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### **Andrew Alexander named BOCC** project coordinator



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Andrew Alexander, Clark County native who interned with the Bank of Clark County in 2006, has been appointed to the newly created position of project coordinator, reports bank chairman Mike Worthy. Alexander will work with the bank's executive team.

Alexander is a graduate of Washington State University Pullman, where he was also a resident advisor. He also worked with the Community Service Learning Center in Pullman. Alexander is an active member of Sacred Heart Parish in Battle Ground.

### **Evening tour of Port of Vancouver set**

The Port of Vancouver has scheduled at evening tour of the Port of Vancouver from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25. The tour includes a presentation by port deputy executive director **Todd Coleman** and a light evening meal.

Participants will be shown a look inside the secure area at the port and will see up close the port's mobile harbor crane, largest of its kind in North America. The crane is capable of lifting two space shuttles.

There is no charge for the tour, but reservations are required and participants must have photo identification available. For further information and reservations on this special evening tour or for day-time tours, call Andrew Ness, 992-1162.

### Homework Helpline back on the air

Homework Helpline returns to the air at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct, 23, on Comcast cable television channel 28. The program is in its 19th season of providing homework assistance in all subject areas and at all grade levels to viewers from all schools in Clark County, reports **Doug Hamilton**, manager of Video Services for Evergreen Public Schools.

To request homework assistance, viewers may call 896-4357 and speak with a tutor during show hours, or they may leave a phone message at any time requesting a return call for homework help. Tutoring requests can also be posted to the program's Web page at http://hwhl.egreen.wednet.edu.

The live call-in program airs Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings, 7-8 p.m. and runs from October 23 through May 28, 2008.

#### **News briefs**

Former Oregon governor John **Kitzhaber** will be the featured speaker at the day-long annual Healthcare Communicators of Oregon conference on marketing and communications Friday, Nov. 2, according to the organization's president Ken Cole, manager of public affairs and communications at Southwest Washington Medical Center. For further information on the conference, call Cole at **514-3066**. <> The Portland Aerial Tram carried its one millionth passenger since the transportation facility began operating last December.

### Calendar

The first of two public open houses discussing progress on planning improvements The recently completed unofficial welcoming mural on Vancoufor the I-5 corridor between Vancouver and Portland, including upgrading the Interstate Bridge crossing, is being presented by the staff of the Columbia River Crossing Task Force at



ver's 6th Street, is a collaborative effort between the Clark County Mural Society and Vancouver's Downtown Association, according to society chairman Jerry Rolling. The photograph of the mural on the south wall of the Econo Lodge was taken Tuesday by Larry Easter.

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between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. this evening in the former Hayden Island Yacht Club, 12050 N Jantzen Drive. The second open house in the current series will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 20, in Lincoln Elementary School, 4200 Daniels Street. **<> Ann Johnson** will present her "Line vs. Shape" lecture, using her quilts to illustrate the basic concepts of design, and the tools used to achieve them, at 5:30 p.m. this evening in Administration Building, room 130 in Washington State University Vancouver. The lecture is free. Johnston's unique quilts are on display in the WSU Vancouver Administration building gallery now through Nov. 28. For further information, call **Lea Robertson**, **546-9600**. **<>** The state Higher Education Coordinating Board is holding a public meeting at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, in the Hamilton Building, 1101 Officers Row to gather comment about the future of higher education in Washington state. This is one of several meetings being held throughout the state to help formulate a new 10-year strategic master plan for higher education.

### Oops, doggone it

Yesterday the *Insider* reported that newly appointed Clark County Community Services director **Vanessa Gaston** would succeed **Rich Carson**. That is not so, as dozens of *Insider* readers have reported. Gaston succeeds **Mike Piper** in that job. Carson, who recently left the county, was director of Clark County Community Development.

The Department of Community Services works in partnership with other agencies, jurisdictions, and the people of Clark County to plan and manage social services and to achieve a safe and healthy community. Most services are contracted to agencies providing direct services throughout Clark County.

The Department of Community Development is primarily involved in County code enforcement and the building permit process.

### Wednesday on the air

Clark County Commissioners (10/9)—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Camas Mayoral Candidates Forum—6 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver Planning Commission (10/9)—7:30 p.m. CVTV
General Election Video Voters' Guide—8:10 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver General Election Candidates Night (10/16)—8:30 p.m. CVTV
Introduction to Shoreline Management (10-2)—10:30 p.m. CVTV

### **Town Tabloids and the Weather**

**Lee Davis** making successful call. <> **Brian Davis** celebrating Halloween in Tigard. <> **Beth Taylor** pointing out correction. **Mike Kasner** busy reporting. <> **Kristine Perry** talking the walk. <> **Leo Kuzmin** setting the standard. <> **Amanda Larsen** replenishing candy bowl. <> **Wednesday**, rain, possible thunder showers, 56. **Thursday**, rainy and windy, 56. **Friday**, rain, wind, possible thunder showers, 57.