

Krsul appointed to blind foundation board

Marc Krsul has been appointed to the board of directors of the Washington School for the Blind Foundation.

A financial advisor and branch manager for Edward Jones, Ridgefield, Krsul has been actively involved with the Foundation for the past three years.

Mayor hustling federal dollars

Vancouver Mayor **Royce Pollard** returns home after a three-day visit to the nation's capital, where he was prospecting for federal dollars for several local projects.

Pollard and the City are trying to get \$500,000 in federal funds to help with development of new regional law enforcement records management system that will be used by all law enforcement agencies in the county. He is also seeking another \$500,000 to assist with a rebuild of the intersection at Mill Plain and 136th in East Vancouver.

In addition to meeting with members of Congress the mayor also briefed officials from the U.S. Department of Commerce on the joint City-Port grant request for \$2.8 million for improvements to allow development of the old Boise Cascade site on the waterfront and nearby Port property. Pollard was accompanied by Vancouver longtime governmental affairs consultant **Mark Brown**.



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Hello Baby Book Bags programs back

Fort Vancouver Regional Library Foundation has been given a \$10,000 grant from the Qwest Foundation. The funds will be used to create 1,000 "Hello, Baby!" Book Bags that will be distributed to new parents and caregivers throughout Southwest Washington.

The "Hello, Baby!" Book Bag program was created by the Fort Vancouver Regional Library District to help educate the parents of newborns in Southwest Washington about the importance of early learning and the significant impact reading to infants can have on early brain development. Early learning research has shown that 90 percent of brain development occurs before a child is old enough to enter kindergarten.

Health impacts of the economy to be scrutinized

Leaders from throughout Southwest Washington will participate in a forum focused on how the economic crisis impacts the health low-income people and people of color. The forum is from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday, June 27, at the Vancouver Community Library, 1007 E Mill Plain Boulevard. This event is free and open to the public.

Initiated and sponsored by Washington State University Vancouver's Center for Social and Environmental Justice, the forum aims to spur further research into the impacts of the crisis by educating the community about policy initiatives and organize strategies for addressing the crisis.

"The health care crisis has deepened in the wake of severe cuts in federal, state and county funding for health services and other services that have a direct impact on public health," said **Desiree Hellegers**, co-director of the CSEJ at WSU Vancouver.

Pedalpalooza this Tuesday

The Vancouver Urban Forestry staff is offering a 6 p.m. Tuesday, June 23, bicycle trip among Vancouver's heritage trees.

The pedalpalooza ride is a flat, easy bicycle route that begins and ends at Old Apple Tree Park, 112 Columbia Way.

Bike through historic downtown Vancouver and stop at eight locations to admire trees whose legacies connect all residents of Vancouver to the proud past of our community. Urban Forestry staff will discuss the historical and arboricultural significance of each tree.

Calendar

The Vancouver City Council meets in a workshop session at 4 p.m. today. <> The Vancouver City Council meets at 6 p.m. today to consider a consent agenda. <> Clark Public Utilities commissioners meet in regular session at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 23. <> Clark County commissioners meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday, June 23.

Monday on the air

Vancouver City Council Workshop (live)—4 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver City Council (6/15)—7 p.m. CVTV

Jail Industries Board—10:30 p.m. CVTV

Winning Ways to run a Campaign (5/20)—11 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Ozzie Coats gathering the neighbors. <> **Wilbert Kalmbach** making the “A” list. <> **Bronson Potter** returns from sailing expedition. <> **Craig Brown** keeping up with busy schedule. <> **Greg Flakus** says food bank closing in on goal. <> **Monday**, partly cloudy, 52-70. **Tuesday**, mostly sunny, 56-80. **Wednesday**, partly cloudy 51-83.