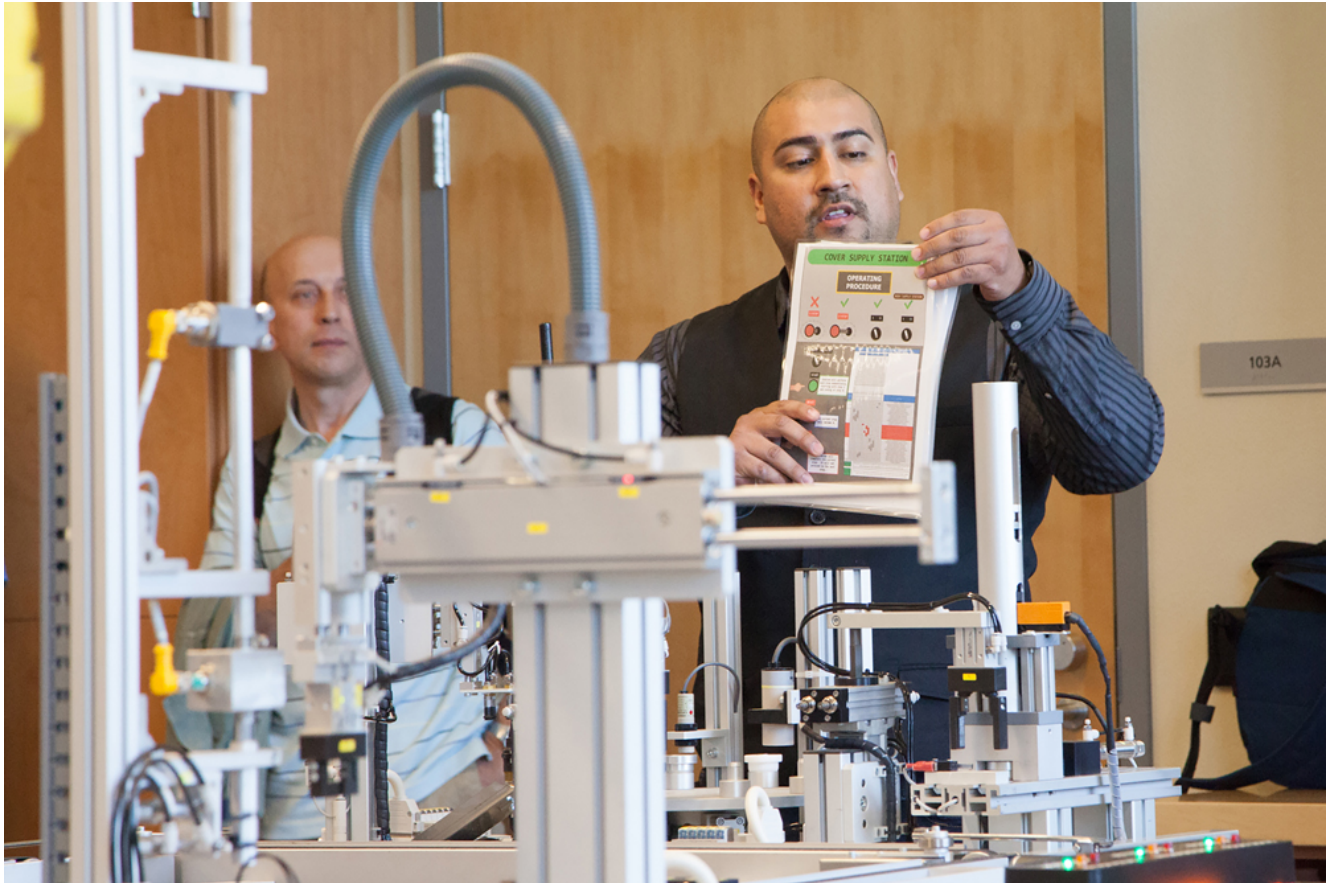


# Making a match: Clark students and manufacturers



Mechatronics lab at Clark College

Clark College and ESD 112 are now hosting Washington's newest Center of Excellence, a hub for connecting the region's students and employers through job training and coordination. The local office is known as the Center of Excellence for Semiconductors & Electronic Manufacturing.

