

Ex-mayor's legacy goes beyond Vancouver

Visionary | Developer Albert C. Angelo Sr., 87, shaped communities across the West

By **HOLLEY GILBERT**
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VANCOUVER — A former Vancouver mayor whose development company helped change the face of communities from Bellingham to Klamath Falls, will be Friday.

Angelo died March 23 at his Vancouver home. He was 87.

The son of an emigrant from central Italy who came through Ellis Island looking for work in the United States, Angelo graduated from the University of Washington, then built what has become a third-generation family business with holdings in six Western states.

Starting in 1947 with an \$8,000 loan, Angelo began building single-family homes in Vancouver's westside Lincoln neighborhood. Now, the Al Angelo Co. is a development, purchasing and management company that

owns 3,200 multifamily housing units and 1 million square feet of commercial space in 22 cities.

The company owns the Morningside Apartments on West Table Rock Road in Medford, the Shangri La complex in Klamath Falls and the Villa Montana in Scottsdale, Ariz.

In Vancouver, the company's first multifamily project was Brandt Terrace, a 214-unit complex deemed a standard for federal Housing and Urban Development properties. In 2000, it developed the \$25 million Heritage Place condominiums, which helped revitalize downtown and neighboring Esther Short Park.

More recently, the company is in year seven of the Four Seasons, an 85-acre mixed-use development at Northeast 29th Street and 112th Avenue.

"He and others built the community," Mayor Royce E. Pollard said of Angelo. "We weren't very big or wide or tall. He's the guy who set that standard for that."

Elected to the City Council in 1962 and installed as mayor in 1966, Angelo persuaded the city

Angelo funeral Mass

When: Noon Friday
Where: St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 6600 Highland Drive, Vancouver
Donations: Hospice Southwest, P.O. Box 1600, Vancouver, WA 98668

to buy the Orchards Water System east of the city. That vision enabled the city to grow, Pollard said.

Mayor until 1969, Angelo was one of three Clark County friends whose work helped shape the region.

Angelo began building homes at the same time as Ed Pietz, co-founder of the Red Lion hotel chain.

"When I first started out, Al Angelo and I were both poor, real poor," Pietz said Tuesday. "He'd be building houses on one side of the street and I'd be building houses on the other side of the street, and we'd be yelling at each other to see who could get done first."

Pietz, 86, described Angelo as serious "about pretty much everything" but said he enjoyed a good joke. The two were friends who would talk shop over lunch but didn't socialize beyond that. "Too much socializing is bad for business," Pietz said.

Pietz and Tod McClaskey, Angelo's close friend, went on to build the 56-property Red Lion hotel chain. In 1985, the chain was sold in a leveraged buyout to Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. for approximately \$620 million.

McClaskey died in 2003. Pietz is building a 600-unit apartment building near Interstate 205 and 18th Street, not far north of the Glenn Jackson Bridge.

The land on which the freeway approach to the I-205 bridge sits was purchased from Angelo, said Craig and Al Angelo Jr., the oldest of Angelo's five children, who with their mother, Kathryn, survive him. The sale led to Angelo's commercial development to the east of the freeway and two multifamily apartment complexes to the west.

Six lawsuits allege police misconduct

Courts | Sandy and Clackamas County officers are accused of rights violations

By **GOSIA WOZNACKA**
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A lawsuit filed in federal court this month brings to six the current number of cases pursued by Sandy area residents against police and city officials alleging law enforcement misconduct.

Salem attorney Bruce Mowery, who represents the city in some of the cases through City/County Insurance Services, said the claims — which target city officials, Sandy police officers and Clackamas County sheriff's deputies — have no merit.

All of the lawsuits accuse Sandy and Clackamas County

officers of excessive force, harassment and violating defendants' constitutional rights. The suits are all separate claims, though three of the defendants share the same lawyer.

The latest case, filed March 12 in U.S. District Court in Oregon by Sandy resident Samuel Contreras, claims Contreras was set up by police and wrongfully arrested for possession of a controlled substance, having a concealed weapon and tampering with a witness. Contreras had previously been convicted for possession of firearms and charged on multiple occasions with drug possession, Sandy police said.

The other cases are:
• Estacada resident Britt Woodring alleges officers used excessive force in his arrest outside a

Sandy restaurant last year.

• Juan Rubio, the father of a man whose remains were found in the woods in 2005, claims that Sandy officers were verbally abusive to him and that city officials neglected his complaints during the search for his son.
• Another Rubio lawsuit against a Sandy officer alleges Rubio was threatened during several incidents between 2004 and 2006.
• A federal lawsuit against Sandy and county officers claims the county, city and police officers violated the civil rights of Fouad Kaady, a Portland man killed after a string of hit-and-run collisions, a car fire and a possible assault. The family filed the suit. A Clackamas County grand jury last year

cleared the officers of wrongdoing.

