

“Developing Effective Leaders To Serve Our Community”

The LCC Update

September 2008

LCC’s Orientation/Alumni Reception on September 9th:

YWCA Executive Director, Class of 2007 alum and keynote speaker Kathy Kniep will welcome LCC’s Class of 2009 on Tuesday, September 9th at Marshall House. Class members will attend a private orientation from 3:00 to 6:30 p.m. and alumni and sponsors are invited to socialize from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided. We hope to see you there! Please RSVP to Kathy Scott at director@leadershipclarkcounty.com by **September 3rd** if you plan to attend.

And Speaking of the Class of 2009...

Please join us in welcoming the latest LCC participants!

Darcy Altizer, Educational Opportunities for Children (EOCF) ~ **Jeanie Ashe**, Columbia River Economic Development Council (CREDC) ~ **Steven Bacon**, Clark Regional Wastewater District ~ **Richard Bailey**, Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt ~ **Kate Benson**, Cascade Pacific Council, Boy Scouts ~ **Mike Bomar**, BIA of Clark County ~ **Katy Brooks**, Port of Vancouver ~ **Sharif Burdzik**, First Independent ~ **Scott Deutsch**, Evergreen Public Schools ~ **Jaci Erickson**, iQ Credit Union ~ **Eric Golemo**, Sturtevant, Golemo and Associates ~ **Ryan Golze**, Van Mall Retirement ~ **Antonio Gomez**, Hewlett Packard ~ **Meredith Green**, Iron Mountain ~ **Jennifer Halleck**, Vancouver School District ~ **Susan Hartman**, First Independent ~ **Steve Hogan**, PTL Metals ~ **Eric Husemoen**, Miller’s One Hour Heating ~ **Stephen Korn**, RSV Construction Services, Inc. ~ **Melissa Kreuder**, ESD 112 ~ **Temple Lenz**, Vancouver Rotary Foundation ~ **Cherylee Mircovich**, Clark County Title ~ **Ken Moody**, Bank of Clark County ~ **Rob Palena**, MacKay & Sposito, Inc. ~ **Ahmad Qayoumi**, City of Vancouver Transportation Services ~ **Linda Reid**, West Coast Bank ~ **Travis Smith**, Clark County Fire & Rescue ~ **Jeff Taylor**, Bank of Clark County ~ **Travis Tormanen**, Kennedy/Jenks Consultants ~ **Pamela Weatherspoon**, Big Brothers Big Sisters Columbia Northwest ~ **Paul Wienecke**, Clark PUD

LCC Alumni Recognition:

To honor those who exemplify outstanding leadership and service to our community, LCC is seeking nominations to recognize an alum’s community, professional and/or LCC involvement within the last 12 months, which will be celebrated at an alumni reception later this year. Here are some criteria to get you thinking:

- Enhancing personal and public effectiveness in the community
- Serving the community through public office, boards, commissions or voluntary leadership roles
- Commitment to personal growth and benefiting the community
- Outstanding achievement in volunteer roles

- Improvement in leadership and communication skills
- Continued participation and support to the Leadership Clark County Program

Do you have someone in mind? Send your nominations to Kathy Scott at director@leadershipclarkcounty.com or go to www.leadershipclarkcounty.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

Volunteer Opportunities:

- D.E.A.F., a nonprofit foundation dedicated to supporting the Washington School for the Deaf (WSD) in Vancouver, is seeking community leaders to join in their mission and help raise awareness and support. Interested persons are encouraged to contact the D.E.A.F. office by calling 418-4289, going to deaf.office@deaf-wa.org or by visiting <http://www.wsd.wa.gov/deaf-wa> to learn more and/or to schedule a tour of the WSD campus.
- Learn what you can do to maintain healthy watersheds for your community, fish and wildlife for future generations at Free Watershed Stewards Volunteer Training, to be held on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9 p.m. starting September 10th through November 12th. Contact jenifer.naas@clark.wa.gov or call 397-6060 ext. 7703 to apply or for more information.
- The Clark County League of Women Voters will host a ‘Constitution Day Program’ for 100 high school seniors on Wednesday, September 17th at the Clark County Public Service Center between 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Washington Supreme Court Justice Susan Owens is keynote; volunteers are need to help with registration and staffing. Contact Cindy Martin at 833-2097 or cindymartin@comcast.net.
- Do you want to volunteer but you’re not sure where to start? Try these links to find your niche: www.volunteermatch.org, www.volunteerwashington.org or www.seniorcorps.com.

