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This Week's Motivational Quote

"Goals are dreams with deadlines."

- Diana Scharf-Hunt, Author

[If you're motivated to book a hotel room, click here!](#)



Weekly Contest

Last Week's Question:

Who holds the professional baseball record for career home runs?

Last Week's Answer:

Sadaharu Oh (or officially Wang Chenchih)

He holds the professional baseball record for home runs, having hit 868 in his professional career in Japan.

(Of the 65 entries submitted, 57 incorrectly guessed Barry Bonds, who just passed Hank Aaron as the All-time Major League Baseball home run king.)

Congratulations to Mark Osterman of Shelton Turnbull for winning last week's contest. Mark was one of 8 entrants with the correct response. Mark wins 4 tickets to a Eugene Emeralds Baseball Game at Civic Stadium.

Every week we give our subscribers a chance to win GREAT prizes from Valley River Inn. To enter, simply click on the link below and complete the form. The submission closest to the actual answer wins! If there is a tie, we will randomly draw a winner.

Deadline to Enter:

Sunday, August 19th @ 10AM

GOOD LUCK!

THIS WEEK'S PRIZE:

Valley River Inn Logo'd Insulated Coffee Cup

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

Who will win the Softball game between Valley River Inn and the



Hilton Eugene on August 20th? (see the story in the section below)
Pick from the following choices:

- A. VRI wins by 5 or more
- B. VRI wins by 4 or less
- C. Hilton wins by 5 or more
- D. Hilton wins by 4 or less
- E. Tie

[Click Here To Enter](#)

1st Annual Valley River Inn / Hilton Softball Challenge

On Monday, August 20th, Valley River Inn associates will participate in a Softball Game against the Hilton Eugene associates.

VRI General Manager George Rogers challenged the Hilton's General Manager to the game and the Hilton accepted the challenge.

Rogers commented, "Our industry, like most, is very competitive, but we are also very good friends with the Hilton. We thought it would be fun for our employees to go head-to-head against their business competitors in a completely different venue. I really think this will be fun for all, win, lose or draw."

Team Hilton is feeling pretty confident as they already have a competitive softball team that competes in city league softball.

Todd Iseri, newly appointed team manager of the Valley River Innmates talked about his team's skill level and what he thought VRI's chances are, "I've heard the Hilton's team is pretty skilled, has played together for years and is pretty cocky. That's understandable. If anyone would have watched our first (and only) practice last week with our mishmash of players, you would have thought a new sequel to the Bad News Bears was forthcoming. But hey, we'll find a way to win. We always do!"

The game will be played at Amazon Park at 4:00pm on Monday, August 20th. If you're interested, feel free to drop by and cheer us on.

Play Ball!

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Upcoming Area Events

There's always something going on in Eugene so here's a small sampling of things going on in the area over the next few months. Why not make it a mini vacation and stay with Valley River Inn while you attend these events?!

August 14 - August 19
Lane County Fair

10 a.m. - 11 p.m.
Lane Events Center, Home of the Lane County Fair, Eugene
Six days and six nights of family fun and entertainment. Come and



enjoy one of the Northwest's finest fairs offering outstanding concerts, thrilling rides and exhibits showcasing Lane County's finest.

Cost: \$8 adults, \$6 children, Free for children 5 and under

For more information, call: (541) 682-4292

September 1

Oregon Ducks vs. Houston at Autzen Stadium

Times: TBA

www.goducks.com

Location: Autzen Stadium

2727 Leo Harris Parkway; Eugene

Phone: (800) 932-3668

Admission: varies

September 7 - September 9

25th Annual Eugene Celebration

starts at 5 p.m. Friday - 6 p.m. Sunday

Downtown Eugene, Eugene

The Eugene Celebration is a magical time of year when we gather to celebrate community, renew friendships and reinforce our collective sense of why Eugene is such a special place. Spectacular visions, moving music, hearty laughter, enticing foods, unique artistry, family fun, talented entertainers and a zany parade highlight what's old, what's new, and what can be in making "The Celebration" a special experience and tradition

For more information, call: (541)681-4108

September 8 - September 15

Cycle Oregon

Times: various

www.cycleoregon.com

Phone: (503)287-0405

Cycle Oregon rides through Lane County this year! Cycle Oregon is: part scenic tour ... part test of will ... part chance to help preserve and protect all that is special out where the West is still Wild. Across 7 days and roughly 500 miles, Cycle Oregon is a ride, not a race.

