

Chinook Winds staff donates to children's programs in Lincoln County

In December, Chinook Winds employees were invited by the Employee Christmas Toy Drive Committee to donate PTO (paid time off) hours toward the Christmas Toy Drive. The toy drive was intended to supplement the nametags on Christmas giving trees for both the Siletz Native Giving Tree and the Department of Human Services Tree.

Together, these trees held more than 150 tags, each one representing a child in need of something to make their Christmas bright. Many of the tags were filled by Chinook Winds employees and guests. Some were not, however, and also the gifts were of varying amounts.

So the Employee Christmas Toy Drive Committee set about making the number of gifts that each child would receive equal and filling the wishes or needs on the unfilled tags. The committee collected \$3,800 to do this and at the end of its Christmas shopping, there was an excess of \$1,500.

Honoring the intent of the money donated by staff members to benefit children, the committee decided the money should be given to organizations which do just that.

Three organizations were proposed by the committee and approved by the Chinook Winds Executive Team.

On March 7, members of the committee – Interim Food & Beverage Manager Peter Morris, Aces Manager Monica Logan, Keno Manager Melinda Logan and Gift Shop Manager Dona Trickler – were proud to present checks of \$500 each to Karen Dummer of the Children's Backpack Program, Pam Salisbury of the Children's Advocacy Center, and DeAnn Brown and Lori Jay-Linstrom of Siletz Tribal Head Start.

Other Christmas Toy Drive Committee members include Billie-Jo Wills, Andrea Lewis, Mary Carlin, Brenda Gilman, Carole Clark, Regina Bonney, Heidi Cookson, Michelle Vold and Chuck McPherson.



Courtesy photo by Chinook Winds Casino Resort staff

Interim F&B Manager Peter Morris (left) presents checks of \$500 each on behalf of the Chinook Winds Christmas Toy Drive Committee. The money came from funds raised through PTO hours donated by Chinook Winds employees. Recipients (1 to r) are Pam Salisbury, Children's Advocacy Center; Karen Dummer, Children's Backpack Program; and Lori Jay-Linstrom and DeAnn Brown, Siletz Tribal Head Start.

Chinook Winds adds excitement as title sponsor of Seafood & Wine Festival

By Teresa Simmons, Public Relations Assistant Manager

Chinook Winds Casino Resort was the title sponsor for this year's Seafood and Wine Festival in Newport in February.

As a title sponsor, Chinook Winds had a booth at the front of the huge tent in which the festival was held. This allowed us the opportunity to catch the eye of virtually every visitor to the festival – an estimated 18,000 people this year who ventured into the wind and rain to be part of the festivities.

The place was packed. Visitors come from all over the United States specifically to visit the Seafood and Wine Festival annually and we were able to spread the word about what Chinook Winds has to offer. Not surprisingly, many people we met came to Chinook Winds on the same weekend.

The festival was expanded to four days this year, with the first night hosting the sponsors and a limited number of guests (750). Executive Chef Jack Strong

and Interim Food & Beverage Manager Peter Morris served crab cocktails at the sponsor's reception while Heather Hatton and I manned the booth with smoked salmon on the same evening.

Throughout the festival at the booth, a video loop displayed all of our upcoming events, we played high card and blackjack for prizes and handed out information on promotions along with ink pens, playing cards and beads.

We received many positive com-

ments both during and after the event about how much fun and excitement the booth added to the atmosphere. People also raved about the smoked salmon and crab cocktails.

Hatton organized Chinook Winds' participation in the festival and the following people helped make it a success: Strong, Morris, Dale Robertson, Lee Johnson, Stephanie Hurliman, Bruno Rudolph, Bob Sulkosky, Kelli Duhamel, Scott Macrae and Linda Walling.



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Interim F&B Manager Peter Morris and Executive Chef Jack Strong (above) serve up seafood to festival-goers. A billboard on Highway 18 (below) announces the event.



Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1pm 5:30pm Ocean Package Day	1pm SAVER MONDAYS 6pm	1pm	1pm 6pm WILD WEDNESDAY NIGHTS	1pm 5 FREE SIX-ON!	5:30pm 10pm COSMIC BINGO	1pm 5:30pm
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APRIL SHOWERS - The April Showers Promotion happens April 14th. If you are a single winner on a Main Session game you get a glass float with your payout during both session times. Both sessions pay \$500 for the Indian Star, CW Progressive, and Bonanza games.

WILD WEDNESDAY NIGHTS - Every Wednesday night in February during the Evening Session, we run our "Wild Wednesday Nights Special". All main games pay \$300 and the Indian Star, CW Progressive and Bonanza games will pay \$500!

EASTER SUNDAY - April 8th is Easter Sunday - come in for our special that day. During the Matinee Session, Indian Star, and Bonanza games pay \$500. All guests who buy-in for the Evening Session will get a free Easter gift!

MONDAY SAVER SPECIAL! - Every Monday Matinee Session is our "Saver Special". All Main Session game packs cost just \$3. Payouts are still \$200, so come and enjoy the savings every Monday during our 1pm Session in April!

ALL-U-CAN-DAUB - On April 22nd, the Evening Session is our "All-U-Can-Daub Special". Bingo brings back this paper-only guest favorite. The buy-in is \$20. This gets you up to 10 6-ons. Specials and extra games are sold separately. Payouts for the Evening Session are over \$7,000!

COSMIC BINGO - This month, Cosmic Bingo is Friday the 6th at 10pm. If you like to party while you play Bingo then this is the perfect session for you! It only takes \$5 to play all the games. You must be 21 years or older to play.

SUNDAYS ARE OCEAN PACKAGE DAY. ONLY \$42! THAT'S A \$36 SAVINGS!

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