for a year. City officials say the program could mean more than \$20,000 in fee relief.

With that, two businesses — Bella Cupcake and KZME radio, an offshoot of MetroEast Community Media — signed on for two Third Central spaces facing Third Street. Disfide natural foods grocery, but cussing the grocery store conthe cavernous market — cept with city officials, Unti plopped in the middle of a recalled Negron, who he'd met who just want a paycheck," she busy shopping complex — earlier through involvement was unsuited for a pedestrian with the Mt. Hood Jazz Festival.

population. When Whole Foods " "We needed somebody out took over the store in 2007, of the natural foods business," the company ultimately de- Unti says. "It was clear to me

Gresham Mayor Shane Bemis praises the three additions to Third Central as encapsulating the spirit of the city's brand-new incentive program.

"They will draw people to our downtown," he says of the businesses. "On foot, on bike, and by train, and as a group they symbolize the city's strong contention that we are open for business and we want you

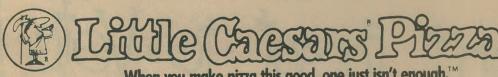
Negron, who resigned her position with a food-buying company to head up Lillian's, says she's working with local growers such as David Shonk's Bumblebee Farms to keep the store stocked with affordable, organic goods.

She plans to hire 12 to 15 part- and full-time employees and intends to set up a job fair table outside the store in the coming weeks.

"I don't want to hire people says. "I want to hire people who know this lifestyle."

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Senior pickle correspondent Jodi Weinberger graciously tested the fried pickles at both Local Cow and Stagecoach. She was happily surprised to see fried pickles on the menu of both restaurants as they can be hard to find.

Local Cow lists their pickle batter as a combo of panko bread crumbs and potato chips. Both restaurant's orders came with generous portions of steaming hot salty, briney cucumbers covered in crispy breading in the spear shape.

Local Cow's pickles were served with a chipotle mayo and Stagecoach's were served with a more traditional ranch sauce for dipping.

Points go to Local Cow for having chipotle mayo that actually had a decent kick of heat, but Stagecoach's pickles were noticeably crispier, as pointed out by first-time fried pickle consumer Katy Sword.

Overall, I would order both again, but only with other pickle-loving friends. We brought back to the office plenty of leftovers.

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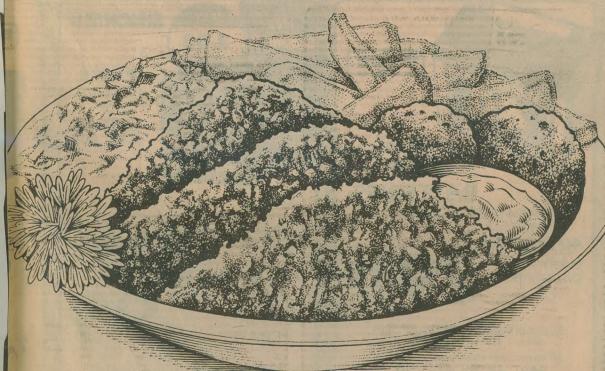
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Left: Steve Cox of Gresham looks at yard machines at the Lowe's Home new Improvement Warehouse, which opened at the Wood which opened at the Wood Village Town Center at Glisan Street and 223rd Avenue on Thursday, Feb. 15. The 135,000-square-foot home improvement store is owned by the second largest appliance retailer in the nation behind Sears. Lowe's official grand opening will be March grand opening will be March 18.

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-Governor John Kitzhaber ""

# Logically Speaking

Due to the technological revolution, LSI Logic, the system-on-achip, begins the process of striving to be the largest manufacturing corporation of high performance chips with the development of a 150,000 square foot campus in Gresham.

By HEATHER DEWEY & ROBERT HADDAN

n spring 1997, the Willamette Valley will move a step closer to the Silicon Valley, when LSI Logic Corporation begins operation at its new Gresham plant.

