

Alumni  
Update

Leadership  
Clark County

November  
2009

### It's Happening November 19!

Join your fellow LCC alums for food, wine and a fete of this year's winner of the LCC Outstanding Alumni Award. The date is **Thursday, November 19**, from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Water Resources Education Center. The award honors a graduate of LCC who exemplifies outstanding leadership and service to our community.

This year's program includes social time – for catching up with old friends and meeting new ones – the award presentation, and a few thoughts on leadership from our winner.

Cost per ticket is \$10. Watch for more details in an upcoming email invitation.

*Extra fun:* If you're so inclined, come dressed as your favorite leader, past or present. LCC will award prizes in a variety of costume categories.

### Calling All Alums

Moving, changing email addresses or switching jobs? Remember to update your profile in the LCC database. Log in at: <http://www.lccdatabase.org/>. For log-in help, email Kathy Scott at: [director@leadershipclarkcounty.com](mailto:director@leadershipclarkcounty.com).

### Cool Events Start with You

LCC seeks new members for its Alumni Committee. Help make our alumni events and programs the best they can be! For details, contact Kathy Scott at [director@leadershipclarkcounty.com](mailto:director@leadershipclarkcounty.com).

### Volunteers Wanted

Community Choices: Seeks volunteers to assist with our Community Report Distribution and Forum, planned for January 2010.

Your assistance is needed to ensure that the Community Choices Report Card is distributed throughout the community, plan and execute the forum, and help educate Clark County residents on health equity. For more information, or to learn about other volunteer opportunities with Community Choices, contact Sharon Pesut at 360-567-1087 or [sharon@vancouverusa.com](mailto:sharon@vancouverusa.com).

Clark County Project Homeless Connect: Originally a project of the LCC class of 2008. Seeks volunteers to support its 2010 event, tentatively scheduled for January 29. Possible volunteer opportunities include serving on the event steering committee, making phone calls, cultivating sponsors, designing layouts and training



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volunteers. For more information, call Craig Lyons at 360-993-9570.

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Clark County: Seeks applicants for its board of directors. Board members make a time commitment of about four to six hours per month, including monthly 90-minute meetings. Successful candidates will understand the issues and needs of mental health services users in our community. We especially need candidates with skills in business management, the legal arena, website work, fund development, volunteer development, teaching, counseling and general connectedness to the community.

For more information or to apply, contact Don Greenwood at 360-571-5871 or [greenwood2047@comcast.net](mailto:greenwood2047@comcast.net). For information about NAMI, visit [www.nami.org](http://www.nami.org) and [www.nami-clark.org](http://www.nami-clark.org).

City of Vancouver: Seeks applicants to fill one mid-term vacancy on the Urban Forestry Commission. The mission of the seven-member commission is to enhance the city by managing and conserving trees. Applications must be received by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 4. There is no city residency requirement. For applications or further information, contact Myk Heidt at [myk.heidt@ci.vancouver.wa.us](mailto:myk.heidt@ci.vancouver.wa.us) or 360-487-8612.

Vancouver School District: Volunteers needed to “do lunch” with a student in grades 1-5. The Lunch Buddy program

has a waiting list of nearly 180 students. Adult volunteers typically spend about 45 minutes with a student. After lunch, they have time to read, play a board game or “just talk with their buddy.” The need for male buddies is particularly urgent. For more information, contact Barbara Nordstrom at 360-313-4725 or [Barbara.nordstrom@vansd.org](mailto:Barbara.nordstrom@vansd.org).

### Volunteer Websites

Do you want to volunteer but aren't 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)
- [www.seniorcorps.com](http://www.seniorcorps.com)

### LCC Movers & Shakers

**Katie Bell**, LCC class of 2007, accepted a position with the Oregon Department of Transportation as assistant pavement quality engineer.

**Ron Gompertz**, LCC class of 2009 and president of the Camas Educational Foundation, reports that the 11<sup>th</sup> annual foundation auction netted over \$61,000 to support academic and extra-curricular programs in the Camas School District. Future LCC alum **Shannon Turk**, class of 2010, also played a big role in the success of the event.