It's the 11th office of its type in the state. The centers were created by the state Board for Community and Technical Colleges in 2004. They're intended to serve as liaisons between local schools and industries, providing career opportunities for students and helping industries maintain skilled workforces.

"This is a great opportunity for students at Clark College," says Dr. Sandra Fowler-Hill, Interim President of Clark

College. “Working strategically with our industry partners, we can help develop the talent pipeline within advanced manufacturing that will allow local manufacturers to grow and will provide outstanding opportunities for our students to succeed.”

Each center is built around an industry that plays a major role in the local economy, such as a clean energy center at Centralia College and a marine manufacturing and technology center at Skagit Valley College.

The new Clark County center focuses on semiconductors and electronics, due to the presence of several big electronics companies in the area, including silicon-wafer manufacturer SEH America, a subsidiary of Tokyo-based Shin-Etsu Handotai Ltd.

“We have an electronic and semiconductor hub here in Southwest Washington that we’d like to support,” said Mohammed Maraee, the new center’s associate director. Maraee lives in Vancouver and previously worked for the Oregon Manufacturing Innovation Center and has taught business administration at Portland Community College.

The Clark County center operates under the leadership of an existing center at Everett Community College that focuses on aerospace and advanced manufacturing. It has a primary office at the main Educational Service District 112 building and a satellite office at Clark College, Maraee said.

Clark College is well positioned to support the new center, with programs like computer technology, welding, and mechatronics that provide graduates with the skills needed for today’s jobs in advanced manufacturing. The college has also announced that the first building in its future satellite location in Ridgefield, Clark College at Boschma Farms, will be dedicated to advanced manufacturing.

The new center is funded by \$300,000 allocated by the state

legislature in the 2019-21 budget. Its partners include Clark College, local K-12 schools, and the Southwest Washington High Technology Council.

The council is made up of representatives from several high-tech companies that are either headquartered or have a significant presence in Clark County, including SEH America, nLIGHT, WaferTech, and Silicon Forest Electronics. The group was at the center of the legislative effort to secure funding for the new center.

The group is chaired by Ben Bagherpour, vice president of site services and government affairs at SEH America, who also serves as a member of the State Board for Community and Technical Colleges.

"The [High Technology Council] is pleased to now have a single point of contact that we can reach out to," Bagherpour said in a statement. "The associate director will be our point person to understand high-tech manufacturing companies' workforce and education needs and to work with the K-12 and higher education systems to develop and align programs to meet these needs."

SEH America has been involved in previous local pipeline efforts aimed at addressing concerns about attracting and retaining a skilled technical workforce. Last year, the company launched a pilot program called Career Launch, offering participants paid part-time apprenticeships at SEH paired with tuition assistance for students at Clark College.

The program is expanding for the 2019-2020 school year, Bagherpour said, and will now include similar opportunities at some of the other council companies. It will also be incorporated into the new center and further developed along with future programs as the center continues to grow.

*Photos: Clark College/Jenny Shadley*

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# ctcLink update: Kudos and training



We are moving closer to GoLive with the primary ctcLink technology solution – PeopleSoft – on October 28.

## KUDOS

**Thank you** to the **Credentials** staff! In early August, they worked with a team from the Washington State Board for Community and Technical Colleges (SBCTC) ctcLink project to build the rules that allow us to transfer in courses from other institutions into the PeopleSoft database. When we GoLive, we expect to have over 7,000 transfer-in courses set up in the PeopleSoft databases. This work allows staff to accept electronic and paper transcripts from schools and

process them quickly for students.

## TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Teaching and Learning Days offered opportunities to learn more about myClark ctcLink training opportunities, including “ctcLink NEW Orientation Introducing ‘Fluid,’” “What to Expect in PeopleSoft – Student Focus,” and the August 14 keynote address, “What to Expect with MyClark ctcLink.”

The SBCTC is the process of finalizing the training plans and materials for end-user training in PeopleSoft. (Many of the primary users are receiving training in User Acceptance Testing.) Most of the end-user training will be available online and many will be offered as a self-paced course. As of today, listed below are the major training categories, schedule, and number of sessions for end-user training. I have included the number of unique training sessions, just to put into context the amount of training time required for some of our colleagues. More to come about this in the next few weeks!

