

Burkman appointed to Clark College board

Jack Burkman has been appointed to the Clark College board of trustees by Governor Chris Gregoire.

He succeeds Kim Peery who served as a Clark trustee for 10 years.

Raised in western Montana, Burkman was the first in his family to graduate from college, earning a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Montana State University. He worked for Hewlett Packard for nearly 28 years, managing all aspects of new consumer inkjet product development. After retiring in 2005, Burkman served as the southwest region planning manager for the Washington State Department of Transportation.

Burkman, who served a term on the Vancouver City Council, says his experiences in business and government have shaped his aspirations for his work as a trustee.

"This is a challenging, but exciting, time in Clark College's history: a fast changing, global world; a tough economy; and a community that is looking to Clark to help them deal with these issues," said Burkman.

Burkman has volunteered with area organizations over 20 years on boards such as the Clark County planning commission, C-TRAN, and the Southwest Washington Clean Air Agency. He serves on the Fort Vancouver Regional Li-



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Burkman and his wife, Sherry, have lived in Vancouver for nearly 25 years. They have three children and two grand-

children. Burkman's hobbies include photography, computers, rebuilding sports cars and reading.

bury board of trustees and YWCA board of directors. He recently completed his professional coach certification from Antioch University--Seattle.

"Clark College has played an important role in this community for 75 years," Burkman said. "In partnership with WSU, the college provides an educational foundation for this region. Clark is critical to the region's economic development and both the professional and personal development of our residents."