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**Phillip Habberthur**, LCC class of 2008, has been named the 2009 winner of the George C. Marshall Public Leadership Award. See the “Community Events” section of this edition for information about the award presentation.

**Jason Joner**, LCC class of 2008, is now a vice president at LD Jellison Inc. Jason will handle renewable energy consulting and development.



**Greg McGreevey**, LCC class of 2007, and his wife Laura welcomed a daughter on September 12. Sarah Jane McGreevey weighed in at 8 pounds, 3 ounces. Congrats to the happy parents.

**Sharon Pesut**, LCC Board member and class of 2004, has joined Community Choices as executive director.

Future LCC alum **Steve Valenta**, class of 2010, has been appointed to the banker/lender position for the Builder/Developer Council at the Building Industry Association.

Congratulations to the following LCC alums, named as winners of this year’s Accomplished Under 40 Award from the *Vancouver Business Journal*: **Mike Bomar**, class of 2009; **Greg McGreevey**, 2007; **David Parker**, 2003; and **Ed Turk**, 2003.

### Community Events

WSU-Vancouver Chancellor's Seminar Series: Gathers students, faculty, staff, business leaders, elected officials and

community members for an in-depth conversation about a topic of current interest or concern. A guest speaker kicks off the conversation with a lunchtime presentation. Participants are encouraged to ask questions and share ideas. The next session is **Friday, November 13**; the topic is Ebola outbreaks. Winter/spring events are set for January 15 and March 5. Tickets are \$25 and include lunch and parking. Make reservations online through the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce at [www.vancouverusa.com](http://www.vancouverusa.com).

First Friday Artwalk: **Friday, November 6**, from 5 to 7 p.m. The evening will include a reception in downtown Vancouver with wine, hors d’oeuvres and guided tours of Vancouver’s art galleries. Contact Linda Reid at 360-906-4527 or [reidl@wcb.com](mailto:reidl@wcb.com) to RSVP.

General George C. Marshall Public Leadership Award Presentation: **Wednesday, November 4**, at 4 p.m. at the Marshall House on Officers’ Row. LCC alums nominated for the prestigious award are **Katherine Benson** (2009), winner **Phillip Habberthur** (2008), **Bart Hansen** (2007) and **Temple Lentz** (2009). Congratulations to all LCC nominees!

Harvest for Health: **Thursday, November 5**, 5 – 7 p.m. at Fort Vancouver EB Hamilton Hall. Enjoy complimentary culinary creations and beverages and outstanding raffle items. All proceeds benefit the Free Clinic of Southwest Washington. Cash



and checks will be accepted (no credit). Presented by the hospitality management students of the International Air and Hospitality Academy. RSVP to [Vancouverfundraiser@yahoo.com](mailto:Vancouverfundraiser@yahoo.com)

A Case for Government Reframing the Conversation: Tuesday, November 10, from 5 – 6:30 p.m. at NW Natural in Portland. A free lecture by Patrick Bresette, associate director of public works with Demos, with reception to follow. Demos works around the country to train advocates in their tested methods for changing public discourse about government and its role. RSVP by November 4 to [hcloyd@neighborhoodpartnerships.org](mailto:hcloyd@neighborhoodpartnerships.org).

Vancouver Business Journal Accomplished Under 40 Awards: Thursday, November 12, from 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Red Lion at the Quay. For more information: <http://www.vbjusa.com/au40.php>.

### LCC Calendar

LCC Board of Directors meets on **Tuesday, November 3.**

The November LCC session on Sustainability and Healthcare will be held **Saturday, November 14** at the Burgerville Leadership Center.

Thanks to our session sponsors – Legacy Salmon Creek Medical Center, Southwest Washington Medical Center and Burgerville. Session captains are

Debra Hentz, Carol Hsu, DuWayne Dunham and Chad Dillard.

LCC Outstanding Alumni Event, **Thursday, November 19**, Water Resources Education Center.

### Remember to Vote!

Election day is Tuesday,  
November 3.

"I like the noise of  
democracy."  
--James Buchanan

### 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 (in a Word doc or in the text of your email - no PDFs or custom formatting, please) 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 include it in the following *Update*.

### Leadership Thought of the Month

"The only safe ship in a storm is leadership."

--Faye Wattleton



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