

Spirit Mountain Casino Plays Host To "The Power Of Giving" Conference



Photo by Brent Merrill



Photo by Ron Kartten

Hosts — At the "Power of Giving" conference held June 26-27 at the Spirit Mountain Casino, donor organizations met with non-profits and others seeking funding. With the goal of strengthening philanthropy in Indian Country, the conference brought together some very important players in the world of philanthropy. In photo at (right), from left, is Mike Roberts, President of First Nations, Anne Clark of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Tim Otani, Vice President of Giving at Washington Mutual, Barbara Gibbs, Program Officer of the Meyer Memorial Trust, and Leonard Foresman, Chairman of the Suquamish Tribe. In photo at (left), is Natalie Charley, a speaker at the event from the Potlatch Fund.

Star Of The Show



Photo by Joey Larsen

Home Again — Tribal Elder and former Chairwoman Kathryn Harrison, who is the great niece of "Molalla Kate", was special guest at the 4th of July parade in Molalla. There were an anticipated 20,000 spectators present. Also on the float were Molalla Mayor Mike Clarke and grandkids.

Lewis & Clark Film Preview



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Introduction — Tribal member and Tribal Tourism Coordinator Elaine LaBonte provided Grand Ronde history and context for a state Library showing of the film, *Sovereign to Sovereign*, on June 8.

Chinese Folklore Professors Travel Far From Home, Find Similarities



Chinese Society — Earlier this summer, four Chinese folklorists visited the Tribe as part of a program put on by Willamette University. They were all board members of the China folklore society as well as professors at Beijing University, Beijing Normal University and China Academy of Social Sciences. Here, Dr. Liu Kuili and Dr. Xiao Fang take a look at the many Smoke Signals honors. Juwen Zhang of Willamette University organized the tour of Grand Ronde.



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