Governor John Kitzhaber joined LSI Chairman and CEO Wilfred J. Corrigan October 9, at the official ground breaking ceremony of the estimated \$4 billion semiconductor manufacturing campus of LSI Logic. The pep band, directed by Bob Callison, enlightened the festivities.

"I want to make sure that LSI becomes familiar with Oregon. They are now part of Oregon's business family," Kitzhaber stated.

Over the next 15 years, LSI will employ over 2,000 people and will

bring in an estimated \$300 billion in revenues. In 1997 alone, the corporation plans to employ more than 400 workers and expect revenues to exceed \$1 billion.

"LSI is making a substantial investment here that will not only create jobs, but long term careers for our employees," Corrigan said.

The Gresham campus marks the corporation's first U.S. expansion, outside California, in their 35-year history. The Gresham facility joins LSILogic's other facilities in Santa Clara, California and Tsukuba,

award for waste reduction.

According Zelayeta, the area of the campus where production of the microconductors takes place will be 1,000 times cleaner than the operating room of a hospital.

After the corporation's Gresham campus is officially in operation, LSI, along with Fujitsu, plans to help fund a new technology training center at Mt. Hood Community College. The new center will be part of the School-to-Work program, already underway in East county.

"Both companies have expressed commitments to specifically targeting high schools who are implementing the CAM (certificate of advanced mastery)," stated Mike Dillion, technology center coordinator.

Dillion added that the high technology training center will offer future, immediate, and existing high school students a structured work experience.

Corrigan is excited about the prospect of hiring local high school students, and not just graduates. "We can be flexible in hiring students, considering they have the right education," Corrigan said.

he focus of employment, beyond high school students, will fall to those who are currently unemployed or are working low wage jobs. "I am pleased to hear about LSI's hiring of local employment and assisting the unemployed," Kitzhaber said.

For now, the bulldozers and dump trucks can be seen and heard from the new Gresham campus just off Glisan, and with an estimated completion date of Spring 1997, LSI looks ahead to its future here.

Corrigan concluded, "Gresham, I promise you, will be in the forefront of the technological revolution."



Logic will be the largest manufacturing corporation of custom, high performance semiconductors. The LSI chips are used in the production of television settop boxes, video games, and other high-end computing products.

o begin production of the chips in 1997, the corporation will manufacture LSI Logic's G-10 chip, an eight- inch wafer with circuit lines one four-hundredth the width of a human hair. The thin circuits will allow room for 49 million transistors to be placed on a single micro-

"The Gresham complex will be a key to our plans to produce state-of-the-art custom semiconductors, including system-on-a-chip products, to meet the anticipated demand of the global information industry," Corrigan said.

Joseph Zelayeta, senior vice-president, will oversee production at the campus as the general manager. He is currently LSI's senior vice-president of research and development. "Joe will be responsible for the development of the state-of-the-art semiconductor manufacturing complex," said Cy Hannon, the corporation's executive vice-president of Worldwide Operation.

Although LSI Logic is forging its way to be the largest technological corporation in the country, they have shown great effort in protecting the environment. In 1994 they won the state of California's



DIGGIN' IN-Gresham Mayor Gussie McRobert along with Oregon Governor John Kitzhaber help to celebrate the groundbreaking ceremony for the LSI Logic.

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# LSI takes first step to callir

#### □ Company breaks ground on first phase of chip-making plant

by JOHN HENDERER of The Outlook staff

The field where Gary DeYoung and his sister Mary Lee Biornstad played and hunted as children was the subject of much pomp and circumstance Monday.

DeYoung and Biornstad were among scores of guests attending the groundbreaking ceremony for LSI Logic's \$665 million computer chip manufacturing plant in Gresham.

"I used to hunt (geese and pheasants) right here," De Young said.

Biornstad recalled running through the trees on the 300-acre nursery farm, occasionally to their detriment. Their great-grandfather John Bliss, who farmed some of the property in the early 1900s, could have purchased it once for \$5,000.

That offer — and Bliss's wife Josephine's consternation at his refusal — are history. The property is now on course to become a major semiconductor manufacturing center for LSI. It could potentially become Gresham's largest employer with 2,000 workers; the first phase will create more than 450 jobs.

