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◀ Carl Mack,
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Corus Pharma and Dendreon

NASDAQ watchers should keep an eye on these hot local biotech led by Dr. Bruce Montgomery and Dr. Mitchell Gold, respectively. Already the darling of local venture capitalists, including Bill Gates, the three-year-old Corus, which specializes in developing respiratory drugs, filed for its initial public offering of stock in August. While cancer vaccine developer Dendreon's (ticker symbol: DNDN) prostate cancer vaccine, Provenge, is all the buzz and on the FDA's fast-track approval list.



Town Crier Publishing

After proving what a community newspaper should be—high-minded but hard-hitting—with her southend *Seattle Star*, launched in 2002, this summer publisher Wallis Bolz acquired the northend *Seattle Sun*. Directing the content of both papers is Editor-in-Chief Margie Slovan, a veteran freelance journalist who is earning a rep for her fiery editorials.

Ray & Mary Johnston

The principals of Johnston Architects bring an urban village sensibility to their array of surprisingly natural looking multifamily developments, such as the Fremont Lofts, Stonewater Townhouses and the rising Boulders at Green Lake, which are springing up in our neighborhoods.

Artdish: Puget Sound's Forum on Visual Art

For those who whine about the lack of local arts coverage in the city, there's Artdish (art-

Kay Letourneau this summer, attorney Anne Bremner's Blackberry was burning up with messages from media types sniffing around for a Mary Kay interview.

She wasn't the infamous school teacher's attorney, but Bremner had access. Letourneau was a surprising ally in the trial attorney's prevailing defense of the Des Moines Police Department against a civil suit brought by Letourneau's love interest, Vili Fualaau, and his mother in 2002. "Lawsuits make strange bedfellows," says Bremner. "[Letourneau] felt Vili was kind of manipulated into that lawsuit by others who wanted money...We got to know each other relatively well...Everything she [told me] helped my case." The 46-year-old partner at Seattle's Stafford Frey Cooper has a way of inspiring confidences. Maybe it's the fact that she's the A-list attorney for our area's authority figures, like judges, priests and police—she's even fought for the rights of Seattle's police dogs. You don't have to need a lawyer to see Bremner in action, though. The Olympia-raised, Stanford-educated attorney's legal smarts are regularly on display as an analyst on Fox News Channel and Court TV (rumor is she's even been courted for a reality TV show).

MOST INFLUENTIAL EXPERIENCE: "The death of my mother when I was 7...I grew up pretty fast. I became extremely goal-oriented and realized that life is extremely short...I just felt a real need to make a difference."

[politics]

Procurement Patty

PATTY MURRAY > U.S. SENATOR, DEMOCRAT

● It's probably good that she's partial to sensible footwear. The self-titled "mom in tennis shoes" has been bringing the bacon home from Washington, D.C., to Washington state for a dozen years.

The 54-year-old U.S. senator, currently seeking a third

term, commands a seat on the senate's powerful appropriations committee, including sitting on its subcommittees for transportation (on which she is ranking member), energy, labor and health. And she hasn't been stingy. Murray got \$245 million for Washington state transportation (including \$75 million for Sound Transit) slotted into this year's omnibus spending bill, which overall threw more federal money Washington's way than it did to 28 other states. Via other bills, she also appropriated \$100 million for local defense-related companies, \$17 million for agriculture and nearly \$9 million for environmental conservation. Her procuring skills might be pejoratively viewed as pork-barrelling by some, and there was Murray's loud rooting for that Boeing refueling tanker money grab (which stalled after two Boeing execs were fired over questionable ethical behavior). In Seattle anyway, being compared, as Murray now is, to legendary pork-project masters Henry "Scoop" Jackson and Warren G. Magnuson is still considered a compliment.

[developer]

Allen Town

PAUL ALLEN > CEO, VULCAN INC.

● It's like our city is Paul Allen's Seattle Experiment Project.

Possessed of an imagination that makes Howard Hughes look like an uninspired slacker, the CEO of Vulcan Inc. has been rapidly transforming our landscape. There's his Space Needle-adjacent music museum that's probably observable from space, Experience Music Project (to which he added a new Science Fiction Museum) and his sports stadium, Qwest Field, home to his Seattle Seahawks football team, that looms large on the waterfront. With Monopoly-board-like ambition, he's now revamping South Lake Union with plans for new housing,

[literacy]

THE ULTIMATE BOOK DEALER

DEBORAH L. JACOBS << CITY LIBRARIAN, SEATTLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

One *New York Times* writer compared Deborah L. Jacobs's city-shaping influence to that of a pope. ¶ Seattle's number one librarian was certainly the cardinal player behind the new \$165.5 million Rem Koolhaas-designed downtown Central Library. "We knew what we wanted," says the 52-year-old Jacobs, "something that was functional, that was flexible into the future without being generic...and these architects treated our program like gospel." The result, a library whose unusual stacked books design makes a day at the library an intellectual and visual adventure. Since opening in May, the glass-and-steel draped building has drawn ooohs-and-ahs from architectural critics and rock-concert-level crowds, sometimes as many as 12,000 people a day, says Jacobs. More importantly to the soul of a librarian, visitors are not just checking out the building's stunning views, but a lot of books as well. "In June," she says, "the number of items borrowed went up 57 percent. In July, 62 percent." ¶ There's little time for Jacobs to count books, however. The Central Library is just the biggest puzzle piece she's put in place in her larger mission, as part of the Libraries for All capital campaign, to bring a dozen more new and remodeled branches to the city in 2005. ¶ **MOST INFLUENTIAL EXPERIENCE:** "My mom, for a variety of reasons, didn't go to college, and was a strong liberal feminist role model even as a stay-at-home mom, and really gave me strong values...One day in college I came up with the idea of being a librarian and realized if I really wanted to make the world a better place, which I was raised to know should be my life cause, that it would happen more quickly in a public library."