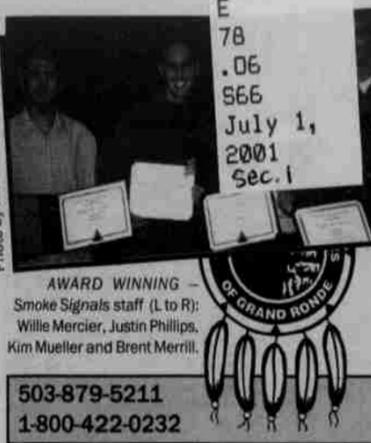


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## Spirit Mountain Stampede 2001: THE BEST YET!

■ Rodeo will have home for years to come.

By Justin Phillips

The Spirit Mountain Stampede this year was as impressive as the new grounds it was held on. The stampede took place June 23 and 24 in its new home and brought in record attendance.

There was an estimated 750 people in attendance on Saturday, not counting the rodeo contestants.

Sunshine welcomed the way for rodeo fans on Saturday, but rain dampened the crowd on Sunday.

"The Cavalry" Pro Pennant Team opened the stampede both days.

"I learned a lot," said Duane Hussey, Rodeo Board member and Development and Construction Coordinator of the new grounds. "A lot of the theory that we had going into the rodeo proved to be true. We found some ways to improve on it. Overall the rodeo was a success. The cowboys that participated in it all had positive things to say. I think some of them even took ownership in see-

ing the change from what it was, which is really a positive thing to me as a person who helped build it."

The ground held up well even on  
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Photos by Justin Phillips



**Catch Me If You Can** — Saddle Bronc riders like this one were the highlight of the 2001 Spirit Mountain Stampede in Grand Ronde. Here, a bronc rider and his horse leap from the starting chute. Seconds later, the rider is dumped by his horse as another rider gets ready to take his turn from behind the gate. This year's rodeo was held on its new permanent site near the pow-wow grounds. Saturday's (June 23) large crowd of 750 people broke attendance records for the event.

## United States Attorney Kristine Olson Honored

■ Presidential appointee announces her retirement from public service, new work begins.

By Justin Phillips

"She had the Tribes best interest at heart," Kathryn Harrison, Tribal Chair of the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon said of U.S. Attorney from Oregon Kristine Olson.

Olson has worked with the Tribes in Oregon throughout her career and was recently honored at the Mark O. Hatfield Courthouse in Oregon. The event in Portland was a celebration of her retirement after a distinguished career.

Olson, a Bill Clinton appointee, has held the U.S. Attorney position for the last seven years. About a hundred friends showed up to celebrate her retirement.

Olson said she may be retiring from public service, but she will be continuing work that will keep her busy. First on her list of "to dos" is finish writing a biography of Grand Ronde Tribal Chair Kathryn Harrison.

"Starting in September, it's a very  
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Photo by Justin Phillips

**New Book in the Works** — United States Attorney Kristine Olson, who was recently honored at the Mark O. Hatfield Courthouse in Portland after announcing her upcoming retirement, will be working with Grand Ronde Tribal Chair Kathryn Harrison on Harrison's autobiography. Olson will use some of her new found time off to author the book. She has been collaborating with Harrison, doing research and interviews, for the past few months.



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