• A lawsuit filed by Sandy resident Jerry Euneal Woodford alleges Sandy police officers unrightfully tackled him and stunned him with a Taser while he was staying at a hotel.

The second Rubio suit is filed in circuit court; the others are filed in federal court.

Attorney Edward Merrill of Bend — who represents Rubio, Woodring and Contreras — said his clients filed the lawsuits not for monetary gain but to protest police department actions. Mowery, who represents Sandy on these cases, said the claims are orchestrated by the Bend attorney.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

McMinnville

Suspect in attack will have mental health evaluation

A man accused of attacking two Evergreen Aviation Museum employees last week has been transferred to a Portland hospital for a mental health evaluation, Yamhill County authorities said.

Police said Gerald Joseph Layhey, 19, broke into the museum, smashed a glass display case, removed a World War II uniform and put it on, pulled a fire alarm, climbed into a plane and smashed a television set.

Phillip Jaeger, 33, of McMinnville and Cheryl McKay, 62, of Sheridan entered the intruder when they arrived for work. He is accused of punching Jaeger and biting McKay. Neither employ-

ee required hospitalization.

—The Associated Press

Vancouver

Camerman attacked; two men are charged

Two men appeared Wednesday in Clark County District Court on charges stemming from an attack Monday on a Fox 12 television cameraman in downtown Vancouver.

Eugene E. Nerton, 26, no town given, was held on accusations of fourth-degree assault, unlawful display of a weapon and urinating in public.

Jesse K. Goncalves, 20, of San Juan Island was held on accusations of fourth-degree assault and being a minor in possession of alcohol.

Both men are scheduled to return to court April 9.

The two were arrested shortly after the 8:40 p.m. beating of Peter Franzen, 31, at Sixth and Main streets. Franzen suffered a black eye, sore back, cuts and

bruises.

—Holley Gilbert

Umatilla

Four boaters rescued from Columbia River

Three men and a woman spent a frigid 20 minutes in the Columbia River near the eastern Oregon town of Umatilla on Wednesday after their boat erupted in flames.

Firefighters from the Umatilla Rural Fire Protection District rescued two members of the group about 8 a.m., and a private boat plucked the others out, said Fire Chief Michael Roxbury.

The boaters, who were not named, were not injured.

—Richard Cockle

Wood Village

Police arrest suspect in 35-mile pursuit

An aggressive driver who led police on a 35-mile chase Wednesday crashed his car and

ran off, but was later arrested in Hood River County, police said.

A Multnomah County Sheriff's Office deputy spotted the driver slipping east and passing people on the shoulder on Interstate 84 at Wood Village shortly after 12:30 p.m. and pursued him, said Lt. Jason Gates, a sheriff's spokesman.

Deputies in Hood River County put a spike strip across the freeway at Wyeth, but the man continued until the car's rear wheels popped off. He then ran into the woods. A woman traveling with him was taken into custody.

A motorist spotted the suspect along the freeway and alerted police. Hood River County Sheriff's Office deputies arrested him but were still trying to confirm his identity.

—Aimee Green and Elizabeth Sahl

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Democrats ante up for campaign

2008 race | Early in the White House fundraising marathon, Democrats are leaving Republicans in the dust

By **ADAM NAGOURNEY**
NEW YORK TIMES NEWS SERVICE

DES MOINES, Iowa — For anyone looking for a sign of the health of the Democratic Party going into the 2008 presidential campaign, it came Wednesday with the last of the fundraising figures reported by the major presidential primary candidates.

With the \$25 million reported by Sen. Barack Obama's campaign, closing in on Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton's \$26 million, the Democratic presidential candidates collectively outperformed the Republicans by a substantial amount: Democrats raised about \$78 million, compared with just more than \$51 million by their rivals, according to preliminary first-quarter figures provided by the campaigns.

That is remarkable because Republicans have historically proved better at collecting contributions. In every presidential primary season since 1976, the top fundraiser was a Republican. The new numbers offered what even Republicans described as measurable evidence that Democrats today are more confident about their prospects of winning back the White House, and — not typically for their party — satisfied with their candidates. That enthusiasm gap is emerging as one of the early dynamics of the 2008 presidential campaign.

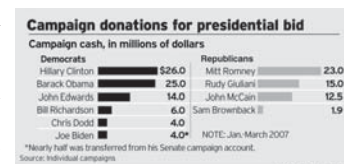
"The Democrats seem to have a lot more hunger for the White House right now than we do," said Scott Reed, who managed the presidential campaign of Bob Dole, a Kansas Republican, in 1996. "Part of it on the Republican side may be Bush fatigue. But clearly, the Republicans are going to need to get it together on finances if we are going to compete with the likes of Obama or Hillary Clinton. It's a concern."

Officials of both parties as well as some independent analysts said the figures quantified a trend apparent in Iowa and New Hampshire, where Democratic presidential candidates consistently draw crowds at rallies and house parties.

