

**Bill Fromhold gets House  
Capital Budget Committee**



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State Rep. **Bill Fromhold**, (D-49th), now in his fourth term in the legislature, has been named chairman of the House Capital Budget Committee. The House Capital Budget Committee considers the state capital budget, which approves money for the construction and repair of public buildings, including public college and university buildings.

Fromhold maintains his membership on the House Appropriations Committee and is a member of the appropriations subcommittee of the House Education Committee. He is also a member of the State Committee on Pension Policy.

The 2007 state legislature convenes in Olympia on Monday, Jan. 8.

**ROCKETSHOP SIGNS AS AGENCY OF RECORD FOR  
SHARP MICROELECTRONICS OF THE AMERICAS**

Rocketshop, the Vancouver-based full-service marketing and advertising firm, is expanding by adding Sharp Microelectronics of the Americas to its client base.

As Sharp Microelectronics agency-of-record, Rocketshop is developing and implementing marketing and public relations strategies, according to Rocketshop's vice president of account services **Carol Lindstrom**.

The focus will be on Sharp's Liquid Crystal Display division as well as Optoelectronics, Imaging, and RF/IR component divisions.

"We are pleased with the relationship we are developing with the talented Rocketshop team," says **David Franks**, senior director, Human Resources and Administration at Sharp. "We look forward to a productive and mutually beneficial relationship with Rocketshop. We believe our combined efforts and creativity in marketing will underscore the Sharp brand as the industry leader in quality, performance and capability.

Sharp Microelectronics of the Americas is the U.S.-based microelectronics sales and marketing unit of Japan's Sharp Corporation. Sharp is a worldwide developer of electronic products for consumer and business markets.

Founded in Vancouver in 2000, Rocketshop is a strategic consulting and creative services firm specializing in advertising, marketing and public relations.

**Photographer Chuck Williams delivers  
museum's final Oregon Trail lecture**

Oregon-born photographer and author **Chuck Williams** delivers the final lecture in the Clark County Historical Museum 2006 series of presentations on the Lewis and Clark Expedition and the Oregon Trail, at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7, in the museum at 1511 Main Street.

There is no admission charge.

Williams is a Cascade Indian and an enrolled member of the Confederated Grand Ronde Tribes. He presents a unique perspective during his lecture, "We Were Here When the Pioneers Arrived: American Indians at the End of the Oregon Trail." Williams has published books on Mount St. Helens and the Bridge of the Gods.

December is the final month of the museum's Native American exhibit of art, "Full Circle: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow." The museum's galleries and museum store will be open. Thursday. For further information, call **993-5679**.

**Commissioner Steve Stuart to discuss  
county issues affecting business**

Clark County commissioner **Steve Stuart** will discuss county issues affecting east Vancouver businesses at a breakfast meeting at 7:15 a.m. Friday, Dec. 8, in Nautilus Inc., 16400 SE Nautilus Drive.



**Rocketshop's Carol Lindstrom**

The Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce event is \$10 per person. The public is invited. For reservations, call **694-2588**.

### **Santa coming to Pearson Air Museum**

For price of admission, Pearson Air Museum visitors, who bring their own cameras, can have their pictures taken with Santa Claus in a vintage Ryan monoplane from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 9. In addition hot cocoa available and a souvenir ornament given, as long as supplies last.

Adult admission is \$6. Children under 6 are admitted free. Admission for children between 6 and 12 is \$3. Those who bring a new unwrapped gift for a child will receive \$1 off admission price. For further information, call **694-7026**.

### **News brief**

The Clark County Planning Commission will begin its review of the proposed county Comprehensive Growth Management Plan at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, in the Public Service Center. Neither public testimony will be allowed nor will formal action be taken. ✂ The Port of Portland meeting to review plans for Portland International Airport expansion at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, in the St. Helens conference room at the airport. Parking will be validated. ✂ The Columbia River Economic Development Council and the Southwest Washington Workforce Council have scheduled an open house in their new shared location at 805 Broadway, Suite 412, between 4:30 and 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 7. ✂ The annual Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce Legislative Outlook breakfast is at 7 a.m. Friday, Dec. 15, in the Hilton Vancouver Washington. Call the chamber for reservations for the \$30 breakfast at **694-2588**. ✂ Nationally syndicated columnist **Michelle Singletary** will keynote the 2007 *Columbian* newspaper's annual economic forecast at 7 a.m. Friday, Jan. 19, in the Hilton Vancouver, Washington. Single admission is \$45 each. Tables for ten are \$400. For reservations, call the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, **694-2588**.

### **Calendar**

Clark County commissioners, meeting in an informal session at 2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 6, in conference room B in the Public Service Center, will also continue budget deliberations. ✂ The Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council meets in regular session at 4 p.m. today in the Public Service center. ✂ County commissioners will consider the Clark County Board of Health budget during a 6:30 p.m. meeting today.

### **Tuesday Headlines**

[Rescuers find mon, kids, but not dad--Oregonian, \*\*David R. Anderson\*\*](#)

[Searchers follow California man's footsteps in the wild--KATU, AP](#)

[Tax-free prepaid college programs so far have attracted 1,783 Clark County families--Columbian, \*\*Howard Buck\*\*](#)

[Pressures of growth roil Columbia Gorge--Oregonian, \*\*Gosia Wozniacka\*\*](#)

[\\$20 license tab fee for transportation projects among Vancouver's legislative lobbying goals--Oregonian, \*\*Allan Brettman\*\*](#)

[Zarelli says bill setting aside one percent of state revenues for rainy day fund may make it this year--Columbian, \*\*Kathie Durbin\*\*](#)

[New dot-economy: plummeting costs give rise to a wave of Internet entrepreneurs--Washington Post, \*\*Alan Supress\*\*](#)

[Secretary of State designate Robert Gates says U.S. is not winning the war in Iraq--New York Times, \*\*David Stout\*\*](#)

[Iraqi prime minister seeking regional talks on stabilizing his country--New York Times, \*\*Edward Wong\*\*](#)

### **Tuesday on the air**

...Vancouver Pops Orchestra—4 p.m. CVTV

**Portland Blazers at Detroit (live)—4:30 p.m. FSN, KXL**

City Minutes (12/3)—5:15 p.m. CVTV

**Clark County Commissioners (live)**—6:30 p.m. CVTV  
**Gonzaga at Washington State (live)**—7 p.m. FSN  
Vancouver Planning Commission (11/28)—10 p.m. CVTV

### Town Tabloids and the Weather

**Shirley Morgan** taking care of details. ✂ **Bill Hidden** articulating thoughts. ✂ **Tom Mielke** staying in the loop. ✂ **Randy Mueller** making the most of current events. ✂ **John Balch** ✂ bringing clarity and life to the arcane. ✂ **Janet Miller** back in the alto section. ✂ **Sidney Johnson** hitting low notes. ✂ **Tuesday**, partly cloudy, 43. **Wednesday**, partly cloudy, 44, **Thursday**, partly cloudy, 43. [Click here for the rest of Pat Timm's current weather information.](#)