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So, too, are links from the website to selected news media, southern Washington institutions, and sports organization of interest to southern Washington.

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## SWIFT auction-goers offered a \$69-night at the DoubleTree Jantzen Beach Hotel

Southwest Washington Independent Forward Thrust auction-goers are being offered an auction night special at the DoubleTree Jantzen Beach Hotel. It consists of a room for two, for \$69, the night of the auction, Saturday, May 10.

The annual SWIFT auction and dinner at the DoubleTree, for which tickets are \$125 per person, begins at 5 p.m. The silent auction concludes at 7 p.m. Dinner follows, and the live auction begins at 7:30 p.m.

Since it was founded in 1975, the SWIFT Auction has created over \$3.5 million in grants for more than 1,000 organizations and projects in southwest Washington.

For SWIFT tickets, call **397-1091**. For hotel reservations, call **(503) 283-4466** and ask for the special auction rate.

## Open house on Birtcher Business Center and annexation is Thursday

Proponents of development of the 218-acre Birtcher Business Center at the southeast corner of Fourth Plain Boulevard and NE 137th Avenue are holding an open house to discuss the commercial project and its annexation to the City of Vancouver during an open house that begins at 5 p.m. Thursday, May 8, in the Fire District 5 training center, 11606 NE 66th Street.

The proposed project consists of 172 acres of light industrial and office development and a 46-acre commercial/retail development. The Business center is within the Vancouver urban growth boundary and would be annexed to the city if the development is approved.

For further information, call **Karyn Criswell, JD** White Company, **823-6109**.

## Governor signing the semiconductor tax incentive bill in Camas Thursday

Gov. **Gary Locke** Thursday will sign Senate Bill 5725, which gives a variety of tax incentives to the semiconductor industry, at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 8, in WaferTech, 5509 NW Parker Street, Camas.

WaferTech's Camas operation is the largest semiconductor foundry in Washington and one of the largest in the world.

State Sen. **Joe Zarelli** (R-18th) a sponsor of the bill, says the legislation will help bring roughly \$250 million in new revenue to the state and will protect 3,000 jobs statewide.

Although the measure has been touted as a way of enticing WaferTech to build a new \$3.5 billion plant, in Clark County, the company has not revealed any future building plans. However, WaferTech has been hiring some production workers lately.

## Portland dining guide easily accessible from www.dailyinsider.info website

The *Portland Tribune's* "Ultimate Dining Guide for Portland" is accessible from the *Daily Insider* website,

## People

**Kari Bersch** has been promoted to Tourism Development/Convention Services/Membership director of the Southwest Washington Convention & Visitors Bureau, **Kim Bennett**, president of the bureau, announced today. Bersch, who grew up in southwest Washington, has been with the bureau for the past two years. ~~SES~~ Clark County Superior Court judge **Bob Harris** and Harris's daughter **Marie Sullivan** met in Gov. **Gary Locke's** office in Olympia today. Harris was there as the governor signed the Substitute House Bill 1805, which increases the number of superior court positions in Clark County, and Sullivan, who is legislative liaison for the state Department of Information Services, was in attendance to witness the signing of one of the bills her office had shepherded through the legislative process.

## News brief

Transportation expert **Lance Grenzeback** will discuss the impact on the local economy of the failing Interstate 5 Columbia River crossing at a special breakfast sponsored by the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce at 7 a.m. Thursday, May 8, in the ballroom of the Red Lion Hotel at the Quay. The public is invited to attend the \$25 breakfast. Call **694-2588** for reservations.

### Wednesday on the air

In the Interest of Protecting Children—4 and 9 p.m. CVTV

Telecommunications Commission (4/2)—7 p.m. CVTV

**Yankees at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. ESPN2, FSN, KOTK**

**Oklahoma at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD**

Capital Perspectives—11:30 p.m. CVTV

### Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EDT Wednesday, May 7, 2003

Alaska Air Group	19.05	-0.71	Linear Technology	35.25	-1.01
Alcoa	23.06	-0.17	Microsoft	25.99	-0.39
Amazon.com	30.70	-0.18	Nautilus	14.37	+0.25
Bank of America	74.26	-0.15	Nike	54.12	-0.11
Bank of Clark County	15.60	unch	Nordstrom	17.61	-0.08
Bemis	46.06	-0.10	PepsiCo	43.31	-0.08
Boeing	28.38	+0.24	Precision Cast	28.80	+0.24
Boise Cascade	23.88	+0.11	RRLRN	20.23	-0.06
CenturyTel	31.25	-0.09	Starbucks	23.60	-0.36
Costco	34.34	-0.53	TSM	8.54	-0.16
Expeditors Intl.	36.59	-0.53	Tektronix	18.85	-0.34
Georgia Pacific	16.92	+1.08	US Bancorp	22.83	+0.20
HPQ	17.22	-0.11	Wash. Mutual	40.20	+0.25
Intel	19.16	-0.38	W. Coast Bancorp	15.72	-0.18
Kyocera	50.86	-0.39	Weyerhaeuser	48.94	+0.06

DOW: 8560.63 -27.73 ~~NASDAQ: 1506.761 -16.95 ~~S&P: 929.62 -4.77~~~~

### Town Tabloids and The Weather

<b>Scott Swindell</b> having nice things to say. <del>SES</del> <b>Marie Day</b> gracefully updating. <del>SES</del> <b>Tom Hunt</b> getting and giving exclusive invitations. <del>SES</del> <b>Brendon Wold</b> having the facts. <del>SES</del> <b>Randy Mueller</b> reporting just in time. <del>SES</del> <b>Wednesday</b> , mostly cloudy after morning sun, 63. <b>Thursday</b> , more clouds, possible precipitation, 62. <b>Friday</b> , Cloudy, sunbreaks, possible light showers, 64.	Acapulco 90/75 Athens 78/61 Chicago 66/46 Dallas 90/73 Hong Kong 86/78 Los Angeles 66/54 London 65/52 New Orleans 90/74 New York 70/55 Orlando 92/72 Paris 70/58 Phoenix 84/62 Rome 83/65 Seattle 56/42 Sydney 73/52 Tokyo 73/64 Washington 78/60
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