"This reflects on the part of Democrats not only their view of the prospects of victory in 2008, but also how they are coming off this rush of the 2006 elections,"



Collecting \$25 million for his presidential campaign, Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., on Wednesday affirmed his status as leading rival to Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., in the Democratic primary races.



said Costas Panagopoulos, a political science professor at Fordham University. "In terms of Republican candidates, voters are feeling like they have to choose from a list of who represents the least of all evils."

Democrats' momentum

The initial Democratic fundraising advantage seems to be the next step in a shift that began in 2004, when Democratic presidential candidates, starting with Howard Dean, tapped into the Internet to collect money from first-time contributors. It continued in the 2006 midterm elections when Democratic congressional campaign committees matched or beat their Republican counterparts, helping Democrats to take control of Congress.

"This is the continuation of a trend of an energized and engaged Democratic base that I think both Obama and Clinton are tapping into and that other Democrats at the congressional and local levels, are going to be

able to tap into," said David B. Magley, a political science professor at Brigham Young University.

If there is a bright side for Republicans, it is that Democrats, particularly Obama and Clinton, have enough money to inflict a considerable amount of damage on their fellow Democrats in the nine months before they settle in for the Iowa caucuses that lead off the primary voting.

And it is still many financial quarters before the general election. Even Democrats who described themselves as delighted by the results said they had no doubt that the Republican nominee will have more than enough money to compete in the general election.

Early in the game

"I don't think the Republicans are going to lose the presidential election next year because of a lack of money," said David Ploffe, the manager of Obama's campaign.

Still, that may prove to be

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CITY HALL NOTEBOOK

Zones extension OK'd

The city's drug- and prostitution-free zones will stay active for another six months, despite concerns among City Council members that an oversight committee studying the exclusion areas is "dysfunctional" and includes too many people with a vested interest in the policing tool.

The City Council established the exclusive zones 15 years ago to give police another way to fight crime in central, Northeast

now must arrest someone to exclude them. Since the new rules took effect and city leaders began studying the zones, African Americans have been disproportionately hit by exclusions. That worries city commissioners, who want to make sure they're balancing the need to protect neighbors with the civil rights of those excluded.

The oversight committee is supposed to recommend changes to ensure that balance. But its work has been hampered

city committee, which includes prosecutors and public defenders. He suggested that the mayor's office, which has hired an outside facilitator to help the committee, might want to add members or rethink the group's makeup.

"An oversight committee can't be the people who actually do the work," he said. In the end, Potts and Commissioners Randy Leonard, Sam Adams and Dan Saltzman voted Sept. 30. Sten first voted

that regard, he really is a good role model.

Although no opposition has materialized, members of the community groups say they plan to use the occasion to reiterate a call for the city to make paths to and around the reservoir handicapped-accessible, an idea Falk says sits well with her. Falk said that Ramsey and a neighbor often played sidewalk superintendents when workers renovated the reservoir back in the 1930s, offering pointers and occasionally criticism.

"Dad would just have loved this," she said. "I wish he was here to see it."

valid tools," Sten said. "... At the same time, we were given a year. We need to stick to our word, and say, 'We didn't do the work we said we were going to do.'"

Park vote postponed

City Council members postponed a vote Wednesday on proposed guidelines for sponsorship and naming rights in Portland Parks until April 25 to address concerns that they

small comfort. The Republican who had been viewed as his party's leading candidate, Sen. John McCain of Arizona, raised about half of what Clinton and Obama reported raising, and trailed even the \$14 million raised by John Edwards, the North Carolina Democrat making his second bid for the Democratic nomination.

Beyond that, the Republican's top fundraiser, Sen. Romney of Massachusetts, has trailed in national polls in part because he is not widely known, but also because he has been repeatedly attacked by his rival for changing his positions on central issues including abortion and gay rights.

In this unsettled environment it is no surprise that this year, the Republicans, not the Democrats, seem hungry to find someone else to get into the race, as reflected by the interest drawn by the potential candidacies of the untested Thompsons: Fred of Tennessee and Tommy of Wisconsin.

And the release of financial figures has offered a statistical basis to support anecdotal evidence that Democrats are more optimistic about winning the White House. Democrats as a rule have been drawing much bigger crowds than Republicans.

By contrast, Republicans show few signs of pulling out of the doldrums that followed their defeat in the November election. Regged, the former Dole adviser, suggested that that, combined with opposition to the war and Bush's low popularity ratings, was sapping the energy of voters in his party.

The Democrats' figures left no question that Clinton faces a fundraising edge in Obama.

At the same time, Edwards trailed significantly behind Clinton and Obama, evidence of just how important it will be for him to score an early win in Iowa before the race moves to the broad and expensive national field of the Feb. 5 primaries.

The news might be worse in the second Democratic tier. Sen. Joseph R. Biden Jr. and Sen. Christopher J. Dodd both struggled to raise money, despite their credentials and networks, which might prove troublesome for them as they seek continued support.

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