

*“Developing Effective Leaders To Serve Our Community”*

**The LCC Update**

November 2008

**Please Come to the Alumni Reception:**

Calling all alums! Your presence is requested at the LCC Alumni Reception on Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at the Heathman Lodge from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. We'll enjoy wine and light hors d'oeuvres as we celebrate the 2008 Outstanding Alumni Award recipient (we know who it is but you have to attend to find out). The cost is \$10 per person and includes two drink tickets. We hope to see you there!

**LCC to Hit the Open Road Once Again:**

Back by popular demand, participants from the LCC Class of 2009 and alumni are invited to a trip to Olympia to meet with our state government representatives. Pending election results, meetings are confirmed with Secretary of State Sam Reed, Attorney General Rob McKenna, State Auditor Brian Sonntag, a member of the Washington State Supreme Court and most local legislators from the 15<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 49<sup>th</sup> Districts. The trip moderators are former state senator Dean Sutherland and Clark County Auditor Greg Kimsey. The chartered bus leaves Vancouver at 6:45 a.m. on Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009 and will return early evening. Tickets are \$50 per person and include breakfast and lunch, compliments of New Phoenix Casino. Trips from years past received rave reviews and space is limited. Contact Kathy Scott at [director@leadershipclarkcounty.com](mailto:director@leadershipclarkcounty.com) to register for a fun-filled day chock-full of politics.

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

- Volunteers with marketing, radio, television and newspaper expertise are needed for the 24<sup>th</sup> annual Walk and Knock Food Drive, to be held Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. Persons who can present the Walk and Knock mission to youth and young adults are also being sought. In 2007, 141 tons of food and \$16,000 (of which 100% was used to purchase additional food) was collected; contact Joe Pauletto at [president@walkandknock.org](mailto:president@walkandknock.org) or visit [www.walkandknock.org](http://www.walkandknock.org) for more information.
- Dream Big Community Center is seeking members for its board of directors who have ‘an interest and passion around programs and services for the betterment of young adolescents.’ Board members are expected to be active, engaged and involved in providing direction and resources for Dream Big programs. Contact [nathan.webster@dreambigcc.org](mailto:nathan.webster@dreambigcc.org) for more details.
- Second Chance Companions, a non-profit pet adoption/rescue agency, is seeking volunteers to work from home or help at adoption events. Volunteers assist with phone work, fostering cats/dogs or ‘your special area of expertise.’ Apply at [www.sccpets.com](http://www.sccpets.com) or call 687-4569.
- Do you want to volunteer but you're not sure where to start? Try these links to find your niche: [www.volunteermatch.org](http://www.volunteermatch.org), [www.volunteerwashington.org](http://www.volunteerwashington.org) or [www.seniorcorps.com](http://www.seniorcorps.com).

## **Community Events:**

- Share's first annual fundraiser concert, 'Between Friends,' will be held Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup> from 8 to 10 p.m. at Spirit Mountain Event Center in Grand Ronde, Oregon. Concert goers will hear Linda Hornbuckle, Ellen Whyte, Lady Kat, Duffy Bishop, LaRhonda Steele, Janice Scroggins, Karen Therese and Myrtle Brown. General admission is \$30 and the first 550 persons will receive a signed CD from all eight artists and a gift from Spirit Mountain. All proceeds will benefit Share's Children's Hunger Initiative and Hot Meals programs. Purchase tickets at [www.ticketsoregon.com](http://www.ticketsoregon.com) or visit [www.sharevancouver.org](http://www.sharevancouver.org) for more information.
- The WSU Vancouver Chancellor's Seminar Series will be held Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> from 12 to 1:30 p.m. and will explore 'Artificial Intelligence at Home and Beyond,' presented by Dr. Diane Cook. Cost is \$30 per person and includes lunch and event parking. Visit [www.vancouverusa.com](http://www.vancouverusa.com) or call 694-2588 for more information and to purchase tickets.
- Educational Opportunities for Children and Families (EOCF) invites you to be a guest at its 'Holiday Magic' benefit event dinner and auction on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. at the Red Lion Hotel at the Quay. Reserved tickets are \$80 per person and sponsorship opportunities are still available. Visit [eocfinfo@eocf.org](mailto:eocfinfo@eocf.org) or call 567-2705 for more information and to purchase tickets.
- The Forum at the Library presents 'Landlords & Tenants: Resolving Disputes' on Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Clark Public Utilities Community Room. Call 695-1566 for more information.

