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This Week's Motivational Quote

"Exert your talents, and distinguish yourself, and don't think of retiring from the world, until the world will be sorry that you retire."

- Samuel Johnson, 18th Century poet, biographer, essayist

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



Weekly Contest

Last Week's Question:

Who will win the Softball game between Valley River Inn and the Hilton Eugene on August 20th? 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

Last Week's Answer:

First of all, let me say that I am VERY disappointed in most of you. 90% of the contest submissions picked the Hilton over VRI. Shame on you people.

Secondly, I am HAPPY to report that VRI DID NOT LOSE!

Of course, we did not win either...the game was rained out. The weather bailed out the Hilton team. The game will be rescheduled and we'll report to you the results.

So no winners this week!

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 26th @ 10AM

GOOD LUCK!

**ENTER
NOW TO
WIN!**

THIS WEEK'S PRIZE:
Valley River Inn Logo'd Insulated Coffee Cup

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:
The United States has more airports than any other nation. In fact, 1/3 of all airports in the world are located in the U.S.; a whopping 14,858 airports.

Which country has the second most airports with just over 4,000?

- A. Brazil
- B. Russia
- C. Canada
- D. China

[Click Here To Enter](#)

Have You Booked Your Company Holiday Party?

I know, I know...it's only August and you're not even remotely close to being ready to start thinking about the holidays.

BUT...

Our space is almost completely sold out. We have very few weekend openings, and midweek space is starting to move very quickly as well. Don't be the person scrambling at the last minute to find space.

Our Catering Department Elves are waiting by the phone to book in your event today!

As of today, we have the following space available during the holiday season:

Dec 1 - Make it a Civil War themed Holiday Party
Dec 21 - One ballroom is left and two riverview rooms
Dec 22 - One ballroom is left and two riverview rooms
New Year's Eve - What better way to ring in the New Year?
Jan 4 - One ballroom is left
Jan 25 - Two ballrooms are left
Jan 26 - One ballroom is left and one riverview room

Roxane Butler, our Director of Catering says that many companies are going away from having holiday parties and that the new trend is to have employee appreciation events instead. Other trendy ideas include holiday breakfasts, holiday lunches or Sunday Brunch.

Call our Catering department at 541-341-3464 TODAY to book an event that you and your employees will remember FOREVER!

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Upcoming Area Events

There's always something going 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?!



September 1
Oregon Ducks vs. Houston at Autzen Stadium

Times: 12:30 PM
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/maahxdqabAIVlaaaaaacahtiw/>
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: 3:30 PM
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: 12:30 PM
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: 12:30 PM
www.goducks.com
Location: Autzen Stadium
2727 Leo Harris Parkway; Eugene
Phone: (800) 932-3668
Admission: varies

October 20-21
Oregon Wedding Showcase

Times: 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.
www.oregonweddingshowcase.com
Location: Lane Events Center
796 W 13th Ave.; Eugene
Admission: \$8

Whether you are planning a small, intimate affair or large glamorous event, you will benefit from attending this elegant Bridal Show. From dresses and flowers, to food and music, find vendors to fit all your nuptial needs.

October 27
Oregon Ducks vs. USC at Autzen Stadium

Times: 12:00 Noon
www.goducks.com
Location: Autzen Stadium
2727 Leo Harris Parkway; Eugene

Phone: (800) 932-3668
Admission: varies

November 3
Oregon Ducks vs. Arizona State at Autzen Stadium

Times: 3:30 PM
www.goducks.com
Location: Autzen Stadium
2727 Leo Harris Parkway; Eugene
Phone: (800) 932-3668
Admission: varies

November 3
OSAA/U.S. Bank/Les Schwab Tires Cross Country State
Championships

Times: All Day
www.osaa.org/crosscountry/
Location: Lane Community College
4000 East 30th Avenue; Eugene
Admission: Tickets - Adults \$7, Students \$5

The best high school cross country runners in the state come together at Lane Community College for the 2007 OSAA/U.S. Bank/Les Schwab Tires Cross Country State Championships. Team and individual champions will be crowned in eight races.

November 9-10
OSAA/U.S. Bank/Les Schwab Tires 4A-3A Volleyball State
Championships

Times: All Day
www.osaa.org/volleyball/
Location: Lane Community College
4000 East 30th Avenue; Eugene
Admission: Prices vary by session

The state's best 4A and 3A high school volleyball teams will compete for the title of State Champion at Lane Community College on November 9-10 at the OSAA/U.S. Bank/Les Schwab Tires 4A-3A Volleyball State Championships. Matches take place throughout each day in the main gym at Lane CC.

Festival of Trees at Valley River Inn

Wednesday, November 21, 9-6 p.m.
Thursday, November 22, 10-7 p.m.
Friday, November 23, 9-9 p.m.
Saturday, November 24, 9-2 p.m.
Sunday, November 25, 9-6 p.m.

For many people, Festival of Trees has become a holiday tradition. Scheduled over six days during the Thanksgiving week, Festival attracts approximately 18,000 people every year. Proceeds from its fourteen years of operation have exceeded all expectations, netting over \$5,700,000 to support our community's health. We hope you will join us this year.

For more information email mbrooks@cascadehealth.org or call (541) 228-3003.

[Click Here for our Calendar of Events](#)

HOTEL NEWS - Duck Express From Valley River Inn

Valley River Inn is once again partnering with LTD as an official Duck Express park and ride spot. LTD Sports Shuttles provide the fastest, easiest, and least expensive transportation to Autzen Stadium on game days. The cost is only \$3 (round trip) and is collected during pre-game boarding.

PARK AND RIDE

Shuttle service to Autzen Stadium begins 4 hours before game time. Buses run every 5 to 15 minutes.

Exact Change is required (\$3.00 without a pass).

AFTER THE GAME

Return trips from Autzen Stadium to Valley River Inn are available only during half-time and immediately following the game. Departures will continue for 60 minutes after the game ends.



[Click Here To Download a Printable Duck Express Flyer](#)

Did You Know?

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

Did you know...

According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the oldest hotel still in operation is the Hoshi Ryokan, in Awazu, Japan. It opened in 717, and features hot springs.

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