

Rebecca Roeter named Clark County Fair queen



The 2005 Clark County Fair Court: Rebecca Roeter, left, Jennifer Stephens and Kathryn Finn

Rebecca Roeter, a senior at Charter Academics Marketplace High School, Battle Ground, has been named queen of the 2005 Clark County Fair. Roeter, who says she wants to attend Clark College, is a member of her high school honor society. She is a member of the Hockinson Easy Riders 4-H Club.

Sharing the county Fair court with Roeter are **Kathryn Finn**, a sophomore at Ridgefield High School, and **Jennifer Stephens**, a Columbia River High School senior.

The ten-day Clark County fair is August 5 through 14.

Paintball distributor lands in Vancouver

Xtremez, one of the leading Internet retailers in the rapidly growing paintball industry, is moving its headquarters and distribution center from Tualatin to 1212 W Fourth Plain.

The company, which also operates two retail stores in the Portland area, will open a retail store at the Vancouver location in July. According to Xtremez president and CEO **Adam Sites**, the local retail store will also include an indoor paintball playing field.

The company has acquired eight acres and the former Newark Paper Products.

Xtremez, currently employing 28, was founded in 1995. It is a designer, distributor and retailer of equipment, accessories and apparel for the sport of paintball and other action sports. The company also markets a line of products under the CORE brand name.

According to Sites, the sport of paintball has boomed in recent years to nearly a \$400 million annual industry, attracting as many as ten million participants in the United States.

Mayor **Royce Pollard** says, "Vancouver should be proud that we can attract a growing e-commerce company that can relocate anywhere. Not only will this renovate and fill an older industrial building with quality jobs, it will also bring more people to our city."

Final hearing on PDX noise study set over to July 13

Final action by the Port of Portland on its Portland International Airport Noise Compatibility Study has been set over to 9 a.m. Wednesday, July 13, "in order to further consider and respond to citizen comments," according to port officials.

The final meeting had been scheduled for June 8. Vancouver residents along the east-west flight paths have thus far been rebuffed in their efforts to have flight paths moved south and over industrial land in Portland.

For further information, call (503) 460-4543.

Milford Westin resigns

Port of Kalama commissioner **Milford Westin**, one of the longest serving port commissioners in the state of Washington, has announced he is resigning after 27 year of service because he is moving out of the port district.

Westin was appointed to an unexpired term on the commission in 1978 and afterwards successfully ran for the office for five terms. A druggist and owner of a Kalama Pharmacy, Westin is a lifetime member of the Kalama Lions and Elks Clubs. He was previously a member of the Cowlitz County School Board and the Kalama Planning Commission.

Applications for an appointment to the port commission will be accepted through 2 p.m. Wednesday, June 8, according to port executive director **Lanny Cawley**.

People

Michael Hartz, public information coordinator for Evergreen Public Schools, has been elected president-elect of the Washington School Public Relations Association.

News briefs

Joe Borich, executive director of the Washington State China Relations Council, will discuss trade with China at an Economic Insight Luncheon sponsored by the Columbia River Economic Development Council at 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 27, in Royal Oaks Country Club. Reservations for the \$30 luncheon are required. For further information, call **Dana Harroun, 694-5006**.

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Thursday on the air

Seattle Mariners at Baltimore (live)—4 p.m. FSN, KFXN
5th Annual Sammy Awards—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Nashville at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD
Clark County Land Use Hearings (live)—7 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the weather

Rick Joner in the big picture. ☼ **Barb Getz** pouring out blessings. ☼ **George Vartanian** inundated. ☼ **Jill Yates** cranking up press machine. ☼ **Pat Bauer** making lemonade. ☼ **Gerry Short** easily pleased. ☼ **Thursday**, very dry, water plants, 90. **Friday**, nothing but blue skies, 86. **Saturday**, a few clouds possible, 83.