LSI, which specializes in custom chips and is based in Milpitas, Calif., is building a modest 150,000 square foot fabrication plant and an adjacent 75,000 square foot, three-story office building. As many as five more expansions may follow, investing \$4 billion in Gresham.

Gov. John Kitzhaber and a long list of local governmental and business officials attended the ceremony, which featured hors d'oeuvres, free umbrellas bearing the company logo and burial of a time capsule.

The Gresham Union High School pep band performed the national anthem, establishing a solemn-yet-celebratory tone for the meeting.

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Kitzhaber, who emphasized Oregon's innovation from microbrewing to recycling, praised LSI's environmental record and said, "You're the kind of business we want in our family."

Mayor Gussie McRobert praised all those who played a role in wooing LSI, everyone from city employees to state economic gurus, from local

chamber of commerce officials newspaper editorial boards.

"As you can all see, this is clearly community effort and the communi is clearly a winner," McRobert sai "The economic force of this region has changed forever."

Wilf Corrigan, LSI chairman ar chief executive officer, said, "We a very pleased to be a part of Oregon

# g Gresham home



Wilf Corrigan, chairman and chief executive officer of LSI Logic, the company he founded, talks about the computer chip maker's future in Gresham, during groundbreaking ceremonies Monday. On the platform with him are Gov. John Kitzhaber and Gresham Mayor Gussie McRobert. An artist's rendering, above, shows how the first phase of the facility will look upon completion 1997.

diversification strategy."

He said the semiconductor industry surpassed \$150 billion in revenues only after 35 years, and it's expected to double by the year 2000. He described LSI as a mid-sized company which will surpass \$1 billion in sales this year.

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# Chairman discounts reports

by JOHN HENDERER of The Outlook staff

Gresham can expect to serve as a "printing press" of computer chips to LSI Logic Corp., but the city's future as a mecca for chip "authors" appears remote.

Wilf Corrigan, LSI chairman and chief executive officer, denied a report published in The Oregonian recently that the company would add 600 engineering jobs to its fledgling Gresham manufacturing base.

"How we got into that discussion, I don't know — that was a total distortion," said Corrigan in an interview Monday. "We don't have any interest in putting 600 engineers at this location, period."

The company will bring a "small nucleus" of perhaps 20 to 25 design engineers to Gresham initially, he said.

LSI is building a \$665 million computer chip fabrication plant here to employ 467 workers — the first of a potential \$4 billion investment offering 2,000 jobs. Most employees will be operators who earn an average \$22,000 a year. Engineers can earn between \$50,000 and \$80,000.

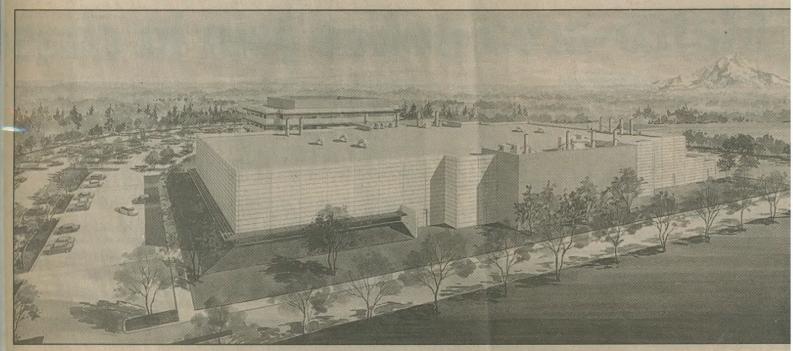
"It's really a giant printing press (for custom chips), but the guys here are not authors,

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# METROEAST

# New chip on the block



An artist's rendering of the future LSI Logic Corp. custom chip fabrication plant brings Mount Hood closer to the cite At a ci

# LSI breaks the muddy ground for its \$4 billion Gresham campus, surrounded by politicians, company brass and the Gresham High band

By KARA BRIGGS

of The Oregonian staff

GRESHAM — The Monday groundbreaking for the semiconductor maker LSI Logic's \$4 billion Gresham campus was as homey as apple pie.

