

Hilton to hire 200 prior to June 1 grand opening

Hilton Hotels announced today that the Hilton Vancouver, the city's "largest and most luxurious hotel, which opens Wednesday, June 1, will hire almost 200 new employees, according to spokesperson **JJ Wills**.

The Hilton will hold job fairs 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, March 28, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 29. Both events will be in the Vancouvercenter Building just north of the Hilton adjacent to Esther Short Park.

"We are looking for enthusiastic people who have a passion for service and who have a great work ethic," Wills says.

Openings range from housekeeping to cashiers, accounting clerks to concierges. An equal opportunity employer, the Hilton offers full-time benefits, 401K retirement, tuition reimbursement and travel benefits, according to Wills. For further information, go to www.vancouverwashington.hilton.com.

Local freight mobility gets attention from state Transportation boss

Washington State Transportation Secretary **Doug MacDonald** joins local business and community leaders in a discussion of southwest Washington freight mobility from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, March 23, in the state Department of Transportation regional headquarters at 11018 NE 51st Circle, near Gher Road and Highway 500.

"Improving transportation infrastructure in southwest Washington and the state is vital to improving the local economy," reports **John McKibbin**, president of the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, sponsor of the event.

"We are looking forward to providing input to secretary MacDonald and our elected officials on this important issue. From backups on the I-5 bridge to the unique needs of our local high-tech businesses, freight mobility has huge impacts on the ability of business to compete and expand," McKibbin says.

McKibbin says there is no charge for the event and the public is welcome to attend, but space is limited and reservations are required. For further information, call **694-2588**.

Camas school board interviewing four candidates for superintendent

The Camas School District board this evening interviews four candidates for the position of superintendent of the district. The interviews are public and begin at 7 p.m. in the Camas High School Theatre.

In the running are **Mike Nerland**, principal at Camas High School, **Steven Smedley**, superintendent of the Tenino School District and former principal in the Washougal School District, **Susanne Walker**, executive director of student services, Shoreline School District, and **Suzanne Cusick**, assistant superintendent, K-12 Operations, Hillsboro School District.

Treaty Trail exhibit at museum continues through March 31

One hundred and fifty years ago Gov. Isaac Stevens, the first governor of the Washington Territory, and northwest Indian leaders set the stage for current relationships among native American nations and the United States, although not necessarily because the treaties were kept.

A traveling exhibit mounted by the Washington State Historical Society, the "Northwest Treaty Trail of 1854-56," continues at the Clark County Historical Museum through Thursday, March 31.

The museum at 1511 Main Street, is open between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission is charged to all except museum members. For further information, call **Susan Tissot**, **993-5679**.

College of Naturopathic Medicine sponsoring Women's Health lectures

The first of a series of free lectures on women's health, sponsored by the National College of Naturopathic Medicine is at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 24, in the Natural Health Center, 2220 SW 1st Avenue, Portland.

The series continues once a month, according to spokesperson **Susan Hunter**. For further information, call (503) 552-1512.

Clark County Chamber of Commerce sets first golf tournament in May

The new Clark County Chamber of Commerce, which is sponsoring its first golf tournament, will use the proceeds to establish and maintain a yearly college scholarship, according to **Daniel French**, chair of the

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"Weeding Symposium and Golf Classic."

Registration for the tournament, which begins at noon, Friday, May 20, at the Tri-Mountain Golf Course, Ridgefield, is \$99 per person through Sunday, May 1. For further information, call **258-1181**.

People

Steve Keith, Clark College decathlete, placed fifth out of ten athletes at the recent multi-state Chico State, Calif., competition and has been named Clark College Male Athlete for February. Clark College women's basketball player, recently named to the West Region All-Star Team, has been named Clark College Women Athlete for February.

News briefs

Clark County commissioners meet in an informal session at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 23. KISN Radio and Les Schwab Tire Stores are promoting Easter Seals fund raising this week through the sale of bunches of fresh-cut tulips, reports **John Williams**, KISN. Through Saturday, March 26, bouquets of ten tulips are being sold for \$5 at Les Schwab locations. Larger amounts of tulips can be ordered by calling **Jani Jason**, **571-8041**.

Tuesday headlines from at home and around the world:

WSU Vancouver gets \$1.5 million piece of Gregoire's recommended budget--Columbian, **Don Jenkins**Budget includes millions for Clark County--Columbian

Vancouver council approves sewer extension into urban area--Oregonian, Allan Brettman

Costs matter when keeping jobs in the U.S.--Columbian, Don Brunell

La Center to interview school superintendent candidates Friday--Oregonian, Holley Gilbert

Silliness remains on the menu at Ivar's--Seattle P-I, Dan Richman

Mt. Hood Meadows reopens after getting new snow--KATU, Brian Barker

Brian Baird bucks Demos on Schiavo vote--KGW-TV, AP

17-year-old Minnesota school shooter who killed nine, held Nazi views--USA TODAY, AP

Fed boosts interest rate for the 7th time since June--Washington Post, Nell Henderson

Tuesday on the air

City Minutes—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Close Up—5 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Focus—5:30 p.m. CVTV
Portland Blazers at Sacramento (live)—7 p.m. KGW-TV, KXL, KXMG
2005 Women of Achievement—7 p.m. CVTV
Bravo! Vancouver: Missa Solemnis—8:30 p.m. CVTV
Our Religious Communities: Diversity or Adversity—10:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the weather

Patrick McGary's natal day has passed, but it was a proper day indeed. Jim Seekins looking for extinguisher. David Beecher taking on tonsorial chores. JJ Wills cranking up promotion machine. Tom Hunt getting out notepad. Richard Runabear making introductions. Tuesday, more showers likely, 59. Wednesday, more precipitation expected, 53. Thursday, mostly cloudy, possible showers, 52.