Community Events:

- Community Choices’ ‘Steps to a Healthier Clark County Celebration’ will be held from 5-7 p.m. on Wednesday, September 3rd at Pearson Air Museum. The cost is \$30 and includes hors d’oeuvres and beverages. Visit ccadmin@vancouverusa.com or call 567-1067 for more information.
- The First Friday Artwalk Reception will be held Friday, September 5th from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at West Coast Bank. The evening will include wine, hors d’oeuvres and guided tours of Vancouver’s art galleries; contact Linda Reid 906-4527 or reidl@wcb.com to RSVP by September 3rd.
- The Washington School for the Blind Foundation will host a fundraiser entitled ‘Night at the Museum—Sensory Safari’ on Friday, September 5th from 6 to 9:30 p.m. at the Washington State School for the Blind campus. Guests can enjoy a journey through a tactile museum, live music and hors d’oeuvres from around the world and an Aurora Borealis light show. Tickets are \$35; call Jennifer Tingey at 696-6321 ext. 177.
- The WSU Vancouver Chancellor’s Seminar Series begins on Friday, September 12th from 12 to 1:30 p.m. and will explore ‘A Glimpse into the Future of SW Washington:

How will We Get There?' Other seminars will be held in October ('Building Sustainable Fisheries: How Can We Manage Resources for Future Generations?') and November ('Smart Environments: Artificial Intelligence at Home and Beyond'). Ticket prices for each are \$30 per person or \$80 for the entire series; prices include lunch and event parking. Visit www.vancouver.wsu.edu/css or call 546-9580 for more information and to purchase tickets.

- The Vancouver Peace and Justice Fair will be held from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, September 13th at Esther Short Park. The cost to have a table is \$35 for non-profit groups and \$75 for businesses and for-profit groups. Call 696-4840 or visit www.vancouverpeaceandjusticefair.org for more information.
- Did you know that Clark County residents throw away an estimated 5,000 tons (or 10 million pounds) of reusable products each year? If you want a great way to clean out your closets and donate to a variety of charities, the 2007 Community Share Fair will be held Sunday, September 14th from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Clark Public Utilities, 8600 NE 117th Avenue. Tax-deduction receipts will be available. The fair is sponsored by Clark County, the City of Vancouver, Clark Public Utilities, the Nonprofit Network and Waste Connections. Contact www.sharefair.clark.wa.gov for more information
- The Council for the Homeless will host the 9th Annual Recognition Awards luncheon on Friday, September 26th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Hilton. Paul Loeb, author of 'Soul of a Citizen: Living with Conviction in a Cynical Time' will deliver the keynote. Tickets are \$30 for Council members and \$35 for non-members; go to www.icfth.com by September 19th.

Grant Opportunities are Available:

- The Reader's Digest Foundation will donate \$1 million in grants to non-profit organizations, based on inspiring stories from 'individuals who are taking action and giving back to their communities in significant ways.' One individual's story will be selected every month and \$100,000 will be granted to a non-profit organization in his or her honor. Reader's Digest will also feature that person in their 'Make it Matter' column. Submissions will be accepted throughout 2008; learn more about the program by visiting fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/15012110/readersdigest.

Do You Want to Spread Your Word in *The Update*?

We want to make sure others hear your news! Please forward information about yourselves, fellow graduates, board or volunteer opportunities and community events in a brief, publishable form to Kathy at director@leadershipclarkcounty.com by the 20th of any month. Providing your news by our deadline will help us to include it in the following *Update*.

People in the News:

- Beth Quartarolo (Class of 1996 and LCC Board member) left the Chamber for a position with an Oregon non-profit, to advocate for access to health care for low-income and at-risk children and adults.

- Congratulations to LCC alumni who advanced to the November general election! VaNessa Duplessie (Class of 2005) is running for State Representative, Jeanne Harris (Class of 1996) is running for County Commissioner, Jim Jacks (Class of 2002) is running for State Representative, and Craig Pridemore (Class of 1996) is running for re-election to the State Senate. Congratulations also to Nelson Holmberg (Class of 2008) who was elected as a Republican Precinct Committee Officer.
- Debbie Nelson (Class of 2005) retired from Community Mediation Services.
- Congratulations to Scott Collier (LCC Board member), who was recently appointed to fill a position on the Superior Court bench by Governor Chris Gregoire.

LCC Calendar:

- The LCC Board meeting will be held Tuesday, September 2nd.
- Orientation for the LCC Class of 2009 will be held Tuesday, September 9th. A big thank you to our sponsor Columbia Credit Union. Also a note of appreciation to session captains Amber Curtin, Kelly Dixon, Katie Foehl, Bart Hansen, Debra Hentz, Maija Mercer, Kathleen O'Neill and Kathy Scott.
- The two-night Fall Retreat at the Resort at the Mountain, Welches will begin Friday, September 19th and conclude Sunday, September 21st. We extend our gratitude to sponsor City of Vancouver.

And Now, Some Words to Ponder:

“Leadership is the special quality which enables people to stand up and pull the rest of us over the horizon.”

—James L. Fisher