

The Daily Insider

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Sun rising over Mt. Hood Friday morning

Clark Public Utilities 65 years old next week

A county-wide election that would have created what is now Clark Public Utilities failed in 1934.

Grange organizations, labor representatives and businesspeople tried again in 1936, but that measure, too was defeated. Finally on Nov. 8, 1938 voters of Clark County, by a vote of 9,629 to 7,008 approved a measure creating a countywide public utility district.

There were no customers and no budget. In 1939 a two-mill \$41,000 tax was levied and a contract to buy power from Bonneville Power Administration approved.

The utility's first customers were the Vancouver Housing Authority, which was building and renting thousands of war-time houses and apartments, and Airco, now BOC Gases.

In 1946 the utility bought the PGE system in Clark County and in 1948 it bought Northwestern Electric' county operations.

In 1941 a group of citizens north of Vancouver on Lincoln Avenue petitioned the utility to provide water service. World War II interrupted the process but in 1951 Clark went into the water business. The wastewater utility serving La Center was created in 1992.

Today the utility has 162,771 electric customers, 26,520 water customers and 719 wastewater customers.

Marshall Lecture tickets still available

Although currently visiting fire-ravaged sites in Southern California, American Red Cross president and CEO, **Marsha Evans**, will be in Vancouver Friday, Nov. 7, in time for her scheduled Gen. George C. Marshall Lecture in the auditorium of Hudson's Bay High School according to Celebrate Freedom's **Kim Hash**.

Evans, a retired Navy Rear Admiral, is the fourteenth person to address students and the public in the Marshall series of lectures sponsored by Celebrate Freedom and the City of Vancouver.

There is no charge for the event, but tickets must be reserved. For ticket information, call Deborah Walstra, 992-1801..Doors open at 11 a.m.

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People

John Erickson, Vancouver School District's superintendent, is no stranger to awards and citations, but neither is his father, **George Erickson**. Last month, when John received the Distinguished Alumni Citation for Achievement in Education from Willamette University, father George, at the age of 91, was honored as the oldest alumnus in attendance. George, who also had a distinguished career in education, is a member of the university's Athletic Hall of Fame. ~~###~~ **Gina Siciliano**, Vancouver School for Arts and Academics, earned the Jury Choice Award in the 30th annual Superintendent of Public Instruction High School Art Show. Her self portrait was purchased for the state's permanent art collection.

News briefs

The Old Slocum House Theatre Company presents *Taming of the Shrew* at 7 p.m. tonight, and tomorrow , and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 2. ~~###~~ The Cathlapotle Plankhouse Project post raising ceremony, which is free is at 11 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 1 in the Carty Unit of the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge. A seafood luncheon prepared by the Chinook Tribe, which is \$30, follows at noon. ~~###~~ The Evergreen School District Foundation's second annual auction is at 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, in the Heathman Lodge. Tickets are \$50. ~~###~~ The *Insider* is offering free 15-word classified ads in the web version. The latest is: "**1996 Dodge Neon for sale. AT/AC/CD/4 DR. White, runs good. \$1,300 OBO. call Heather (d) 759-3534 (n)954-5100.**" E-mail your classified ad to tony@dailyinsider.info. now.

Friday on the Air

Ghost Stories on Officers Row Parade—5 p.m. CVTV
Camas-Washougal Candidates Forum—5:30 p.m. CVTV
Tri City at Portland Winter Hawks (live)—7 p.m. KUPL
Animal Control Hearings (10/9)—7:30 p.m. CVTV
Meet the Candidates—9:30 p.m. CVTV
Your History in the Making: 20 Years of CVTV—11:30 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EST Friday, Oct. 31, 2003

Alaska Air Group	28.79	-.60	Linear Technolog	42.61	-.86
Alcoa	31.57	-.58	Microsoft	26.14	+02
Amazon.com	54.43	-1.40	Nautilus	15.61	-.32
Bank of America	75.73	+0.56	Nike	63.90	+0.79
Bank of Clark County	15.00	unch	Nordstrom	30.49	-.06
Bemis	46.24	-.07	PepsiCo	47.82	-.19
Boeing	38.49	-.28	Precision Cast	41.13	+0.19
Boise Cascade	28.05	-.12	RLRN	25.25	+0.03
CenturyTel	35.75	-.11	Starbucks	31.60	+0.16
Costco	35.45	+0.53	TSM	11.06	-.29
Expeditors Intl.	37.54	-.40	Tektronix	25.67	+0.05
Georgia Pacific	26.24	-.44	US Bancorp	27.22	-.32
HPQ	22.31	+0.23	Wash. Mutual	43.75	-.12
Intel	32.95	+0.06	W. Coast Bancorp	20.85	-.20
Kyocera	61.37	-1.03	Weyerhaeuser	60.23	-1.14

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Town Tabloids and The Weather

John Wulle after a record three years, emerging from the closet. ### Bill Lampkin passing out Krispy Kremes. ### Carol Hansen pulling strings. ### Chad Peru coming up with new ideas. ### Janet Oster finding candle blowing a breeze. ### Friday , on cool side, but sun does full Monty, 48. Saturday , still cooling, sunbreaks, 46. Sunday , cloudy most of the day, possible precipitation.	Acapulco 91/75 Athens 73/59 Chicago 66/45 Dallas 84/68 Hong Kong 84/75 Los Angeles 64/52 London 52/39 New Orleans 84/66 New York 67/60 Orlando 86/65 Paris 49/36 Phoenix 78/61 Rome 63/54 Seattle 49/32 Sydney 76/45 Tokyo 67/55 Washington 74/56
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