

“Developing Effective Leaders To Serve Our Community”

The LCC Update

December 2007

LCC to Hit the Open Road Once Again:

Please join us for a trip to Olympia to meet with our state government representatives! State Auditor Brian Sontag, Supreme Court Justice Susan Owens, Secretary of State Sam Reed, Attorney General Rob McKenna and 12 local legislators are already scheduled to address the group. The chartered bus leaves Vancouver at 6:45 a.m. on Tuesday, January 29th, 2008 and will return during early evening. Tickets are \$50 per person and include breakfast and lunch, compliments of New Phoenix Casino. This trip received RAVE reviews last year! Contact Kathy at director@leadershipclarkcounty.com to register for a fun-filled day chock-full of politics.

A We-Couldn't-Do-It-Without-You Mention:

We extend a big thank you to LSW Architects, who also sponsored the November session.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- The Clark County Board of Commissioners is seeking applicants to serve on the Clark County Railroad Advisory Board. The county owns a 33-mile short-line railroad that runs from Vancouver to Chelatchie Prairie; members tell the board of commissioners how to achieve the maximum long-term return to the county from its investment in the railroad. Call Fred Abraham at 397-2280 x4113 for more information.
- Come help plant a threatened flower species, Nelson's checker-mallow at the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge in the restricted areas of Bachelor Island. Dates: Sunday December 9th 1 pm to 4 pm; Monday December 10th 9 am to 3 pm; or Wednesday December 12th 9 am to 3 pm. Contact Josie Finley, WSU Extension, at josie_finley@fws.gov or (360) 887-3883 ext. 18. For more information about the Gee Creek Project and volunteer events on the Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge, see <http://www.fws.gov/ridgefieldrefuges/volunteers.htm>.
- Do you want to volunteer but you're not sure where to start? Try these links to find your niche: www.volunteermatch.org or www.volunteerwashington.org.

Community Events:

- The Divine Holiday Home Tour will take place on Thursday, December 6th in the Dubois Park Neighborhood from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Cost is \$15 per person for persons 12 and older. The event will benefit local area At Risk youth; contact Divine Consign Furniture at 695-6443 or www.divineconsignfurniture.org for more information.
- Clark County is currently conducting a High Capacity Transit (HCT) System Study to provide a framework for long-term investments in the region's transit system. The study

will identify a HCT system that provides efficient and high quality transit service connecting county residents with where they want to go. Visit www.rtc.wa.gov/hct for more information.

- For its first time ever, YWCA Clark County will participate in the Classic Wines Auction and invites you to attend a Classic Wines Auction Winemaker Dinner on February 26th, 27th or 28th. Cost is \$150 per person; dinners sell out quickly and the auction supports five charities in the Portland-Vancouver area. Visit www.classicwinesauction.com/ for more information, including a list of participating restaurants and wineries.
- You are invited to sign up for a free subscription to 'Southwest Solutions,' an online newsletter from Southwest Washington Medical Center. Each issue features updates on new technologies, procedures, businesses and ideas that are changing the world of medicine. Visit www.swmedicalcenter.org/solutions.

Nominations Being Sought:

- YWCA Clark County is now accepting applications for two awards: the Val Joshua Racial Justice Award and the Youth Social Justice Award. Applications are due by Friday, December 14th. Call 906-4301 or visit www.ywcaclarkcounty.org for more information.

Alumni, Where Art Thou?

How has LCC helped you to pave your path to leadership? We would love to highlight your experience in future *Update* editions! Please contact Kathy Scott at director@leadershipclarkcounty.com and provide the following feedback: 1) What were your goals when you decided to participate in the LCC program? 2) How have you used your news skills and LCC education? 3) Have you entered into any leadership roles? Thank you in advance for sharing!

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

We're so pleased that more of you are sharing your news and we want to make sure others hear it! 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 the current month. Providing your news by our deadline will help us to include it in the following *Update*.

People in the News:

- Congratulations to Jessica Lightheart (Class of 2003), VaNessa Duplessie (Class of 2005), Troy Thomas (Class of 2005), John Cameron (Class of 2007), Kelly Walsh (Class of 2007) and Stacey Sellars (Class of 2008), recipients of Vancouver Business Journal's 2007 Accomplished Under 40 Award!
- Craig Pridemore (Class of 1996), Leonard Bauhs (Class of 2004), Timothy Buckley (Class of 2004), Tabitha Reeder (Class of 2005) and Brian Wolfe (former LCC Board Member) are 5 of 19 who make up the Sustainable Vancouver Green Ribbon Panel.

- Linda Frischmeyer (Class of 1999 and past LCC Board Member) is now a Steering Committee member for DBTAC Northwest: ADA Information Center.
- Ralph Stevens (Class of 2004) has established the Corporate Resource Alliance. He was also recently elected chairman of United Way's Advisory Board.
- Terry Toland (Class of 2007) was recently appointed to the Urban Forestry Commission.

LCC Calendar:

- The Government Overview session will be held Friday, December 14th at the Public Services Building. The Legislative Breakfast will kick off the session from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. at The Hilton.. A big thank you to sponsors Clark County, The Management Group, The Hilton, and Bank of Clark County. Also, a note of appreciation to our session captains: Dena Horton, Jim Jacks and Kelly Sills.
- The LCC Board meeting will be held Tuesday, December 4th.

And Now, Some Words to Ponder:

“He who cannot agree with his enemies is controlled by them.”

--Chinese Proverb