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Ray Barney's work ethic rewarded with 4-day expense-paid vacation



Ray Barney

Ray Barney, who works 8 a.m. to noon five days a week at Vancouver-based HDJ Design Group, was nominated by co-worker **Bonnie Cross** as Washington's Outstanding Older Worker. The competition was sponsored by Experience Works Inc., and Barney won the statewide competition.

With the honor goes a four-day all-expense-paid trip for two to Washington, D.C., where he will be honored along with other older workers this fall.

Barney, who earned an engineering degree from Purdue University 56 years ago, has been working ever since, apart from a lull while recovering from multiple heart bypass surgery two years ago. He joined Hopper Dennis Jellison Engineering, now known as HDJ Design Group, in 1995.

The nomination was based on Barney's community involvement and his work for HDJ Design Group.

While in Washington, D.C., Ray and his wife, Port of Vancouver commissioner **Nancy Baker**, will attend a press conference at the National Press Club and visit

Capitol Hill.

Third District Congressman **Brian Baird** has offered to take Barney kayaking on the Potomac River.

Wine and Jazz Festival opens Friday in Esther Short Park

Michael Kissinger's Vancouver Wine and Jazz Festival Friday, Aug. 22, is in Esther Short Park. Afternoon entertainers are the **Joe Powers Trio** at 4 p.m. and the **Art Resnick Trio** at 6 p.m. Headlining the opening day at 8 p.m. is the internationally acclaimed blues and ballad singer-songwriter **Judy Collins**.

In addition to three days of jazz and music, the festival offers the products of ten restaurants and caterers, 30 wineries and 50 artists.

The Rippingtons close out Saturday's entertainment schedule with a show at 8:30 p.m. The closer Sunday is New Orleans's **Preservation Hall Jazz Band**.

Single day admission is \$20 on Friday, \$25 on Saturday and Sunday. Children under 12 are free when accompanied by a parent or guardian.

For further information, go to www.vancouverwinejazz.com.

2008 Bow Wow Luau features Élan & Kenji

Élan & Kenji, from America's Greatest Dog competition, headline the SW Washington Humane Society's Bow Wow Luau annual event, which opens at noon, Saturday, Aug. 23, in the parking lot of Beastie Boutique, 13023 NE Highway 99.

Kenji is a giant Schnauzer, owned by Élan. The pair were contestants on *The Greatest American Dog* competition, a summer CBS television reality show.

Pet adoptions will be offered, and pet vendors will be on-hand. The humane society is asking for a \$20 donation as admission to the fundraising event. For further information, call **574-6400**.

Hands-on training preparing teachers to teach science

Scores of Southern Washington middle and elementary school teachers have been using their summer break to engage in hands-on science applications to take back to their classrooms this fall.

Educational School District 112's Science and Math Education Resource Center, which serves 30 school



Judy Collins

districts and seven private schools in Southwest Washington, has been providing to new teachers and teachers changing grades inquiry-centered training kits that will allow teachers to offer 8- to 12-week science studies in their classrooms.

The hands-on training teachers have been getting will help them repeat hands-on teaching for their students, according to **Mark Lewis**, ESD 112's Science and Math Education Resource Center director.

Calendar

A Washington State University history professor, **Candice Goucher**, tells a story of Washington state history and culture, based on what parents feed their children, in a free lecture at 7 p.m. this evening, in the Clark County Historical Museum, 1511 Main Street. The lecture is in conjunction with the museum's Smithsonian Institution exhibit, "Key Ingredients: America by Food."

Wednesday on the air

Northwest Indian News—4 p.m. FVTV

Clark County Planning Commission (live)—6:30 p.m. CVTV

Oakland at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KFX

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

Vancouver Planning Commission (8/12)—9:30 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver City Council Workshop (8/18)—10:05 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Michael Kissinger getting sunshine. <> **Kevin Morgan** taking promotion in stride. <> **Susan Tissot** getting out the guest silverware. <> **Jane Jacobson** ready for big day. <> **Kristopher Small** getting into the act. <> **Stephanie Anderson** filling in dates. <> **Thursday**, more showers, 55-70. **Friday**, summer reigns again, 59-80. **Saturday**, mostly sunny, 60-86.