<b>Category of Training</b>	<b>Dates (excluding self-paced courses)</b>	<b>Approximate Number of Different Training Sessions (including self-paced courses)</b>
Campus Solutions Core	September 5 – October 17, 2019	17
Financial Aid	September 3 – October 16, 2019	9
Student Financials	September 3 – October 7, 2019	7



Finance	September 4 – October 16, 2019	21
Human Capital Management	September 3 – October 22, 2019	10

*The original version of this message was sent as an email from Associate Vice President of Planning and Effectiveness Shanda Haluapo to all college employees on August 7, 2019.*

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## Clark College student works her dream job



Jeni Banceu now reporting for the Columbian Newspaper (*photo courtesy of Annika Larman*)

If you read the *Columbian*, you may see a familiar byline: that of Clark College student Jeni Banceu. As reported in that newspaper, she is the first Clark College student to work at the *Columbian* as a paid news intern.

The newly endowed Dee Anne Finken internship is a partnership between the *Columbian*, Clark College, and Clark College Foundation. It is named for Clark's former journalism professor, who served as academic advisor to the college's student news publication, *The Independent*, before retiring in 2018. Her successor, Beth Slovic, organized the campaign and raised money to create the paid internship for the summer.

"We liked Jeni's can-do attitude and maturity, and her story about the homeless person living in the RV [published in *The Independent* in June 2018] was in my opinion a great read for a beginning journalist," *Columbian* Editor Craig Brown wrote in an email.

Banceu's stories are regularly appearing in the *Columbian*. "I feel so lucky to have been chosen for the Dee Ann Finken Internship," she said. "I look forward to writing as much as I can and gaining new skills. I also look forward to getting to know our amazing local journalists."

Banceu will return to Clark College in fall quarter serving as editor-in-chief of *The Independent* (nicknamed "The Indy").

Donations to the Finken Internship fund can be made by going to foundation's website at [www.clarkcollegefoundation.org](http://www.clarkcollegefoundation.org).

**Also kudos** to *The Independent* for its most recent journalism award.

The news magazine and website won first place in the "sweeps" category of the annual contest hosted by the Pacific Northwest Association of Journalism Educators. That means individual Indy journalists won first, second, and third place more than did students from any other Oregon or Washington college that

entered.

The Indy is recognized as a top community college news publication in the nation, having received numerous regional and national awards.

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## **Clark College announces new Interim President**



Dr. Sandra Fowler-Hill

The Clark College Board of Trustees voted unanimously tonight to offer the interim college presidency to Dr. Sandra A. Fowler-Hill.

She

has accepted, pending completion of contract negotiations. The decision was made at a special board meeting Tuesday June 25 following a two-month process led by the Board of Trustees with support from a national search firm.



The successful candidate was selected after a series of interviews with faculty, staff, students, and trustees, as well as a collegewide open forum. "We received many comments through the process, which were all taken into consideration as we made our deliberations," said Trustee Paul Speer. "We had three excellent candidates and we think Dr. Fowler-Hill will be a tremendous asset to our college during this year of transition."

Dr. Sandra A. Fowler-Hill is an experienced leader in higher education, having served as President of Portland Community College's Rock Creek Campus from 2014 to 2018. She has also served as Vice President of Instruction at Everett Community College and Dean for Student Learning at Cascadia Community College. She began her career at Olympic College, where she worked for 19 years, beginning as program manager of Women's Programs, then moving into a tenured faculty position before being named to the position of Dean for Social Science and Humanities. Since retiring from PCC Rock Creek, she has served as a consultant for the Association of Community College Trustees. She earned her bachelor's degree in Applied Behavioral Science from George Williams College in Downers Grove, Illinois; her master's degree in Human Development Counseling from the University of Illinois at Springfield; and her doctorate

degree in Community  
College Leadership from Oregon State University.

### Retiring

President Bob Knight will meet with the incoming President to help with the transition, both before and after his planned retirement date of July 15, 2019.

