

The Daily Insider

Southern Washington Edition

Rotary's Festival of Trees grows into several holiday season events

The Vancouver Rotary Foundation's annual Festival of Trees has grown into a post-Thanksgiving Day three-day holiday program of several separate events, beginning at 9 a.m. Friday, Nov. 28, with the actual Festival of Trees in the Red Lion Hotel at the Quay.

Viewing of scores of decorated trees and wreaths continues to 10 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 29, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 30. Adult tickets are \$3.

Vancouver's annual Christmas tree lighting in Esther Short Park is Friday at 6 p.m.

The festival's Teddy Bear Tea is from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, in the Red Lion Hotel at the Quay Centennial Room. Admission is \$3.

The gala event of the festival is a black-tie dinner at the Quay from 5 to 10 p.m. Saturday and includes both a silent and oral auction of Christmas decorated objects. Admission is \$100 per person.

The festival's senior tea, also at the Red Lion Hotel at the Quay, is 2 to 3:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$5 each.

For further information, call **Sara Suckling** at **521-0151**.

Evergreen board seeking voter input on four-year planning with two meetings this week

The Evergreen School District's board of directors is holding two community forums this week to begin collecting input from voters to help prepare the district's 2004-2007 strategic plan.

Community forums in 2000 helped form what became the district's most successful expansion program. These will be continued this year and will be augmented by focus groups and surveys.

The first session this week is at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, in the Pacific Middle School student center, 2017 NE 172nd Avenue. The second is at 10 a.m. Friday, Nov. 21, in the Tan Complex of the district's administrative services center.

Library trustees to discuss internet access

Fort Vancouver Regional Library District trustees will discuss changes in the district's electronic information access policy in a regular meeting at 7 p.m. tonight in the First & Clark Building, 606 NE First Street, Battle Ground.

Trustees will also hear a report on the district's headquarters and Vancouver Community Library building project.

"Politics of Prescription Drugs" will be put under scrutiny at Forum at the Library

The "Politics of Prescription Drugs" will be discussed by a panel of health experts at the 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, Forum at the Library in the Vancouver Community Library Hall, 1007 E Mill Plain Boulevard.

Panelists are **Kathleen O'Connor**, publisher of the *O'Connor Report*, a national health policy newsletter, **Joe**

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Ness, director of the Southwest Washington Medical Center pharmacy, **Paul Nielsen**, pharmaceutical lobbyist, **Dave Knutson**, Washington Health Care Committee, and pharmacist **Art Zoloth**.

Forum at the Library forums are free.

People

Terry Metz and **Shannon Decker** have been promoted to assistant vice presidents at First Independent Bank. Metz had been credit review manager in the bank's loan service center. He holds a bachelor's degree from Portland State University. Decker, who had been a merchant services officer, is a member of the Northwest Credit Card Association and is an ambassador and new member mentor for the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, and a past treasurer of People United for Animals.

News briefs

The Vancouver City Council meets in workshop session at 5 p.m. today to discuss water and sewer rates. The city council meets in regular session at 7 p.m. tonight ~~at~~ Clark Public Utilities' commissioners will discuss proposed budgets for the electric, water and waste water utilities for 2004 in a regular session at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18. ~~at~~ During their regular 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, meeting. Clark County commissioners will consider a mutual aid agreement between the City of Camas and the county Sheriff's office to provide enhanced law enforcement in unincorporated areas surrounding Camas. At 2 p.m. commissioners will go back into session to open bids for site preparation for county fairgrounds improvements.

Monday on the Air

Vancouver City Council Workshop (live)—4 p.m. CVTV
Portland Blazers at Dallas (live)—5:30 p.m. KGW-TV, KXL
Portland Winter Hawks at Calgary (live)—6 p.m. KUPL
Vancouver City Council (live)—7 p.m. CVTV
City Minutes—11 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EST Monday, Nov. 17, 2003

Alaska Air Group	26.90	-.64	Linear Technology	42.02	-.38
Alcoa	32.59	+.22	Microsoft	25.10	-.40
Amazon.com	50.36	-2.09	Nautilus	14.22	-.16
Bank of America	74.57	-.15	Nike	61.80	unch
Bank of Clark County	15.00	unch	Nordstrom	29.94	-1.23
Bemis	45.53	-.22	PepsiCo	47.67	+.34
Boeing	39.74	+.49	Precision Cast	40.68	-.68
Boise Cascade	28.41	-.49	RLRN	22.64	-.58
CenturyTel	32.73	-.64	Starbucks	31.71	-.36
Costco	33.89	-.27	TSM	10.65	-.23
Expeditors Intl.	38.37	-.32	Tektronix	25.54	-.30
Georgia Pacific	25.50	-.22	US Bancorp	27.29	-.26
HPO	22.00	-.09	Wash. Mutual	46.53	+.18
Intel	32.23	-.57	W. Coast Bancorp	20.95	-.54
Kyocera	58.12	-1.81	Weyerhaeuser	56.75	-.14

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