



Don't Miss A Day with the Coveys

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Baird uses purple prose to promote green sales

U.S. Rep. **Brian Baird** (D-3rd), at a news conference in a Vancouver Home Depot store today promoting the exchange of stimulus tax rebate money for green products, declared in a press handout: "First, consumers will stimulate the economy by spending the rebate checks. Second, by investing in energy conservation products, consumers will reduce their own energy consumption and save money on their energy bills. Third, by reducing energy consumption, we will reduce the overall demand for energy. Fourth, by reducing the overall demand for energy, we will reduce the overall cost of energy. And, fifth, by reducing energy consumption, we will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save our environment."

Last February, Baird introduced a resolution in the House urging Americans to spend their stimulus rebate checks on energy-efficient products and services. The resolution also urged retailers to offer promotions to encourage spending on green products and services.

City, county and other agency officials participated in the news conference.

49th District legislators saying goodbye to Bill Fromhold

State Sen. **Craig Pridemore** (D-49th) and State Rep. **Jim Moeller** (D-49th) are honoring departing State Rep. **Bill Fromhold** (D-49th) during a Town Hall meeting Saturday, March 29.

Constituents are urged to stop in to meet with Fromhold from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street. The town hall meeting follows from 10 to 11 a.m. For further information, call **(360) 786-7872**.

Vancouver is a participant in Portland Better Living Show

The City of Vancouver is a participant in the Southwest Washington exhibit in Portland's Better Living Show, the Pacific Northwest's largest sustainable lifestyle show.

The show in the Portland Expo Center, 2060 N Marine Drive, is free. Hours are noon to 9 p.m. Friday, March 28, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, March 29, and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, March 30.

For additional information, go to <http://www.betterlivingshow.org>.

Port's series of open houses concludes Thursday evening

Port of Vancouver commissioner **Nancy Baker** is the hostess for the final of three Port of Vancouver's open houses, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 27, in the commons in Columbia River High School.

Port commissioners **Brian Wolfe** and **Jerry Oliver**, as well as port staff, will also be in attendance.

The open house will provide insight to such port projects as the West Vancouver Freight Access Project, development of the port's new terminal five at the location of the former Alcoa smelter, and the port environmental programs.

Other activities will be aimed at children in attendance.



U.S. Rep. Brian Baird, center and Clark Public Utilities Dean Sutherland talk green products as target for stimulus tax rebate purchases at news conference in Andresen Road Home Depot today. At right in Clark County commissioner Marc Boldt and Vancouver city councilwoman Pat Jollota, facing the other way. All local agencies are collaboratively pushing environmentally friendly activities.

Vancouver's Downtown Association getting insight into Gramor waterfront project

Representatives of Gramor are revealing their vision of the Boise Cascade waterfront project to members of Vancouver's Downtown Association at the association's annual meeting at 5 p.m. Thursday, March 27, in E. B. Hamilton Hall in the Red Cross Building, 605 Barnes Road in Vancouver Barracks.

There is no charge for the three-hour meeting, although donations will be accepted, according to **Celinda Rupert**, chair of the association's membership services. For further information, go to www.vdausa.org.

People

Tammy Bjorkman and **Darcey Reed** have been appointed to the Arc of Clark County's board of directors. Bjorkman is membership and events coordinator for Columbia Land Trust and previously was an Arc of Clark County office manager. She is chair of Arc's Membership & Outreach Committee and will serve on the Fundraising Committee. Reed is manager of West Coast Bank's Orchards branch. She is a graduate of Leadership Clark County and is a member of the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce. Founded in 1936, the Arc of Clark County is dedicated to improving the quality of life for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families.

Calendar

The Puget Sound Blood Center is holding a blood drive from 8a.m. to 2 p.m., in the upper east gymnasium in Hudson's Bay High School, 1208 E Reserve Street. <> Port of Ridgefield commissioners will provide updated information on Ridgefield waterfront planning and on the downtown railroad overpass during their board meeting at 6 p.m. this evening in port offices at 111 W. Division Street. <> The Three Creeks Advisory Council meets from 10 a.m. to noon, Thursday, March 27, in the Clark Regional Wastewater District office, 800 NE 52nd Court.

Wednesday on the air

Columbia River Crossing Panel Discussion (3/4)—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Port of Vancouver Board of Commissioners (3/25)—7 p.m. CVTV
Jobs for Us, Jobs for Kids (3/24)—10 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Dan Heine absorbed by spectacular show. <> **Mike Barnes** coming to timely rescue. <> **Chris Workman's** achievements recounted. <> **Ken McCoy** getting the real story. <> **Rachel Irwin** quick with response. <> **Wednesday**, early April showers, 36-47. **Thursday**, cold showers, 36-48. **Friday**, plain old gnarly March rain, 35-48.