“We are grateful to Bob Knight for his leadership. This marks a major milestone in Clark’s history. By appointing an interim president for the year, the college and the community will have ample time to recruit, screen, interview and interact with candidates for the permanent position,” said Speer. “We want this to be a robust, inclusive and transparent process.”

To

read more about the presidential search process and next steps go to [www.clark.edu/presidential-search](http://www.clark.edu/presidential-search).

## About Clark College

Located

in Vancouver’s Central Park and serving up to 12,000 students per quarter,

Clark College is Southwest Washington’s largest public institution of higher

education. The college currently offers classes at two satellite locations: one

on the Washington State University Vancouver campus and one in the Columbia

Tech Center in East Vancouver. Additionally, its Economic & Community

Development program is housed in the Columbia Bank building in

downtown  
Vancouver.

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## Showcasing student creativity



On May 22, Archer Gallery was filled with visitors for the opening of the 2019 Art Student Annual Exhibition. This event showcases the best artwork produced by Clark art students in the past academic year. Students compete not only for a spot in the show, but also for awards sponsored by local businesses and organizations.

The exhibition is on display through June 15. Archer Gallery is open 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays, and noon to 5:00 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. The gallery is located in the lower level of the Penguin Union Building on

Clark College's main campus.

Additional photos of the show are available on our Flickr page.

## **2019 Art Student Annual Award Recipients**

### **Best in Show and**

### **Most Ambitious**

**Stevie Hale**, *"New Mythology"*

Sponsored by the Clark College Bookstore and the Portland Institute for Contemporary Art

### **Best Drawing**

**John Gasaway**, *"Bling"*

Sponsored by the Clark College Bookstore and Collage Art Supply

### **Best Ceramics**

**Shirley Morgan**, *"Boh, Of Course"*

Sponsored by Georgie's Ceramics

### **Ceramics, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place**

**Jessica Joner**, *"Peonies"*

Sponsored by Clay Art Center

### **Ceramics, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place**

**Stephanie Bowen**, *"Enlightened"*

Sponsored by Georgie's Ceramics

### **Best Graphic Design**

**Michael Fulgaro**, *"Visit Northwest"*

Sponsored by Artist and Craftsman Art Supply

### **Best Metal Art**

**Channa Smith**, *"Ready to Potlatch"*

Sponsored by MESA at Clark

### **Best Painting**

**Danielle Truckey, *"Portrait of a Girl"***

Sponsored by Gamblin Paints

**Painting, 2<sup>nd</sup> place**

**Jewel Indino, *"Abstract Figure"***

Sponsored by Liquitext Paint Company

**Painting, 3<sup>rd</sup> place**

**Katie Hyland, *"Listening In"***

Sponsored by Golden Paint Company

**Best Photography**

**Keyanna Owen, *"Untitled"***

Sponsored by ProPhoto

**Best Photography, Darkroom**

**Michelle Berg, *"Big Picture"***

Sponsored by Blue Moon Camera

**Best Photography, Digital**

**Avalon Guerra, *"Window Pane"***

Sponsored by ProPhoto

**Photography Award of Distinction**

**T.J. West, *"Homeowrk"***

Sponsored by Blue Sky Gallery

**Best Video**

**Hayley Estep, *"Woman Not Product"***

Sponsored by Northwest Film Center

**Merit Award**

**Sage Makela, *"Album Covers"***

Sponsored by the Clark College Bookstore

**Award of Distinction**

**Don Anderson, *"A Man Has Many Moods"***

Sponsored by the Clark College Bookstore



# Message from the President: College budget update



College community,

On May 22, I shared information about the 2019-2020 budget with the Board of Trustees. I heard the concerns that faculty and staff expressed at the Board meeting about being transparent regarding the budget. To that end, I want to fully share with you the same information that was provided to the Trustees.

The budget decisions that have been made were difficult. Many of them directly impact our faculty, staff, administrators and therefore our students. I want you to know that these decisions were made with care and consideration. I understand that you didn't receive as much information as you would have preferred earlier in the process. It was because we wanted to

ensure that the employees directly impacted by budget reductions were informed first. Those employees received official notification today.

