

Final Lewis and Clark lecture at Clark College this evening

Gary Moulton, modern-day editor of the Lewis and Clark journals, will present the final Lewis and Clark lecture of the bicentennial commemoration at 7 p.m. this evening in Gaiser Hall at Clark College.

Moulton, who has spent the past 20 years editing and publishing a 13-volume set of the journals, will present a new look at Lewis and Clark during the free lecture.

Moulton is the Thomas C. Sorensen Professor of American History at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Stuart schedules forum on environmental issues

Clark County commissioner **Steve Stuart** will present a forum on environmental issues at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, April 13, in the 6th floor training room in the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street.

Stuart said he wants to exchange ideas and information about what is happening on the environmental front to tackle challenges involving wetlands, habitats, parks and other natural resources.

Stuart says the April session will be followed by forums, later in the year, on transportation, economic development and emerging issues.

Environmental Protection Agency seeking comment on county drinking water supply

The federal Environmental Protection Agency is seeking comments through Monday, May 1, on a proposal to designate the Troutdale Aquifer System beneath Clark County as the county's sole source water supply system.

The aquifer supplies about 97 percent of the drinking water available to county residents and is beneath about half the nearly 600-square-mile county. The sole source water supply designation would give the EPA greater authority to review and approve federally funded projects.

The sole source designation is being sought by the Rosemere Neighborhood Association, a former accredited City of Vancouver neighborhood association.

For further information on where to send comments, call EPA Region 10 spokesperson **Martha Lentz**, (800) 424-4372.

Illahee Group opens landscape architecture office



Illahee Group, Inc., a landscape architecture firm, has relocated its offices to downtown Vancouver at 1305 Columbia Street, Suite 200, reports **David Sacamano**, Illahee Group principal.

Illahee Group services include landscape architecture, master planning, parks, trails, recreation and open space planning and design, infrastructure and transportation, and commercial and public landscape planning.

Sacamano has 12 years of professional experience in both private practice and public service and is registered to practice in Washington and Oregon. He is a graduate of both the University of Oregon and Willamette University.

Kazoodles, specialty toy store near Esther Short Park, sets grand opening

Weekend activities signal the grand opening of Kazoodles, Vancouver's newest specialty toy store near the Vancouver Farmers Market and Esther Short Park at 575 W 8th Street.

The ribbon cutting is at noon Friday, March 31. **Bizzy the Clown** will entertain Saturday and Sunday, April 1 and 2. Art activities will be led by **Angela Hazeltine Pozzi**.

Face painting and free kazooos are also featured.

The store, which offers toy, books and games, is owned by **Bob** and **Mary Sisson**.

News brief

All Fort Vancouver Regional Library District libraries will be closed all day Thursday, March 29, during an all-staff training event. The library district's automated system will continue operation throughout the day, and website, catalog and electronic resources are available at www.fvrl.org.

Calendar

The C-TRAN board of directors meets in executive session at 5 p.m. today in C-TRAN offices at 2425 NE 65th Avenue. ⚡ A presentation on Iran, sponsored by Vancouver for Peace, which includes a slide show, is at 7 p.m. this evening in the Fort Vancouver Regional Library, 1007 E Mill Plain Boulevard. The speaker is Vancouver's **Marion Ward**. ⚡ Lewis and Clark re-enactors continue their presentations this week between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Thursday, March 30, at Frenchman's Bar Park on the Columbia River. ⚡ Evergreen Public Schools is holding a superintendent's tour of Heritage High School, Covington Middle School and Orchards Elementary School Thursday, March 30. The tour begins at 8 a.m. from the Clark County Skills Center, 12200 NE 28th Street, and ends at 1 p.m. ⚡ An open house to discuss the SE 1st Street Improvement Project is being held by the City of Vancouver at 6 p.m. this evening in the Mill Plain Elementary School, 400 SE 164th Avenue.

Wednesday headlines from at home and around the world

[Corps re-enactors living history--Columbian, **Dean Baker**](#)

[Local mother and daughter come to family aid in downtown Portland kidnap attempt--Columbian, **Don Hamilton**](#)

[Local Lewis and Clark bicentennial commemoration helps tell the rest of the story--Columbian, **Tom Koenninger**](#)

[1940 Packard Super 8 helps local author--Columbian, **Mike Bailey**](#)

[Facing mounting pressure from Bush administration to step down, Iraq's prime minister asserts his right to stay in office and warned the Americans against undue interference in Iraq's political process--New York Times, **Edward Wong**](#)

[Lobbyist Jack Abramoff gets five years, ten months, for his role in fraudulent purchase of fleet of casino cruise ships--Washington Post, **Peter Whoriskey** and **William Branigin**](#)

[Think tanks for sale--Slate, **Timothy Noah**](#)

Wednesday on the air

Bravo! Vancouver: Opera Rocks!—3:30 p.m. CVTV

Cowlitz Casino Project (3/1)—5:30 p.m. CVTV

Sacramento at Portland Blazers (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KXL, KMUZ

Telecommunications Commission (3/1)—7 p.m. CVTV

Columbia River Crossing Task Force (3/22)—9:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the weather

Mike Heywood earns first place. ⚡ **Marilyn Dryke** trail blazing. ⚡ **Cindy Strong** promoting **Daryl Hall** and **John Oats**. ⚡ **Julie Kummer** promoting lady's bunko. ⚡ **Gerry Short** checking up. ⚡ **Wednesday**, gray showers off and on, 53. **Thursday**, mostly cloudy, some drizzles, 54. **Friday**, more rain likely, 56.