



Kalani Rodrigues

Kalani Rodrigues Memorial Scholarship Run/Walk celebrates its fifth year

The Kalani Rodrigues Memorial Scholarship Run/Walk began with family and friends walking across the Clark College campus five years ago, and since then has turned into Southwest Washington's new 10K run.

The event will begin at 8 a.m., Sunday, Sept. 27, on the Clark College Christiansen Soccer Field, located on the west side of Fort Vancouver Way north of McLoughlin Blvd. (For a map, [click here.](#))

The 10K Run will be an open-course, timed event, through downtown Vancouver, along the Columbia River and through the Fort Vancouver National Site, concluding at the landmark Clark College Chime Tower. The traditional 5K walk will start at 8:30 a.m. and move across Clark's main campus.

Both events will be followed by a post-run luau hosted by the Clark College Penguin Athletic Club. The luau is open to all pre-registered participants and will include food and beverages.

For more information or to download a registration form, visit <http://www.clarkcollegefoundation.org/77.php> or call 992-2301.

Kalani Rodrigues, who was a track athlete, envisioned a community run/walk event to generate awareness for brain cancer and its treatment. Rodrigues wanted to be among those running in what he called the "K-Rod" Run. But in December 2004, Rodrigues died of brain cancer. He was 21.

Washington State University to present Community

Awards of Distinction at 20th anniversary celebration

Washington State University will present two Community Awards of Distinction at its 20th anniversary beginning at 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, with a silent auction and social hour, then dinner and the program following at 6:30 p.m. The event will be held outdoors and in the Firstenburg Student commons on campus.

The award for Community Partnership will be presented to **June Vining**, executive director of the Trauma Intervention Program (TIP) of Portland/Vancouver, Inc., for her contributions to the well-being of our community by providing "emotional first aid" at emergency scenes through 160 local TIP volunteers. TIP volunteers assist family members, witnesses, and other bystanders who the emergency system often must leave behind and are available on a 24-hour, 365-day basis to support family members after a death, crime victims, survivors of suicide, children left alone after a death or injury to their parents, senior citizens and anyone else referred by emergency responders.

The award for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion will be presented to **Kids on the Block** for its impact to these areas in our community. Kids on the Block uses puppetry to inspire children to appreciate differences, say no to all forms of prejudice, respect persons of different abilities, skills, ethnicity and religions; and honor diversity. More than 70,000 children in Clark, Clackamas, Multnomah and Washington Counties saw a Kids on the Block performance last year.

Tickets for WSU Vancouver's 20th anniversary celebration are available for \$65 each. For reservations, call 546-9600.

Equestrian Advisory Group forming to explore horse opportunities

More opportunities for Clark County horse owners and riders could be identified in coming months thanks to a newly forming committee headed by **Laurie Lebowsky** of the Community Planning Department.

The seven-member Equestrian Advisory Group will look at topics ranging from trails and events to zoning that could support equestrian-related housing developments.

With an estimated 29,000 horses in local barns and fields, the Board of Clark County Commissioners directed planners to broaden recreational options for equine owners and economic development opportunities for

the county. Equestrian activities include trail riding, 4-H open and breed shows, fair court, cow sorting, gaming, dressage, rodeo, drill teams, endurance riding, eventing, hunter/jumper, driving and pack trips.

The group will guide development of the plan to be presented at open houses scheduled in coming months to encourage additional public review and comment.

Three seats are vacant on the Equestrian Advisory Group. People interested in serving on the panel are asked to e-mail laurie.lebowski@clark.wa.gov or call her at 397-2280 ext. 4544.

News Briefs

Voter registration deadline for submitting a mail-in voter registration form or registering online for the Nov. 3, 2009 General Election is Monday, Oct. 5, 2009. Mail-in voter registration forms must be postmarked by Oct. 5 or before. Online registration applications must be submitted by midnight on Oct. 5. Visit <http://clarkvotes.org> and click the online voter registration button to register online. <> There is still room to register for the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce annual dinner and installation of officers event at 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, in the Hilton Vancouver Heritage Ballroom, 301 W. Sixth Street. To register, [visit http://www.vancouverusa.com/](http://www.vancouverusa.com/). Cost is \$60 for members and \$70 for non-members.

Calendar

City Council meets for workshops from 4 to 6 p.m., followed by a meeting at 7 p.m., today, Sept. 14, in the City Council chambers. <> Fort Vancouver Regional Library District Board of Trustees meets at 6 p.m. for a regular meeting tonight, Sept. 14, White Salmon Valley Community Library, #5 Town & Country Square, White Salmon, WA. <> Public Utilities Board of Commissioners' special meeting is at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 15.

Monday on the air

City Council Workshop (live)—3:55 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver City Council (live)—6:45 p.m. CVTV

Clark County Board of Health (8-26)—11 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Edward Vidinghoff "understanding". <> **Jimmy Tee** adding a friend. <> **Marie Sullivan** making changes. <> **Jim Demmon** sending along a "special" DVD. <> **Todd Martin** gracing the manor with smiles and laughter. <> **Monday**, a.m. clouds/ p.m. sun, 59-76. **Tuesday**, mostly sunny, 60-86. **Wednesday**, partly cloudy, 58-80.