

Friday headlines at home and from around the world

[Land bridge is gateway to history--Columbian, **Dean Baker**](#)

[Architects share vision for land bridge--Oregonian, **Allan Brettman**](#)

[Salmon recovery costs estimated at half a billion dollars a year by Northwest Power and Conservation Council--Columbian, **Erik Robinson**](#)

[Harney Elementary promoting reading with pizza and popcorn--Columbian, **Howard Buck**](#)

[State funding will improve earthquake research--Columbian, **Kathie Durbin**](#)

[Peninsula Glass gets OSU excellence in family business award--Columbian, **Julia Anderson**](#)

[Seattle council members among highest paid in the nation, some at six figures; only Los Angeles pays more--Seattle Times, **Jim Brunner**](#)

[Oprah boosts Nordstrom bra sales by 189 percent--Seattle Times, **Monica Soto Ouchi**](#)

[Bush backs plan to move Iran's uranium enrichment to Russia--New York Times, **David E. Sanger**](#)

[Blasts rip Baghdad--USA TODAY](#)

Friday on the air

Netsmartz Public Education Program—4 p.m. CTVV

Vancouver Symphony Orchestra: Discovery—6 p.m. CTVV

Golden State at Portland Blazers (live)—7 p.m. KGW-TV, KXL, KXMG

Clark County Land Use Hearings (11/15)—8 p.m. CTVV

Town Tabloids and the weather

Greg Flakus thinking Fourth of July. ✂ **Dean Stenehjem** providing directions. ✂ **Stephanie Frisch** taking an idea out of storage. ✂ **Bill Gogley** making everything shipshape. ✂ **Katlin Smith** planting trees. ✂ **Bob Schaefer** beating the season again. ✂ **Wendy Marvin** giving good directions. ✂ **Friday**, sunny, some clouds move in, 57. **Saturday**, partly sunny, 59. **Sunday**, partly cloudy, 60.

Clark College providing additional training for Shell Solar employees

A Southwest Washington Workforce Development Council grant is helping pay for specialized Clark College occupational skill standards training for some 100 maintenance and production workers at the Vancouver division of Shell Solar Industries. The cross training is designed to enable Shell Solar employees to develop additional, marketable skills and enhance Shell Solar's productivity, according to Clark College Corporate Relations manager **Michelle Giovannozzi**.

The Shell Solar project is a great example of SWWDC's improving the competitiveness of a company and its employees by working with the Machinists Union, the company and Clark College to deliver a customized solution, says **Jerry Petrick**, Business and Industries Group manager at SWWDC.

In addition to providing industry-specific technical instruction, Clark is designing and delivering customized training in communications and conflict resolution.

Shell Solar's Vancouver division is matching the \$22,700 grant from SWWDC with in-kind donations. The Vancouver plant grows and shapes silicon ingots for use in manufacturing solar cells for the photovoltaic industry.

Mentors sought for FirGrove Children's Center students

Mentors are being sought to carry out a Columbia River Mental Health Services program for the Vancouver School District's FirGrove Children's Center, reports program facilitator **Jim Tangeman**.

FirGrove is a day treatment program for behaviorally challenged 4th through 8th graders.

Following training, mentors are asked to spend from one to three hours a week in a supportive relationship with a student.

According to Tangeman, mentoring is a proven effective strategy in guiding young people, giving them direction, and in building their stability and confidence. For further information, call Tangeman at **993-3112**.

Estate Planning Council offers free planning seminar Saturday

Estate Planning for Everyone is being presented from 10:30 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 19, in the E. B. Hamilton Hall in Vancouver Barracks, by the Estate Planning Council of Southwest Washington.

The seminar is free, reports council president **Andy Nygard**.

The local council is composed of 62 members with encompassing legal, financial, accounting, insurance, trust and charitable giving expertise. For further information and to register for the seminar, call **574-2888**, or go to www.epcsww.org.

Karen Therese in concert in the state School for the Blind

Pianist **Karen Therese** will be performing in the Fries Auditorium of the Washington State School for the Blind, 2214 East 13th Street, at 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 21.

Classically trained, Therese is considered one of the most versatile Native American performers. According to spokesperson **Renee Corso**, Therese "weaves multi-cultural elements into a musical tapestry distinctively her own style, 'Indian soul.'"

Donations of \$5 will be accepted. For further information, call Corso at **696-6321**, extension **121**.

Calendar

WinterFaire, featuring the works of over 30 fine artists and craftspeople opens with a reception for the artists at 5 p.m. this evening in the Water Resources Education Center, 4600 SE Columbia Way. The huge display and sale continues from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. Espresso and snacks will be available. Admission is free. ☞ The Clark College Theatre presentation of *The Girls of the Garden Club* concludes with 7:30 p.m. performances tonight and Saturday, Nov. 19, in the Decker Theater. ☞ Santa's Workshop Holiday Bazaar is 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, in the Marshall Community Center. Admission is free. ☞ Columbia River Mental Health Services' "Cruise to Hawaii" dinner and dance is at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, in the Hilton Vancouver Washington. Tickets are \$85 each. For further information, call **Pat Stryker**, **993-3049**.