

Eighth annual Hands Across the Bridge and Oxfest celebration set for Labor Day

The eighth annual Hands Across the Bridge and Oxfest event celebrates freedom from alcohol and other drug addiction and is part of National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month.

Hands Across the Bridge begins at 10 a.m. to noon, Labor Day Monday, Sept. 7, with a hand joining celebration connecting Oregon and Washington across the Interstate Bridge. Live music, recovery resources, food vendors and more fun will follow at Oxfest, noon to 7 p.m.

Elected officials from both Oregon and Washington will join the celebration to show their support of the work done by the recovery community. Elected officials from Oregon are Rep. **Chip Shields** and Multnomah County Chair **Ted Wheeler**. Washington officials include Sen. **Craig Pridemore**, Clark County Commission Chair **Marc Boldt** and City of Vancouver Mayor **Royce Pollard**.

Also joining this year's celebration will be **Ivette A. Torres**, MEd, MS, associate director for consumer affairs for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Oregon meets at the Doubletree Hotel, 1401 N Hayden Island Drive. Washington meets at Esther Short Park, 8th and Columbia.

More information may be found by visiting www.Oxfest.net or www.Handsacrossthebridge.org.

Blind and visually impaired use "One Shot" camera to participate in shooting sports and hunting

Former Washington State School for the Blind students are benefiting from **Doug Rasmussen's** "One Shot" camera that he developed to help blind and visually impaired individuals participate in target shooting and hunting expeditions. The One Shot camera consists of a laptop computer with a high resolution web cam. This technology records shots using the software provided by the web cam manufacturer.

Rasmussen will be meeting several WSSB alumni at the Clark Rifles Shooting Range at noon on Sunday, Aug. 30, to practice shooting with the One Shot camera. For more information, contact **Janet Merz** at **696-6321**, ext. **120** or email janet.merz@wssb.wa.gov.

Nominate a Woman of Achievement for YWCA and Clark College award

Nominations for the Women of Achievement awards are now open. The awards, given annually to eight women by YWCA Clark County and Clark College, honor women who have made lasting and far-reaching contributions throughout Southwest Washington.

To download a nomination form, visit www.ywcaclarkcounty.org/woa.htm. Nominators can also pick up a form from 8 to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday at the YWCA office at 3609 Main Street, Vancouver. Anyone may nominate a woman, and women may nominate themselves.

The deadline to receive Women of Achievement nomination forms is 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4.

The Women of Achievement Luncheon Celebration will be held on Friday, March 19, 2010 at the Hilton Vancouver Washington.

Clark County Chamber of Commerce holds September business & networking seminar

Clark County Chamber of Commerce is presenting its September business seminar & networking event from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 8, Northwest Baptist Convention Center, 3200 NE 109th Avenue.

In the upcoming event, **Mollie Jenkins** of Nies Insurance will moderate the following panel of health care experts discussing "Health Care Opportunities & Challenges in Clark County": **Liz Cline**, LifeWise of Washington; **Dan Harmond**, Regence BlueCross BlueShield; **Zack Fleischer**, Regence BlueCross BlueShield; **Jennifer Young**, United Healthcare (PEAT and AET Trusts); and **Theresa Ballweber**, Colonial Supplement Life.

For more information, please call **258-1181** or contact info@ClarkChamber.com.

News Briefs

Slocum House Theater Company presents *Wit* by **Margaret Edson**, Sept. 4 - 27, at 605 Esther Street. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults and \$8 for seniors and children under 12. To make reservations, email reservations@slocumhouse.com or call **260-696-2427**. For further information on show times or about the play, visit www.slocumhouse.com.

Calendar

Vancouver Planning Commission will meet for a workshop from 4 to 6:15 p.m. today, followed by hearings at 7 p.m. <> Bicycle Advocacy Group is having its monthly meeting with a presentation given by the Columbia River Crossing staff, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26, at the Wallis Engineering Building, 215 W 4th Street. Input on bicycling related aspects of the project are welcome. For more information, call **253-1742**. <> Camas Farmer's Market opens from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26, 616 NE 4th. <> The La Center Museum Association will be hosting a guided walking cemetery tour at Mt. Zion Cemetery on Highland Road from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26. <> La Center City Council meets at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 26, in the Council Chambers, 214 East 4th Street.

Tuesday on the air

City and County Telecommunications Commission (8-5)—6:15 p.m. CVTV

Clark County Close Up (8-2)—7 p.m. CVTV

Oakland Athletics at Seattle (live)—7 p.m. FSN

Portland Beavers at Sacramento (live)—7 p.m. KKAD

Lunch with the Governor (7-23)—7:30 p.m. CVTV

Our Personal Best Employee Award Program (8-20)—8:30 p.m. CVTV

Clark County Focus (7-16)—9:30 p.m. CVTV

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

Humane Society for Southwest Washington Public Preview (7-19)—10:40 p.m. CVTV

Clark County Board of Health (7-22)—11 p.m. CVTV

Top Projects 209 (7-23)—11:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Bill Knight checking in. <> **Bob Schaefer** receives two for one. <> **Craig Walker** making inquiries. <> **Alina Kerth** enjoying last weeks of summer.<> **Tuesday**, morning drizzle followed by afternoon sun, 54-72. **Wednesday**, mostly cloudy, 59-86. **Thursday**, sunny, 61-90.