A story worth telling

Vancouver's **Gypsy Alderman** is a prime example that it's never too late to chase a dream.

Alderman, 60, is a student at Clark College and a member of Phi Theta Kappa, an international honor society for two-year colleges.

One of Alderman's short fiction stories



Gypsy Alderman

was among 20 selected from more than 1,000 submissions for the literary anthology published each year by the honor society.

Placing among the top three earned her a \$500 scholarship.

"It's a sports story," Alderman said of her submission. "It's told through the voice of a

young person in 1947."

Alderman was a flight attendant for Delta Air Lines for 35 years before enrolling at

Clark College in 2004.

"I had often told my son, Chancellor (Hayden), I would go to college when it was time for him to go to college," Alderman said. "Well, when he was about 3, he was extremely worried after I told him about going to college when he did. He thought about it for a while and his response was 'Mom, I'll drive."