

Alex Montoya named Clark College dean of enrollment services

Alex Montoya, director of financial aid at Clark College and, for the past year, interim dean of enrollment services, has been appointed dean of enrollment services.

Montoya is a graduate of Evergreen High School, Lower Columbia Community College and Evergreen State College. He earned a master of science degree in management communication from the University of Portland. Montoya is a former Marine.

Montoya, who has 11 years' experience in higher education, is a member of the Washington State Financial Aid Council and the Washington Association of Financial Aid Administrators. He is a former president of the Washington State Multicultural Student Services Directors' Council and a former member of the Washington State Latino Caucus. For the past two years he has been head coach of a Longview Youth Soccer Association team.

Breakfast seminar on how to get the most out of business editors offered by the Vancouver chamber

"Power Breakfast with the Business Editors," sponsored by the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce from 8 to 9:30 a.m. Thursday, May 31, in the Hilton Vancouver Washington, is designed to provide attendees with tips on how to get the most out of business editors, according to moderator **Katlin Smith**, principal of UrbanWords Group.

The event, which includes a continental breakfast, is sub-titled "How to Increase Your Media Coverage."

Panelists are as follows: **Julia Anderson**, *The Columbian*, **Jessica Swanson**, *Vancouver Business Journal*, **Rob Smith**, *Portland Business Journal*, **Justin Stranzl**, *Daily Journal of Commerce*, **Kristian Folden-Vencil**, Oregon Public Broadcasting, **Ben Santarris**, *The Oregonian*, and **Joe Smith**, KGW-TV.

Pre-registration deadline is Wednesday, May 30. Chamber members will be charged \$20, all others, \$25. To register, call **694-2588**.

Crime victims to get notification of offenders' jail releases

The Clark County sheriff's office, working in partnership with the state Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs, is now notifying crime victims of the release of offenders from the Clark County jail, reports county sheriff **Garry Lucas**.

According to Lucas, notification can be made by telephone or email. Victims can also confirm whether an offender is still in jail.

According to Lucas, most offenders are eventually released from jail by posting bail, by promising to appear at future court dates, after completing their sentence, or as a result of jail overcrowding. In a time of limited jail space and scarce drug, alcohol and mental health programs, offenders are often released early.

Baird and Murray introduce legislation To bring federal court house to Vancouver

U.S. Rep. **Brian Baird** (D-3rd) and U.S. Sen. **Patty Murray** (D-Wash.) introduced identical legislation in the U.S. House and Senate that is the first step in bringing a United States district courthouse to Vancouver. The only federal courthouses in western Washington are in Seattle, Tacoma and Bellingham.

A federal courthouse in Vancouver would ease the caseload in Seattle and Tacoma and would make it easier for southern Washington residents and law officers to access the federal legal system.

Baird says he believes that the process to get a federal courthouse here will be long.

People

U.S. Army Specialist **Joseph Tranchsel** returned from a nearly year-long combat mission in Afghanistan early this morning. Tranchsel was one of 60 soldiers from the Oregon Army National Guard's 41st Brigade Combat Team who were flown into the Portland Air National Guard base. Tranchsel helped train members of the Afghan National Army and the Afghanistan Police Force.



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Calendar

A limited number of tickets are available at the door for this weekend's performances of *Seussical* presented by the Christian Youth Theater in the Columbia Arts Center, 400 W Evergreen Boulevard. The musical is being performed at 7 p.m. this evening, 3 and 7 p.m. Saturday, May 26, and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 27. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for kids. <> Monday, May 28 is officially observed as Memorial Day. Governmental offices, banks and many businesses will be closed. The *Insider* will not be published. <> U.S. Rep. **Brian Baird** (D-3rd) will discuss the impact of current Congressional initiatives on southern Washington businesses at a Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce breakfast at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 29, in the Gaiser Student Center at Clark College. Breakfast is \$20 for chamber members, \$30 for non-members. Call **694-25887** for further information. <> Clark Public Utilities' commissioners meet in regular session at 9 a.m. Tuesday, May 29.

On the Air

Seattle Mariners at Kansas City (live)—5 p.m. FSN, KFX

SW Washington Transportation: Economy & Infrastructure (5/23)—5:30 p.m. CVTV

Portland Beavers at Las Vegas (live)—7 p.m. KKAD

Animal Control Hearings (5/9)—7 p.m. CVTV

Clark County Youth Achievement (5/19)—7:30 p.m. CVTV

Army News Watch—9 p.m. FVTV

Clark County Focus (5/17)—9:30 p.m. CVTV

Clark County Land Use Hearings (5/24)—10 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

George Martin and **Cheri Cole** doing "I do's." <> **Carol Lindstrom** and **Dana Larson** drying floors. <> **Nelsen Kymm** generating positive thoughts. <> **Chris Redman** right on time. <> **Sara Case** providing details. <> **Jon Yamishita** coming to colleague's aid. <> **Friday**, partly cloudy, 76. **Saturday**, still warm, some clouds, possible light showers, 74. **Sunday**, gray in the morning, sunny in the afternoon, 71.