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Parks Foundation Announces 2012 Community Grant Awards **\$77,243 to be distributed at June 14 Annual Luncheon**

Vancouver, Wash. – The Parks Foundation of Clark County is pleased to award \$72,743 in support of Clark County parks, trails, and recreation programs at its June 14 Annual Luncheon. The Community Grant program was launched by the Parks Foundation in 2009 to help fund needs of the parks and recreation departments of Clark County. Since 2009, the Parks Foundation has awarded a total of \$159,171 through the grant program.

The following programs and projects have been awarded funds for 2012:

- Battle Ground: *Summer Playground Program* – \$6,000 sponsored by **Riverview Community Bank**.
- Battle Ground: *Park Volunteer Program* – \$2,000.
- Camas: *New Playground Equipment for Forest Home Park* – \$15,000, sponsored by **Waste Connections**.
- Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation: *Everybody Plays! Recreation Scholarship Program* – \$13,563.
- Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation: *Evergreen Park Summer Playground Program* – \$11,000 in partnership with the **United Way, Viola, Audigy Group, Banner Bank, and the Murphy Family**.
- Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation: *Design and Printing of Lewis River-Vancouver Lake Waterways Trail Guide* – \$10,000 sponsored by **Tidewater**.
- Washougal: *Cedar View Trail Construction Project* – \$2,920
- Yacolt: *Yacolt Town Park Skate Park, Phase One* – \$16,760.

The Parks Foundation solicits support for specific programs and projects throughout the year, and also raises funds for projects identified through Community Grant applications. The foundation was able to fund a large portion of grant requests this year through the generous support of Waste Connections, Riverview Community Bank, Tidewater, and

Parks Foundation Annual Luncheon

Tuesday, June 14

Hilton Vancouver 11:30 – 1pm.

\$25 Parks Foundation Members purchased before June 1, \$30 after.

\$30 Nonmembers purchased before June 1, \$35 after.

Register at www.parksfoundation.us or by calling 487-8370.

Program Highlights:

Guest Speaker: Mike Houck

Florence B. Wager Awards Presentation
Leading Eagle-Don Cannard
V-Formation Flyer-Milada Allen
Tributary-Vicki Vanneman

Distribution of \$72,743 in grant awards

the many benevolent community members who contributed to the grant program throughout the year.

About the Parks Foundation

The Parks and Recreation Foundation of Vancouver and Clark County was established in 1999 to accept and administer donations, gifts and bequests for the enrichment and enhancement of our communities' parks, trails, and recreational programs.

The mission of the Parks Foundation is to raise funds through public and private partnerships for parks, trails, and recreational programs throughout Clark County. The Foundation is a 501 C 3 non-profit corporation and all gifts are tax deductible. The Foundation is governed by a board of directors comprised of local citizens who oversee, invest and administer donations made to the Foundation.

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