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WSU Vancouver professor Candice Goucher to share \$2.2 million grant for PBS course

Washington State University Vancouver professor Candice Goucher and Portland State University professor Linda Walton have been awarded a \$2.2 million grant to create world history courses for Public Broadcast Service.

The grant from the Annenberg Foundation and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting enables Goucher and Walton to produce a 26-unit series, *Bridging World History*, as a study guide to be designed to help teachers learn more about history.

The series is scheduled to be completed for the fall of 2004.

Cindy Knowles, senior producer for Oregon Public Broadcasting, initiated the grant request.

Goucher is the director of the liberal arts programs and a professor of history at WSU Vancouver. She teaches courses in African history and Caribbean studies. Goucher produced the award-winning video, *Blooms of Banjeli*, and is co-author of the two-volume book *In the Balance: Themes in Global History*.

Utility to talk solar power during open house noting anniversary of Green Lights program

Clark Public Utilities will reveal plans for the first solar project funded by its Green Lights renewable energy program, according to utility commission chair **Carol Curtis**.

The open house is at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 30, in the utility's Electric Center Community Room, 1200 Fort Vancouver Way.

According to Curtis, 220 of Clark's electric customers have invested \$16,500 in the program, which provides customers with power from renewable energy projects The cost of each 100 kilowatt-hour block of power is about \$1.50 higher than the current rate.

For further information, call 992-3000.

Workshop to tell local students about nearly \$350,000 in college scholarships

A workshop that outlines for college and college-bound students how they can compete for nearly \$340,000 in scholarships available through Clark College is at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 2, in Gaiser Hall.

Awards range from \$500 to \$2,200 per year. Local industries and private donors contributed a majority of the scholarship funds through the Clark College Foundation.

Students, prospective students and their parents are invited to participate, says **Karen Grey** of the Clark College Foundation.

Casinos give La Center charities \$15,300

Grants totaling \$15,300 to schools and other nonprofit organizations in La Center have been awarded through the Community Foundation for Southwest Washington

The grants were from the La Center Casinos Charitable Fund, supported by the Last Frontier, New Phoenix and

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Double Down Casinos.

Since last summer, the casinos' foundation has given the community \$45,000 and expects to grant over \$70,000 annually, according to **Jo England**, owner of the New Phoenix Casino.

County railroad board vacancy to be filled

Applications for a position open on the 15-member Clark County Railroad Advisory Board are being sought by county commissioners.

The county owns a 33-mile short-line railroad that runs from north Vancouver to Chelatchie Prairie, known both as the Lewis and Clark Railroad and Chelatchie Prairie Railroad.

Deadline for applications is Friday, Feb. 28. Call **Steve Shulte**, **397-6118**, extension **4017**, for further information.

Firefighters busier last year

Vancouver firefighters responded to 20,278 emergency incidents last year, a 2.23 percent increase over 2001 and up 40 percent from five years ago, according to Vancouver Fire Chief **Don Bivens**.

Consistent with national trends, 82 percent of the responses were for emergency medical services, 18 percent were fire calls.

The 3,587 fire calls last year were down 232 from the year before.

News brief

Clark County commissioners meet in informal session at 2 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29.

Tuesday electronic events

Vancouver Symphony Orchestra: Mexican Traditions—4:30 p.m. CVTV President Bush: State of the Union (live)—6 p.m. most stations Gov. Gary Locke's Democratic Response follows (live) Vancouver Planning Commission (live)—7 p.m.CVTV Denver Nuggets at Portland Trail Blazers (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KXL

Stocks of northwest interest at 4 p.m. EST, Tuesday, Jan 28, 2002							
Alaska Air Group	20.09	+.46	Microsoft	48.82	35		
Alcoa	20.26	+.11	Nautilus	11.93	12		
Amazon.com	21.62	16	Nike	44.61	+1.05		
Bank of America	69.10	+.48	Nordstrom	18.37	+.29		
Bemis	44.06	44	PepsiCo	40.53	02		
Boeing	31.45		Precision Cast	24.88	+.28		
Boise Cascade	24.61		RLRN	15.90	10		
CenturyTel	28.55		Starbucks	22.69	+.07		
Costco	29.21		TSM	7.15	34		
Expeditors Intl.	31.06		Tektronix	16.45	11		
Georgia Pacific	16.25	+.85		61.03	+.56		
HPQ	18.78		US Bancorp	20.89	+.05		
Intel	16.03		Wash. Mutual	34.25	+.49		
Kyocera	57.60		W. Coast Bancorp	15.88	+.56		
Linear Technology	26.60	+.53	Weyerhaeuser	48.93	+.12		
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Town Tabloids and The Weather

Byron Hanke's fame spreading. Tena Wolski picking up back copies.
Guy Cook putting extra o in coool. Jim Laurenza ordering shoulder pads. Kari Stanley saying nice things. Marilyn Westlake counting calls. Wednesday, cloudy, sunbreaks, 52. Wednesday, clouds will give way to sunbreaks, 54. Thursday, cloudy, possible showers, 54.

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s.	Chicago	32/16
	Dallas	58/48
n	Hong Kong	68/46
g	Los Angeles	73/52
	London	43/32
y	New Orleans	66/55
n	New York	26/25
	Orlando	66/48
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2.	Phoenix	76/50
_	Rome	58/39
O	Seattle	50/38
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	Tokyo	48/33
	Washington	32/32