In making these budget decisions, Executive Cabinet operated with the following objectives and understandings:

- Prioritize our employees and their professional development first.
- Sustain our commitments to Guided Pathways and the Social Equity Plan.
- Be conservative in our projections for student enrollment and in our estimates for tuition and Running Start reimbursement revenue.
- Consistent with feedback from the Budget Committee, be frugal – don't commit every dollar.
- Set aside a portion of our anticipated new revenue for contingency.

Starting from this basis, EC established the following framework for our budget discussions:

- Leave the 5% reductions in place. These reductions made it possible to not only cover the \$1.5 million shortage in next year's must-fund costs but also offset the loss of \$800,000 in our base state funding due to changes in the allocation model.
- Move ahead only with the additional revenue we believe we have now, and not try to guess what may come later from the state.

This new revenue is currently projected at \$1,425,489 and is comprised of:

- \$438,009  
in unallocated permanent funding made available by

the 5% reductions.

- \$987,480  
from higher-than-expected tuition and Running Start revenue, and from  
un-committing the local funding we no longer need  
to cover 35% of next year's  
mandatory state wage adjustments.

Within this framework, EC made the following budget decisions:

- Fund the first five requests on the Reallocation List as recommended by the Budget Committee:
  - \$37,926  
for the Veterans Resource Center Manager
  - \$63,043  
for the Instructional Accessibility Tech
  - \$30,760  
for the Cybersecurity BAS program
  - \$63,043  
for the Enrollment Navigator
  - \$147,764  
for the Palo Alto Firewall.
- Support employees and their professional development, including funding for two additional requests on the Reallocation List:
  - \$16,000  
for the annual Teaching and Learning Days
  - \$40,000  
for ongoing Power, Privilege and Inequity training (from the Reallocation List)
  - \$53,000  
for Teaching and Learning Center programming (from the Reallocation List)

- Dedicate funding for faculty salary improvements:
  - \$600,000
- Support teach-outs in Instruction
  - \$200,000

After accounting for these commitments, \$173,953 remains in unallocated contingency. It's a small cushion but will provide some flexibility should our tuition and Running Start revenue projections fall short, or if unexpected needs emerge during the course of the year. We also haven't ruled out using this contingency to go further down the Reallocation List.

We expect to see our initial allocation from the state board in the next few weeks. Once we have those numbers I will send out another message describing not only the amount we received but also any rules or restrictions on how those dollars may be used. Our goal remains having a 2019-20 budget to present to the Board of Trustees for approval on June 12.

I appreciate your patience as we have worked through a very difficult and complex budget development process.

Bob Knight

President

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# Get a Running Start at Clark



*The 2018 graduating class included 476 Running Start graduates—a new record for the college, which has the largest Running Start program in the state.*

High

school students and their families have an opportunity to attend a free Running

Start Information Night at Clark College on Wednesday, March 13, from 7:00-8:00

p.m. in the O'Connell Sports Center gymnasium on Clark's main campus.

The

information session, which outlines the process for entering the Running Start

program in fall 2019, is open to the public with no registration required.

Attendance is optional but encouraged as attendees will hear



from Running Start participants and learn about the program's eligibility criteria, benefits, and more.

## Running

Start allows eligible juniors and seniors to earn college credit while fulfilling their high school graduation requirements. Participants in the Running Start program attend Clark classes alongside the general college population. They can choose from a full range of academic and professional and technical courses, as long as the students meet the criteria and the classes are college-level.

## The

program, which can significantly reduce the cost of a four-year college degree, has proven popular in Southwest Washington. In addition to the potential cost savings offered through participating in the program, Running Start also provides an opportunity for students to challenge themselves academically.

## According

to Christina Smith, an instructor in Clark's Department of English, there are a number of qualities that Running Start students can foster in order to successfully navigate the college environment. "Curiosity, deep desire to learn, and willingness to ask questions in and out of class—these are the traits and skills that lead to success in college," said Smith.

Reid Brown, a current Running Start student, emphasized that frequent communication with professors can be helpful, along with utilizing services such as tutoring and meeting with advisors. "The environment at Clark is very inviting to young students and there are many resources available to help them with the transition into the college community," said Brown.

