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"Disturbance and Resilience" art show opening May 7

Early evening on May 18, 1980 by Steve Terrill

Thirty years after the eruption of Mount St. Helens, "Disturbance and Resilience" brings together powerful images and words about the volcano from the view of three artists. **Jennifer Williams**' paintings, **Steve Terrill**'s photographs, and **Valerie Rapp**'s writing combine to tell a story of the mountain and the resilience of life three decades after that fateful day in 1980 that forever changed the landscape of the Northwest. The show's opening reception is on Friday, May 7, during the First Friday Art Walk, from 5 to 9 p.m., and the show continues through Saturday, May 29.

A project of Friends of the Arts, Art on the Boulevard is a nonprofit art gallery whose mission is to establish a community environment in which the arts flourish. The work of over 50 artists, primarily from the Northwest, allows the gallery to display a wide variety of media and styles.

The gallery is located at 210 W. Evergreen Boulevard, Suite 300, at the corner of Evergreen and Columbia in Vancouver, Washington, in the Vancouver Marketplace Building. To learn more, visit www.artontheboulevard.org.

Jacks appointed to PCI National Board of Directors

Jim Jacks

MacKay & Sposito, Inc. announced this week that **Jim Jacks** has been appointed to the Policy Consensus Initiative (PCI) National Board of Directors.

Jacks joined the M&S Vancouver, WA, office in 2008, and has 15 years of conflict resolution experience. PCI is a national, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to assisting leaders in developing and pioneering collaborative solutions to the problems they face in their communities. PCI's Board is co-chaired by two governors – one Democrat and one Republican – and includes legislators, mayors, and other leaders from 15 states. Jacks joined the Board because "they believe that business as usual is no longer enough to solve today's problems."

Jacks also serves in the State House of Representatives, representing the 49th District and is up for reelection this year.

Superintendent's Patron Tour will feature Lewis and Clark High School and Sacajawea Elementary School

Superintendent Steven Webb will host a patron tour for community members on Friday, May 7. This tour will be the last patron tour offered for the 2009-10 school year. The tour is free and open to the public.

The patron tour will begin at 8:30 a.m. with remarks by the superintendent at the district's Bates Center for Educational Leadership. Guests then will visit Lewis and Clark High School and Sacajawea Elementary School to see students actively engaged in their learning. Lewis and Clark High School provides personalized learning and flexible schedules to accommodate a wide range of student needs. Sacajawea Elementary School uses learning that is student-centered, is relevant to the learners, is supported by strong relationships, and causes personal reflection.

A lunch prepared by Culinary Arts students will be available for $4 at the conclusion of the tour. Please contact **Gary Yarne**, **360-313-4720** or email WF_PatronTour@vansd.org to register.

Evergreen Public Schools host budget forums

Evergreen Public Schools Board of Directors and Superintendent **John Deeder** will host a series of community forums in May to discuss the 2010-2011 budget.

"The school board is committed to providing as much transparency and accountability to the public as possible when it comes to fund stewardship," said Board of Directors' President

Victoria Bradford.

Community forums are scheduled for the following dates:

- Monday, May 10, 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
  Covington Middle School, 11200 NE Rosewood Rd., Vancouver.

- Wednesday, May 19, 6 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
  Shahala Middle School, 601 SE 192nd Ave., Vancouver.

Union Ridge Elementary receives sustainability award

On Friday, May 21, the Department of Ecology for the State of Washington will present the Terry Husseman Sustainable School Award to Ridgefield's Union Ridge Elementary School.

The Terry Husseman Sustainable School Awards promote sustainability and reward school efforts to reduce waste and increase environmental curricula. Over the past year, Union Ridge introduced a number of programs to reduce waste and help promote ecology including "Save Our Scraps" dedicated to composting leftover food and implementing reusable plastic trays and real silverware in the cafeteria.

"Our students understand the importance of environmental science and conservation," said **Principal Connie Ford**. "They are constantly looking for ways to help eliminate waste in all ways around the school."

The Department of Ecology will distribute $30,000 in cash awards ranging in size from $100 to $5,000 to the winning schools. The awards ceremony will be held at the Capitol Campus in Olympia, Washington.

