

## Clark College Columbia Tech Center to host open house



The Clark College Columbia Tech Center pictured above was named one of the Top Projects by *Vancouver Business Journal* in 2008, and was designed to meet or exceed Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design silver certification standards.



**Chef Rick Browne**

The Clark College Columbia Tech Center will host an open house from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29, where guests will have the opportunity to explore the new building at 18700 SE Mill Plain Boulevard. The building will feature 18 classrooms equipped with the latest instructional technology and wireless internet, eight science and computer labs, offices for faculty and support staff, and parking for 393 vehicles.

To mark the occasion of the new Cooking and Wine School, which will be part of Clark College's continuing education program at CTC, will be instructor and celebrity chef **Rick Browne**, host of *Barbeque America* on PBS. Browne will offer cooking demonstrations in a state-of-the-art kitchen-classroom. The food focus will continue with **Kurt Mezger** of *Emmi of Switzerland*, and staff from Kitchen Kaboodle, who will feature "Fun with Gadgets."

Other featured activities include demonstrations of painting, tai chi, zumba and belly dancing, and a "Table Fair" with information on the career development and personal enrichment programs, including the 50 and mature learning program.

Further information on maps, directions, exhibit schedule and the CTC fall class schedule can all be found at [www.clark.edu/ctc](http://www.clark.edu/ctc).

## Signing of the Declaration of Cooperation

Stakeholders of the Weatherization project will sign a Declaration of Cooperation, a document that states the Stakeholders commitment to work together in assisting low income Clark County residents train and find living-wage jobs in the Weatherization industry- at 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 21, at Skyline Crest Community Park, 500 Omaha Way, Vancouver.

Remarks will be made by Mayor **Royce Pollard**, County Commissioner **Marc Boldt** and representatives of each Stakeholder.

## Sponsored event on Officers Row

The *Vancouver Business Journal* and six other businesses are sponsoring an event, "Evening on the Row" from 5 to 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, at Officers Row.

The event includes sampling food and drink from different caterers, a shuttle available between Fort to Pearson to the Visitor's Center and up and down the row.

Cost is \$10 for members and \$20 for non-members. For further information or to RSVP, please visit The Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce's website by clicking [here](#).

## City of Vancouver completes improvements to three parks

The City of Vancouver has recently completed improvements to three following parks: Carl Gustafson Park, Columbia Lancaster Park and Van Fleet Park. The improvements increase usability and provide ADA access to park amenities.

Improvements to Van Fleet Park include a paved path connecting Flint Avenue, the playground, and Detroit Avenue, two accessible benches, two accessible picnic tables, and a new drinking fountain.

Gustafson Park improvements include a paved path connecting Nashville Way to the playground, a new accessible bench and two new accessible picnic tables.

Columbia Lancaster Park received a paved path connecting Idaho Street to the playground, a new accessible bench and new accessible picnic table.

**C-TRAN proposes service adjustments-  
public invited to attend open house**

C-Tran has developed a Service Adjustment Plan that will be the subject of upcoming public open houses. The plan includes a reduction of services on lower ridership routes including changes in routing, trip frequency, weekend service and elimination of early and late trips, and service enhancements on C-TRAN's highest ridership routes by improving service reliability and frequency on four of C-TRAN's highest ridership routes, two local routes and two Express routes.

Details of the proposed Service Adjustment Plan are now available at C-TRAN's web site, [www.c-tran.com](http://www.c-tran.com) and will also be available at all Passenger Service Offices beginning today, Aug. 17. The public can also call the Passenger Service Office to request a copy of the proposal. If approved by the Board later this summer, the proposed reductions will take affect on Sunday, January 10, 2010.

Open houses where the public can review the recommendations, talk with staff and provide feedback will be held at 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 25, at Vancouver City Hall, 210 E 13th Street; 3 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26, at Fisher's Landing Transit Center, 3510 SE 164th Avenue; and 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27, at the C-Tran CAC meeting, 2425 NE 65th Avenue.

**Calendar**

Vancouver City Council workshops are 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, Aug. 17, followed by a regular meeting at 7 p.m.

**Monday on the air**

**Vancouver City Council (live)—6:54 p.m. CVTV**

City Minutes-New Humane Society Tour (8-9)—10:59 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver Land Use Hearings (8-6)—11:44 p.m. CVTV

**Town Tabloids and the Weather**

**Tonya Schoemperlen** braving the day. <> **Debra Dearborn Tiede** receiving several application requests. <> **Regina Pedroza** hosting August parties. <> **Monday**, mostly sunny, 63-89. **Tuesday**, partly cloudy, 66-93. **Wednesday**, partly cloudy, 65-97.