With careful planning and dedication, some Running Start students earn their associate degree from Clark by the time they complete high school. One such student is Maria DeBartolo, who will graduate this June with her high school diploma and an associate degree in Nursing from Clark. "I will be ready to enter a nursing program, which is something that I never thought I would be able to do at 17 years old," she said.

Running Start students pay for books, transportation, and some fees, but do not pay full Clark College tuition. Students can be part-time or full-time in Running Start. Fees are subject to change by the Washington State Legislature. A fee waiver is available for those demonstrating financial need.

Clark College is located at 1933 Fort Vancouver Way in Vancouver, Wash. Parking will be available in the college's Red lots on the east side of Fort Vancouver Way and in the Purple Lot on the west side of Fort Vancouver Way.

## Driving

directions and parking maps are available at [www.clark.edu/maps](http://www.clark.edu/maps).

## Individuals

who need accommodation due to a disability in order to fully participate in

this event should contact Clark College's Disability Support Services Office at

360-992-2314 or 360-991-0901 (VP), or visit Penguin Union Building (PUB) room 013, as soon as possible.

For more information on Running Start, visit the Clark College website at [www.clark.edu/runningstart](http://www.clark.edu/runningstart). For information about Running Start Information Nights, call 360-992-2366.

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# Recipients of the 2019 Iris Awards Announced



*Iris Awards will be presented to (left to right) Ann Fischer, Stacey Graham, Rekah Strong, Lynn Valenter, and Maureen Montague (H-ROC Iris Award).*

Five women representing exceptional leadership, philanthropy and community service are the winners of the 2019 Iris Awards, honoring women of achievement in Southwest Washington. They will be recognized at an awards reception on Thursday, March 7.

Awards will be presented to Ann Fischer, founder of the Healthy Equitable Living Project; Stacey Graham, president of the Humane Society for Southwest Washington; Rekah Strong, executive director of Educational Opportunities for Children and Families; and Lynn Valenter, vice chancellor for finance and operations at Washington State University Vancouver. H-RoC, a non-partisan political action committee dedicated to the advancement of elected and appointed female leaders in Southwest Washington, has chosen Columbia Springs Executive Director Maureen Montague for the Iris Award they sponsor.

The award ceremony takes place in Gaiser Student Center on Clark College's main campus. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the ceremony begins at 6:00 p.m. The event is open to the public and tickets are on sale through the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce at <https://www.vancouverusa.com/events/details/2019-iris-awards-reception-18904>. The cost is \$35 per person. A table sponsorship, which includes eight tickets, can be

purchased for \$310. Seating is limited.

Clark College is located at 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver. Driving directions and parking maps are available at [www.clark.edu/maps](http://www.clark.edu/maps). Anyone needing accommodation due to a disability in order to fully participate in this event should contact Clark College's Disability Support Services Office at (360) 992-2314 or (360) 991-0901 (VP), or visit Penguin Union Building room 013, by February 26.

## About the Iris Awards

The Iris Awards follow in the tradition of the Southwest Washington Women of Achievement Awards, which began in 1985 at Clark College. In 2012, the event was reintroduced as the Iris Awards, still celebrated on or around International Women's Day (March 8) and with the same core mission: honoring the lasting and far-reaching contributions of women in Southwest Washington and beyond.

This year's awards are sponsored by Clark College, the Clark College Foundation, the *Vancouver Business Journal*, the Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, and H-RoC.



# The 2019 Iris Award Honorees

## Ann Fischer



### *Ann Fischer*

Ann Fischer is the founder of the Healthy Equitable Living Project (HELP), a food pantry located at the First Presbyterian Church in Vancouver. HELP was launched in 2013, when the Vancouver Health Department asked if the church could assist local schools in serving families who were experiencing food insecurity. Fischer began by soliciting donations from neighborhood grocery stores to help five families. Over the past six years, HELP has expanded to serve between 50 and 60 families from 14 different schools.

