

## **Ed and Dollie Lynch give \$1 million to Southwest Washington medical Center**

**Ed and Dollie Lynch**, whose philanthropic gifts have helped support the Free Clinic of Southwest Washington, The Vancouver National Historic Reserve, the Confluence Project, Identity Clark County, I Have A Dream Foundation, and the Clark County Skills Center, among other organizations and institutions, have pledged \$1 million to the Southwest Washington Medical Center Foundation capital fund.

The gift comes with no strings attached, according to **Joe Kortum**, president and CEO of the medical center. "Dollie and Ed Lynch stand out in this community as philanthropists who give of their time and their resources to causes that benefit all of us in Clark County," Kortum said. "As a community we continue to be blessed by their leadership, commitment and generosity."

The Lynches share strong ties to the medical center. Ed served on several medical center boards, including a stint as chair of the medical center board of trustees. Dolly is a former member of the medical center's foundation fundraising committee. Currently, Ed is a member of the medical center foundation board of directors.

The gift comes on the heels of a record year of giving to the foundation, which has raised nearly \$39 million since September 2005. Other major contributors to the current campaign are **Ed and Mary Firstenburg** and **David and Patricia Nierenberg**.

## **Esther Short Commons gets top national housing and design award**

Esther Short Commons, designed by William Wilson Architects PC for the Vancouver Housing Authority, has been awarded the American Institute of Architects/Housing and Urban Development Secretary's 2006 Award for Mixed Use/Mixed Income Development.

The project west of Esther Short Park incorporates 20,000 square feet of designated commercial space and 140,777 square-feet of living space.

Esther Short Commons provides affordable downtown living options. Of 160 residential units, 139 are reserved for residents earning at or below 60 percent of the area's median income.

The jury which made the selection noted that the entire project was built for an average of \$78 per square foot.

The structure contributes to the neighborhood's "vibrant street" by connecting an indoor public market with the city's outdoor Farmers Market, according to jurors who selected the project for the top national prize.

**Kurt Creager**, VHA executive director commented: "This is very cool indeed. Congratulations to all VHA staff and board members. **Bill Wilson** is a superlative architect, and we are grateful for his work on our behalf."

## **Miller Nash offering half-day seminar for developers, planners, investors**

A half-day seminar on local growth management regulations and compliance is being offered by the Vancouver office of the Miller Nash law firm from 7:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 24, in the Hilton Vancouver Washington.

The seminar, "Land, Jobs, and People II," is subtitled, "Is the Growth Management Landscape Improving?"

Discussions will cover critical areas, shorelines, urban holding areas and urban growth areas, as well updates on development legislation and regulations.

"With people in Clark County now taking a more realistic view of the need to accommodate jobs and people, it is critical that people in the real estate development and construction fields keep up-to-date on changes and proposed changes in codes and regulations," according to **Steve Horenstein**, partner-in-charge of the Vancouver Miller Nash office.



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The seminar is designed for developers, land-use planners, property owners and real estate investors. Further information is available by calling **699-4771**, or by emailing [gmaevent@millernash.com](mailto:gmaevent@millernash.com).

### Calendar

The Columbia River Crossing Project Task Force meets from 4 to 6:30 p.m. today in the southwest regional headquarters of the state Department of Transportation, 11018 NE 51st Circle. Public comment will be accepted. ☞ The Clark County Sheriff's Office is hosting a Law Enforcement Memorial Day ceremony at 11 a.m. Thursday, May 18, honoring all law enforcement professionals and officers who have died in the line of duty. The public ceremony will be in the plaza area of the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street. Keynote speaker is F.B.I. assistant special agent in charge, **David C. Gomez**, Seattle.

### Today's headlines

[Mike Holmgren, Seahawks agree on two-year extension, Seattle Times, Miguel Romero](#)  
[Battle Ground school levy too close to call--Columbian, Howard Buck](#)  
[Ridgefield school bonds failing--Columbian, John Branton](#)  
[Clark faculty "no-confidence" vote not an ultimatum union says--Columbian, Howard Buck](#)  
[Dow plunges 214 points; largest one-day loss in three years--Columbian, AP, Christopher Wang](#)  
[Nautilus buys Universal Fitness--Columbian](#)  
[WSUV-Clark partnership fills big gap--Columbian, Tom Koenninger](#)  
[Saxton wins bitter GOP battle; Democrats stick with Kulongoski--Oregonian, Harry Esteve](#)  
[Copper River Salmon fetching as much as \\$36.99 a pound--Seattle P-I, Hsiao-Ching Chou](#)  
[A 'Da Vinci Code' that takes longer to watch than read--New York Times, A. O. Scott](#)

### Wednesday on the air

Clark County Close Up (5/7)—4:30 p.m. CVTV  
Clark County Hall of Fame (5/12)—5 p.m. CVTV  
Telecommunications Commission (5/3)—7 p.m. CVTV  
Vancouver Symphony Orchestra: Young Artists—9:02 p.m. CVTV  
Tips Toward Finding the Right Career (5/3)—11 p.m. CVTV

### Town Tabloids and the weather

**Karen Stanley** getting the facts straight. ☞ **Kari Stanley** providing touch of class. ☞ **Annette Cleveland** ordering sunshine. ☞ **Jim Dunn** describing Alaskan pelicans. ☞ **Dan Ogden** penning medals. ☞ **Bart Phillips** recalling ruralities. ☞ **Wednesday**, partly sunny, 84. **Thursday**, partly sunny, 80. **Friday**, partly cloudy, 75.