

## Welcome, Salmon Creek Grand Opening



### **Cheryl Bledsoe named 2008 General George C. Marshall Public Leadership Award winner**

Cheryl Bledsoe, Vancouver, has been named the 2008 recipient of the General George C. Marshall Public Leadership Award presented by the Bank of Clark County.

Bledsoe, 34, is Emergency Management manager for Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency.

Bledsoe will be recognized during a ceremony at 4 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 5th, at Marshall's former Vancouver home, the Marshall House, 1301 Officers Row.

Bledsoe is a 2008 graduate of Leadership Clark County, a graduate of Pacific Lutheran University, and she has earned a masters degree in public affairs from Washington State University.

Bledsoe's volunteer commitments include the Citizen Emergency Response Team, the Trauma Intervention Program and the American Red Cross. She currently participates in service positions at God's Word Baptist Church and as a Cubbies Leader for the AWANA program. Bledsoe received the Adjutant General's Medal of Recognition for Coordination of TOPOFF 4, the nation's premier terrorism preparedness exercise.



**Cheryl Bledsoe**

As recipient of the 20th Marshall Award, Bledsoe will receive a stipend for a trip to Lexington to tour the Marshall Foundation, Colonial Williamsburg and Washington, D.C. Marshall Award recipients also play an active role in many of the Celebrate Freedom events and activities throughout the year.

### **Vancouver Watersheds Council looking for record; 5,000 trees ready for Burnt Bridge Creek watershed**

The Vancouver Watersheds Council is taking aim at a record 5,000-tree planting project along the Burnt Bridge Creek watershed, Saturday, Oct. 25, according to **Gary Bock**, project manager.

Participants are expected from Big Brothers Big Sisters, Vancouver Rotary Club, The Parks Foundation, Wal-Mart, and several troops of Boy Scouts of America and Girl Scouts of the United States of America.

Volunteers will be treated to a picnic lunch sponsored by the Nutter Corporation, Frito-Lay and Corwin Beverage Co.

Bock says interested groups or individuals may call **487-7193** or e-mail him at [gary.bock@ci.vancouver.wa.us](mailto:gary.bock@ci.vancouver.wa.us).

### **Every child needs a cheerleader**

Vancouver's Lunch Buddy Program was established in 1993 by the Greater Clark County Rotary, and was expanded in 1994 by the Vancouver Rotary Club, to provide one-on-one mentors for elementary school students.

Lunch Buddies provide a positive influence in 20 schools for identified students. The Vancouver School District Foundation coordinates the program and assists in recruiting mentors for the participating schools.

Children who are currently experiencing changes at home, or difficulty at school, or those who need a positive role model in their lives, are referred by their teachers, counselors and school administrators.

Parents must sign a permission slip allowing their child to participate. Since the need for Lunch Buddies is far greater than the number of volunteers, there is always a waiting list of students at each school.

The Lunch Buddy Program is conducted on the school campus only. Students typically have about 45 minutes for lunch and recess. After lunch, lunch buddies will have time to spend reading, playing board games, doing a craft project or just talking. **Barbara Nordstrom**, coordinator, VSD Foundation Lunch Buddy Program, can be reached by calling **313-4725** or by emailing [barbara.nordstrom@vansd.org](mailto:barbara.nordstrom@vansd.org)

### **Spirit of Health; spirit of accuracy**

Last week we reported that **Tom Mears**, former CEO of the Holland Corporation, was being honored with

the Spirit of Health Award. True. We said the award was being presented by the YWCA. False, as reader **Jack Burkman** pointed out just as soon as the *Insider* hit the Internet.

Burkman was correct; the award is being presented by the YMCA. Through the magic of the Internet we were able to make the correction almost immediately and whenever anyone opens the Friday, Oct. 10, Insider, he or she will find the correct information as if no mistake had been made.

### **Three Creeks book sale is biggie**

The Friends of Three Creeks Community Library is holding a huge book sale all day, Saturday, Oct. 18, in the library in Salmon Creek.

More than 8,000 books will be available, including a wide range of fiction, non-fiction, and children's books.

For further details, call **Karen** or **Dennis Johnson, 576-8781**.

### **Calendar**

The Washington State University Vancouver Diversity Film Festival concludes with a free showing of the film *Osama* at 4 p.m. today in the auditorium at the university's Salmon Creek Campus. <> The C-TRAN board meets in regular session at 5:30 p.m. this evening in C-TRAN offices at 2425 NE 65th Avenue. <> The Brush Prairie Neighborhood Association meets at 7 p.m. this evening in Prairie High School media center, 11500 NE 117th Avenue. <> The Southwest Washington Blood Program is holding a blood drive from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, in the upper East gymnasium in Hudson's Bay High School, 1206 E Reserve Street. <> The Women Entrepreneurs Organization of Washington meets from 5 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 15, in the Healthman Lodge. Spotlight speakers are **Stephanie Fisher**, Vancouver Adventure Boot Camp, and **Marcie Maynes**, Simple Safety. Admission is \$29 for members; \$35 for non-members. Call **Suzanne Simon, (360) 904-8083**, for further information.

### **Tuesday on the air**

17th District, Position 2 Candidates—4 p.m. CVTV

18th District, Senate Candidates—4:45 p.m. CVTV

18th District Position 1 Candidates—5:30 p.m. CVTV

18th District Position 2 Candidates—6 p.m. CVTV

**Vancouver Planning Commission (live)— 7 p.m. CVTV**

Building Sustainable Fisheries (10/10—10 p.m. CVTV

### **Town Tabloids and the Weather**

**Sharon Crouch** enlightened. <> **Jim Palmer** cranking up corn-stalk truck. <> **Bob Koski** still looking for tax cut.

<> **Jane Halcomb** checking out Vancouver Nordstrom. <> **Kalin Schmoldt** planning task force session. <>

**Tuesday**, mostly sunny, 39-60. **Wednesday**, partly cloudy, 47-58. **Thursday**, showers expected, 53-62.