



Port of Vancouver recognized for taking green up a notch

The Port of Vancouver has been certified as a member of the Leadership Club of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Green Power Partnership for its use of green power to provide at least 60 percent of its electrical energy requirements.

While other ports, including the Port of Portland, are in EPA's Green Power Partnership, the Port of Vancouver is the only port in the United States that is included in the Leadership Club.

To achieve this, the port has \$18,018 renewable energy credits from Green Mountain Energy for 2008. Green Mountain is a northwest electric energy wind farm.

The Port of Vancouver leads all other ports in importing electric energy windmills. Last year 305 complete wind turbines were shipped to the United States over Port of Vancouver docks.

Port executive director **Larry Paulson** says that the decision by the port to become seriously involved in renewable wind energy makes good sense both environmentally and from a business standpoint.

Wind turbine imports contributed to over 72,000 longshoremen works hours during 2007, according to Paulson.

Through its purchase of green energy the port will be eliminating 1,159 metric tons of carbon dioxide associated with conventional energy production. It is the equivalent of recycling 10.4 million aluminum cans, recycling 1.7 million pounds of newspaper or removing 370 cars from the road annually.

Neighborhood associations set second forum on light rail

Fifteen Vancouver neighborhood associations have called for a second public forum on the issue of light rail crossing into Vancouver from Oregon. This will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, in the Vancouver Water Resources Center, 4600 SE Columbia Way.

The agenda is titled "Funding Light Rail." Under consideration will be construction, operation, maintenance and replacement costs. C-TRAN voting boundaries will also be discussed, as will the following taxes and fees: gasoline tax, sales tax, property tax, car tab, vehicle weight fee, tolls, vehicle value tax, vehicle capacity tax and employee tax.

The forums are sponsored by the following neighborhood associations: Airport Green, Arnada, Bella Vista, Central Park, Fircrest, Harney Heights, Hough, Hudson Bay, Landover-Sharmel, Lincoln, Marrion, Ogden, Riveridge, Rose Village and Shumway. Further information can be requested by going to

vancouver.neighbors@gmail.com.

William Hundley named Stevenson-Carson school superintendent

William Hundley, who has served as Stevenson-Carson School District interim superintendent since January, yesterday was named permanent superintendent of the 1,000-student school district. Hundley succeeds **Jim Saltness**, who resigned last October for health reasons.

Hundley had retired as superintendent of the Woodland School District in 2007, following a 34-year career in education.

Leadership Clark County study includes survey

Leadership Clark County's study of civic participation within Clark County has reached a data collection phase, including a survey being conducted through Saturday, April 5.

The survey is available to *dailyinsider* readers by clicking here, http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=U2qFt_2fGP3F_2bax_2fcl6klHAA_3d_3d or by clicking on the LCC symbol at the top of the right column in the *dailyinsider*, through April 5.

The survey will be absolutely confidential, according to **Cheryl Bledsoe** of the LCC leadership team. For further information, call Bledsoe at **992-6270**.

Fair association accepting applications for scholarships

The Clark County Fair Association is accepting applications for scholarships from high school students who have been active in 4-H, FFA and open class exhibiting during past fairs.

The association has provided more than \$330,000 in college scholarships, according to **Chaleen Schuch**, scholarship committee spokesperson.

Applications are due by Wednesday, April 30. For further information, call Schuch at **397-6180**.

Calendar

An open house to discuss master planning of Ridgefield's 18-acre downtown Abrams Park is from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 25, in the Bennett Kitchen at the park. <> Port of Vancouver commissioner **Brian Wolfe** is the host of the second in a series of Port of Vancouver open houses at 6:30 p.m. this evening in the Firstenburg Community Center. <> The Puget Sound Blood Center is conducting a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, in the Health Education Center in Southwest Washington Medical Center. <> **Dick Boyd**, co-president and CEO of Boyd's Coffee, is the featured speaker at the 5th annual Excellence in Enterprise Luncheon and CEO Roundtable, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 26, in the Hilton Vancouver Washington. For further information, call **694-2588**. <> Clark County commissioners meet in an informal session at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 26, in conference room B in the Public Service Center.

Tuesday on the air

State-of-Vancouver Address (2/28)—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Tourism Awards (2/21)—5:45 p.m. CVTV
Maintaining Livable Neighborhoods (3/20)—6:30 p.m. CVTV
Washington at Portland Blazers (live)—7 p.m. CSN, KXL
Seattle Mariners vs. Texas Rangers (live)—7 p.m. FSN
Bravo! Vancouver: St. John Passion—8:30 p.m. CVTV
Clark College Orchestra Winter Concert—11 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Greg Flakus taking on power French toast. <> **Sarah Prince** guarding the castle. <> **Clint Robbins** filling in particulars. <> **Paul Dicker** working up something 260 pixels square. <> **Becky Archibald** reminding medium. <> **Tuesday**, possible late showers, 34-52. **Wednesday**, rain probable, 36-47. **Thursday**, cold showers, 36-48.