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Nominations sought for Marshall Award

Phillip Haberthur receiving the 2009 Marshall Public Leadership Award from Mayor Royce Pollard

The Fort Vancouver National Trust's Marshall Leadership Award selection committee is seeking nominations for the 23rd annual General George C. Marshall Public Leadership Award. This award is one of the Celebrate Freedom programs organized by the Fort Vancouver National Trust.

Nominees must be a Clark County resident 35 years of age or younger and have completed a four-year college degree. Selection is based on demonstrated leadership ability, commitment to public service, academic achievement, and potential for an ongoing active role in public service.

Nominations can be submitted by individuals or organizations and must be received by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 18. Nomination forms are accessible through the Fort Vancouver National Trust's website at www.fortvan.org or may be picked up at the Trust's offices (General O.O. Howard House, 750 Anderson St., Vancouver, Wash.). Please return completed nomination forms to the Trust offices. For details, call the Trust at **360-992-1804**.

From 1936 to 1938 General George C. Marshall lived in Vancouver in the Victorian house on Officers Row that today bears his name. He was Secretary of State from 1947 to 1949. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for the Marshall Plan, which helped rebuild the economies of Europe and the Pacific nations after World War II.

The 2010 award recipient will be honored at a ceremony at the Marshall House in November. The award benefits include a $2,200 stipend towards a trip to the Marshall Foundation in Lexington, Virginia, Colonial Williamsburg and Washington, D.C.

Bivins announces retirement

Don Bivins

City of Vancouver Fire Department **Chief Don Bivins** has announced his retirement, effective at the end of this year. He has served in the top post as Vancouver's fire chief for 11 years.

Bivins, 54, oversaw the construction and opening of two new fire stations during his tenure (Glenwood and Pacific Park) and was architect of the fire department's business plan. It identified how best to best the Vancouver community's needs for fire protection and emergency medical services. Bivins manages an annual budget of $30 million.

"It is time for me to move to the next stage of my life. There will be a recruitment process moving forward, and the details will fleshed out in coming weeks," Bivins wrote in an email sent Monday to his 208 fire department employees. He will remain in his position through the end of the year.

The Vancouver Fire Department is the fourth largest fire service agency in Washington, protecting over 245,000 people in a consolidated service area of 90.6 miles including the City of Vancouver and Fire District 5. Last year, Vancouver firefighters ran over 21,000 emergency calls.

"Chief Bivins is a very special person on my management team. His steady and determined leadership with a calm professional attitude will be deeply missed," said **City Manager Pat McDonnell**.

Before becoming the Vancouver chief, Bivins worked for several other fire agencies. He was deputy chief of the fire suppression division before assuming the top post in March 2000. He is a graduate of both the National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer program and Leadership Clark County. He has served for 35 years in the fire service.

Great Western Malting buys Brewcraft USA

Great Western Malting Company, based in Vancouver, Washington announced today the acquisition of Portland, Oregon-based Brewcraft USA. Brewcraft USA supplies an extensive range of premium quality local, imported and specialty ingredients, and equipment for production of beer, wine and distilled products. Great Western Malting Company is a subsidiary of GrainCorp Limited.

"We are very impressed with the team at Brewcraft USA and their business model," says **Greg Friberg**, president of Great Western Malting Co. "Great Western Malting is a cornerstone of the craft brewing industry in North America, and our goal with this acquisition is to become a mainstay of the home brewing industry as well."

"Great Western Malting is a leading supplier of specialty brewing products through our existing Country Malt distribution network," says GrainCorp **Interim CEO Ian Wilton**. "The acquisition of Brewcraft USA will add significant capacity to our current ability to service the vibrant craftbrew market in North America."

Great Western Malting supplies brewers throughout the United States and the world from malt houses in Pocatello, Idaho, and Vancouver.

The company's Vancouver facility produces an array of specialty malts, including Crystal, Munich, and Wheat malts, along with a full line of roasted malt products.

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Campaign Events

Heck Birthday Party: Al Bauer, **Dena Horton**, **Royce Pollard** and **Rep. Deb Wallace** will be among the guests celebrating Denny Heck's 58th birthday and supporting his congressional campaign. The party is from 5 to 7 p.m. on Friday, July 30, at the home of **Ralph Olsen**, 3919 N.E. 50th Ave in Vancouver. RSVP to **Jessica** at **360-481-6553** or via email Jessica@DennyHeckForCongress.com. More information is available on Heck's website www.DennyHeckForCongress.com.

News Briefs

- **Poetry Night**: The Paper Tiger is hosting a Poetry Night at 7 p.m. on Aug. 19. The coffee house is at 703 Grand Blvd. in Vancouver. Writer **Kori Sayer** is scheduled to appear. An open mic will be offered before and after her appearance.

- **Six Confusion:** As reported recently, Vancouver Fire Department will close Station 6 on 112th Ave. near Burton Road in December. Because Fire District 6 and Station 6 share a similar name, many citizens have confused the two and now believe that Fire District 6 is closing its department, which is not happening, says **Dawn Johnson** with Fire District 6.

