

The Daily Insider

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Fate of Columbia Credit Union board of directors to be decided at Sunday meeting

The fate of eight of nine Columbia Credit Union Board of Directors members will be decided this Sunday as ballots are cast and counted in an election forced by dissidents who opposed the financial institution's short-lived attempt to become a mutual bank.

Mail-in ballots were sent to Columbia's 59,000 members earlier this month. Deadline for return of the mail ballots is today, but members who bring those ballots to the 3 p.m. Sunday, March 28, meeting in the gymnasium of Hudson's Bay High School, 1206 E Reserve Street, may cast them there.

The ballots gave members the opportunity of voting either to retain or to dismiss each of eight directors.

In the event that the vote is to overthrow any board members, credit union members attending the Sunday meeting will vote for successors.

Both the credit union and the dissident group, Save Our Credit Union, suggest that members arrive as early as 1 p.m. to go through the credentialing process and to meet board nominees.

Credit Union members voting in a special election last November approved conversion of Columbia, the county's largest credit union and one of the largest in the country, to a mutual bank.

The vote was 4,821 in favor, 4,407 opposed.

But before the plan could be implemented, objections were raised by a group of members, aided by Oregon activist **Lloyd Marbet**, under the banner "Desperately Trying to Save Columbia Credit Union," which collected over 3,500 member signatures in an attempt to rescind the vote for becoming a bank and to recall the then-nine board members who voted to become a bank.

The credit union board balked at holding the called-for special meeting, but did decide against pursuing the bank idea.

The dissidents went to Clark County Superior Court and gained a ruling calling for a vote on the board membership and Sunday's special membership meeting.

Columbia Credit Union board members are **Karen Martel**, chair, **Edwin C. Bell**, vice chair, **Ervin Dale Magers**, secretary and treasurer, **William F. Byrd III**, **Robert M. Byrd**, **Mark L. Ail**, **Dennis McLachlan** and **Constance A. Jones**.

The dissidents' slate is **Duane D. Bequette**, **Emmy J. Winterburn**, **Richard A. Perkins**, **Steve A. Straub**, **John C. Creek**, **Tony D. Ward-Smith**, **John E. Bucholtz** and **Ralph M. Erdmann**.

Further information is available from Columbia Credit Union by clicking [on www.columbiacu.com](http://www.columbiacu.com), and from the save the Columbia Credit Union group by clicking on www.saveccu.com.

49th District Town Hall is Saturday

Republican state Sen. **Don Carlson** and Democratic state Reps. **Bill Fromhold** and **Jim Moeller** are conducting

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a 49th District town hall meeting at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 27, in room 680 in the Clark County Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street.

The legislators will discuss the results of the just completed legislative session.

Mr. Hudson's Bay Pageant unfolds at Skyview High School Saturday night

Twelve Hudson's Bay High School seniors will be competing for the title Mr. Hudson's Bay during the 12th Mr. Hudson's Bay Pageant at 7 p.m. Saturday, March 27, in the Skyview High School auditorium.

While the contestants show off with talent, comedy and dance, the ultimate winner is the young man who raised the most money for Doernbecher Hospital over the past several weeks.

Last year, contestants raised over \$64,000 for the hospital's Kids Making Miracles Program. Since its inception the pageant has raised over \$250,000 for Doernbecher.

Contestants are **Grant Bennett**, **Jason Boal**, **Tony Christensen**, **Chris Conger**, **Darren Johnson**, **Lukas Kaltur**, **Michael Kern**, **Jack Messner**, **Brandon Morgan**, **Martin Smith**, **Mac Tucker**, and **Kevin Walker**. Admission is \$8 at the door.

People

A reception for the new United Way of the Columbia-Willamette president **Brent A. Stewart** is 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 31, in the Water Resources Education Center. For registration, call **892-3600**, extension **305**.

Friday on the air

Vancouver Center Vision Plan (3/25)—4:30 p.m. CVTV
City Minutes—6:30 p.m. CVTV
Tri City at Portland Winter Hawks (live)—7 p.m. KUPL
Animal Control Hearings (3/11)—7 p.m. CVTV
Telecommunications Commission (3/3)—9 p.m. CVTV
Bravo! Vancouver: A Choral Kaleidoscope—11 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EST Friday, March 26, 2004

Alaska Air Group	23.71	+51	Linear Technology	36.93	-.59
Alcoa	34.64	+14	Microsoft	25.03	-.16
Amazon.com	41.70	-.29	Nautilus	15.19	-.39
Bank of America	80.10	+36	Nike	76.25	-.23
Bank of Clark County	20.00	unch	Nordstrom	37.68	-.82
Bemis	25.35	+20	PepsiCo	51.06	-.16
Boeing	39.35	-.37	Precision Cast	43.02	+36
Boise Cascade	33.62	+65	RLRN	25.46	+34
CenturyTel	27.26	-.20	Starbucks	36.82	-.47
Costco	36.62	-.34	TSM	9.988	-.30
Expeditors Intl.	38.17	+41	Tektronix	30.75	+32
Georgia Pacific	32.28	-.01	US Bancorp	27.60	+02
HPQ	22.36	-.03	Wash. Mutual	42.36	-.19
Intel	27.38	-.41	W. Coast Bancorp	22.20	-.02
Kyocera	84.09	+2.59	Weyerhaeuser	64.66	-.35
DOW: 10,212.97 -5.85 NASDAQ: 1960.02 -7.15 S&P: 1108.03 -1.16					

Town Tabloids and The Weather

Becky Phillips handling pageant chore with aplomb. <i>ZZZ</i>	Acapulco	93/75
Rhonda Carey going official route. <i>ZZZ</i>	Athens	68/56
Kristina Aitchison taking names. <i>ZZZ</i>	Chicago	60/43
Cami Joner getting really good marks. <i>ZZZ</i>	Dallas	73/62
Dell Ann Dyar sharing genetic discovery. <i>ZZZ</i>	Hong Kong	69/63
Friday, showers and sunbreaks, 56.	Las Vegas	77/50
Saturday, more showers and sunbreaks. 60.	Los Angeles	69/52
Sunday, mostly dry, mostly sunny, 68.	London	48/37
	New York	63/50
	Orlando	82/60
	Paris	43/27
	Phoenix	86/58
	Rome	56/40
	Seattle	50/41
	Sydney	87/64
	Tokyo	55/38
	Washington	75/56