

Ganley running for fifth term on Battle Ground city council

Battle Ground city council member **Bill Ganley** today announced that he will again run for the position to which he has been elected for four consecutive terms.

Ganley, 49, served as mayor from 1997 to 2001. He was named Battle Ground Citizen of the Decade in 2006.

Ganley is a history teacher and track coach at Battle Ground High School, where he has worked for 28 years. He has been a resident of the city since 1991. Ganley currently serves on the C-TRAN board of directors, the Regional Transportation Council and the Clark County Railroad Advisory Board. He recently completed nine years of service to the Washington State Transportation Improvement Board.

Ganley says he will work to ensure that property taxes in Battle Ground remain the lowest in Clark County. Under Ganley's watch, Battle Ground has grown from a town of fewer than 5,000 residents to the second largest city in Clark County and home to 17,297 citizens.



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Washougal school district and union agree to extend contract

An offer by the Washougal School District Public School Employees union to extend the current contract for another three years has been accepted by the Washougal School District.

"We chose to rollover the current contract to avoid entering into negotiations," said union president **Linda Peters**. "This year we are just thankful to have our jobs. We appreciate having an excellent administration with which we have a good rapport. Together we are doing what's best for students and staff."

The current contract was approved by both the district and staff with only one major change, the addition of 16 Early Learning Center staff to the bargaining group. These employees previously did not have union membership.

Home & Garden Idea Fair this weekend

Clark Public Utilities' 18th Annual Home & Garden Idea Fair is open through 8 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, April 25, and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, April 26, at the Clark County Event Center at the county fairgrounds, 17402 NE Delfel Road, Ridgefield.

Admission is free, but parking is \$5 per vehicle. Free bus shuttle service is provided by C-TRAN.

Highlights of the annual fair included one of the largest plant sales in the Pacific Northwest, 12 landscape exhibits and commercial exhibits galore.

Donations of canned food for local food banks or cash donations to Operation Warm Heart are encouraged.

What's next after Earth Day?

You took part in Earth Day, but what do you do now? Clark College has an option.

Personal sustainability will be the focus of the college's "Mental Health Monday" event from noon to 1 p.m. in the Penguin Student Lounge, located in Clark's Penguin Union Building on Monday, April 27.

Thomas Doherty, Lewis and Clark College, a leader in the field and the editor-in-chief of *Ecopsychology*, a new quarterly journal, will be the guest speaker. According to Doherty ecopsychology "expands our conception of health and wellness to include a connection with nature."

There is no charge.

Workshop on workplace violence set for June

For those interested in how best to understand workplace violence and the legal issues involved, Corporate Security Services, Inc., is hosting the Northwest Workplace Violence Conference, a two-day event, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, June 15 and 16, in the Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE Martin Luther King



Boulevard, Portland. Conference faculty includes forensic psychologists, legal experts, law enforcement, risk management, and workplace violence specialists in corporate security.

The two-day preregistration fee of \$198 becomes \$270 after June 10 and at the door. Register at <http://www.eventbrite.com/event/323498593> or at www.corpsecure.com/events.php3, or request a conference brochure at jposey@corpsecure.com.

People

Roxy Barnes, Vancouver Fire Department Emergency Medical Services Division chief, has been asked to be a technical expert on a national panel by the International Association of Fire Chiefs. She will help develop uniform national EMS workforce data and definitions. "This is a tremendous honor to be selected from among the nation's top EMS experts," said fire chief **Don Bivins**. All travel and other costs will be covered by the IAFC. <> **Melissa Ralston**, Personal Lines Service Manager for Davidson Insurance Agency, has been appointed to the newly formed Regional Frontline Advisory Council for Safeco Insurance Company. She is one of 10 council members representing Washington, Oregon and Idaho. She has worked for Davidson Insurance for five years and has more than 20 years' experience working with independent insurance agencies.

Calendar

Folk Music at the Fries Benefit concert for the School of Piano Technology for the Blind opens at 6:30 p.m. this evening in Fries Auditorium in the state school for the Blind, 2214 E. 13th Street. Entertainers are **Tom May**, and **Three Together**, **Doug Smith**, **Judy Koch-Smith** and **Don Mitchell**. Tickets are \$20 and can be bought by calling **693-1511**. <> *The Green Room* is being presented by the Slocum House Theatre at 8 p.m. this evening and tomorrow, April 25, in the theatre at 605 Esther Street. For further information, call **696-2427**. <> The 13th annual International Vancouver Discovery Walk Festival's three-day event begins today. <> The traditional memorial to remember Chief Redheart's Nez Perce band, which includes singing in honor of the ancestors, the Riderless Horse (Empty Saddle) Ceremony, the Sacred Pipe Ceremony, and recognition of Veterans begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 25, on the south parade ground on E 5th Street. There is no charge for attending the three-hour event. It is suggested that visitors bring chairs or blankets. For further information, call **487-8630**.

Friday on the air

Vancouver City Council Workshop (4/20)—3:53 p.m. CVTV

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College Civics Week (4/13)—6:21 p.m. CVTV

Portland Blazers at Houston (live)—6:30 p.m. ESPN, KGW-TV, KXTG

Seattle Mariners at L.A. Angels (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KTRO

Forest Products and Climate Change (4/20)—7 p.m. CVTV

VBJ Business Growth Awards (4/16)—8:55 p.m. CVTV

Moving Beyond Shareholder Focus (4/120)—10 p.m. CVTV

Clark County Board of Health (4/22)—11:15 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Donna Roberge asking the right questions. <> **John Marshall** unhirsuted. <> **Al Bauer** back to more natural climes. <> **Gerald Bodine** sending greetings. <> **Maya Muller** putting face to reputation. <> **George Welsh** leading the charge. <> **Friday**, mostly sunny, 41-65. **Saturday**, mostly cloudy, 43-58. **Sunday**, cloudy, 43-61.