



Chinook Winds staff and families, plus staff from Cole & Weber, help out at the SOLV Beach Cleanup in April.

Chinook Winds Staff Cleans Up Beach

Even though the weather was less than perfect for the SOLV Beach Cleanup, the Chinook Winds team had a large turnout. Approximately 70 warmly dressed staff members and families took to the beach with bags in hand. Even members of the casino's ad agency, Cole & Weber, joined in!

Three glass floats were found in the debris. These were among the 2002 hand-blown floats that are being set out by the Lincoln City Visitor and Convention Bureau to promote tourism. Chinook Winds employees found two floats and a third was found by a Cole & Weber team member.

While one volunteer was walking down the beach, a man standing on the stairs began yelling at her. He told her to pick up something behind a nearby log. She told him that she was scared (also thought it might be something gross), and he said, "Might be trash, might be treasure." So, she went over and got it. Lo and behold, it was a float!

Special thanks is extended to Data Manager Tara Benik for coordinating Chinook Winds' participation in the beach cleanup.

The fall cleanup will be held on Sept. 28.

Central Coast Home and Garden Show

Join us May 3-5 in the convention center to see what's new and exciting in the world of home improvement.

Vendors include Darcie's Draperies & Fine Home Furnishings, Robben Inc., Siding Mart, Morgan Stanley, Interlock Industries Inc., EZ Dock Northwest, Sprint, NW Natural Gas, Peoples Choice Contracting, Amazing Siding, Charter Communications, Innovative Construction, Kitchen Craft, The Killers Pest Elimination, Home & Garden Party, Groth-Gates Heating & Sheet Metal, Statewide Energy Inc., Furniture Ranch, Tam's Company, The Electronic Superstore, American Family Insurance, All-Ways Glass, Wells Fargo Bank, Overhead Door, Prestige Products NW, Backyards by Sundance (spas), Day Star Sunrooms, EcoQuest, and Rental Service Corporation.

Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors will sell annuals and herbs to raise funds for the 2002 Ambassador Convention to be held at Chinook Winds Casino.

Show hours are noon to 9 p.m. on May 3, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on May 4; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on May 5. Admission is free.

With a live radio remote by KYTE, KNPT, KCRF, and KBCH and lots of raffles, this is sure to be not only a great resource for home improvement, but also lots of fun! The raffles include a glass float and a beautiful hand-made quilt donated by Karen Vanderzanden being raffled by the chamber, a huge teddy bear by the Oregon Coast Community College Foundation, a beautiful sofa by Darcie's Draperies, and others at various booths.

Loretta Lynn Returns

Chinook Winds invites you to enjoy legendary singer Loretta Lynn in concert on May 10 and 11.

The first female performer to be named the Country Music Association's "Entertainer of the Year," she is one of the most beloved singing artists of modern times. The Academy of Country Music honored Lynn with 11 significant awards, including "Entertainer of the Year" and "Artist of the Decade - 1970s," and in 1985 she received both the American Music Awards' and Music City News' "Living Legend" awards.

Lynn's numerous No. 1 hits include some of the most controversial and hard-hitting songs ever recorded by a female country artist, including *The Pill*, *One's On The Way*, *Don't Come Home A' Drinkin' (With Lovin' On Your Mind)*, *You Ain't Woman Enough To Take My Man*, and *Coal Miner's Daughter*.

Her best-selling book (also titled *Coal Miner's Daughter*) was made into a movie, giving Lynn the distinction of being the first country singer with an Oscar-winning biographical movie. She has acted on several prime time network television programs, done guest spots, interviews, co-hosted, and performed on television on countless occasions.

Performances are on May 10 and 11 with one show nightly at 8 p.m. Ticket prices are \$25-\$40, depending on seat location.

Walela with Rita Coolidge to Perform

Enter the world of Walela, Cherokee for "hummingbird," and be treated to the music inspired by the singers' Cherokee heritage that shows their incredible ability to draw you into the experience.

Walela is made up of three singers: Rita Coolidge; her sister, Priscilla Coolidge; and Priscilla's daughter, Laura Satterfield. Their first album was released on July 24, 1997.

Walela's sound is a confluence of the different influences in their lives. In it swirls the Coolidges' upbringing by a Baptist minister father of Cherokee descent, a music-teaching mother of Scottish descent, and a childhood that began in Nashville, Tenn. From those two streams come ethereal voices floating above gospel, folk, traditional Cherokee, contemporary sound, and other influences.

Instantly recognizable by her strong but honeyed voice and that shimmering raven black hair, Rita Coolidge has shared the stage with Joe Cocker, Leon Russell, and others. She has recorded dozens of albums, won two Grammy Awards, and is well-known for her commitment to such social issues as teen suicide, AIDS, and homelessness.

Priscilla Coolidge was twice named best female vocalist by Billboard Magazine. The singer/songwriter has recorded with Bob Dylan and Stephen Stills, and written music for Willie Nelson, Emmylou Harris, and not surprisingly, her sister Rita. If Satterfield is a new name to you, it's well-known to musicians such as Robbie Robertson, who described her voice as "one in five million."

Their release *Cherokee Rose* on the *Unbearable Love* album tells how their grandmother, Laura Stewart, hid her Native American ancestry most of her life. Then two or three years before she died, she had a dream that transformed her silent shame into a profound cultural pride. This prompted the request that resulted in the birth of Walela, and the rest is musical history.

Don't miss your chance to see this sensational presentation at Chinook Winds Casino on May 24 and 25. The show is at 8 p.m. each night, with ticket prices ranging from \$10-\$20, depending on seat location.