

Pearson to host "Flying High" cocktail party and mini-auction March 13

Grab your white sport coat or slip into your cocktail dress. Pearson Air Museum is having a party.

The "Flying High with Pearson" cocktail party and mini-auction sponsored by Columbia Credit Union is set for Sat., March 13, 7 to 9 p.m. at the museum, 1115 E. 5th St., Vancouver.

Entertainment for the evening will be provided by the **Sandy Dennison Quartet and Shira**. Hors d'oeuvres will be provided courtesy of Pacific Grill and Chowder House, Hudson's Bar & Grill and Applewood Northwest Cuisine.

A tantalizing sampling of auction items includes weekend getaways to Sun River, the coast and the San Juans, a Hawaiian vacation, a Bowflex machine, and a Ghiglieri sculpture — just to name a few.

Tickets are \$50 per person. All proceeds benefit the operation and education programs of Pearson Air Museum. White sport coats and cocktail dresses are optional (but highly recommended for maximum cocktail party effect).

Call the museum at **360-694-7026** for tickets or more information.

Governor pushes for "modified Montana" primary system

Gov. **Gary Locke** yesterday urged the Legislature to change its course and enact a "modified Montana" primary system during his weekly news conference in Olympia.

The system is a plan based on a combination of the primaries used by Montana and Arizona.

Lawmakers are considering the state's primary system because the federal courts have declared the long-used blanket primary unconstitutional.

The state Senate yesterday passed Senate Bill 6453, the so-called "Cajun primary," modeled after the Louisiana system.

"The Cajun primary will result in endless litigation and decreased voter choice and participation," Locke said. "The Senate missed an opportunity to adopt a system that avoids all the problems of the Cajun primary. A modified Montana system would be a far superior option."

Locke's proposal would allow voters to pick a party ballot in secret while letting representatives from all parties to head on to the November general election. The Louisiana system, favored by Republican leaders, allows the top two vote-getters of any party go on to the general election.

Locke has not yet said whether he will veto the Cajun Primary legislation if it passes in the House.

Slovak State Orchestra director featured soloist at Clark College Orchestra concert

Julius Klein, general director of the Slovak State Orchestra, will be the featured soloist for the Mozart *Clarinet Concerto* during the 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, Clark College Orchestra benefit concert in Royal Durst Theater.

The concert, a benefit for the Southwest Washington Center for the Arts, is part of an exchange between the Clark Orchestra and the Slovak State Orchestra, which Clark's music director-conductor **Donald Appert** conducted last September.

General admission is \$5. For further information, call **992-2662** or **992-2195**

RSVP seeking volunteers

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) is looking for volunteers 55 years and older for the following assignments:

The **Disabled Parking Program** seeks individuals to patrol the city for violations of disabled parking regulations; **HOSTS** (Help One Student To Succeed) Program, needs volunteers for a 10-week project assisting struggling readers in 6th 7th, and 8th grades at Gaiser Middle School.; **SHIBA Prescription Assistance Program (PAP)** is in need of volunteers to assist the **PAP** Coordinator with research in a national database for clients' prescriptions, following up with clients' needs, inputting data, and scheduling interviews with clients to go over instructions and applications; and volunteers are needed for the the City of Vancouver Parks Friday mail route. Those interested should call **Jeanne' Phipps** or **Bobbi Casanova** at the RSVP office at **696-8221**.

News briefs

Pat Jallota, Vancouver city councilwoman and Clark County historian, is the featured speaker at the Felida Nerighborhood Association meeting at 7 p.m. tonight in the Felida Fire Station. ~~SSS~~ The Sifton Neighborhood Association meets at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 4, in Fire Station 88, at Fourth Plain Boulevard and Ward Road. .

People

The JD White Company, Inc. has announced two staff additions: **Gwen Alley**, formerly a field consultant for the Klamath River relicensing project, was appointed a fisheries biologist with the firm. **Dan Gunderson** was appointed an ecologist. He holds a biology degree from Portland State University and has served as an active volunteer for Tryon Creek State Park, Jackson Bottom Wetlands Preserve and PSU Herbarium.

Thursday on the air

Detroit at Portland—7 p.m., TNT, KXL 750

The Hidden Costs of Growth — 4:30 p.m., CVTV

Clark County Land Use Hearings (LIVE) — 7:00 p.m., CVTV

Town Tabloids and The Weather

Tauf Charneski having fun just watching the ice melt. SSS	Acapulco 90/74
Elson Strahan thinking big. Darryl Lloyd seeking baby names. SSS	Athens 56/35
Mary Clark doing the hula. Darcy Meyer checking the calendar SSS	Chicago 49/35
Thursday , mixed rain and showers, blustery, 52. Friday a few rain showers, but nothing serious, 52.	Dallas 75/67
Saturday , partly sunny, breezy, 54.	Hong Kong 70/58
	Las Vegas 70/49
	Los Angeles 68/57
	London 47/34
	New York 58/46
	Orlando 81/68
	Paris 44/37
	Phoenix 68/47
	Rome 42/36
	Seattle 48/34
	Sydney 75/68
	Tokyo 40/33
	Washington 66/46