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News Briefs

- Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation just released a new publication called the "Discovery Guide." The guide includes maps and offers information about free or low-cost parks and recreation in Clark County. The new guides are available for free at the following locations: Firstenburg Community Center, 700 N.E. 136th Ave.; Marshall Community Center, 1009 E. McLoughlin Blvd.; Vancouver Tennis Center, corner of 18th and Stapleton Road; Esther Short Building, 610 Esther St.; Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin St.

- Is traffic too fast in your neighborhood? The City of Vancouver is offering three free "safe streets" clinics to teach the public about calming traffic on its way through their areas. The first is Tuesday, May 18, at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall. Visit http://www.cityofvancouver.us/News.asp?submenuID=16578&Id=74049 for details.

- In response to the changing economic trends and the needs of employers, Clark College will host Career Days 2010 on May 4, 5 and 6 at the college's main campus. Career Days will combine the most successful elements of the former Pathways Career Information and Job Fair in a multi-day format. For more information, visit, www.clark.edu/cc/careerdays.

- The City of Vancouver is seeking food vendors to provide a variety of menu items at Esther Short Park for two summer concert series and daily vending opportunities. Deadline for applications is Wednesday, May 5. Application packets can be downloaded at www.cityofvancouver.us/concerts or can be mailed upon request by calling **360-487-8630**.

- The Clark County Board of Health is seeking applicants to fill a youth representative vacancy on the Clark County Public Health Advisory Council. The vacancy is open to representatives of the Clark County Youth Commission and Clark County Youth House as well as students from local high schools and colleges. The youth selected will fill an unexpired term that ends Sept. 30, 2011. The council is a direct link between the Clark County Board of Health and the community at large. The panel focuses on public health issues such as access to care, health disparities, obesity, sustainability/food system, violence prevention, climate change and healthy growth. To be considered, applicants must submit a resume and/or letter of interest to **Jennifer Clark**, Board of County Commissioners, P.O. Box 5000, Vancouver, WA 98666-5000. The Board also will accept applications faxed to **360-397-6058** or emailed to jennifer.clark@clark.wa.gov. Deadline is 5 p.m. Friday, May 14.

- Tickets are still available for the Thursday, May 20 Marshall Lecture, featuring **Jon Jarvis**, director of the National Park Service. The Marshall Lecture is the cornerstone of the Fort Vancouver National Trust's Celebrate Freedom programs. This is a free public event, but tickets are required. The lecture is scheduled for 11 a.m. at Hudson's Bay High School, 1206 East Reserve Street, Vancouver. Print free tickets on the Trust's website at www.FortVan.org/pages/Marshall_Lecture or call the Trust office at **360-992-1800**.

Calendar

- The Clark County Employee Picnic Committee will be holding its annual Mother's Day plant sale starting at 9 a.m. on Thursday, May 6, in front of the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver. The event will continue until early afternoon or while supplies last.

- Clark County Public Works and Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation will host an open house about the Hazel Dell sports fields project from 5:30 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, May 6, in the conference room at Clark Regional Wastewater District, 8000 NE 52nd Court, Vancouver.

- Leadership Clark County will offer "Leadership & Emotional Intelligence, An Exploration," from 4:30 to 7:45 p.m. on Thursday, May 6, in the hearing room at the

Clark County Public Services Center, 1300 Franklin Street, downtown Vancouver, 6th Floor. A suggested donation of $10 will be requested. Professional trainer **Mark Sills** will lead the presentation. Event is open to all LCC alumni, current class, sponsors, and friends. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP to **Kathy Scott** Director@LeadershipClarkCounty.com or **360-567-1085**.

- The Friends of The Vancouver Symphony Orchestra present a lecture by **Dr. Melissa Brotons**, entitled "Music for Health and Education," on the different applications of music therapy, in education, medicine, mental health and gerontology. The lecture is at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 27, at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Vancouver, 4505 E. 18th Street in Vancouver. A $10 donation per person is suggested. Proceeds from the event go to funding the symphony's concert season and music education programs in Southwest Washington.

Wednesday on the air

Vancouver City Council (5-3) — 7 p.m. CVTV 21

City/County Telecommunications Commission (Live) — 7 p.m. CVTV 23

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Weather

- **Wednesday**, afternoon showers, 54-41.
- **Thursday**, mostly sunny, 64-43.
- **Friday**, evening showers, 54-41.