

Taste of Vancouver bursting with local talent

Some of the biggest and best names in the Vancouver-Portland music scene entertain for four days this Labor Day weekend at the Taste of Vancouver in Esther Short Park.

In addition to music, forty artists will be displaying their work and a dozen food vendors, ranging from Bacchus to Who Song & Larry's will be in attendance. Widmer Brothers, Budweiser and Red Hook, along with fine wines, will complement lunches, dinners and snacks.

Tickets are \$5 for each of the first three days and \$10 Sunday.

The entertainment schedule is as follows:

Friday, **North by Northwest**, 4 p.m., **Design**, 5:30 p.m., and **The Retros**, 8 p.m.

Saturday, **The Rockaroos**, 12:30 p.m., **Michael Allan Harrison**, 2 p.m., **Crazy 8's**, 5 p.m., and **Quarterflash**, 8 p.m.

Sunday, **The Rose City Kings**, 1:30 p.m., **Paul Delay**, 3 p.m., **Linda Hornbuckle Band**, 5 p.m., and **Curtis Selgado**, 8 p.m.

Monday, **Johnny Martin**, 11:45 a.m., **Pepe and the Bottle Blondes**, 1 p.m., and **Pink Martini**, 3:30 p.m.

When Greg Kimsey says, "oops," Insider jumps

"Oops," Clark County auditor **Greg Kimsey** declares on the subject line of an e-mail to the *Insider* this morning. Oops grows to three Os or more depending on the severity of the error. In this case three Os is about right.

Monday the *Insider* reported in a news story about how to vote with the new primary balloting system: "The trick, to avoid getting a ballot tossed out, is to use the correct ballot and to vote only for candidates of that color of ballot. Accidentally punching a Republican candidate's chad of a Democratic ballot will nullify the entire ballot."

That's not correct.

Kimsey states correctly: "In the situation you describe the vote for the Republican candidate would not be counted but any votes for Democratic candidates would be counted."

The moral of this story is, "pay attention when you vote in the new primary."

Clark County stepping up West Nile virus surveillance

Although Washington is one of two states in the lower 48 that in 2004 has not experienced a positive finding of West Nile Virus in mosquitoes or animals, recent cases of the disease in horses and birds in northeast Oregon suggest the disease may inevitably spread to Clark County, according to **Lou Dooley**, county Health Department environmental services manager.

To counter the possibility, the county Health Department and the county Mosquito Control District are stepping up surveillance, testing and control measures.

The Mosquito Control District will continue to control floodwater mosquitoes, but will also increase control efforts for the *Culex* species of mosquito, carrier of the West Nile disease, which breeds in stagnant water around homes in cups, pans, birdbaths, yard features, and in storm drains in catch basins under streets.

Crows, jays and magpies are especially susceptible to the virus, Dooley says. The sudden death of these birds could indicate the presence of the disease.

"We encourage the public to report dead birds or areas of standing water by calling the mosquito hotline, **397-8430**," Dooley says.

People

Philip E. Ruhmshottel has been appointed by Gov. **Gary Locke**, to the state Veterans Advisory Committee. Ruhmshottel is the former commandant for the Northwest Division of the Marine Corps League. The Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee advises the governor and director of the Department of Veterans Affairs. ☞ **Victoria Tamis**, Southwest Washington Medical Center pharmacist, has completed her doctor of pharmacy degree and has achieved board certification as a pharmacotherapy specialist. Tamis is one of three SWMC certified doctors of pharmacy.

News briefs

Democratic 17th District state Rep. **Deb Wallace** and her Republican challenger, **Roy Rhine**, hold their first of three political debates at 7 p.m. tonight in the Clark Public Utilities offices in Orchards, 8600 NE 17th Avenue. ☞ A fundraiser by the campaign to reelect Democratic 49th District state Rep. **Jim Moeller** is at 5:30 p.m. today at the home of **John Rowe** and **Jim Christen**, 1319 NW 52nd Street. For further information, call **737-8754**. ☞ U.S. Sen. **Patty Murray** (D-Wash.) will tour Clark College training facilities for Automotive Technology and Diesel Technology following a meeting with college president **Wayne Branch** at 8:45 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1, at Scarpelli Hall, to discuss the federal support for workforce training programs. ☞ Clark County commissioners meet in informal session at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 1.

Tuesday headlines from around the world and at home

[Racetrack supporters rev up their efforts to lure NASCAR to Oregon, but Washington has pole position--Oregonian, Catherine Trevison and Dan Uthman](#)

[Medians divide highways for safety and more are coming--Columbian, Erin Middlewood](#)

[Principals get first day jitters at school, Cape Horn-Skye Elementary's Mary Lou Woody admits--Columbian, Amy McFall Prince](#)
[Voters' guides getting voters' complaints--Columbian, Don Jenkins](#)
[Wal-Mart to build 4th local store--Columbian, Gretchen Fehrenbacher](#)
[Ridgefield teachers and school district agree on new contract--Oregonian, Jason Begay](#)
[Nudists expected to frolic Saturday at Seattle's Discovery Park beach; city attorney says no arrests unless activities prove offensive to others at the beach--Seattle Times, Brandon Sprague](#)
[Moscow subway blast claims 10--USA TODAY, AP](#)
[At least 16 die in two Israeli bus bombings--USA TODAY, AP](#)
[Bush now saying 'we will win' terror war--USA TODAY](#)
[12 Nepali hostages reportedly killed in Iraq--Washington Post, Karl Vick](#)

Monday on the air

Seattle Mariners at Toronto (live)—4 p.m. FSN, KFXN
Clark County Commissioners (8/17)—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Portland Beavers at Fresno (live)—7 p.m. KKAD

Town Tabloids and the weather

Jim Gregg horticulturally resplendent. 🍷 Barbara Gregg looking good, too. 🍷 Louie Schaefer thinking more moderate weather. 🍷 Oti Burris making the rounds. 🍷 David DiCesare doing interlocutory stint with aplomb. 🍷 Mary Clark bridesmaid again. 🍷 Tuesday, clouds give way to sunshine, 80. Wednesday, cooling, cloudy, possible precipitation, 70. Thursday, Partly cloudy, 70.