

The Daily Insider

Southern Washington Edition

Rich Melnick named district court judge

Richard A. Melnick yesterday was appointed as a judge of the Clark County District Court.

The selection was made by Clark County commissioners, who were filling a vacancy created by the January resignation of **Randal Fritzler**.

Melnick, a senior deputy Clark County prosecuting attorney who has been with the office since 1980, is best known for having started the prosecutor's domestic violence intervention program and for helping develop the county Superior Court's drug court program.

Melnick, who lives in Hockinson, is an adjunct faculty member at Clark College and is active in youth sports programs.

Melnick earned his law degree from the Northwestern School of Law at Lewis and Clark College.

Three other Clark County lawyers competed for the position: **John Hagensen**, Camas, and **Nancy Retsinas** and **James Swanger**, both of Vancouver.

Melnick will have to run for the office this November.

Third time is a charm for Patty Murray

U.S. Sen. **Patty Murray** (D-Wash.), whose scheduled visits with the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce were twice canceled, will appear before the chamber's Advocacy Series at noon Tuesday, March 16, in the Heathman Lodge.

Pre-paid registrations from the previously scheduled events will be honored. For registration for the \$30 event, call **694-2588**. To register on-line, click on the chamber logo on the *Daily Insider* website.

Pearson Air Museum party Saturday night

Pearson Air Museum is hosting a \$50-per-person cocktail party and mini-auction from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 13, in the museum at 1115 E 5th Street.

The function is for the benefit of operation and education programs.

Entertainment is provided by the **Sandy Dennison Quintet** and **Shira**. White sports coats and cocktail dresses are optional.

People

Troy E. Thomas has been appointed to the Evergreen School District board of directors. He succeeds **Glen Gipe**, who earlier resigned from the board. Thomas had been a member of the Orchards Elementary School's Shared Leadership Team. Thomas is a senior systems analyst for Electric Lightwave.



Rich Melnick

FRIDAY

March 12, 2004

News briefs

The Clark College Concert Band and Concert Choir perform at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the Royal Durst Theatre, 3101 Main Street, in support of the Southwest Washington Center for the Arts. Admission is \$5. ~~\$\$\$~~ The annual Gardner School auction is at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, March 13, in the Red Lion Hotel at the Quay. \$50 tickets are available by calling **574-5752**. ~~\$\$\$~~ The Gardner School, providing education from pre-school through the 8th grade, is at 16413 NE 50th Avenue. ~~\$\$\$~~ Clark Public Utilities is seeking volunteers for an 8:45 a.m.-to-1 p.m. Saturday, March 13, work party at Salmon Creek. Volunteers will be planting trees and shrubs. Volunteers should bring mugs for drinks and gloves. For registration information and directions, call **992-8510**. ~~\$\$\$~~ Volunteers are being sought for a Columbia Springs Environmental Education Center, 12208 SE Evergreen Highway, work party Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Volunteers will work on trails and remove invasive plants. Tools and refreshments will be provided, according to executive director **Jane Van Dyke**. For information, call **882-0936**.

Parking violation

Southwest Washington Medical Center's CFO **Gene Johnson** nailed the *Insider's* Thursday parking violation. A report on Portland International Airport parking fee increases was twice off by \$2. New daily fees in the parking garage are \$18, and in the long-term parking lot, \$14. Parking at the economy lot remains \$8 a day.

Friday on the air

Clark College Orchestra Winter Concert—5 p.m. CVTV
University of Oregon vs. Stanford (live)—6 p.m. FSN, KPAM
Animal Control Hearings (3/11)—7 p.m. CVTV
Sacramento at Portland Blazers (live)—7 p.m. KGW-TV, KXL, KRMZ
Portland Winter Hawks at Tri-City—7 p.m. KUPL
Telecommunications Commission (3/3)—9 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Focus—11 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Close Up—11:30 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EST Friday, March 12, 2004

Alaska Air Group	24.12	+ .95	Linear Technology	38.30	+ .41
Alcoa	n/a	n/a	Microsoft	25.38	+ .29
Amazon.com	n/a	n/a	Nautilus	16.28	+ .53
Bank of America	80.32	+ .77	Nike	74.80	+ .12
Bank of Clark County	20.00	unch	Nordstrom	38.70	+ .92
Bemis	25.31	+ .60	PepsiCo	51.55	- .15
Boeing	40.30	+ .15	Precision Cast	n/a	n/a
Boise Cascade	31.97	+ .31	RLRN	25.63	+ .11
CenturyTel	28.72	+ .72	Starbucks	37.60	- .03
Costco	38.30	+ .67	TSM	10.54	+ .38
Expeditors Intl.	36.74	+ .56	Tektronix	29.59	+ .98
Georgia Pacific	32.07	+ 1.16	US Bancorp	28.22	+ .59
HPQ	22.36	+ .34	Wash. Mutual	43.58	+ .32
Intel	27.69	+ .61	W. Coast Bancorp	22.62	+ 1.03
Kyocera	74.69	+ .44	Weyerhaeuser	63.13	+ 1.23
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Town Tabloids and The Weather

Mark Brown giving out good grades.	Acapulco	92/72
\$\$\$ Dave Yewman filling in the blanks.	Athens	49/35
\$\$\$ Candy Bennett providing directions.	Chicago	36/16
\$\$\$ Donna Mason engineering clear Clifford picture.	Dallas	60/40
\$\$\$ Nicole Haggerty keeping the presses rolling.	Hong Kong	77/67
\$\$\$ Erin Middlewood has easy questions.	Las Vegas	78/52
\$\$\$ Friday , clouding up but mostly dry, 58. Saturday , mostly sunny, 62. Sunday , mostly sunny, 64.	Los Angeles	82/56
	London	41/34
	New York	50/36
	Orlando	72/49
	Paris	37/28
	Phoenix	85/62
	Rome	51/36
	Seattle	60/42
	Sydney	74/51
	Tokyo	64/48
	Washington	56/36