

Election day tomorrow

Election day is tomorrow and so far there are 57,494 ballots received out of 215, 558. For a list of drop off locations [click here](#). For other information about elections, visit www.co.clark.wa.us/elections/index.html.



Steve Kenny

Kenny promoted to president and CEO

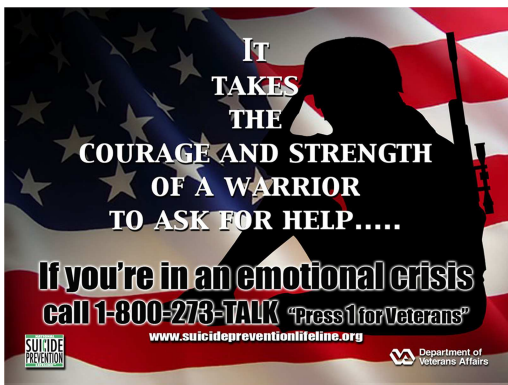
The Columbia Credit Union board of directors has announced **Steve Kenny** as Columbia Credit Union’s next president and chief executive officer.

Kenny transitions into the position immediately after serving as Interim CEO since May 2009 and Columbia Credit Union’s chief operating officer for the past two years. With a financial institution career extending more than 30 years, he brings a significant amount of operational acumen, having held key positions of operations supervisor, loan officer, branch manager, e-commerce product manager, and senior vice president risk management and general services, among other roles.

Chuck McDonald, Columbia Credit Union board chair, has summarized the board’s decision, stating, “Steve has provided Columbia members with excellent leadership and service for many years and is well established and well suited to lead the Credit Union into the next decade.”

As Columbia’s chief operating officer, Kenny was responsible for the design and construction of Columbia’s two award-winning sustainably-built branches located in Washougal and at Vancouver’s Grand Central Marketplace.

This achievement placed Columbia on the innovation map as not only Vancouver’s first, but Washington State’s first, financial institution with the prestigious designation of LEED Gold accreditation.



“I’m looking forward to working with Columbia Credit Union’s visionary board of directors,” says Kenny. “I appreciate this opportunity to direct the future of an organization that over the past 57 years has become an integral part of this community. I firmly believe in the credit union philosophy of providing our members with the value and tools they need to achieve financial success.”

Operation Save: saving veterans' lives

In honor of Veterans Day 2009, Clark College’s Mental Health Mondays series will focus on suicide prevention and America’s veterans. Participants will learn what steps are needed to take an active and valuable role in suicide prevention.

Robert Tell, LCSW, suicide prevention coordinator at the Portland Veterans Administration (V.A.) Medical Center, will speak about “Operation SAVE” from noon to 1 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 9, in Penguin Student Lounge, located in the college’s Penguin Union Building, 1933 Fort Vancouver Way. The event is free and open to the public.

A presentation by the Canandaigua (New York) V.A. Medical Center noted that male veterans are twice as likely as civilians of either gender to commit suicide. The same report noted that 1,000 suicides occur each year among veterans receiving care from the Veterans Administration. More alarmingly, 5,000 suicides occur each year among all living veterans.

Watch your vote count on CVTV channel 23

Clark/Vancouver Television (CVTV), a local government, non-commercial cable access channel, will provide the only live, local election night television coverage in Clark County starting at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3, on Cable Channel 23. Viewers can get up-to-the-minute Clark County election results, analysis and commentary. Live CVTV election coverage is also available to viewers on the Internet at www.cvtv.org.

Donna Mason, CVTV executive producer, will conduct candidate interviews from the 6th Floor Hearings Room at the Clark County Public Service Center.

Service reduction for low ridership bus-lines

C-TRAN board of directors approved a plan to reduce bus service within Clark County by a 7-to-1 vote. The reductions take effect on Sunday, January 10, 2010.

The reductions are within Clark County bus services that have the lowest ridership, and include changes to routing, trip frequency, weekend service offerings, and elimination of some early and late trips. Affected routes include 2 Lincoln, 3 City Center, 4 Fourth Plain, 7 Battle Ground, 9 Felida, 19 Salmon Creek, 25 Fruit Valley/St. Johns, 30 Burton, 32 Evergreen/Andresen-Hazel Dell, 37 Highway 99/Mill Plain, 39 Clark College/Medical Center, 80 Van Mall/Fisher's, 92 Camas/Washougal, and Camas Connector. No changes are planned for C-TRAN Express service to downtown Portland at this time.

Details of the service reductions are available online at www.c-tran.com or by calling **695-0123**. The public can also stop by any passenger service office to request a copy of the adjustments. Schedule information will be available online by early December, and printed schedules will be available by mid-December, 2009.

News Briefs

The Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce is celebrating the holidays as a business community by supporting over fifty 501(c)(3) nonprofits through the Chamber CARES Fund, today, Nov. 2 through Friday Dec. 4. To make a contribution, visit www.vancouverusa.com. Call **694-2588** for more information. <> The Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce is hosting a "Savor the Flavor" event from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Hilton Vancouver, 301 W. Sixth Street. Culinary delights of more than 15 Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce member restaurants and caterers, and of gift ideas from member retailers, will be available at "Savor the Flavor." To RSVP for this event, [click here](#). <> Clark County communicators are invited to a no-host lunch at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, at Gustav's Pub & Grill, 1705 SE 164th Avenue, to discuss various topics on career or work such as any of the following: What is the top thing for which you are thankful in your career or work? Most of us are glad these days just to have a job, but what besides that has worked out well for you? Perhaps you stumbled into the line of work you enjoy, or someone took a chance that allowed you to prove your abilities somewhere along the way. Think about what you like best about the work you do; are there other individuals or influences beyond your own efforts that have made this possible? Stories and observations to share are welcome. For more information, contact **Sue Vanlaanen** at **699-8815** or email suevanl@comcast.net.

Calendar

City Council meets from 4 to 7 p.m. today, Nov. 2, for workshops followed by a regular meeting at 7 p.m., Council chambers, 210 East 13th Street, first floor. <> City Council meeting will be held at 7 p.m. tonight, Nov. 2, Council chambers, 109 SW 1st Street, 2nd floor, Battle Ground. Call **342-5008** for more information. <> City Council of Washougal meets at 7 p.m. tonight, Nov. 2, in City Council chambers, 1701 C Street. <> Port of Camas-Washougal meets for an open session at 4 p.m. today, Nov. 2, 24 South A Street. Call **835-2196** for more information. <> Clark County Public Facilities District meets at 4 p.m. today, Nov. 2, at Public Services Center, 6th floor, Conference Room A.

Monday on the air

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

Vancouver City Council (live)—7 p.m. CVTV

Forum: Meet the Candidates (10-15)—11 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Kathryn Scott "leading". <> **Joelle Naquet-Hughes** using rejuvenating techniques. <> **Lola Perkins** "dog whisperer". <> **Monday**, partly cloudy, 43-61. **Tuesday**, partly cloudy, 43-61. **Wednesday**, partly cloudy, 50-64.