

Murdock Charitable Trust's Terry Stokesbary named senior program manager for Enrichment Initiatives

Terry L. Stokesbary has been appointed senior program director for Enrichment Initiatives with the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust, trust executive director **Steve Moore** announced today.

Stokesbary, who joined the trust in 1997, will direct, coordinate and facilitate initiatives to enrich the effectiveness of non-profit institutions, organizations, and their leaders, according to Moore.

"The trust has found that helping organizations plan and work more strategically and purposefully leads to increased levels of impact and effectiveness," Moore says.

Stokesbary previously was with the national youth organization Young Life for 25 years. He is a graduate of Washington State University and Fuller Theological Seminary.

The Vancouver-based M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust was created in 1975 from the estate of the late Melvin J. (Jack) Murdock. The Trust seeks to be a partner with non-profit organizations through grants and programs that nurture and enrich the educational, cultural, social, and spiritual lives of individuals, families, and communities in creative and sustainable ways, according to Moore. For further information, go to <http://www.murdock-trust.org>.



Terry Stokesbary

K9 Dakota's career short but successful



Roger Evans and Dakota

K9 Dakota was shot and killed Tuesday while searching for an armed suspect as part of a mission with the Southwest Washington Regional SWAT Team. The suspected shooter is being held in the Clark County jail.

Dakota was born in Slovakia in July 2002 and put into full service with the Vancouver department in July 2006. During that just-under 15-month period Dakota was responsible for 150 narcotics finds and 100 suspect captures. Dakota's handler was officer **Roger Evans**.

A news release from the Vancouver Police Department states: "The Vancouver Police Department is saddened by the death of K9 Dakota and truly appreciates the outpouring of support from the community during this difficult time."

Utility district approves water conservation rates

Clark Public Utilities' commissioners have adopted a conservation rate for its water utility customers, placing a premium of 60 percent for residential customers who use more than 3,600 cubic of water during a month.

According to utility spokesman **Mick Shutt**, the conservation rates will affect only about 17 percent of the utility's water customers.

The residential rate of \$1.38 per 100 cubic feet of water remains unchanged, up to a total of 3,600 cubic feet a month. The conservation rate will be \$2.21 per 100 cubic feet beyond the first 3,600 cubic feet.

The new rate closely tracks the costs of meeting peak demand in summer months, according to Shutt.

Local Red Cross volunteers helping California fire victims

Over a dozen volunteers from the Red Cross of Southwest Washington are among the more than 50 volunteers from across the state either in or on their way to California to provide assistance to wildfire victims.

According to local Red Cross spokesperson **Shirley Morgan**, a disaster relief vehicle and five volunteers were sent to California yesterday and nine more are on their way today.

David Denton, development director for the local Red Cross, leaves Thursday to participate in fund-raising

other support activities. Fenton and other Red Cross officials will be seeking corporate contributions in terms of goods, services and money in the fire disaster area.

According to Fenton, the southwest Washington Red Cross chapter has a large number of trained volunteers who can respond where they are needed and locally when they are needed.

Of the California wildfires, Fenton says the damage in terms of total dollars could be greater than that of Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans.

All American Red Cross disaster assistance is free, made possible by voluntary donations of time and money, says Morgan. The Red Cross of Southwest Washington telephone number is **693-5821**.

People

Joe Greulich and **Phillip Brown** have been reappointed to the Clark County Bicycle Advisory Committee. **Patricia Janik** has been reappointed to the Clark County Public Health Advisory Council, representing social services agencies.

Calendar

Calling the meeting “Coffee with Your Commissioners,” Port of Ridgefield commissioners are holding an open house from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 24, in the Ridgefield Community Center, 210 Main Avenue. The meeting is intended to review plans and to receive public input on proposed Ridgefield waterfront goals. <> The second in a series of “Start Talking Before They Start Drinking” program on alcohol and substance abuse is from 7 to 9 p.m. this evening in the First United Methodist Church, 33rd and Main Streets. The program includes a youth panel. For further information, call **885-6579**. <> The state Higher Education Coordinating Board meets in public session at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, on the Salmon Creek campus of Washington State University Vancouver. <> Clark County Community Pride Design Awards are being presented during a program that begins at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 25, in the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street.

Wednesday on the air

Port of Vancouver Commissioners (10/23)—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Colorado at Boston (live)—5 p.m. FSN, KFX
Seattle at Portland Blazers (live)—7 p.m. KGW-TV, KXL
Vancouver Candidates Night—7:30 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver Land Use Hearings (10/16)—9 p.m. CVTV
Vancouver Chamber of Commerce (9/12)—9:30 p.m. CVTV
Marshall Center Grand Re-opening (9/16)—10:40 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Planning Commission (10/18)—11 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Mark Becker talking delayed comp. <> **Alex Meinig** picking good day for dinner. <> **Jennifer Larson** doing chores successfully. <> **Mike Worthy** again wearing Duck cap. <> **Greg Flakus** supplying chapeau. <> **Donna Cantonwine-Wend** soaking up rays. <> **Wednesday**, cloudy and cooling, probable late showers, 60. **Thursday**, sun returns, 58. **Friday**, mostly sunny, 62.