Through the food pantry, Fischer makes sure people are not only fed, but fed well. Fischer hand-selects many of the products that the pantry offers, with a focus on high-quality, nutritious, and organic foods. It is not unusual for Fischer to remember

individual patrons' specific dietary needs, from vegan to gluten-free. She also created the pantry's Breakfast Club, where families are served a hot breakfast while they wait to shop, giving them a chance to build community and friendships.

Fischer has a long record of service in the community, ranging from supporting her local church to organizing fundraisers for children's organizations. For 25 years, she ran an antique shop called Turnabout that offered assistance to people who were transitioning their living situations.

## **Stacey Graham**



*Stacey Graham*

Stacey Graham has served as president of the Humane Society for Southwest Washington (HSSW) since 2013. Graham's career spans 40 years leading for-profit and nonprofit organizations. Her wide-ranging work experience includes positions in the Oregon Legislature and Oregon Governor's Office, as well as key roles in public relations and advertising agencies, the United Way of the Columbia-Willamette, and the Vancouver-based First Independent Bank.

Graham joined the HSSW team charged with creating a sustainable and effective business model; raising the level of awareness and visibility of the Humane Society in the local community and animal welfare industry; and dramatically increasing the save rate of the animals in care. Under her leadership, HSSW launched a five-year, \$6 million capital campaign. In 2018, HSSW was named the Best Nonprofit in Clark County.

Graham's community service includes serving as city council president in her hometown of Stayton, Oregon; on the boards of the Clark County YWCA, The Historic Trust, the Lighthouse Community Credit Union, Nonprofit Network of Southwest Washington, Metropolitan Family Service, Northwest Pilot Project, Portland Radio Project and H-RoC; and on the Empower Women + Girls steering committee. Graham has helped develop strategic plans for many local nonprofits, including North County Community Food Bank, Vancouver Symphony, Partners in Careers, Clark County Arts Commission and Pink Lemonade.

**Rekah Strong**



*Rekah Strong*

Rekah Strong is a highly accomplished public and non-profit executive. She currently serves as the executive director for Educational Opportunities for Children and Families (EOCF), the largest early learning organization in Southwest Washington.

Prior to this position, Strong served as chief of operations and equity officer for the United Way of the Columbia-Willamette and chief diversity and inclusion officer for Clark County.

Earlier in her career, Strong spent more than a decade working for the State of Oregon to improve outcomes for children and families in Oregon's child welfare system.

Strong has a long record of public service and community involvement in Southwest Washington. During her tenure with Clark County, she helped lay the initial framework and push for the Clark County Freeholder process and expansion of the Clark County Council. More recently, she was reappointed by Governor Jay Inslee to serve as a Clark College trustee and actively advocates for education. She was also recently selected as the newest board member of Clark County's Developmental Disability Advisory Board, and has served on the

boards of We Reign Youth Foundation and Southwest Washington Chapter Red Cross.

A Clark College alumna, Strong earned her bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and master's degree in Social Work from Portland State University. She is currently pursuing her Ph.D. in Social Work Research.

## **Lynn Valenter**



*Lynn Valenter*

As the vice chancellor for finance and operations at Washington State University Vancouver, Lynn Valenter leads a range of functions including budget and accounting, capital planning, dining services, facilities operations, human resources and public safety. She began her career at WSU Vancouver more than 20 years ago, holding roles as facilities and auxiliary services manager and director of finance and operations before being named as vice chancellor in 2015. Valenter has been instrumental in increasing WSU Vancouver's public engagement and service during an important period in the campus's growth.



Valenter's engaged, enthusiastic, and equitable leadership style has been of service to both the university and the local community. As an active member of Empower, she supports initiatives that help local girls and women, and she is a frequent volunteer with Winter Hospitality Overflow, an organization that helps people in need during the winter months. Her board service includes Camas Civil Service, Institute for Metropolitan Studies at Portland State University, Columbia Credit Union, H-RoC, Greater Portland Inc., and the Columbia River Economic Development Council. In 2016, Valenter was honored by the *Portland Business Journal* as a part of their Women of Influence in the nonprofit category.

