

Wells Fargo pledges \$100,000 to aid disaster relief efforts in Haiti

To help victims of the earthquake in Haiti, Wells Fargo & Company is contributing \$100,000 to the American Red Cross disaster relief fund to assist with recovery efforts.

"On behalf of all our 280,000 team members I want to express our sympathy for the victims and their families of this major earthquake," says **John Stumpf**, Wells Fargo chairman and CEO. "We have a substantial number of team members and customers in Florida and throughout the East Coast with families in Haiti. As Haiti continues to assess the damage from this horrifying disaster, we want to do what we can to support relief efforts."

Customers can make donations to the American Red Cross by visiting <http://www.redcross.org>.

Open house to examine proposal for 78th Street site

The public is invited to review and comment on a proposed master plan for the county's 78th Street/WSU property during an open house from 6 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 20, at the Clark Regional Wastewater District office, 8000 N.E. 52nd Court, in the Hazel Dell area.

The proposed plan would guide the layout and programs for the site, if approved by the Board of County Commissioners. The proposal calls for spotlighting agricultural areas and programs to serve educational groups, nonprofits, farmers and researchers. Facilities where community members can gather for classes, meetings and demonstrations also are included.

For more information about the master plan and to provide comment, visit www.clark.wa.gov/78WSU.



Dan Hagedorn

Pearson Air Museum to host free presentation on T-6 trainer aircraft

Dan Hagedorn, senior curator and director of collections at the Museum of Flight in Seattle, will present "North American's T-6: The World's Most Famous Trainer Family" at a free lecture at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 28, at the Pearson Air Museum, 1115 East Fifth Street, Vancouver. The North American T-6 Texan was a single-engine advanced trainer aircraft used to train Allied fighter pilots during World War II. Designed by North American Aviation, the T-6 is known by a variety of designations depending on the model and operating air force.

Hagedorn, the author of 17 books and more than 250 journal articles relating to aviation, will speak in Pearson's main hangar next to the museum's T-6 airplane.

After his presentation, the author will be available to autograph his books, which will be available for purchase at the

Pearson Air Museum Bookstore. For information, call the Pearson Air Museum at **694-7026**.

At the Museum of Flight, Hagedorn is responsible for all collections held by the museum, including more than 150 air and space craft. His staff also manages the Bracken Memorial Library, the largest dedicated aerospace library west of the Mississippi, the Dahlberg Center for Military Aviation History Research, and the museum's archives of more than 2.8 million images and other collections. For 19 years Hagedorn served as both research team leader and adjunct curator for Latin American Aviation at the National Air and Space Museum, Smithsonian Institution. In March 1996, in conjunction with the 150th anniversary of the Smithsonian, Hagedorn was named an Unsung Hero of the Smithsonian Institution. Earlier, he had a 27-year career in the U.S. Armed Forces.



T-6 trainer

Discovery Middle School recognizes "STEMester of Service" on Martin Luther King Day

Discovery Middle School will kick off its STEMester of Service initiative by participating in an MLK Service Learning Assembly Tuesday, Jan. 19, to honor Youth Service America and Martin Luther King, Jr. Martin Luther King, Jr., said, "Life's most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?"

In honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. and Youth Service America, Discovery Middle School will be highlighting three community organizations that are service-oriented: the Fort Vancouver Regional Library; the

Boys and Girls Club of Southwest Washington; and the Vancouver Foundation. These organizations will explain to the students how they help the community, how our students and their families can receive help from these organizations, and how as a young person each can volunteer and help any community service organization.

For more information about this project, visit the Discovery website at <http://disco.vansd.org/>. For more information about YSA, visit www.YSA.org.

SPJ announces 2009 Northwest Excellence in Journalism Contest, which is now online

Contest organizers in the Society of Professional Journalists' region 10 announced the launch of the 2009 Northwest Excellence in Journalism Contest today. The annual SPJ contest honors the best journalism work in daily newspapers, alternative newsweeklies, nondaily newspapers, magazines, online, radio and television.

"This year we're making a lot of positive changes to the contest," says regional director **Dana Neuts**. "These changes will make entering the SPJ contest easier than ever before while reducing administrative and mailing costs."

"For the first time, we're making online submissions possible, and we are expanding the magazine and nondaily newspaper contests to be open to others within the region," Neuts adds. "We're excited to take the contest to the next level."

Contest entries may be submitted online starting today through the end of the day on Friday, Feb. 19, 2010, the deadline for entry. Entry fees are \$15 each, and the contest is open to both SPJ members and nonmembers residing and working in Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana. For complete eligibility rules and instructions, visit the SPJ website at <http://spj-northwest.org>.

For more information, contact **Scott Maben**, former regional director, Spokane, WA, **509-459-5528**, scottm@spokesman.com, **Ruth Pettis**, contest coordinator, Seattle, WA, **206-781-8097**, ruthpett@earthlink.net, or Neuts, Kent, WA, **360-920-1737**, spj@virtuallyyourz.com.

News Briefs

The City of Camas will conduct its annual Planning Conference on January 22, and 23, 2010. The conference will be conducted at the Camas Public Library, second floor, 625 NE Fourth Avenue, Camas, Washington. The first session of the meeting will begin at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 22, and the second session will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 23. The agenda includes goal setting and discussion on a variety of subjects, which affect the community. For more information, contact **Lloyd Halverson**, city administrator at **834-6864**.

Calendar

Loaves and Fishes will be providing hot meals for senior citizens from noon to 2 p.m. tomorrow, Jan. 14, in the La Center Community Center, 1000 E 4th Street. <> Planning Commission meets at 7 p.m. tonight, Jan. 13, in Council chambers, 109 SW 1st Street, 2nd floor, Battle Ground.

Wednesday on the air

Port of Vancouver Board of Commissioners (1-12)--4:30 p.m. CVTV
Town Hall Meeting: 49th Legislative District (1-9)--7:30 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Board of Commissioners (1-12)--9:32 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and Weather

Amanda Solomon enjoying South Africa. <> **Annie Jobe** celebrating another birthday. <>
Wednesday, showers, 51-42. **Thursday**, p.m. showers, 49-42. **Friday**, cloudy, 49-44.