

Val Ogden to co-chair

Citizens For Better Libraries

Former state legislator **Val Ogden** has joined **Jan Oliva** and **Ron Hart** as co-chair of Citizens for Better Libraries, the organization that is promoting a \$43 million bond issue to finance a new Vancouver community library.

Last fall the organization came within a handful of votes of passing a bond issue that would have financed reconstruction of the main city library at Mill Plain Boulevard and Fort Vancouver Way.

The proposal voters will face at the Tuesday, Sept. 19, election is an improved version.

Killian Pacific has donated a \$2 million site for the new library in its new Riverwest project in downtown Vancouver. In addition, an anonymous donor has contributed another \$5 million toward the project.

A campaign management team has been assembled entirely from Vancouver.

Kathy McDonald, KMac & Associates, has been named campaign consultant. Joining McDonald are **Randy Mueller**, campaign manager, who worked on the successful Save C-TRAN campaign last year, and **Jamie Weiss**, chairwoman of the Clark County Chapter of Washington conservation voters for 2005, as campaign field coordinator.

Information on the library bond issue and about joining the committee can be obtained by going to the campaign office, 3801 Main Street, or by calling **606-2177**.

Mark Magistrale named vice president of physician services for medical center

Mark Magistrale has been appointed vice president of physician services of Southwest Washington Health Systems, parent of Southwest Washington Medical Center. Magistrale will continue in his role as executive director of Family Physicians Group, which is also part of the health systems.

According to Magistrale, Family Physicians Group will open a second physicians' office in Salmon Creek in June. The Salmon Creek office will be in the Vancouver Clinic medical office, 2525 NE 139th Street. The new office will be staffed by 11 medical providers.

The Family Physicians Group Fisher's Landing office, 16811 SE McGillivray Boulevard, is being expanded to accommodate 20 medical providers, according to Magistrale.

County Republicans girding for battle

The Clark County Republican Party's new office at 7736 NE Hazel Dell Avenue, opened this week, reports newly elected county Republican chairwoman **Anna Miller**. The office will be used for precinct committee officer meetings, phone banking, voter registration and other campaigning activities.

Miller succeeded **Brent Boger**, who is a candidate for the Washington State Court of Appeals, as the local chairperson.

Ryan Hart has been appointed the county Republican's vice chairman. Miller and Hart will lead the Clark County delegation to the state Republican Convention in Yakima this weekend.

Power of Purple campaign opens

Friday in Salmon Creek Burgerville

A Power of Purple campaign for the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life opens Friday, May 26, in the Salmon Creek Burgerville USA Restaurant, 13309 NE Highway 99.

Contributors to the Power of Purple campaign will receive large purple bows, suitable for display. Cancer survivors may register in the restaurant for the annual Cancer Society Relay for Life, which will be Saturday, July 22.

News brief

Applications are being accepted by the board of Clark County commissioners to fill a position on the 11-member Vancouver-Clark Parks & Recreation Advisory Commission, vacated by **Joe Cote**, who recently resigned. Applicants must reside in Clark County. For further information, call **Linda Clifton, 619-1110**.

Calendar

Steven Beresford and **Rudy Ramirez** will make presentations on generating and marketing ideas at today's 5:30 p.m. Black Entrepreneurs of Clark County meeting in the Jim Parsley Community Center, 4100 Plomondon St. There is no charge. ✍ Award-winning author **Jack Gantos** is the keynote speaker at the fifth annual

Altrusa Library Service Award dinner at 6:30 p.m. this evening in Royal Oaks Country Club. Further information is available by calling **Marie McEnry**, 921-2755. ☞ The Animal Protection & Control Advisory Board meets at 6:30 p.m. this evening in the 6th floor training room in the Public Service Center.

Today's headline stories

[County commissioners weigh in on easing I-5 bridge traffic; want new bridge downriver--Columbian, Jeffrey Mize and Thomas Ryll](#)
[Kenneth Lay and Jeffrey Skilling found guilty of fraud and conspiracy in Enron case--New York Times, Alexi Barrionuevo and Vikas Bajaj](#)
[Library proposal offers new library, new look for downtown Vancouver--Oregonian, Allan Brettman](#)
[Developers tap Arnada for project--Columbian, Cami Joner](#)
[Palestinian leader plans a vote on accepting Israel--New York Times, Greg Myre](#)
[Cordial welcome turns serious in Mexican leader Vicente Fox's visit to state if Washington--Seattle Times, Marc Ramirez and Thornton Turnbull](#)
[U.S. to repeal long-distance excise telephone tax and will IRS will refund tax paid on service over past three years--New York Times, Reuters](#)
[Northeast power failure shuts down commuter trains--New York Times, John Holusha](#)
[Bush seals Jefferson files for 45 days--USA TODAY, AP](#)

Thursday on the air

Portland Beavers at Nashville (live)—5 p.m. KKAD
Clark county Land Use Hearings (live)—6 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Ryan Hart doing herald trick. ☞ **Colin Dunn** skillfully blending. ☞ **Sharon Nelson** describing power of purple. ☞ **Craig Walker** kicking up heels. ☞ **Marilyn Dryke** sets 25-month project in motion. ☞ **Thursday**, expect more showers, sunbreaks, 62. **Friday**, a few more showers, a little sun, 61. **Saturday**, occasional showers, sun breaks, 62.