- **Bike There:** The City of Vancouver, Bike Me! Vancouver and the Riverview Six to Sunset concert series have partnered to provide staffed bicycle parking for the Six to Sunset concerts on Thursday evenings at Esther Short Park. The staffed bike parking will be located at the northeast corner of Esther Short Park in the grassy area near the stage. The free bike parking will be available from 5 p.m. until after the concert. Riders are asked to provide their own bike lock. For more information, visit www.cityofvancouver.us/concerts.

- **Summer Playground program:** The Battle Ground Parks & Recreation traveling Summer Playground program will be held at four local neighborhood parks this summer. The free 10-week drop-in program is designed for children ages 4 to 10 and will bring a variety of arts, crafts, games and sports to local neighborhoods in the City of Battle Ground. For more information about the Summer Playground Program or the Battle Ground Parks & Recreation Department, visit the City's website at http://www.cityofbg.org or call **360-342-5380**.

- **Youth drug prevention team seeks new members:** The Clark County STASHA (Strong Teens Against Substance Hazards and Abuse) Peer Education Program is recruiting youth to fill vacant positions for the 2010-11 program year. Clark County peer educators are dedicated to addressing alcohol and other drug issues among youth in Clark County. To be eligible, youth must be Clark County residents and have an interest in sharing their opinions and perspectives about substance abuse prevention. Training is provided. The deadline for applications is Wednesday, August 4. Applications are online at http://www.clark.wa.gov/youth-family/prevention.html. For more information or to request an application, please contact **Angela McKinney**, peer education coordinator, at **360-397-2130, ext**. **5841** or **angela.mckinney@clark.wa.gov**.

- **Art in the Heart:** Thirteen Downtown Vancouver art galleries and Vancouver's Downtown Association have joined forces to bring a free, family-friendly community

event to Downtown Vancouver streets the first weekend of August. The "Art in the Heart" event kicks off Friday, Aug. 6, at 5:30 p.m. After the free concert, many local restaurants and bars will also have live music. The galleries will be open again on Saturday, Aug. 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

- **Evergreen Public Schools Registration:** Families with students new to Evergreen Public Schools or who have moved to a new school area can now take advantage of centralized school registration hours starting this week. The registration will take place at Evergreen Public Schools Administrative Service Center located at 13501 NE 28th St., Vancouver, in the Home Choice/IQ Internet Academy Building. Registration forms can be found online at http://www.evergreenps.org/AboutEPS/Pages/CentralizedStudentRegistration.aspx or picked up at the registration desk. More information is available at www.evergreenps.org or by calling **360-604-4163**.

- **Burn Ban:** In cooperation with the Washington Department of Natural Resources, Clark County enacted restrictions on all outdoor burning effective July 15. All land clearing and residential burning will be restricted until further notice.

- **192nd Ave. signals**: A new fiber optics communication system will better coordinate traffic signals along Southeast 192nd Avenue. Drivers along the road should experience smoother traffic, but motorists approaching from side streets may notice slightly longer signal delays.

Calendar

- **July 28:** An artist's reception showcasing the new summer exhibits at Washington State University Vancouver is planned from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. tomorrow, July 28. The new displays will be up through late August.

- **Aug. 7:** Clark County residents can recycle block foam for free from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 7, at the Fisher's Landing Transit Center, 3510 S.E. 164th Ave. Residents also can drop off computers and other electronic devices for free recycling. No televisions, computer monitors or microwave ovens will be accepted.

- **Aug. 27-29:** The 13th Annual Vancouver Wine & Jazz Festival is Aug. 27-29 at Esther Short Park in downtown Vancouver. Ticket prices are: Friday, $20; Saturday $25; Sunday, $25. Three-day passes are $50 in advance, $60 at the gate. Tickets can be purchased at http://www.vancouverwinejazz.com or through TicketsWest, http://www.ticketswest.com. Tickets can also be purchased by calling **503-224-8499** or **1-800-992-8499**.

- **Sept. 16:** The Port of Vancouver is offering two more "V.I.P. family tours" this summer of its site on 3103 NW Lower River Road. The events are 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, July 17, and 5:30-7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 16. To reserve a spot, contact **Andrew Ness** at **360-992-1137** or amness@portvanusa.com.

Tuesday on the air

Columbia River Crossing Project Sponsors Council—4:30 p.m. p.m. CVTV 23

Clark County Board of Health (6-23)—6:30 p.m. CVTV 23

Town Tabloids

- **Jack Burkman**, welcomes new grandson.
- **Harmless Eccentrics**, to gig in Battle Ground.
- **Brian Willoughby**, testifying

Weather

- **Tuesday**, partly cloudy, 87-56.
- **Wednesday**, mostly sunny, 84-54.
- **Thursday**, sunny, 81-56.

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