But the multibillion corporation behind the ceremony, which plans to move Joe M. Zelayeta — the



ZELAYETA

manager of all LSI's U.S. manufacturing — to Gresham, was boardroom serious.

"We're about to put \$1 billion in that hole in the ground," said LSI Logic Corp. Chief Operat-

ing Officer Wilfred Corrigan, referring to the muddy ground that has been cleared for construction.

The Gresham High School band opened the ceremony with the national anthem. Two hundred east Multnomah County civic leaders—plus Gov. John Kitzhaber, four mayors and two state representatives—crowded into a tent to listen. Giving a nod to its rainy new home, LSI handed out oversized blue umbrellas to its guests.

"Gresham, I promise you, will be in the forefront of technological development," Corrigan told the crowd.

Then Corrigan and Gresham Mayor Gussie McRobert took turns naming close to half the people in attendance who in some way helped to bring the company to Gresham.

Zelayeta was the tenth person

#### LSI STATISTICS:

- EMPLOYEES: 3,700 employees worldwide now.
- GRESHAM JOBS: 467 by early 1997, ultimately 2,000.
- INVESTMENT: \$4 billion.
- LSI's TAX SAVINGS: \$113 million over 15 years.
- SCOPE: Six factories built over 15 years.

hired when LSI began in 1981. Most recently he, as research and development vice president, supervised the team of engineers who invented LSI's custom chip. The corporation makes those chips for such products as IBM disk drives, Sony Play Stations and Boeing 777 airplanes.

And it's those chips that LSI's Gresham campus, on the grounds of the 312-acre McGill & Son Nursery, will make.

After the speeches were made LSI officials talked about the large McGill property — with potential for six planned phases of development — as a key part of the LSI's future

A muddy field has been dug for the basement of the LSI's fabrication plant. Plans are in place for an office complex, which will face the corner of Northeast 223rd Avenue and Glisan Street.

Zelayeta is charged with supervising construction of the Gresham campus. He will also continue to be responsible for all the corporation's U.S. manufacturing.

He also will be in place to develop LSI's Gresham-based research and development department, which could employee 600 engineers.



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Gresham Mayor Gussle McRobert and Gov. John Kitzhaber watch Wilfred Corrigan, LSI chief operating officer, plant a time capsule.

"It's optimistic to say it will grow to 600 engineers as quickly as the 15 years," Zelayeta said. "The rate at which the development group can grow will be limited by the small number of engineers qualified to work in this specialized field."

Colleagues described Zelayeta as a soft-spoken engineer who would prefer being in the background working on microelectronics innovations to speaking to a crowd.

"I think the people in this area have a very high level of integrity," he said. "They are very easy to talk with, very easy to communicate with."

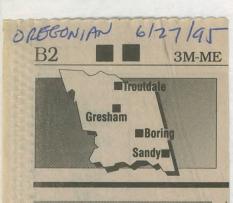
Zelayeta and his wife are looking for a house in the Gresham area. They have two college-age children, one of whom is a senior at the University of Portland.

Already making good on its

promise to hire Oregonians, LSI has hired two Portland natives: Mike Boston, to be the human resources manager for the Gresham campus, and Kevin Britt, to be manager for corporate public relations. The two are training in California.

The Gresham campus is LSI's first expansion outside California. Corporate officials say Oregon is within easy distance of the Silicon Valley and easy access to Japan, where the company has another large plant.

"If anyone had told me I would be using terms like systems on a chip on regular basis, I probably would have asked them what planet they were from," Kitzhaber said "But with \$10 billion of microelectronic development headed to Oregon, I may start using my E-mail."





#### Going job hunting?

Will you seek a job at LSI Logic when it begins operations in Gresham?

Logic has announced plans to buy the 318-acre McGill property in Gresham and build a campus that will eventually include six computer chip factories. The first phase, which would employ 400 people, could begin contruction by August. Does the prospect of working for a high tech company located in Gresham interest you?

