

# Vancouver

## WSU graduates 300

Nearly 300 Graduate From WSU Vancouver's First Ceremony On New Campus

Taking risks is a fundamental ingredient in the recipe for success. That was the message to the nearly 300 graduates attending Washington State University at Vancouver's commencement ceremony Sunday, May 11.

The students made up the first class to graduate from WSU's new Vancouver campus that opened last June.

Commencement speaker Carmen Otero, vice-president of the University's Board of Regents and a former King County Superior Court judge, encouraged the graduates to consider the meanings of success.

"Use the lessons of adversity to grow," said Otero to the graduates,

many of whom returned to college after many years. "You have already displayed what it takes by getting your degree today."

Before becoming a judge, Otero worked as a lawyer, a teacher and a librarian.

Since stepping down from the bench in 1995, Otero has remained active with several organizations, serving on the boards of the Washington Women's Foundation and the Seattle Foundation, Washington's largest philanthropic organization.

Nearly all of the 1997 graduates participated in the ceremony, presided over by WSU President Samuel H. Smith and Campus Executive Officer and Dean Hal Dengerink.

The ceremony also included a presentation of the Regent's Medallion to the university's newest regent, Joe

King of LaCenter.

During the ceremony, Dengerink presented Dean's Medallions to several award winners.

Social sciences graduate Karen Brown was presented with the Dean's Award for Student Achievement. Brown, who graduated cum laude, was heralded for her dedication to learning and advancing the university's multicultural club efforts.

The Dean's Award for Service to WSU Vancouver went to Earl Muir of WSU's facilities development department. Muir helped develop the Vancouver campus, serving as liaison to campus administration, architects and contractors.

"Much of what you see around us today--the buildings, the landscaping, the pathways on which you walked to come here--all resulted from count-

less hours and endless efforts from Earl," said Dengerink of Muir's contribution to the university's development.

Psychology professor Mike Morgan was honored by the student body with the Student's Award for Teaching Excellence.

History professor Sue Peabody received the Research Excellence recognizing her research of slavery in French history.

Oxford University Press recently published Peabody's book, "There Are No Slaves In France."

Three nursing students also earned honors. Shaleen Walder received the Scholarship Award for having the highest upper-division nursing grade point average. Barbara Armand Nicole Chance each received an outstanding Undergraduate Student Award.

### Memorial Day trees offered

Memorial Day is a time when we remember those who have passed away. One meaningful way to remember a loved one is to give a gift of trees from Friends of Trees. Through Friends of Trees' Commemorative tree Program, you can help leave a legacy of trees for future generations in honor of a loved one.

For \$25, Friends of Trees will plant one seedling and send a card

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All commemorative trees donations directly support Friends of Trees' community tree planting program. This year through its five-year "Seed the Future" campaign, Friends of Trees organized over 3,000 volunteers to plant over 12,700 trees and seedlings.

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## Leadership awards nominations

Nominations are now being sought for Vancouver's annual General George C. Marshall Public Service Leadership Award. The award was started in 1989 to recognize young individual's commitment to public service and demonstrated leadership potential. The competition is open to all Clark County residents.

To qualify for the award, an individual must be an actively involved Clark County resident under age 30 and have completed a four-year college degree.

Selection will be based on demonstrated leadership ability, commitment to public service, academic achievement and potential for an ongoing leadership role in public

service. General Marshall, Nobel Peace Prize recipient in 1953 and author of the post-WWII Marshall Plan, was commander of the Vancouver Barracks in the mid-1930s.

This award was created in his honor in cooperation with the General George C. Marshall Foundation in Lexington, Virginia.

Dan Tonkovich, Vancouver City Councilmember, and Thomas Hagley, Jr., the 1996 award recipient, have been invited to attend a gala black-tie dinner June 5 in Washington D.C. in honor of the 50th Anniversary of the Marshall Plan.

The ceremony features General Colin Powell as master of Ceremo-

nies. Past U.S. Presidents and Secretaries of State will be present.

Hagley will also tour selected sites in and around Capitol Hill and travel to Lexington, Virginia, for a visit to the Marshall Foundation.

Hagley's trip is sponsored by 40 et 8, SEH America, The Retired Officers Association and Columbia Machine.

The 1997 recipient will be announced by Vancouver Mayor Royce E. Pollard at a public ceremony at the George C. Marshall House on Vancouver's Officers Row on Thursday, August 21.

The recipient will have the opportunity to tour the Marshall Foundation in Lexington, Virginia and par-

ticipate in the Leadership Clark County Program. The Marshall leadership Award program aims to acknowledge, encourage and support potential leaders in our community.

Pick up and return nomination forms to the Mayor's office (PO Box 1995, Vancouver, WA 98668/210 E. 13th St., Vancouver, WA 98660). Nominations can be submitted by individuals or organizations. The deadline to return nominations is Friday, June 13.

Previous recipients of the award are: Cindy Gibbon, John McIlvain, Steven Dearborn, Douglas Sessions, Paula Martin, Darin Atteberry, Shawna Burkholder and Thomas Hagley, Jr.

## Vancouver youths to explore opportunities at job fair

Youths from age 14 to 20 are encouraged to visit the Youth Opportunity Job Fair sponsored by

Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation Department, Thursday, May 22, from noon to 5 p.m. at Bagley Center,

4100 Plomondon.

"This is a great place for teenagers looking for work to meet employers in

our community," says Johnny Tucker, teen coordinator. The job fair will include presentations.

## Mosquito Board seeks crew

The Clark County Commissioners have openings available on the Clark County Mosquito Control District's Board.

The purpose of the Board is to oversee the operations of the Mosquito Control district. The mosquito control crew is made up of approximately ten people.

Mosquito control operates actively during the months of April through September.

Its primary purpose is to control the proliferation of the flood water mosquito, Aedes Vexan and other species of mosquito to prevent the

spread of diseases caused by mosquitoes.

This is accomplished through treatment of waters with low toxicity chemicals, biological agents, and by distribution of educational materials.

There are five scheduled evening meetings which are held approximately quarterly.

Interested candidates may send a letter of interest and a resume to Linda Dygert, Clark County Commissioners' office, P. O. Box 5000, Vancouver, WA 98666-5000.

Deadline is Friday, June 6, 1997.



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