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Waterfront Blues Festival opens Thursday

The Safeway Waterfront Blues Festival opens in Tom McCall Waterfront Park at 2 p.m. Thursday, July 3, and runs through Sunday, July 6, at Tom McCall Waterfront Park, Portland, Ore.

The four-day festival will feature more than 120 performances on four stages. Acts range from Isaac Hayes and Curtis Salgado to the Zydeco Trendsetters: Dikki Du and the Zydeco Krewe.

Said to be the largest blues festival west of the Mississippi and the second-largest blues festival in the nation, the festival benefits The Oregon Food Bank. Admission is a suggested donation of \$10 plus two cans of food per person, per day. Four-day passes are available at the site. The Oregon Food Bank serves southwest Washington food banks as well as those in Oregon.



Ruthie Foster is one of more than 120 acts appearing at this weekend's Waterfront Blues Festival at Tom McCall Waterfront Park.

Lucas order comprehensive review of sexual incidents

Clark County Sheriff **Garry Lucas** has begun an extensive effort to prevent, detect and reduce incidents involving inmates as sexual victims in the county jail.

Lucas said he was disappointed and disturbed by a recent federal report that suggested such incidents in the county jail have greatly exceeded the national average. The report was based on inmate responses to a survey that was both anonymous and confidential.

"Although it is impossible to investigate those specific allegations, we have taken the report seriously, are gathering as many facts as possible, are currently examining our practices and will make every effort to reduce the risk to inmates and staff," Lucas said.

County records show an average of 652 men and 117 women in jail each day, with total admissions of about 14,000 for men and 2,500 for women in 2007.

Jail officials received three reports claiming inappropriate sexual contact between inmates and five reports claiming contact between staff and inmates. Lucas said all of the reports from 2007 were investigated. Two were referred to the prosecuting attorney's office. No charges were filed.

Looking forward, Lucas said he has convened a task group consisting of members of the Clark County Sheriff's Office Professional Standards Division and Jail Administration to examine the best practices of jails regionally and nationally, to improve local practices as quickly as possible and to conclude a thorough review before the end of the year. Immediate measures will include enhanced training for staff and education for inmates aimed at preventing incidents and ensuring that those that do occur are promptly reported and resolved.

David Gottfried to speak in Battle Ground at Vancouver Business Journal event

David Gottfried, founder of the U.S. and World Green Building Councils, will be the keynote speaker at the *Vancouver Business Journal*'s Top Projects recognition event from 3 to 7 p.m. Thursday, July 24, in Battle Ground Village.

Gottfried's topic is "The New World of Green." He will explain how environmental concerns are changing the conduct of business, manufacture of products and management of organizations.

The business journal annually honors the top southwest Washington projects. The Battle Ground Village is part of Battle Ground Center, a 108-acre mixed use development project at 199th Street and Commerce Avenue.

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Tammy Cranmore named treasurer CFO at International Air and Hospitality Academy

Tammy Cranmore has been appointed treasurer and chief financial officer for the International Air and Hospitality Academy, reports president **Lynn Rullman**.

Cranmore will be responsible for all finance and accounting functions for the academy, the Restaurant at the Historic Reserve, Academy Properties and the Bakery at the Historic Reserve.

Cranmore is a graduate of Mt. Hood Community College and Portland State University.

The academy was founded in 1979 by **Arch Miller**, and has since placed over 25,000 graduates in jobs with airlines and in the hospitality industry.

Parks Foundation presents

"My Favorite Park" contest

The Parks Foundation is offering a prize for the best 100-words-or-less description of a favorite Vancouver or Clark County park.

The description must include why the park is a favorite, with whom one visits the park, and how often. The winning entry will receive a Clark County Fair 2008 Family Fun Package which includes admission for two adults and two children to the 2008 Clark County Fair, and a parking pass.

The deadline for receiving entries is July 15, 2008. Send contest entries to the Parks Foundation office at PO Box 2397, Vancouver, WA 98668, or by e-mail to cheri.martin@parksfoundation.us.

People

The Vancouver branch of the American Association of University Women recently honored Evergreen Public Schools students for outstanding achievements in math, science and technology. The recipients are as follows: Abby Chilingarian and Gretchen Marx, Evergreen High School; Helen Zou, Christina Foster and Madeline Davis, Mountain View High School; Yekaterina Bobrik, Michaela Mareve and Emily Tran, Heritage High School; Nicole Balasbas, Mariah Parsons and Tanai Markle, Legacy High School; and Angela Sherman and Patricia Tang, Union High School.

Calendar

A public meeting being held by the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District at 7 p.m. this evening, in Library Hall, in the Vancouver Community Library, will offer the public updated information about the new \$37 million library to be built in downtown Vancouver. Floor plans and schematics will be available. <> The Southwest Washington Blood Program is holding a blood drawing from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, July 3, at the Uptown Village Starbucks, 2420 Main Street. <> Rivkah Loewuz leads a poetry workshop at 7 p.m. Thursday, July 3, in the Vancouver Community Library, 1007 E Mill Plain Boulevard.

Wednesday on the air

Vancouver City Council: Columbia Crossing Hearing (6/30)—4:30 p.m. CVTV Portland Beavers at Sacramento (live) 7 p.m. KKAD Toronto at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KFXX Youth Fur Trade in National Parks (6/26)—7:30p.m. CVTV Cascade Park Community Library Groundbreaking (6?20—9 p.m. CVTV Columbia Crossing CVTV Call-In (7/2)—9:45 p.m. CVTV North County Business Expo-(5/29)—11:15 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Cheri Martin putting promo in parks foundation. <> Jan Harte keeping careful tabs on clients. <> Steve McDonagh taking pipes to a new level. <> Robert Harris regaining L. <> Robert Schaefer regaining M. <> Wednesday, continued sunshine, 63-86. Thursday, possible thunder showers, 61-80. Friday, chance of rain showers, 60-73.