

Welcome, Salmon Creek Grand Opening



Electric utility ahead of projections but power costs may go up next year

Clark Public Utilities is about \$6 million ahead of projections for the year, reports director of finance **Rick Dyer**. Almost all of the higher revenue is the result of higher revenue from power sales and lower-than-expected power supply costs, according to Dyer.

Nevertheless, anticipated higher costs for wholesale power in 2009 will require utility commissioners to consider a rate increase effective early next year, according to **Wayne Nelson**, Clark Public Utilities' general manager.

This year, through August, the utility added 1,400 new electric customers and 200 new water customers.

Salvador Brotons conducts, Ryu Goto plays for October Vancouver Symphony Concert



Vancouver Symphony music director **Salvador Brotons**, in his 18th year with the symphony, conducts the orchestra in a program of "majestic and familiar" music at 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 18, and 7 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 19, in the concert hall at Skyview High School, 1300 NW 139th Street. The featured soloist is violinist **Ryu Goto**.

Goto will perform the Violin Concerto #1 in D major by Paganini. Born in New York in 1988, Goto studied with Yoko Gilbert, Victor Danchenko and Cho-Liang Lin. He is currently a student at Harvard University.

Other works are *The Barber of Seville* by Rossini, *Faure's Pelleas et Melisande*, and *Pines of Rome* by Respighi.

Opening Notes, a discussion of the concert program, precedes each concert by one hour.

Reserved seating is \$40; general admission, \$28; seniors, \$23; and students, \$7.

Tickets can be purchased on the day of the performance at the ticket box office in Skyview's concert hall, or at the following locations: River City Music, Music World or Beacock's Music Co. For further information, call **735-7278**.

Regional Economic Outlook: Resilience or Recession?

Michael Parks, editor and publisher of *Marple's Pacific Northwest Letter*, will discuss current northwest economic conditions at the 26th annual Columbia River Economic Development Council meeting at noon Thursday, Nov. 13, in the Hilton Vancouver Washington.

For those registering early, through November 7, individual admission is \$35. Tables for ten are \$300. For late registrants, after November 7, admission is \$45; tables for ten persons, \$400. Click [here](#) to register.

The Other Black Northwest discussion at WSU Vancouver

University of Washington professor **Quintard Taylor Jr.** presents a multi-media discussion of African-American history in the Pacific Northwest at noon Thursday, Oct. 9, in the auditorium at Washington State University Vancouver.

There is no charge for the program, sponsored by the Center for Columbia River History, a consortium of the Washington State Historical Society, Portland State University and WSU Vancouver. For further information, call **(360) 258-3289**, or go to www.ccrh.org.

People

Danny Aragon, fifth generation hair stylist, has re-located from Orange County, Calif., to Vancouver where he will be lead stylist for Ethos Salon, reports salon owner **Mario Raia**. Aragon's resume includes hair styling for Siegfried & Roy, The Amazing Jonathan, **Jay Leno**, **Josh Turner** and **Brad Paisley**.

Calendar

A Portland International Airport futures community open house is at 5:30 p.m. today in the C-TRAN Fisher's Landing Transit Center, 3510 SE 164th Avenue. Subject matter includes the north runway extension and noise management. <> **Spike Lee's** movie *Crooklyn* is being shown as part of the Washington State University

Vancouver Diversity Film Festival at 7 p.m. this evening in room 110 in the Administration Building on the WSU Vancouver Salmon Creek Campus. There is no admission charge. <> The Southwest Washington Blood Program is holding a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9, near the cafeteria at Washington State University Vancouver, 14204 NE Salmon Creek Avenue. <> The Forum at the Library and the League of Women Voters are presenting a forum featuring senatorial candidates from the 18th and 49th Legislative Districts at 6:30 p.m. this evening in the commissioner's hearing room in the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street.

Wednesday on the air

Partners Celebrating Community (9/3)—4:30 p.m. CVTV
Candidate Forum (live)—6:30 p.m. CVTV
Golden State at Portland Blazers (live)—7 p.m. KGW-TV, KXTG
Candidate Forum (10/7)—8:30 p.m. CVTV
Constitution Day (9/17)—10:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

George Welsh displaying aptitude for attentiveness. <> **Mark Martel** saying stay the course. <> **Pete Dubois** promoting *SalmonPeople*. <> **Diana Niemann** looking for health fair vendors. <> **Jack Hardy** looking for rich and famous.<> **Wednesday**, mostly sunny, 42-62. **Thursday**, cold showers, 43-54. **Friday**, partly cloudy, 41-60.