

Ciraulo seeking third term on Battle Ground council

Battle Ground mayor **Mike Ciraulo** has announced he is a candidate for a third term on the Battle Ground City Council.

Ciraulo, 44, has served six years as a council member and since 2008 has served in the council-elected position as mayor.

Ciraulo also works as a division chief for Clark County Fire & Rescue. He is a member of the State Fire Protection Policy Board, the Special License Plate Commission. He currently serves on the board of directors for the North County Community Food Bank, the steering committee for Loaves & Fishes, the Clark County Urban Policy Board, the Wastewater Management Advisory Board, the North County Leadership Group, and the Clark County Community Action Advisory Board.

Ciraulo and his wife, **Gilda**, were recognized as the "2007 Battle Ground Citizens of the Year." Mike Ciraulo was awarded the YWCA **Val Joshua** racial justice award for his work with the Battle Ground Cultural Task Force.



Michael Ciraulo

Bart Hansen to run for city council

Vancouver native **Bart Hansen** today announced he is a candidate for the Vancouver City Council city council, Position 1, currently held by **Pat Jollota**, who has said she is retiring at the end of the year.

Hansen, a graduate of Clark College and Washington State University, is attending Marylhurst University. Hansen has 10 years' experience in public administration and currently is an office services manager at Clark Public Utilities.

Former Vancouver council member **Jack Burkman** earlier announced he is a candidate for Jollota's post.

Home & Garden Idea Fair bigger and better

Clark Public Utilities' 18th annual Home & Garden Idea Fair is expected to be the biggest and best ever, according to **Heather Allmain**, coordinator for the three-day event at the Clark County fairgrounds Friday through Sunday, April 24-26.

This year, landscape exhibits have been moved to the exposition center, and the number has increased from 8 to 12. Plant sales have also been moved to the main fair commercial exhibit spaces. Commercial exhibits are already sold out, according to Allmain.

Admission to the fair is free, but there is a \$5 per vehicle parking charge. C-TRAN will be providing bus service.

Friends of Three Creeks Community Library host huge used book sale

The Friends of Three Creeks Community will hold a used book sale Saturday, April 25, in the community room of the library. Over 10,000 books will be available for purchase, including a wide range of fiction, non-fiction, and children's books.

Doors open at 8:00 a.m. for members, 10:00 a.m. for non-members. Closing time is 5 p.m. Hardcover books sell for \$1.00; paperbacks, fifty cents. Proceeds of the sale help support special library purchases and programming, such as the Summer Reading Program. For further details, call **Karen and Dennis Johnson, 576-8781**.

News briefs

Vancouver Public Schools' One of a Kind Drumline will perform in concert at 7 p.m. Friday, May 1, in the Royal Durst Theatre in the Vancouver School of Arts and Academics, 3101 Main Street. The concert is free, but reservations are suggested and can be had by emailing ed.esparza@vansd.org, by Tuesday April 28. <> Current marijuana policy and practice will be discussed during the 7 p.m., Thursday, May 21, Forum at the Library, reports **Brooke Granade**. Making presentations are the following: Sgt. **Tony Barnes**, Clark County Sheriff's Department, Clark/Skamania Drug Task Force, **Glenn Baldwin**, planning and policy specialist, Washington State Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse, and **Alison Holcomb**, drug policy director, American Civil

Liberties Union of Washington.

Calendar

Tim Leavitt, Vancouver mayoral candidate, is holding an informal reception and kickoff for his campaign from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. this evening in the Fort Vancouver Ballroom in the Heathman Lodge, 7801 NE Greenwood Drive. For further information, call **609-4846**. <> The state Department of Transportation is holding an open house and formal access hearing on the Camas-Washougal Highway 14 interchange at <> **Kweisi Mfume** will discuss "Race, Class and Economic Recovery in Obama's America" during the fifth annual Washington State University Vancouver Public Affairs Lecture beginning at 7 p.m. this evening in Fort Vancouver High School, 5700 East 18th Street. Students are admitted free. Tickets are \$10. For further information, call **694-2588**. <> The Southwest Washington Blood Program is holding a blood drive from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, April 16, in the St. John Medical Center, 1615 Delaware Street, Longview.

Wednesday on the air

Clark County Commissioners (4/14)—4:30 p.m. CVTV
L.A. Angels at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KFX
Denver at Portland Blazers (live)—7:30 p.m. ESPN, KXTG
49th District Town Hall (3/14)—7:30 p.m. CVTV
Moving Beyond a Shareholder Focus (4/10)—9:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Susan Tissot getting Scottish visitor. <> **John Lindberg** offering baseball and softball tickets. <> **Kelly Adams** looking for nominees. <> **Arlene Johnson** looking for clarification. <> **Mike Lawyer** crossing the border. <> **Wednesday**, dry, partly cloudy, 40-62. **Thursday**, mostly cloudy, 50-65. **Friday**, rain, 44-65.