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135th Clark County fair opens with free breakfast; Grant Funk Railroad headlines

The 135th running of the Clark County Fair opens tomorrow with its traditional 8-to-11 a.m. free breakfast and free fair admission—with a coupon from participating Fred Meyer stores.

The **Grand Funk Railroad** concert at the main stage tops off the first day with traditional All-American tunes as well as so-far unrecorded numbers, recent hits and a five-minute drum solo.

The fair runs for ten days, opening other days at 10 a.m. and closing at 11 p.m. except on Sundays, when closing is at 10 p.m.

Newest offering is an Oregon Museum of Science and Industry exhibit, in what fair manager **Tom Musser** calls the scientific playhouse.

Coupons for the free breakfast are available at participating Fred Meyer stores from Tillamook to Longview. Last year, more than 20,000 fair goers showed up for the breakfast.

Without coupons adult fair admission is \$8. Fair admission includes grandstand seating at the *Columbian* Main Stage for all shows and concerts. Reserved admission on the grass in front of the grandstand varies according to each show but includes free fair admission.

Reserved seats for Grand Funk Railroad are \$15.

Parking, however, is not free and this year has increased to \$5 per vehicle.

C-TRAN bus service to the fair from the following locations: 7th Street Transit Center, Fisher's Landing Transit Center, Vancouver Mall Transit Center (SE lot near JC Penney), Battle Ground Park & Ride, and Salmon Creek Park & Ride, is nearly free—50 cents per adult. The return trip is free.

Todd Reeves appointed superintendent of the State School for the Deaf

Todd Reeves, director of special education for Tacoma public schools, has been named superintendent of the State School for the Deaf in Vancouver by Gov. **Gary Locke**.

Reeves succeeds **Len Aron**, who last January.

Reeves is a past program administrator for special education for the Peninsula School District, and education program supervisor for the Oregon School for the Deaf.

Reeves received his undergraduate degree in communication disorders at Pacific University, his masters degree in deaf education at Lamar University, and a law degree with honors from the University of Washington.

Council races heating up

With only a day and a half remaining to file for local political office, primary election races are beginning to shape up.

In Vancouver, incumbent council member **Dan Tonkovich** will get opposition from **David E. Kallstrom**. **Tim Leavitt**, who was appointed to the council in January, is getting opposition from **David Michael Heywood**, who

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also was a candidate for that position in January.

Three have filed for the city council position currently held by **Jeanne Lipton**, who has said she will be a candidate for mayor, but who had not filed by 1:30 p.m. today. The candidates who have filed are **Larry Smith**, **Mike Teefy** and **Julie K. Young**.

Port of Vancouver incumbent **Tom Bradley** faces opposition from **Robert Durgan** and **Nancy Baker**.

The filing period ends at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1.

Griffith to help draft national security plans

Tom Griffith, director, Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency, has been selected to join a Department of Homeland Security work group to help draft the department's National Response Plan and the National Incident Management System.

Griffith, who had worked with the Los Angeles Police Department before coming to Vancouver, was nominated for the national project by Vancouver councilwoman **Pat Jollota** and city manager **Pat McDonnell**.

Griffith will represent both cities and counties on the panel, which will meet in Washington, D. C., in two two-week sessions in August and September.

News briefs

The Swingline Cubs headline tonight's Six-to-Sunset Concert in Esther Short Park. Dance tunes from the '70s to the present are featured in the free program. Lawn blankets or low-back chairs are recommended. Food vendors are in attendance—The Vancouver Park 'n Go garage, the 800-space city parking facility beneath the Vancouver Center will be dedicated Thursday, Aug. 7. The parking garage is currently open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., but hours will be expanded after the dedication.

Thursday on the air

Sacramento at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD
Clark County Land Use Hearings (live)—7 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EDT Thursday, July 31, 2003

Alaska Air Group	24.46	+44	Linear Technology	36.75	+1.54
Alcoa	27.77	+82	Microsoft	26.41	+1.18
Amazon.com	41.64	+98	Nautilus	11.91	+24
Bank of America	83.57	-18	Nike	51.74	+48
Bank of Clark County	15.00	unch	Nordstrom	21.11	-02
Bemis	44.69	-12	PepsiCo	46.07	-28
Boeing	33.12	+60	Precision Cast	32.25	+56
Boise Cascade	24.79	-11	RLRN	24.59	+69
CenturyTel	34.29	+1.47	Starbucks	27.33	+46
Costco	36.99	+28	TSM	10.00	+52
Expeditors Intl.	33.84	+85	Tektronix	21.13	+01
Georgia Pacific	21.85	+60	US Bancorp	24.52	-20
HPQ	21.17	+15	Wash. Mutual	39.48	-138
Intel	24.89	+40	W. Coast Bancorp	19.40	+45
Kvocera	57.30	-110	Weverhaeuser	56.29	-21

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Town Tabloids and The Weather

Barbara Johnson, Keith Koplan and Sam Jones not what one would call the usual suspects— Bill Hidden delivering upscale surprise— David Nicandri making flawless presentation— Pat McDonnell making flawless appearance. Thursday , marine air won't dampen anything, but it will be cooler, 86. Friday , a few cooling clouds, 82. Saturday , mostly sunny, 80.	Acapulco 91/77 Athens 91/70 Chicago 84/67 Dallas 96/76 Hong Kong 88/78 Los Angeles 84/66 London 68/55 New Orleans 90/76 New York 80/68 Orlando 92/73 Paris 67/51 Phoenix 100/82 Rome 81/59 Seattle 79/56 Sydney 61/45 Tokyo 84/70 Washington 80/70
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