## **A Message from Board Member Paul Speer About Joining LCC on LinkedIn:**

[LinkedIn \(www.Linkedin.com\)](http://www.Linkedin.com) is the leading online professional networking tool, used by more than 20 million worldwide. A group for LCC alumni, past and present Board members, and current class members has been created on LinkedIn to support your ongoing professional and community networking. If you are not already a member of LinkedIn the basic service is free and will allow you to create a custom profile and immediately begin connecting with professional associates and colleagues. By joining the LCC group you will be able to show LCC affiliation with our logo on your profile, as well as easily locate a growing list of Clark County community leaders that will expand your network even further. In the first few days after this group was created, 27 people had joined and were provided access to over 2,000 of their contacts from business, government, education, and not-for-profit organizations. The more LCC folks that join the group, the more valuable it is for everyone—so tell your LCC friends! Setting up a profile on LinkedIn takes just a few minutes. Once your profile is established you can easily join the LCC group by going to the Groups tab, then the Groups Directory tab, then typing in Leadership Clark County in the search window, and finally pressing the Join This Group tab. Your request to join will be verified against the LCC database and approved within a day or so. Contact Paul Speer at [pbspeer@gmail.com](mailto:pbspeer@gmail.com) with any questions.

## **Pay it Forward:**

As a recipient of the *LCC Update* you are kept aware of ways to support your community and LCC. We greatly appreciate all that you do.

Another way to support the community while at the same time supporting LCC is through our new scholarship funds. LCC has two scholarship funds: one is directed to applicants meeting specific financial needs requirements, and a second is directed to applicants demonstrating significant community leadership in the area of racial equity. Both of the scholarship funds accept ongoing contributions from individuals or organizations wishing to make a positive impact in our community. The two scholarships are great ways to directly make a difference in people's lives who may not otherwise be able to participate in the program.

If providing support for either of LCC's scholarship funds fits within your personal priorities it is another way for you to help pass on the legacy of your participation in LCC to another generation of future leaders in our community. Thank you in advance for giving thoughtful consideration to this opportunity.

Contributions can be made by check payable to "Leadership Clark County," 400 East Evergreen Suite 113, Vancouver WA, 98660. Please specify whether donations are intended for the "Financial Needs Scholarship" or "Diversity Scholarship." Non-directed donations to LCC's general operating fund can also be made by PayPal at [www.leadershipclarkcounty.com](http://www.leadershipclarkcounty.com). Leadership Clark County is a registered 501(c)3, which may help with any year-end tax planning underway. Finally, a number of local employers offer matching funds for donations to qualified not-for-profit organizations—so please let them know of your donations as a way to further leverage your generosity.

For more information, please visit [www.leadershipclarkcounty.com](http://www.leadershipclarkcounty.com), contact Kathy Scott at [director@leadershipclarkcounty.com](mailto:director@leadershipclarkcounty.com) or call 567-1085.

## **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](mailto:director@leadershipclarkcounty.com) by the 20<sup>th</sup> of any month. Providing your news by our deadline will help us to include it in the following *Update*.

## **People in the News:**

- Wade (Class of 1995) and Julie McLaren (Class of 1996) have become agents for Atlas Van Lines, the second largest household moving firm in the United States.
- Dana Greyson (Class of 2007) was recently in *The Columbian's* 'Neighbors.'
- Congratulations to Cheryl Bledsoe (Class of 2008), the winner of the George C. Marshall Award and who also welcomed son Hunter into the world!
- Nelson Holmberg (Class of 2008) took fifth place at the model hydroplane world-championship races at Kline Pond.

- Pamela Weatherspoon (Class of 2009) was recently recognized as a United Way Young Leaders Society member.
- Leann Johnson (LCC Board member) was recently elected chair of the Washington State Arts Commission.

### **LCC Calendar:**

- Sustainability and healthcare will be discussed at the November 15<sup>th</sup> session at SW Washington Medical Center. A big thank you to sponsors SWMC, BERGER/ABAM Engineers, Inc. and PBS Engineering + Environmental. Also, a note of appreciation to our session captains: Chad Dillard, DuWayne Dunham, Debra Hentz and Carol Hsu.
- The LCC Board meeting will be held Tuesday, November 4<sup>th</sup>.
- The LCC Alumni Reception will take place at the Heathman on Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m.

### **And Now, Some Words to Ponder:**

“To make democracy work, we must be a nation of participants, not simply observers. One who does not vote has no right to complain.”

—Louis L’Amour