

**Modest sales tax increase would make a huge difference in mass transit options**

Clark County voters are being asked on Nov. 4 to approve a countywide .03 percent sales tax increase to cover the revenues lost by C-TRAN by the 1999 repeal of motor vehicle taxes.

Over the past 5 years the transit agency has had to dig into reserves and cut back services to balance its budget. The agency is now faced with either increasing its sales tax base to improve service or to making drastic cuts in service to balance its annual budget.

The C-TRAN board, at its regular 4:30 p.m. meeting Tuesday, will hear a formal presentation of the proposed 20-year plan supported by the sales tax increase.

The improved plan is designed to cope with growth of cities in Clark County as well as with increased demand from major destinations, including Legacy Hospital, Washington State University Vancouver, and business developments in east Vancouver.

The new plan envisions continued seven-day-a-week service, increased commuter service, new park and ride lots, and innovative delivery of service such as the collector network now providing nearly on-demand transportation.

The C-TRAN board, which was briefed last month on the plan that would be implemented if the sales tax proposal is defeated, will hear the proposed expansion plan during its 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, June 8, meeting in C-TRAN's administrative offices, 2425 NE 65th Avenue.

**Rededication of Chkalov Monument includes Russian delegation, dinner and dancing**

The 3:30 p.m. Saturday, June 19, rededication of the Pearson Field Chkalov Monument, by a large delegation from Russia and Vancouver's Chkalov Cultural Exchange Committee will be followed by an antique aircraft fly-in, hot air balloons, and, at 5:30 a silent auction, a 6:30 dinner and, after a 7:30 program, a live auction and line dancing.

According to **Jeff Frost**, chair of the Vancouver cultural exchange committee, one or two Russian aircraft may also be on display.

The Russian delegation and its Vancouver counterpart will be celebrating the 100th anniversary of the birth of Valerie Chkalov, who with two crewmembers made the first transpolar flight between Russia and the United States in 1937, which terminated at Pearson Field.

Dinner tickets are \$50 each, according to Frost. For further information, call **694-7026**.

**Jeanne Harris kicking off county commissioner campaign Friday**

**Jeanne Harris**, Vancouver city council member, is kicking off her Democratic campaign for Clark County commissioner with a fund-raiser at 5 p.m. Friday, June 11, in the Java House and Acorn Deli, at Evergreen Boulevard and Columbia Street.

Harris is running for position 2 on the three-member

board of commissioners. The position currently is held by **Judie Stanton**, who has announced she is retiring from that office after two terms.

Harris Republican opponent is expected to be 17th District state Rep. **Marc Boldt**.

**Secretary of State Sam Reed's campaign for reelection gets Clark County start Thursday**

The Clark County campaign to reelect Republican **Sam Reed**, secretary of state gets a kickoff with a 7:30 a.m. breakfast in Club Green Meadows Thursday, June 10. The breakfast is free, but campaign donations are sought, according to co-chairs **Greg Kimsey** and **Liz Pike**.

**People**

**Randolph Williams**, Vancouver, was one of 262 adult students receiving degrees from the University of Phoenix, Oregon-Vancouver, last week. Williams earned a masters degree in technology management from the private university. Williams is a graduate of Prairie View A & M University, Texas, and holds a masters degree in electrical engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology. His ten siblings all hold college graduate degrees.

**News briefs**

The Vancouver City Council meets in workshop session at 4 p.m. today. The council meets in a regular session at 7 p.m. tonight. ~~SES~~ Clark Public Utilities commissioners are holding a planning session at 9 a.m. Tuesday, June 8, in the Skamania Lodge. No official action will be taken. ~~SES~~ Port of Vancouver commissioners meet in regular session at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 8. ~~SES~~ Clark County commissioners meet in regular session at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 8.

**Monday on the air**  
**Vancouver City Council Workshop (live)—4 p .m. CVTV**  
**Tucson at the Portland Beavers (live)—6 p.m. KKAD**  
**Vancouver City Council (live)—7 p.m. CVTV**

**Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EDT, Monday, June 7, 2004**

Alaska Air Group	21.80	+ .75	Linear Technology	39.29	+1.28	
Alcoa	31.32	+ .70	Microsoft	26.43	+ .48	
Amazon.com	51.76	+ .81	Nautilus	15.96	+ .30	
Bank of America	84.63	+1.03	Nike	70.31	+1.03	
Bank of Clark County	20.00	unch	Nordstrom	40.94	+ .28	
Bemis	28.25	+ .69	PepsiCo	54.67	+ .33	
Boeing	48.13	+1.23	Precision Cast	48.73	+1.23	
Boise Cascade	37.02	+ .12	RRLRN	22.11	+ .18	
CenturyTel	29.94	- .06	Starbucks	42.32	+ .96	
Costco	39.34	+ .29	TSM	9.69	+ .35	
Expeditors Intl.	47.35	+ .88	Tektronix	31.72	+1.05	
Georgia Pacific	36.38	+ .91	US Bancorp	28.39	+ .02	
HPQ	21.66	+ .40	Wash. Mutual	40.93	unch	
Intel	28.75	+ .61	W. Coast Bancorp	22.49	+ .26	
Kyocera	83.85	+2.97	Weverhaeuser	61.00	+1.35	
<b>DOW: 10,391.08</b>		<b>+148.26</b>	<b>NASDAQ: 2020.62</b>	<b>+42</b>	<b>S&amp;P: 1140.53</b>	<b>+18.03</b>

**Town Tabloids and The Weather**

<b>Wally Hornberger</b> in good company.	Acapulco	87/71
<del>SES</del> <b>Elise Scolnik</b> giving Tribe of the Winds a boost.	Athens	79/58
<del>SES</del> <b>Michael Kissinger</b> tuning up.	Chicago	86/68
<del>SES</del> <b>Greg Pagel</b> blowing out candles.	Dallas	90/74
<del>SES</del> <b>Renee Branch</b> presiding on Blueberry Hill.	Hong Kong	84/75
<del>SES</del> <b>Chuck Furno</b> keeping regular schedule.	Las Vegas	103/76
<del>SES</del> <b>Monday</b> , lots of clouds, a little precipitation, 64.	Los Angeles	73/60
<b>Tuesday</b> , cloudy, sunbreaks, 68.	London	80/66
<b>Wednesday</b> , mostly sunny, 70.	New York	77/66
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	Paris	79/63
	Phoenix	107/76
	Rome	78/60
	Seattle	64/50
	Sydney	68/48
	Tokyo	76/67
	Washington	82/66