Tell us what you think. We'd like to publish your response. To use The Oregonian's Inside Line, a free service inside the local calling area, dial 225-5555 from a touchtone telephone, then enter this 4-digit category number to let us know: 6695. Responses will be published in next Thursday's MetroEast Neighbors.

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# Gresham's computer chip plant wins by a hair

t takes only a little hair splitting to measure the difference between a dying computer chip plant in Colorado Springs and a growing one in Gresham.

LSI Logic's 18-year-old plant in Colorado makes computer chips with features that are just .35, .5 and .6 microns wide. A micron is a millionth of a meter — one-fiftieth the size of a human hair, too small to see with the naked eye.

But LSI Logic's 2-year-old plant in Gresham makes computer chips with features that are .25 and .18 microns wide — much smaller than the Colorado plant. In a world where smaller chips make things faster and able to do more with less energy, that slender difference is the chasm between life and death.

At first, LSI Logic was going to spend \$100 million to upgrade the Colorado plant to .25 micron tools. It already had spent more than half that money, spokesman Kevin now producing 4, per week, and the fab is 7,000. We've going to not that money, spokesman Kevin 50 to 100 people."

Brett said.

But this year, as demand for chips fell and as an industry slowdown became more serious, the

company pulled the plug. By the time the industry booms again, no one will want those old, outsized features, Brett said.

LSI Logic will offer Gresham jobs to about 50 to 100 of its 500 Colorado workers — mostly engi-

neers, technicians and senior tool operators.

"But this is not going to impact our hiring in the Portland area," Brett said. "The fab (in Gresham) is now producing 4,000 8-inch wafers per week, and the capacity for the fab is 7,000. We've got a ways to go. We're going to need far more than 50 to 100 people." No laughing matter

Mike McKeel, a downtown Gresham dentist, was walking back

to his office recently when two cops waved him down from across a parking lot.

Hey, they called to him. Is this yours?

The police had two men and a woman in a green van who were selling hits off a tank of ni-

trous oxide in the parking lot behind the Labor Ready office. Just two days earlier McKeel had reported to police that someone had cut a hose to the tank of laughing gas in his office in the previous 10 days and made off with it.

McKeel went over, and sure enough, the tank was his.

Officers Jeff Miller and Jeff Dur-

bin arrested the two men, both transients, and the mobile vending was shut down.

#### Is it worth it?

So, The Oregonian came out with its big and always popular dining guide Friday. Named restaurant of the year was Genoa, a very nice and very expensive restaurant on Southeast Belmont in Portland. The newspaper's review skirted the expense issue delicately.

My wife and I are members of a dinner group that has been stumbling its way around Portland, one another's homes and other odd locations (jazz festival, Larch Mountain, etc.) for 18 years. And one of the places we ventured to last fall was Genoa.

I'd like to think of most of our eight-member group as pretty worldly and professional, but only one couple is what I'd call anywhere close to gourmet.

We had the seven-course, fixedprice dinner. It was all very nice, except for one course that I still cannot describe and that most of us did not find edible. I think we ordered off the low end of the wine list, as well.

And then we got our bill: \$826. That's the size of my house payment.

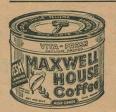
No wonder I felt so at home Saturday night at Tad's Chicken 'n Dumplins. No, it's not northern Italian cuisine presented with great fanfare and artistry. But I was able to watch rafters and anglers idle down the Sandy River from our window table and fed the family, with drinks, for \$63.

Now that's my kind of restaurant.

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#### Pioneer Grocery Here to Close

A pioneer Gresham grocery store will close Jan. 1. Mrs. Einar Gilberson, owner of the Lundquist - Gilberson store at First and Main, announced this week that the store was going out of business.

Gilberson died in May and Mrs. Gilberson has found it in-creasingly difficult to keep the store going. She will, however, remain in Gresham.

The Gilbersons bought out Lundquist five or six years ago. The store has been in operation for 27 years and Mrs. Gilberson asked that her appreciation be expressed for the business received over these many years.