### **Maureen Montague**



*Maureen Montague*

It is no exaggeration to say that Maureen Montague has been involved in the Southwest Washington region her entire life. A graduate of Hudson's Bay High School, she returned to Vancouver after earning her bachelor's degree from Lewis and Clark

College in Portland and began working for Janus Youth Programs, serving at-risk youth in a shelter setting.

After leaving her job to become a stay-at-home mother, Montague remained deeply involved in her community. A visual artist and a published writer, she volunteered at local arts nonprofits and was a founding member of North Bank Artists. These activities gave her experience with grant-writing and collaborating with partner organizations on events, skills that would become useful in her developing career. Additionally, her writing skills led her to be recruited to serve on the digital team for President Barack Obama's 2012 re-election campaign.

In 2013, Montague was hired as the executive director of North Bank Artists, where she organized the Vancouver Arts District with community partners. In 2016, she was named the executive director of Columbia Springs, an environmental education nonprofit and protected urban natural area on the Old Evergreen Highway in Vancouver. Her work is focused on financial sustainability, program development, and improvement of all community services.

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# Clark College Theatre presents "Godspell 2012"



Clark College Theatre continues its 2018-2019 season with the 2012 revamped version of the musical *Godspell*.

*Godspell 2012* is a masterful retelling of the original musical sensation, injected with contemporary references and dazzling new arrangements. It was the first major musical theatre offering from three-time Grammy and Academy Award winner Stephen Schwartz (*Wicked*, *Pippin*, *Children of Eden*), and it took the world by storm. A small group of people help Jesus Christ tell different parables by using a wide variety of games, storytelling techniques, and a hefty dose of comic timing. An eclectic blend of songs, ranging in style from pop to vaudeville, is employed as the story of Jesus' life dances

across the stage.

The cast includes: Jacqueline Baxter, Andrew Hallas, Sammy Williams\*, Breanna Kurth, Christina Taft\*\*, Moe Lewis, Danielle Neblock\*, Michelle Eussen \*\*, Colin Smith\* and Janoah Stegall\*. The director is H. Gene Biby and April Brookins Duvic provides vocal direction. *Note: Cast member names marked with a single asterisk are current Clark College students; double asterisks indicate Clark College alumni.*

Show Dates: Feb. 22 and 23, March 1, 2, 7, 8, and 9. All show times are at 7:30 p.m. in the Decker Theatre, Frost Arts Center, on Clark College's main campus.

Ticket Information: Students (with ID) \$10; Alumni (with membership) \$10; Senior Citizens \$16; General Admission \$20. Tickets may be purchased online at [http://www.clarkbookstore.com/site\\_theatre.asp](http://www.clarkbookstore.com/site_theatre.asp), or call 360-992-2815. View the entire Clark College Theatre season at [www.clark.edu/cc/theatre](http://www.clark.edu/cc/theatre).

For more photos of the show, visit Clark's Flickr album.

If you need accommodation due to a disability in order to fully participate in this event, contact Clark College's Disability Support Services Office at 360-992-2314 or 360-991-0901 (VP), or visit Gaiser Hall room 137, as soon as possible.

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## **Clark College Automotive Technology holds Open House**





### Clark College Automotive Technology Open House

The Clark College Automotive Technology department welcomes prospective students and their families to its annual Open House on Wednesday, February 20, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

This

event is free and open to the public, though organizers ask guests to RSVP at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/clark-college-automotive-open-house-tickets-55283786293>.

It takes place in the college's automotive shop in Building AA-1 on Clark's main campus at 1933 Ft. Vancouver Way. The closest parking is in Orange Lot 1.

For maps and directs visit [www.clark.edu/maps](http://www.clark.edu/maps). Light refreshments will be served.

Guests will be able to tour the program's 14,000 square-foot facility, meet with faculty and staff, connect with local dealership managers, and speak with professional technicians about career opportunities. They will also be able to learn

about the college's Dealer Ready programs, which allow students to earn income and work experience through internships during the course of their degree program.

### **About the Clark College Automotive Technology Department**

With a program history that spans more than 40 years, Clark College's Automotive Technology department has received community recognition for producing top-tier automotive technicians and for its focus on hands-on learning and partnerships with dealerships that include Toyota, Honda, Dick Hannah, and Audi.