

Sherwood cabinet company expands to Ridgefield

Sherwood, Ore.-based Pacific Crest Custom Cabinetry, has bought 15 acres in the Ridgefield Commerce Center southwest of the I-5 Ridgefield junction. The commerce center is an 11-lot industrial subdivision being developed by Specht Properties Inc.

The company will build a 180,000-square-foot manufacturing building that will employ about 50 persons when it becomes operational in the spring of 2007. The Sherwood operations employs 61 persons.

Career Information and Job Fair a must for employers, job seekers

More than 80 potential employers have signed up for the Career Information and Job Fair, 1 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, in the Hilton Vancouver Washington.

Hundreds of job seekers are expected to attend the 19th annual event sponsored by Clark College, Washington State University Vancouver and *The Columbian*.

Career development professionals will be on hand to help job seekers polish their skills for writing resumes, handling interviews and developing good networking skills. Resumes will be evaluated and mock interviewing sessions conducted.

There is no charge and pre-registration is not required.

26,000 job openings listed on state employment website

The state Employment Security Department has over 26,000 job openings posted on its new and redesigned online website at www.go2worksource.com, reports commissioner **Karen Lee**.

The website provides employers and job seekers with free job-posting, recruitment and job-search services. The site also offers search features that scan available jobs and applicants and sends matches directly to user email accounts. It is also able to translate job listings, resumes and content on the website into languages other than English.

Job seekers who do not have web access may visit the local WorkSource office to use a computer and obtain assistance from a workforce development professional, according to Lee. The Vancouver office is at 1101 Broadway, Site 120. Call **567-1070** for further information.

Skills Center Foundation expands

The Clark County Skills Center Foundation board has been expanded by four new members, reports **Katie Foehl**, the foundation's executive director. Joining the foundation board are **Karen Ciocia**, marketing director for the JD White Company; **Greg Flakus**, owner of GF Strategies, a food service consulting company; **Jim Holder**, Vancouver certified public accountant; and **Dena Horton**, program manager for the Southwest Washington Agency on Aging.

News briefs

A fundraising get-together for **Jim Malinowski** candidate for Clark County Public Utilities' commissioner is 5:30 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 4, in the home of **Dick** and **Joyce Malin**, 1418 Grand Place. For further information, call **737-8502**. ⚡ Sponsorships and advertising opportunities are being accepted by the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce for its annual golf tournament Thursday, June 22, at Camas Meadows Golf Club, 4105 NW Camas Meadows Drive. For further information, call For further information, call **694-2588**. ⚡ The 3rd annual Southwest Washington Forward Thrust golf tournament is Thursday, July 20, at The Cedars on Salmon Creek. For information on sponsorships and registration, call **619-4498**. ⚡ The Oregon Chamber Players open their 11th season with a 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 6, concert in the All Saints' Episcopal Church, 4033 SE Woodstock Boulevard, Portland. In addition to Mozart and Vivaldi, the concert features a composition by **Timoteus Racz**, artistic director and concertmaster of the Oregon Chamber Players, and artistic director and conductor of the Junior Symphony of Vancouver. General admission is \$14; students and seniors, \$12. Tickets are available at the door and through TicketsWest.

Calendar

Clark County commissioners and the Camas City Council meet jointly at 4:30 p.m. today in Camas City Hall, 616 NE 4th Avenue. ⚡ The Vancouver City Council will meet jointly with Port of Vancouver commission-

ers during a 4 p.m. workshop session this afternoon in City Hall to discuss redeveloping the waterfront west of the Interstate 5 Bridge and successfully serving the Port's Gateway industrial development. The success of the project depends on executing a series of infrastructure and real estate acquisition projects. No action will be taken. ☞ The Vancouver City council meets in regular session at 7 p.m. this evening. ☞ Clark County commissioners meet in regular session at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 2. ☞ **Hal Dengerink**, chancellor of Washington State University Vancouver, and **R. Wayne Branch**, president of Clark College, will celebrate the grand opening of the Clark Center on the WSU Vancouver campus at 10 a.m. Tuesday, May 2. The 63,334-square-foot, three-story building houses the Clark College nursing program, as well as classrooms and computer laboratories for general education, science and mathematics programs. ☞ The Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Commission meets in regular session at 4 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, in the 6th floor training room in the Public Service Center.

Monday headlines from at home and around the world

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Monday on the air

Vancouver City Council Workshop (live)—4 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver City Council (live)—7 p.m.

Yankees at Boston—4 p.m. ESPN

NBA Game 4; Dallas at Memphis—5 p.m. TNT

NBA Game 5; Denver at LA Clippers--7:30 p.m. TNT

Town Tabloids and the weather

Brian Scott, feeding the press. ☞ **Sue Growth** making work easier. ☞ **Dennis Grunes** getting three-day break. ☞ **Darcee Miller** beefs up message. ☞ **Gregory McGreevey** reports on District of Columbia adventures. ☞ **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,**