Closing of the grocery part of the store will have no effect on operation of Howitt's Meat Market, which occupies the other half of the building.

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# Lyski building honors longtime farming family

BY ANNE ENDICOTT
of The Outlook staff

Perry Stevenson works each day in the same location where he collected his first paycheck.

Where he once labored over rows of strawberries, he now toils with rows of teeth.

"This is the first place I earned money," Stevenson said. "Now, I have a livelihood in the same place I started earning money."

Stevenson, a Gresham orthodontist, is part-owner of the newly opened Lyski Professional Building on Southeast 223rd Avenue. Home to three dentists, one pediatric dentist, two oral surgeons and Stevenson, tenants in the Lyski building are carrying on a tradition of helping young people started more than 50 years ago by former land owners Carl and Irene Lyski.

Once a flourishing farm, the Lyskis grew strawberries and rasp-berries in the area from North Gresham Grade School to Southeast 223rd Avenue, between Southeast Stark Street and Burnside Road. Harvest pickers came from as far away as the Midwest in the 1940s to pick strawberries, frequently staying through raspberry season in the cabins the Lyskis built for seasonal help.

During the 1950s and 1960s, when migratory help from the Midwest dwindled, the Lyskis found a dependable picking resource in teen-agers from Gresham High School.

Among them were Stevenson and his older sister, Marcee Dean.

"I remember picking berries and I always picked really fast," recalled Dean. "I would decide how much I wanted to make that day and when I made it, I'd quit!"

Accompanied by their mother, who also picked berries, Stevenson and Dean remember the Lyskis' contact with their workers.

"They always came around to make sure we didn't put rocks in the bottom of the crates," said



Perry Stevenson, a Gresham orthodontist, has returned to where he used to pick berries in his youth to open the Lyski Professional Building in honor of former farmers Carl and Irene Lyski.

Dean, laughing. "I always told them I would never do that! I finally got a job baby-sitting because I hated picking berries."

Over the years, the Lyski Farm expanded into different varieties of strawberries and raspberries and even into King Alfred daffodil bulbs. Carl was an early pioneer in the cultivation of a Washington variety of raspberry, which was high-yielding and winter resistant. The first harvest from that crop generated six tons of berries per acre when the state average for Washington raspberries was two tons per acre.

The Lyskis retired from farming in 1978 following the largest crop of raspberries they harvested in their almost 40-year history. Due to Carl's deteriorating health, Irene managed the harvest the last two years and once wrote that her husband joked, "I've farmed all my life and my wife makes more money in one year than I ever did."

Carl died in 1990 and Irene in July 2000.

When former berry picker

Stevenson decided to relocate from his digs in the Gresham Corporate Park on Northwest Eastman Parkway, he approached Irene Lyski about selling the property in mid-1999.

"What's interesting is that when Perry first talked to Mrs. Lyski, she told him they had envisioned a medical or dental building there," Dean said.

Despite learning Mrs. Lyski was considering an offer already made on the property, Stevenson persevered.

"When I told her what my profession was, that's when she told me she and Carl had talked about that before he died," Stevenson said. "After that, the other offer just went away."

Stevenson formed a partnership with doctors Brian Humble, Erik Richmond, Doug Park, Dan Ries and Kurt Fuerstenau for ownership of the new dental building and ground was broken in mid-December 1999. Offices were occupied this fall.

The tenant-owned building sits

on almost an acre, sandwiched between homes owned by two of the three Lyski children, Jan Abushakrah and David. Brother Robert Lyski died in 1992.

The building was named in honor of the Lyski family and will bear a plaque acknowledging the contribution made by the former owners. A private ceremony with the family to set the plaque will be held at a later date.

"We're really proud to name the building after the family because of how much they did for the young people around here," Stevenson said.

A grand opening of the Lyski Professional Building and office open house is scheduled for 4 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 11, at 1201 S.E. 223rd Ave., Gresham. Tours of the offices will be offered and there will be refreshments and entertainment.

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