September 10 - September 16

The 2007 Oregon Classic

Times: Check website for updates

<http://valleyriverinn1.c.topica.com/maahrW7abAzA4aaaaacaehitiw/>

Location: Shadow Hills Country Club

92512 River Road; Junction City

Phone: 541-242-0677

It's all happening at the 2007 Oregon Classic, September 10-16, at Shadow Hills Country Club, just 10 minutes from Eugene. The event features former PGA Tour winners, Oregon Classic champions, and local players of interest, and has become one of the longest tenured events on the Tour. For 2007, Volunteers in Medicine will be the charitable beneficiary of the Oregon Classic.

September 15

Oregon Ducks vs. Fresno State at Autzen Stadium.

Times: TBA
www.goducks.com
Location: Autzen Stadium
2727 Leo Harris Parkway; Eugene
Phone: (800) 932-3668
Admission: varies

September 29
Oregon Ducks vs. California at Autzen Stadium

Times: TBA
www.goducks.com
Location: Autzen Stadium
2727 Leo Harris Parkway; Eugene
Phone: (800) 932-3668
Admission: varies

October 4, 2007 - October 6, 2007
Eugene International Film Festival

Times: Full Day Activities
www.eugenefilmfest.org
Location: Eugene Regal Cinemas & Valley River Inn
Phone: (541) 485-8203
Admission: \$7 - \$35, additional packages available on web site

Eugene International Film Festival is a juried event bringing to you three days of independent films from around the world. Join us at the new Regal Cinemas for screenings and adjacent venues for receptions and film industry-led workshops on topics such as sound design and screen-writing.

October 13
Oregon Ducks vs. Washington State at Autzen Stadium

Times: TBA
www.goducks.com
Location: Autzen Stadium
2727 Leo Harris Parkway; Eugene
Phone: (800) 932-3668
Admission: varies

October 27
Oregon Ducks vs. USC at Autzen Stadium

Times: TBA
www.goducks.com
Location: Autzen Stadium
2727 Leo Harris Parkway; Eugene
Phone: (800) 932-3668
Admission: varies

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HOTEL NEWS - Valley River Inn Wins Award!

Valley River Inn was named "BEST REHEARSAL DINNER SITE" by Oregon Bride Magazine in their Best of 2007 Edition.

The editors wrote about Valley River Inn, "Fit for tiny parties or a gaggle of gals, the Valley River Inn is perfect for any wedding crew, especially with SweetWaters; a restaurant with riverfront dining and pan-pacific cuisine."

Do you know any soon-to-be brides or grooms? Send them to us for their ceremony, reception, guestrooms for out-of-town guests, and for the rehearsal dinner. We'd love the opportunity to show off why we received this prestigious award!

Call our Sales and Catering Office at 541-341-3464 to book your perfect event!

[Click Here to visit Valley River Inn online!](#)



Did You Know?

A Fun Tidbit Delivered Right To Your Email Inbox Every Week.

Did you know...

The month of August has the fewest recognized holidays of the twelve calendar months. We did, however, find a bunch of quirky holidays in the month of August:

National Clown Week
Pie Day
International Friendship Day
Coast Guard Day
National Gymnastics Day
Sister's Day
National Kids Day
Hiroshima Day
Happiness Happens Day
Veep Day
Duran Duran Appreciation Day
International Youth Day
Thank You Day
International Lefthanders day
National Aviation Week
World Reiki Day
Aviation Day
Chinese Valentine's Day
National Radio Day
Senior Citizens Day
Vesuvius Day
Women's Equality Day
National Dog Day
Burning Man
Toasted Marshmallow Day



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