

### **InterACT resumes First Thursday discussions at noon Friday**

InterACT, the interactive community forum at which the audience is the panel, resumes a fall schedule of events with a meeting at noon Friday, Sept. 9, in My Friends and I, 1010 Broadway.

The topic under discussion is “Do We in Clark County Have a Long-Term Vision—or Are We Just Blowing in the Wind?”

Reservations are encouraged. Lunch is \$8. For further information, call **573-5854**.

### **Vancouver Sausage Fest in 34th year**

When the three-day Vancouver Sausage Fest opens at 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, on the grounds of St. Joseph Catholic Parish, 400 Andresen Road, it marks the 34th year that the community event has provided family entertainment to benefit the children of St. Joseph School.

Elephant ears, Bavarian sausage dinners, corn on the cob, and barbecued chicken and ribs are staples of the event for which there is no admission charge. For children, there are carnival rides and a midway. There are free shows at the main stage and, in the adults-only beer garden, for which there is usually a cover charge, there is musical entertainment, headlined at 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, by **Linda Hornbuckle and Special Guests**.

Arts and crafts vendors are on hand throughout sausage fest hours, which are 5 to midnight, Friday, 10 a.m. to midnight Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday.

The entertainment schedule in the beer garden is as follows:

- Friday** 6 p.m. **Civil Disturbance**  
9 p.m. **Kalakoa**
- Saturday** 1 p.m. **Inner City Blues**  
3 p.m. **Linda Hornbuckle and Special Guests**  
6 p.m. **Metro**  
9 p.m. **The Retros**
- Sunday** 2 p.m. **Oregon Polka Band**  
3:30 p.m. **Columbia Cut-Ups**  
5:30 p.m. **Kansas City Rhythm Kings**

Parking is free at MacArthur Middle School and Marshall Elementary School, from which free shuttle service is offered. For further information, call **693-4050**.

### **Acclaimed Lewis and Clark exhibit opens**

#### **Friday in Water Resources Education Center**

A Lewis and Clark Expedition exhibit, “Discovering the Rivers of Lewis and Clark,” seen by over one and a half million persons since its debut in 2001, is being presented in the Water Resources Education Center, Friday, Sept. 9, through Friday, Oct. 28. Family-centered activities relating to the exhibit have been scheduled for 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10.

The exhibit offers visitors a chance to follow along the Lewis and Clark Trail, view hand-drawn maps, read excerpts from expedition journals, and to see and hear how the rivers have changed over the past 200 years. The exhibit is co-sponsored by American Rivers, The U.S. Army, The History Channel and the Dibner Fund.

There is no admission charge at the center, which is operated by the City of Vancouver at 4600 Columbia Way.

### **Parking lot sale to help Hurricane Katrina victims**

#### **Seventh-day Adventists accepting sale items**

The Seventh-day Adventist Church is accepting quality items to sell at a Sunday, Sept. 11, parking lot sale at its 9711 St. Johns Boulevard location in Vancouver. Proceeds from the 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. sale will be used to help victims of Hurricane Katrina.

For further information, call **Louise Craig, 696-2511**.

### **Calendar**

Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce Business After Hours is at 5 p.m. today in the Corwin Beverage Company Pepsi-Cola plant, 219 S Timm Road, Ridgefield. Membership admission is \$10. ☞ The Greater Brush Prairie Neighborhood Association meets at 7 p.m. this evening in the CASEE Center B Building, 11104 NE

149th Street.

### Boy, were we ever wrong

The *Insider* yesterday reported from a September 1 news release from the Port of Ridgefield that ground would be broken yesterday on a 30,000-square-foot, class A office building at the Ridgefield I-5 junction. We said construction had begun. Not so. Read in *The Columbian* this morning that the deal fell through. Port executive director **Brent Grening** confirmed today that the ground breaking was canceled and the proposed project has been set aside.

The *Insider* does *not* copy any news information from other news media. Rather, we rely on first-hand reporting and information from businesses and organizations for our reporting. But, as always, we have our own ways of making our own mistakes.

### Thursday Headlines at home and abroad

[Columbian expansion in downtown Vancouver begins with \\$30 million newspaper office building south of Esther Short Park--Columbian, \*\*Julia Anderson\*\*](#)

[Local churches helping hurricane victims--Columbian](#)

[Clark County Historical Museum in 96-year-old Carnegie Library building to get remodel--Columbian, \*\*Dean Baker\*\*](#)

[Local law enforcement organizations getting electronic equipment to help track stolen vehicles--Columbian, \*\*Kelly Adams\*\*](#)

[9-1-1 Center holding open house Saturday--Columbian, \*\*John Branton\*\*](#)

[Disaster highlights our frailties--Columbian, \*\*Tom Koenninger\*\*](#)

[Public welcome to attend campus sex lectures--Oregonian, \*\*Dee Anne Finken\*\*](#)

[A state law prohibiting political candidates from lying about their opponents is an unconstitutional violation of free speech and chills political discourse, a state appeals court ruled yesterday--Seattle Times, \*\*David Postman\*\*](#)

[A grand jury has indicted a political action committee formed by U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay and a Texas business group in connection with 2002 legislative campaign contributions--USA](#)

[TODAY, AP](#)

[Researchers say human brain is still evolving--New York Times, \*\*Nicholas Wade\*\*](#)

### Thursday on the air

Sgt. Brad Crawford Park Dedication—5:30 p.m. CVTV

Atlanta at Portland Timbers (live)—7 p.m. KZNY

Clark County Land Use Hearings (live)—7 p.m. CVTV

### Town Tabloids and the weather

**Pat Jollota** properly toasted. ☞ **Sondra** and **Lee Powell** hosting with skill and charm. ☞ **Flossy Wager** lending class. ☞ **Val** and **Dan Ogden** affixing personal stamp of approval. ☞ Recent arrival of **Michael John Metcalf**, 7 pounds, 12 ounces, to **Mike** and **Tomi Ann Metcalf**, elevates **Ginger Metcalf** to Grandma. ☞ **Thursday**, mostly sunny, 80. **Friday**, cloudy, probable showers, 69. **Saturday**, continued precipitation, 68.