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#### 101-year-old Kiggins house makes 18 block move in seven hours; house movers approach moon landing precision

It almost seemed to be done in nearly a day's work– seven hours on city streets Sunday—for a crew from Scappoose-based Northwest Structural Moving to move the 101-year-old J. P. Kiggins home from its Evergreen Boulevard site to its new location 18 blocks away at the foot of H Street in the Arnada neighborhood.

In all there were seven turns on city streets, not including backing the huge home to its final resting place next door to **Bruce** and **Judith Wood**, who will make the historic home theirs later this year.

How do house movers move a three-story house other than carefully? With great skill.

Hundreds turned out yesterday to watch scampering orange-shirted structural movers weave in and out from



J. P. Kiggins historic 101-year-old home was moved from Evergreen Boulevard to Arnada neighborhood Sunday

beneath the creeping structure, working the dollies beneath to negotiate street corners fit only for automobiles. On straight stretches the six-wheel-drive Oskosh tow truck got up to three miles an hour, all the while missing every power and telephone pole, scraping off only a few outreaching tree limbs.

So accurately did the movers negotiate narrow residential streets they didn't have to back up and try again, at least while this photographer was watching.

Movers laid plastic sheets beneath the wheels during turns, and laid plywood over grass and timbers alongside curbs. In the aftermath it was hard to tell that a gigantic piece of Vancouver's history had gone by.

# Neighborhoods present another forum on light rail Wednesday

In a continuing series of neighborhood forums on light rail, a group of neighborhood associations will discuss construction costs, operational costs, maintenance costs, and taxes and fees related to light rail should a line be extended from Portland to Vancouver.

This forum will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 4, in the Water Resource Education Center, 4600 SW Columbia Way. Speakers are **Jeff Hamm**, executive director of C-TRAN, and State Sen. **Craig Pridemore** (D-49th).

There is no charge for the forum.

#### County gets good marks in state audit

#### of responses to public records requests

Clark County is listed as one of the counties providing best practices in responding to requests for public records by the state auditor **Brian Sonntag**.

In eight out of ten cases, Clark County's responses to requests for public records were completed faster than the state average.

County commissioners will hold a public hearing on the auditor's report at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 10.

The City of Vancouver also received high marks for its responses to requests for public records.

#### Mears, Holmberg speakers for June 13

#### Leadership Clark County graduation

**Tom Mears**, chairman of the board of Holland Inc., will be the keynote speaker for the 2008 Leadership Clark County graduation scheduled for 7 p.m. Friday, June 13, in Washington State University Vancouver.

Nelson Holmberg, class of 2008, is the class speaker.

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The graduation is sponsored by New Phoenix Casino. A reception follows. For further information, call Kathy Scott, 567-1085.

## Rural Lands Task Force holding initial meeting

Clark County's newly created Rural Lands Task Force is holding its first meeting at 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, in the Dollars Corner Fire Station, 21609 NE 72nd Avenue.

The task force is charged with helping guide planning for rural lands in the county.

Representing the unincorporated areas near Amboy, Battle Ground, Camas, La Center, Vancouver,

Woodland and Yacolt are: Ginger Burr, Sharon Bussler, Dan Dupuis, Russ Grattan, Doug Hagedorn, David Halme, Rocque Merritt, Monty Multanen, Danny Walsh, Byron Woltersdorf, David Zine and Robert Zumstein. For further information, call Gordon Euler, 397-2280, extension 4968. Calendar

The Vancouver City Council meets in workshop session at 4 p.m. today. <> The Vancouver City Council meets in regular session at 7 p.m. this evening. <> Clark Public Utilities commissioners meet in regular session at 9 a.m. Tuesday, June 3. <> Port of Vancouver commissioners have rescheduled their 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 3, meeting to 9:30 a.m. Thursday, June 5. <> Clark County commissioners meet in regular session at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 3. <> The Southwest Washington Metropolitan Transportation Council meets at 4 p.m. Tuesday, June 3, in the training room in the Public Service Center.

#### Monday on the air

Vancouver City Council Workshop (live)—4 p.m. CVTV Vancouver City Council (live)—7 p.m. CVTV Los Angeles at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KFXX Las Vegas at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD Northwest Indian News—7 p.m. CVTV Brian Baird: Health Care Council (5/28)—11 p.m. CVTV

#### Town Tabloids and the Weather

Steve Burdick watching the action. <> Oliver Hidden looking for traction. <> Celia Colson watching for wide turns. <> Kathy Helgason taking on Chicken Little role. <> Ray Bachman hitting another home run. <> Gerald Baugh working a little closer to home. <> Monday, gray, 53-66. Tuesday, beginning of the drismal days, showers, 51-60. Wednesday, showers, 50-61.