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This Week's Motivational Quote

"If we all did the things we are capable of, we would astound ourselves."

-Thomas Edison, Inventor and businessman

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



Weekly Contest

Last Week's Question:
Which item on the SweetWaters on the River Dinner Menu was ordered most in August?

- A. Free Range Chicken Breast
- B. Willamette Valley Lamb Shank
- C. Broiled Alaskan Halibut
- D. Strawberry Mountain Beef Tenderloin

Last Week's Answer:
C. Broiled Alaskan Halibut

Congratulations to Phil Groshong of the Eugene Airport for winning last week's contest. Phil wins Sunday Brunch for 2 at SweetWaters on the River. Phil was one of 28 entrants who guessed the correct answer and was randomly selected as the winner.

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:
Saturday, September 15th @ 10AM

GOOD LUCK!

THIS WEEK'S PRIZE:
2 Tickets to the Civil War football game on December 1st

THIS WEEK'S QUESTION:

**ENTER
NOW TO
WIN!**

How many points will the Ducks score against Fresno State on Saturday?

[Click Here To Enter](#)

Eugene's Best Bar That You Haven't Been To Lately

SweetWaters on the River is thought to have one of the best views in the Willamette Valley and thousands of people visit our restaurant. But most people forget that SweetWaters also has a fantastic bar attached to it with the same breathtaking views of the Willamette River.



Relax in our comfortable setting, complete with couches, coffee tables and a roaring fireplace while you enjoy one of the cutting edge concoctions of our Resident Mixologist, Lucas Buhr.

Watch the big game in HD on one of our 5 PLASMA , HIGH DEF screens.

We even provide you with card games or board games to play while hanging out with your friends in our bar. In our inventory we have :

Scrabble
Yahtzee!
Checkers
Chess
Backgammon
Cribbage
Boggle
Uno
And More!

And SweetWaters Bar is soon to offer even more! Coming in the Fall, SweetWaters will introduce for the first time a Happy Hour! Drink specials, great food specials and more. And as e-Newsletter subscribers you'll be the first to know about it!

Stay tuned! In the meantime, drop by and have a cold one!

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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?!

September 10 - September 16
The 2007 Oregon Classic

Times: Check website for updates
<http://valleyriverinn1.c.topica.com/maah01GabBcdLaaaaaacaehitiw/>
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: 4:00 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 - 2008 Renovation Projects

2007 has seen quite a bit of change at Valley River Inn, in fact as we speak, suites are being completely overhauled and our lobby restrooms are soon to receive their own "Extreme Makeover".

But 2008 will see even MORE!

Guestroom Renovations

New carpeting, wall treatments, curtains, light fixtures, new artwork, new linens, new bathrooms and new 32" flat panel TVs.

Columbia Ballroom Renovation

We've remodeled our other 2 ballrooms and in 2008 our Columbia ballroom will get a major facelift with new carpet, new wall treatments, new lighting and more!

SweetWaters on the River

Eugene's favorite riverfront restaurant and bar will be receiving a lot of attention to include new carpeting and furniture as well as possible changes to the layout. Stay tuned!

Concierge Lounge

Look for major changes in our Executive Level Concierge Lounge.

And Much More!

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

Did you know...

All of the following occurred on September 12th in history...

September 12, 2005
Hong Kong Disneyland opens

September 12, 1992
Hurricane Iniki pounds Hawaii

September 12, 1992
Stefan Edberg beats Michael Chang in what is believed to be the

longest match in U.S. Open history (5hr 26min)

September 12, 1990

US, England, France, U.S.S.R., East and West Germanys sign agreements allowing 2 Germanys to merge

September 12, 1988

Gilbert, strongest hurricane ever (160 mph), devastates Jamaica

September 12, 1987

Vince Coleman steals his 100th base for 3rd straight year

September 12, 1986

240.49 million shares traded in New York Stock Exchange

September 12, 1984

Cyndi Lauper sings "She-Bop" on Tonight Show

September 12, 1978

Situation comedy "Taxi" premieres on ABC television

September 12, 1976

Seattle Seahawks play 1st regular-season game (St. L 30, Sea 24)

September 12, 1974

Coup overthrows Emperor Haile Selassie in Ethiopia (National Day)

September 12, 1970

1st Concorde lands at Heathrow airport

September 12, 1959

"Bonanza" premieres on NBC-TV

September 12, 1953

Sen John F. Kennedy, 36, marries Jacqueline Bouvier, 24

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