

Benefit concert for Friends of the Carpenter set for December 7



Jim Fischer

"Christmas with Jim Fischer & Friends" will be Presented Sunday, Dec. 7 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. at the Royal Durst Theater (at the Vancouver School of Arts & Academics) at 3101 Main Street in downtown Vancouver. This annual Vancouver musical tradition is a benefit concert for Friends of the Carpenter, a ministry for the homeless in Clark County. Joining Jim on stage is a full line-up of the area's finest vocal soloists, chorales and ensemble musicians. Holiday entertainment, including a great sing-along, for the whole family! Tickets \$15 in advance, all ages, and \$20 at the door. Call **Jan Cox** at **360-750-4752** for tickets and information. www.friendsofthecarpenter.org

Clark County Installs Video Phones for citizens who are deaf/hard of hearing

Clark County has installed Public Access Video (PAV) phones to improve communication for people utilizing Clark County services who are deaf or hard of hearing. One phone is located on the ground floor of the Clark County Courthouse at 1200 Franklin St., Vancouver. The other is on the second floor of the Center for Community Health, 1601 East Fourth Plain Blvd., Suite C214, Vancouver.

The video phones are multi-purpose, Internet-based communications tools that combine a standard pay phone, videophone, keyboard and camera in one vandalism-resistant package. This allows anyone to make calls, including people who are deaf, hard of hearing and speech-disabled.

Installation of the PAV phones is one more step the county is taking to better serve citizens, especially those with hearing disabilities.

To learn more about PAV phones, access Communication Services for the Deaf, Inc., at <http://www.csdpav.com>.

Dozer Day moves to Fisher's Quarry

The Nutter Foundation, in partnership with CEMEX, today announced a new site for Dozer Day 2009 at Fisher's Quarry in east Vancouver.

Fisher's Quarry is located immediately off 192nd Avenue and Highway 14 (4900 SE 192nd Ave., Vancouver, WA)

Event director -- **Renee Nutter** -- said the new location will provide increased space and visibility for the popular spring event which, now in its fifth year, attracts more than 15,000 attendees.

Dozer Day 2009 will be held on Saturday, May 16, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$5 for seniors and children between the ages of 2 and 12, and \$7 for adults. Admission is free for those under 2 years old. Tickets on the day of the event are \$8 for children and seniors and \$10 for adults. Proceeds from the event support Clark County nonprofit organizations that benefit children's programs and activities. For more information about the event and how you can become involved either through sponsorship or volunteer opportunities, please contact the Nutter Foundation at **360-759-2300** or dozerdayvolunteer@nutterfoundation.org.

The Nutter Family Foundation is a private foundation established in 2006 to make grants to domestic 501(c)(3) organizations. The mission of the foundation is to "promote a peaceful and healthy environment for children, by funding tax exempt organizations which focus on youth development programs and activities, with particular emphasis on those focused on the arts, culture, sports and social interaction."

Clark College to host regional soccer championship December 6

Residents of Southwest Washington will get to see some of the region's finest collegiate athletes in action when Clark College hosts the 2008 Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges (NWAACC) All-Star Soccer competition next weekend.

The event will be held on Saturday, Dec. 6, at Doc Harris Field in the Camas High School athletic facilities. Doc Harris Field offers covered stadium seating and is located at NE 22nd Avenue and NE

Ione Street, Camas.

About the competition

NWAACC serves four regions: North, South, East, and West. In soccer, Clark College competes in the South Region.

The first match will take place at noon with women soccer players from the East and South regions competing against women from the North and West regions. At 2 p.m., a men's team representing the East and South regions will take on a men's team representing the North and West regions.

During halftime of each event, spectators will enjoy a soccer match between members of the Camas-Washougal Soccer Club.

The All-Star event will also include the announcement of the NWAACC Coach of the Year and Player of the Year.

Tickets may be purchased by cash or check at the Clark College Athletics Department from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. The Athletics Department is located on the second floor of the college's O'Connell Sports Center. Clark College is located at 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver. Maps and driving directions are available on the college's Web site at www.clark.edu/maps.

Tickets will also be available at the event. The cost of general admission is \$6 per person. The cost for children (ages six through 12), seniors and members of military families is \$3 per person. Children ages five and under are admitted free of charge.

For additional information, call **360-992-2691**.

