

Clark College commencement to be in Amphitheater at fairgrounds Thursday

Clark College's entire graduating class, including students attaining certificates of proficiency and achievement—a record 1,364 students—will be together in commencement ceremonies beginning at 7 p.m. Thursday, June 10, in the Amphitheater in Clark County at the fairgrounds.

It is the first time since 1989 that the graduating class has not been divided because of lack of space. The amphitheater offers about 8,000 seats under cover.

Vancouver Mayor **Royce Pollard** is the commencement speaker. **Addison Jacobs**, chair of the college board of trustees, and **Sherry Murphy**, student president, will also speak.

Clark's president, **Wayne Branch**, will preside as 692 associate in arts degrees, 48 associate in science transfer degrees, 349 associate in applied science degrees, and 275 certificates of either proficiency, or achievement are issued.

A record 45 Clark students will receive their degrees through the Running Start Program and graduate from their respective high schools simultaneously.

In separate ceremonies at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 12, in the O'Connell Sports Center at the Clark Campus, students earning general education certificates or adult high school diplomas will be honored.

County GIS website generated record half million computer maps last month

Clark County's GIS website, <http://gis.clark.wa.gov>, generated a record 515,113 computer maps during May.

The reason, according to Assessment and GIS spokesperson **Bob Pool**, is the new Property Information Center posted on the website.

All a user need do to access consolidated property information is enter a street address according to Pool. The information that immediately pops up includes ownership, assessed value, size, and recent sales. Users can follow up with links to maps, and obtain such additional information as neighborhood associations, polling places, and legislative boundaries.

Last month the site took 130,409 requests for appraisal reports, 61,152 requests for building information, 19,054 inquiries about building permits, 23,019 requests for recorded documents, and 19,499 requests for tax reports.

Pool says that he expects the GIS website will generate over six million maps this year, more than double that of a year ago.

Residents in unincorporated areas of county to get bills for clean water program this week

Clark County residents and property owners in unincorporated areas of Clark County will receive bills for the county clean water program this week.

The average bill for residential property owners is \$33 a year. Commercial bills are higher, based on impervious surface areas.

The bills can be paid by mail or at any branch of the First Independent Bank.

Last year the county spent more than \$1 million on storm-water capital improvements.

\$80 home composting bins going for \$25

A home composting bin sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 12, offering 80-gallon plastic composting bins, being sold elsewhere for \$80, for \$25 each, is being conducted by the Clark County Public Works Department in four locations in the county.

Sales locations are Westfield Shoppingtown parking lot near the J.C. Penney store, the Salmon Creek Park and Ride, NE 134th Street and Highway 99, Fisher's Landing Transit Center, SE 164th Avenue and SE Cascade Park Drive, and the Battle Ground High School main parking lot, 300 W Main Street.

For further information, call 397-6118, extension 4352.

Federal offices closed Friday; local and state offices open

Although federal offices will be closed Friday, June 11, the official day of mourning for former president Ronald Reagan, local city, county and state offices will be open.

The major stock exchanges will be closed Friday.

U.S. flags should be flown at half-staff.

News brief

Clark County commissioners meet in an informal session at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 9.

Tuesday on the air

Clark County Youth Achievement Celebration—4 p.m. CVTV
City Minutes—6 p.m. CVTV
Detroit at Lakers (live)—6 p.m. KATU,
Houston at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KFX
Vancouver City Council (live)—7 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver Land Use Hearings (6/3)—7 p.m. CVTV

Stocks of local interest at 4 p.m. EDT, Tuesday, June 8, 2004

Alaska Air Group	22.49	+69	Linear Technology	39.43	+14
Alcoa	31.60	+28	Microsoft	26.60	+17
Amazon.com	51.94	+18	Nautilus	15.98	+02
Bank of America	84.15	-48	Nike	70.48	+17
Bank of Clark County	20.00	unch	Nordstrom	41.29	+35
Bemis	28.34	+09	PepsiCo	54.95	+28
Boeing	48.09	-04	Precision Cast	48.89	+16
Boise Cascade	37.10	+02	RLRN	22.75	+64
CenturyTel	29.80	-14	Starbucks	43.09	+77
Costco	40.05	+71	TSM	9.66	-03
Expeditors Intl.	47.60	+25	Tektronix	31.35	-37
Georgia Pacific	36.33	-05	US Bancorp	28.39	unch
HPQ	22.00	+34	Wash. Mutual	40.86	-07
Intel	28.99	+24	W. Coast Bancorp	22.50	+01
Kyocera	84.40	+55	Weyerhaeuser	61.16	+16
DOW: 10,432.52		+41.44	NASDAQ: 2023.53		+2.91
			S&P: 1142.18		+1.76

Town Tabloids and The Weather

Dennis Grunes getting the point of it all. ~~del~~ Garen Horgen getting in a few nominating words. ~~del~~ Lucille Campbell rallying the troops. ~~del~~ Fred Swanstron getting in a few more words. ~~del~~ Loretta Callahan's journalistic skills picked for experiment. ~~del~~ Tuesday, cloudy, sunbreaks, 68. Wednesday, mostly sunny, 70. Thursday, sunnier and warmer, 74.

Acapulco	84/73
Athens	77/59
Chicago	90/68
Dallas	80/70
Hong Kong	86/77
Las Vegas	96/72
Los Angeles	70/60
London	84/61
New York	86/72
Orlando	90/73
Paris	87/65
Phoenix	102/78
Rome	81/62
Seattle	74/54
Sydney	70/50
Tokyo	78/65
Washington	88/70