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WSU Vancouver mother and son graduate in engineering together

When the students and faculty of Washington State University Vancouver gather for commencement this year at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 10, many proud parents will fill The Amphitheater at Clark County to watch their children graduate.

On that day before Mother's Day 2008, a mother will be cheering her son from the students' seating, and he will be cheering her as well.

Tami Galland, 43, and her son **Loy J. Dockery III**, 21, are both receiving bachelor of science in mechanical engineering degrees.

It was a long road for Galland, who collected credits over the years while working as an engineering technician and raising two children alone, and then blending families with marriage, which added two more children. "I started this degree in 1989," she said. "I wasn't going to let him [her oldest child] beat me to it."

Dockery will be starting his engineering professional life immediately after graduation at the Puget Sound Naval Shipyard in Bremerton

Though mother and son shared all of their classes this past year, Galland said she "tried not to be Mom" in class. "I didn't bring out the baby pictures," she said, "although I threatened to."

Galland and Dockery plan a large graduation party after Saturday's ceremony with plenty of relatives.



Mother, Tami Galland, and son, Loy Dockery III graduating together at Washington State University Vancouver.

Callegari promoted to chief investment officer at First Independent



John Callegari

John Callegari, who joined First Independent's Wealth Management Team in 2007 as a vice-president and senior portfolio manager, has been promoted to chief investment officer, **Brett Bryant**, First Independent executive vice president, announced today.

Callegari will lead the Asset Management Group, which manages more than a half billion dollars in assets for First Independent clients, as well as the bank's own portfolio.

Callegari is a graduate of Santa Clara University and holds a certified financial adviser charter holder designation.

A Camas resident, Callegari volunteers for investment committees at the Clark County Skills Center Foundation and the Vancouver National Historic Reserve.

Music Man coming to Vancouver

The Bravo! Vancouver Chorale and the Washington Chamber Orchestra will present a concert version of Meredith Willson's *The Music Man* at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 18, in St. Joseph Catholic Church, 400 S Andresen Road.

The Music Man is the story of con-man "Professor" Harold Hill who, in order to sell band instruments, convinces the people of River City, Iowa, that he can teach their children to play in a great marching band. What Hill doesn't count on

is falling in love with the town's librarian, Marian Paroo. The show was inspired by early twentieth century life in the small Iowa town of Mason City, Iowa, the boyhood home of composer Willson. Willson himself played flute in John Philip Sousa's famous band and later was principal flute in the New York Philharmonic.

The Music Man first premiered on Broadway in 1957 with Robert Preston as Harold Hill and Barbara Cook as Marian. The 1962 film version boasted an all-star cast, which included Preston, Shirley Jones, Buddy Hackett, and Ron Howard. With a Broadway revival in 2000, and a 2003 television version starring Matthew Broderick

and Kristin Chenoweth, *The Music Man* continues to be one of the best-loved musicals of all time.

Soloists for this performance are New York baritone **Charlie Baad** as Harold Hill and Seattle soprano **Mary Jo DuGaw** in the role of Marian the librarian. The performance will be conducted by **Michael Kissinger**, artistic director of Bravo! Vancouver.

Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased at Bravo! Infoline, **906-0441**, online at www.bravoconcerts.com, or at www.ticketswest.com, or by phoning **(800)-992-8499**.

Clark College one of 15 nationwide to serve as model for boomer students

Clark College is one of 15 colleges nationwide selected to participate in a three-year initiative to help develop models for innovative programs reaching out to students over the age of 50.

Clark received a \$70,000 grant from the Atlantic Philanthropies through the American Association of Community Colleges. Community College, Spokane was also included in the list of 15.

Clark was also selected to serve as a mentor to two other colleges in the three-year program. According to Clark president **Bob Knight**, Clark's record of reaching out to students over 50 in corporate and continuing education programs prompted the national organization to select Clark College as one of the lead colleges.

The national program is directed toward helping baby boomers define life after 50.

According to Knight, when Clark College opens its Columbia Tech Center campus in the fall of 2009, it will offer leisure and enrichment classes as part of the college's corporate and continuing education program.

Offerings will include kitchen classrooms, wine hobbyist business classes and classes on nutrition, ethnic cooking and local agriculture.

People

State Sen. **Craig Pridemore** has been elected to the board of trustees of Columbia River Mental Health Services, according to **Lorraine Papazian-Boyce**, president of the nonprofit organization. Pridemore previously served as interim executive director of the agency from June to December 2007. A former Clark County commissioner, Pridemore is a graduate of the University of Washington.

Thursday on the air

Seattle Mariners at Cleveland (live)—4 p.m. FSN, KFXN

Health Care Reform and Business (4/29)—5 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver Code Enforcement Appeal Hearings (4/24)—6:30 p.m. CVTV

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

Port of Vancouver (4/22)—7 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver City Council (4/21)—7:45 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver City Council Workshop (4/28)—11 CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

John Beach selling two cars. <> **Matt Schoolfield** right on time. <> **Barbara Kerr** at it again. <> **Pat Stryker** getting the word out. <> **Megan Patrick** prepping for business growth awards. <> **Thursday**, may be entirely dry, sunbreaks, 46-62. **Friday**, more light showers, 50-58. **Saturday**, more showers, sunbreaks, 45-61.