Injured officer doing well

Vancouver Police Corporal **Chris LeBlanc** is recovering from a gunshot wound during a SWAT operation at a residence in Southeast Vancouver Wednesday morning.

Thursday, LeBlanc underwent surgery at Southwest Washington Medical Center. According to **Kim Kapp**, Vancouver Police Department spokesperson, all indications from the medical staff are that LeBlanc came through the surgery just fine and is doing well.

LeBlanc was hired by the Vancouver Police Department in April 1997, was promoted from the rank of police officer to corporal in November 2006 and was recently assigned to the Special Operations Division after working in patrol for most of his career with the Vancouver Police Department. He is a long time member of the SW Washington Regional SWAT Team.

Chris LeBlanc

Children's Center benefits from Tommy O's grand opening

When Tommy O's Pacific Rim Bistro and Lounge at 8th and Washington Streets celebrated the grand opening of the new full-service lounge last month, owner **Tommy Owens** promised profits from the evening would be given to the Children's Center. Receiving a recreation of a $3,000 check from the event from Owens, far right, are, left to right, **Pat Beckett**, Children's Center executive director, and **Pat McArthur** and **Anita Elliott**, both friends of the Vancouver-based center, which provides mental health services for local children. The nonprofit agency offers extensive outreach programs through the Evergreen and Vancouver School Districts.

InterACT looking to move from vision to action

InterACT Clark County and Sustainable Clark County have scheduled a half-day "World Café" discussion aimed at moving from a vision of sustainability to action-creating sustainability. The program opens at 9 a.m. and concludes at 12:30 p.m. Saturday, July 21, in the Royce Pollard Community Room in the Firstenburg Center, 700 NE 136th Avenue.

The session is a follow-up of a countywide June sustainability conference, according to spokesperson **Dan Sockle**.

There is no charge for the event, but tax-deductible donations to InterACT will be accepted. For further information, call Sockle at **573-7210**, or **Heather Tischbein** at **609-2644**.

Washington Technology Center offering entrepreneurs help in getting research grants

Entrepreneurs and organizations in need of funding for research into new technologies and improvements on existing technologies can obtain guidance and assistance at a grant information session presented by the Washington Technology Center.

Entrepreneurs who have successfully received research and technology grants, and small business innovation research grants will be on-hand to answer questions at the four-hour session that begins at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 7, in room 1 in the Multimedia Class Room Building at the Washington State University Vancouver Salmon Creek Campus.

Bart Phillips, executive director of the Columbia River Economic Development Council, will moderate a panel discussion by grant recipients and small business consultants.

The event is free of charge and includes lunch with advance registration, according to WTC spokesperson

Michele Morgan. Online registration is available by going to **http://www.vancouver.wsu.edu/events/wtc/** before Monday, July 30. For further information, call Morgan at **(206) 616-4187**.

News brief

Portland International Airport officials advise that air travelers may experience added traffic congestion near the airport on Wednesday, July 25, due to the grand opening of the new IKEA store at Cascade Station. The event is expected to draw large crowds and could create new traffic congestion to and from the airport. In addition to I-205 and Airport Way, local roads near the airport, including Alderwood Road and 82nd Avenue, will be much busier than usual for several weeks after the store opens, particularly on weekends.

Calendar

The **Doobie Brothers** headline this year's Hot July Nights in Esther Short Park at 8 p.m. this evening. **KC Fuller**'s two-day Hot July Nights celebration begins at 4:30 p.m. Portland singer **Linda Hornbuckle** opens at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, July 21, is a triple header. The gates open at 4:30 p.m. **Tim Ellis** and **Jim Walker** perform at 5:30 p.m., followed by **The Four Tops** at 7 p.m. Closing out the annual event are the **Temptations**, whose concert opens at 8:30 p.m. Food, wine and beer vendors are in attendance. Friday tickets are $35 each. Saturday tickets are $30. Tickets are available through Ticketmaster or at the gate. **<>** Arts Equity is presenting **Steve Martin**'s comedy, *Picasso at the Lapin Agile*, directed by **Llewellyn Rhoe**, at 8 p.m. this evening and 8 p.m. Saturday, July 21, in the Main Street Theatre, 606 Main Street. Tickets range from $15 to $24. A dinner-theater package with the Restaurant in the Historic Reserve is $55. A full bar opens at 7:15 p.m. For further information, call Rhoe at **695-3770**.

Friday on the air

Seattle Mariners at Toronto (live)—4 p.m. KRCW, KFXX
Primary Video Voters' Guide—4:01 p.m. CVTV
Clark College Commencement—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Economics of Happiness (6/22)—6:30 p.m. CVTV
Tucson at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD
Columbia River Crossing Task Force (6/26)—7:30 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver Brass at City Club of Portland (6/22)—10 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver Fire Department Awards (6/21)—11 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Noel Johnson getting new visitors. **<> Brian Heurlin** lending stature as usual. **<> Ara Serjoie** taking action. **<> Nan Henriksen** admiring good news about Camas. **<> Mike Worthy** unable to leap over low fence. **<> Mary Granger** planting seeds. **<> Friday**, early showers, clearing in the late afternoon, 70. **Saturday**, a few more early showers, clearing in the afternoon. 70. **Sunday**, more showers, 72.