

## **Mike Godson named Educator of the Year**



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Clark College automotive professor **Mike Godson** has been named Educator of the Year during the 2009 North American Council of Automotive Teachers (NACAT) Conference.

A resident of Washougal, Godson is head of the automotive department at Clark College. He is also a Toyota Technical Education Network instructor, a chairperson on the Toyota T-TEN National Advisory Council, a National Automotive Technician Education Foundation (NATEF) evaluation team leader and a Washington Department of Ecology authorized emission specialist. In addition, Godson is Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) Master and L-1 certified.

Godson graduated from the Arizona Automotive Institute in 1977. He received a certificate in automatic transmissions from Clark College in 1978 and graduated from the same school in 1994 with an associate in applied science degree. He worked as an automotive technician in various dealerships and independent service facilities from 1978 until he accepted a full-time faculty position in the Clark College automotive department in 1995.

## **Gibson secures endorsements in race for fire commissioner**



Ron Gibson

With the August 18th primary election only weeks away, **Ron Gibson**, candidate for fire commissioner, position 3, in Clark County Fire District Five, has secured the endorsements of both Vancouver Fire Fighters International Association of Fire Fighters IAFF Local 452 and Vancouver Fire Command IAFF Local 4378, as well as the endorsements of **Pat Jollota** and **Jeanne Harris**.

Gibson resides in the Maplecrest neighborhood and is a graduate of Washington State University, Vancouver where he earned a bachelors in business administration. With more than seven years' experience in accounting, he currently works for the City of Vancouver as a financial analyst for the Vancouver Fire Department. Visit [www.ronaldgibson.com](http://www.ronaldgibson.com) for more information on his campaign for fire commissioner.

### **Three Creeks council I-5, NE 179th Street issues**

The Three Creeks Advisory Council will meet from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Aug. 13, in the Washington State University Vancouver, administration building, 4204 NE Salmon Creek Avenue.

The council will focus on transportation and land-use issues related to the Northeast 179th Street interchange on Interstate 5. In addition, there will be a presentation about a proposed plan to guide the future of the Salmon Creek area and neighborhoods nearby. More information about that planning effort can be found at <http://www.clark.wa.gov/salmoncreek/>.

### **Celebrate Freedom Festival September 19**

The City of Vancouver, 40 at 8, U.S. Army, National Park Service, Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, the Fort Vancouver National Trust and Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce have coordinated a *Celebrate Freedom Festival* to honor all uniformed services and bid farewell to the 104th Training Division LT of the U.S. Army that will be transferred to Fort Lewis this year after a 60-year history in Vancouver.

The festival takes place on Saturday, Sept. 19, and begins at 7:30 a.m. with a pancake breakfast, a formal farewell ceremony to the Army's 104th Training Division LT at 10 a.m., and at noon a community festival that includes family game activities, food, displays of equipment and army artifacts, and living history re-enactors. The festival is being held at the Fort Vancouver Parade Ground and along E. 5th Street in Fort Vancouver

National Park.

For more information, please visit [www.cityofvancouver.us](http://www.cityofvancouver.us), or call City of Vancouver Special Events at 487-8630.

**Find treasures at Firstenburg Community garage sale**

The Firstenburg Community Center is having a garage sale on Saturday, Aug. 8, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., with more than 30 vendors selling items ranging from toys and clothing to antiques and collectables. The garage sale is at the Firstenburg Community Center Gym, 700 NE 136th Avenue.

For more information, contact **Patty Krebs** at 487-7015.

**Hoops on the River registration still open**

Registration for Hoops on the River is open until 5 p.m., Monday, Aug. 10. Completed registration forms should be delivered in person at the Share Volunteer Center, 1708 Main Street. Registration cost is \$125 for adults and youth and \$175 for elite adults.

All proceeds from Hoops on the River benefit Share, and the hungry and homeless in Clark County. Last year's event raised \$147,000 to support Share's program and services, which are accessed by more than 10,000 individuals each year.

For further information or to register, please visit <http://www.sharevancouver.org/events/hoops-on-the-river>**Share: Hoops on the River.**

**Calendar**

The **Beatniks** are playing in Esther Short Park from 6 to 8 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 6, as part of the Riverview Six to Sunset Concert series. <> HomeStreet Bank and Camas Chiropractic Center are jointly sponsoring the East Vancouver Health and Safety Fair at 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 6, 2100 SE 164th Avenue. For more information, call 834-3434 or 253-6166 or visit [www.DrGwilliam.com](http://www.DrGwilliam.com).

**Tuesday on the air**

Clark County Board of Commissioners (8-4)—4:30 p.m. CVTV  
**Seattle Mariners at Kansas City (live)—5 p.m. FSN, KTRO**  
**Portland Beavers at Albuquerque (live)—6 p.m. KKAD**  
**City and County Telecommunications Commission (live)—7 p.m. CVTV**  
Vancouver Planning Commission (7-28)—10 p.m. CVTV  
Lunch with the Governor (7-23)—11 p.m. CVTV

**Town Tabloids and the Weather**

**Kurt Jobe** suffering from Terpsichorean bite. <> **Becky Archibald** hard at work politicking. <> **Bobbi Short** certified project coordinator. <> **Steve Kuyatt** getting the word out. <> **Wednesday**, partly cloudy, 57-84. **Thursday**, partly cloudy, 57-78. **Friday**, cloudy, 59-73.