Calendar

11/27--Sixth Annual Clark County Turkey Trot Thurs., Nov. 27, 9 a.m. Start and finish at Kline Pond. The event includes a 5K Run/Walk and a 10K run (as well as food, a piñata and the traditional Polar Bear swim in Kline Pond after the race). Proceeds benefit The Children's Trust Fund to help disadvantaged children in Southwest Washington. Primary event sponsor is First Independent. Register at: <https://www.signmeup.com/site/reg/register.aspx?fid=7G2V8K7> Questions about the event may be directed to: **Patti Bryant** at turkeytrotclarkcounty@gmail.com or by calling **360-737-9486**.

11/28-11/30 --The Vancouver Rotary Foundation's Festival of Trees will be held Friday, Nov. 28 through Sunday, Nov. 30, 2008. The 13th annual festival will be held at the Hilton Vancouver Washington & Vancouver Convention Center, 301 West 6th St. in downtown Vancouver during Thanksgiving weekend. Full event details are available at www.festivaloftrees.net or by calling **(360) 750-0409**.

11/25-12/3 -- Clark County Budget hearings schedule: Tuesday, November 25 — After its regular Tuesday 10 a.m. hearing, the Board will hold a work session with certain county departments in the sixth-floor training room, Public Service Center, Vancouver; Wednesday, November 26 — As soon as a 10 a.m. hearing is finished, the Board will hold a work session with the Budget Office to consider any modifications to the draft budget for the public hearings to follow; Monday, December 1 — 2 p.m. public hearing for elected officials and county department directors to discuss their 2009-2010 biennial budgets, sixth-floor training room, Public Service Center, Vancouver; Tuesday, December 2 — Hearings for the public to speak on the budget: - 10 a.m., sixth-floor hearing room, Public Service Center, Vancouver - 6:30 p.m., Rainier Room, Clark County Fire District 5 Northwest Regional Training Center, 11606 N.E. 66th St., #103, Vancouver; Wednesday, December 3 — 9 a.m., Board will meet to review the final 2009/2010 budget. Meetings will be held at 9 a.m. on December 4 and 5 if necessary. Copies of Clark County's draft 2009-2010 biennial budget are available online at <http://www.clark.wa.gov/obis/documents.html> or at the Clark County Office of the Budget, sixth floor, Public Service Center, Vancouver.

- **12/2**—Columbia River Crossing Open House, Tuesday, Dec. 2, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Hilton Vancouver Washington, 301 W. 6th St., Vancouver. Information about plans for light rail on Hayden Island and in Vancouver; a replacement bridge across the Columbia River; and improvements to seven interchanges between SR 500 and Columbia Blvd. in Portland. CRC technical staff will be available to

provide information and answer questions. More information:

www.columbiarivercrossing.org.

- 12/4—Divine Holiday Home Tour benefitting the hungry among us in Clark County through the Walk & Knock program. [Click here](#) for additional information and online signup via paypal.
- 12/5--Columbia River Crossing Project Sponsors Council meets 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Portland Building, 1120 SW Fifth Ave., Portland, Room C, second floor. More info: <http://www.columbiarivercrossing.com/>
- 12/8—Fort Vancouver Regional Library District Board of Trustees meets in regular session on Mon., Dec. 8, 2008 at the Vancouver Community Library (in Library Hall) 1007 E. Mill Plain Blvd., Vancouver. An executive session is scheduled for 5 p.m. The public meeting begins at 6 p.m.
- [Click here](#) for the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce Community Events Calendar

Tuesday on the air

The ABC's & D's of Medicare Informational Seminar (11/6) --3:59 p.m. CVTV

C-Tran Board of Director's Meeting (11/18)--5:30 p.m. CVTV

Accomplished & Under 40 (11/4) CVTV

Clark County Board of Commissioners Land Use Appeals (11/5)--10 p.m. CVTV

Columbia River Crossing Project (3/4) 10:20 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver Police Department West Precinct District 1 Community Forum (10/14)—10:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Andrea Voltz getting everything straight. <> **Stacey Graham** getting into the spirit.<> **Lori Simpson** brightening the day.<> **Jessica Lighheart** back in a flash.<> **Lisa Schmidt** giving thanks.<> **Casey Wyckoff** lightning fast. <> **Tuesday**, chance of rain, 38-47. **Wednesday**, clear and cool, 38-47. **Thanksgiving Day**, be thankful for sprinkles, 38-49