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Nez Percé bringing back colorful memorial commemoration to Vancouver Barracks

Both somber and colorful, the traditional Nez Percé memorial ceremony commemorating their winter of 1877 ordeal of captivity in Vancouver Barracks returns to the barracks for the sixth year at about 10 a.m. Saturday, April 19.

The three to four hours of pageantry includes smokingthe-peace-pipe among Indians and military veterans, a riderless horse ceremony, music, dancing, speeches galore, and traditional gift giving.

The ceremony, which the public is encouraged to view, is on the barracks parade grounds just north of the 5th Street entrance to the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site.

The Vancouver ceremony is particularly meaningful to the Nez Percé because the barracks is the site of the confinement of 33 members of Chief Redheart's Band, who were released on April 22, 1878.

In August 1887 Vancouver Barracks commanding general O. O. Howard's troops seized the Nez Percé band and brought them to Vancouver for further relocation at a new reservation in Idaho.

One member, an infant boy, Little Bear, died during captivity.

The ceremony revives another Nez Percé connection to Vancouver. Erskine Wood (1879-1983), who was born at the barracks, spent part of his childhood with the Nez Percé Chief Joseph and in later years entertained Nez Percé members at his Columbia River home.

Members of the Wood family have participated in each of the Nez Percé Vancouver Barracks ceremonies. This year, the Wood family are hosting a dinner for tribal members in the historic home of their grandfather.

Governor says NW regional distribution centers proliferating in Washington

Dollar Tree Stores, which recently announced it will build a 650,000-square foot, \$40 million regional distribution center in the Ridgefield Union Ridge project is the seventh national company to build or plan a northwest regional distribution center in the past 12 months.

Others are Home Depot, 756,000 square feet in Lacey; Target, 1.5 million square feet in Lacey; Walmart, 900,000 square feet in Grandview; Safeway, 1.4 million square feet in Auburn; Ferguson Enterprises, 340,000 square feet in Richland; and Vanity Fair in Everett.

According to Gov. **Gary Locke**, who says Washington is "a great place to do business," the Dollar Tree facility at Ridgefield will generate 315 jobs in southwest Washington and will bring the total employment in regional distribution facilities announced in the past year to 1,900 persons.

Sertoma leads parental involvement talks

Sertoma's Helping All Kids Education club will focus on parental involvement in local elementary schools at its

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6 p.m. Monday, April 21, buffet dinner at the Water Resources Education Center.

Participants will discuss parental involvement models and ideas on how to implement them in local elementary schools, says SHAKE president **Roy Maier**.

For further information on the dinner or the program, call **695-7494**.

People

Linda Phan, Heritage High School, and Terry Tran, Hudson's Bay High School, are two of 30 winners of scholarships from Portland's Nisei Student Relocation Commemorative Fund. The scholarships will be presented during the *Asian Reporter*'s annual awards banquet Saturday, April 26. High School student Nicolas Astete, Vancouver, has earned a \$2,000 scholarship from Portland's Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber. The scholarship, one of 43 in the region, will be presented during a Tuesday, May 6, luncheon at the Benson Hotel.

News briefs

In observance of Easter Monday, the *Daily Insider* will not be published on Monday, April 21. ** The Vancouver City Council meets in workshop session at 4 p.m. and in regular session at 7 p.m. Monday, April 21. ** A presentation by Clark County deputy sheriff **Doug Harada** on identifying drug-induced and drug-related behaviors, sponsored by the Battle Ground School District is at 7 p.m. Monday, April 21, in the Maple Grove Middle School, 12500 NE 199th Street. ** Clark Public Utilities' commissioners will *not* meet this Tuesday.

Friday electronic events

Caring Hearts Award—4 p.m. CVTV
Animal Control Hearings (4/10)—7 p.m. CVTV
Las Vegas at Portland Beavers (live)—7 p.m. KKAD
Seattle Mariners at Anaheim (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KTOK
City Minutes—11 p.m. CVTV
Clark County Close Up—11:30 p.m. CVTV



NYSE closed on Good Friday

Good Friday is one of nine holidays observed by the New York Stock Exchange. The exchange board adopted the holiday in 1864 because nearly all other national exchanges did and still do. Good Friday and Easter Monday are bank holidays in Great Britain, Canada, Australia, and in nine other countries.

Town Tabloids and The Weather

Jolene Jampsa processing ends and odds with aplomb.
Hughey connecting Easter season dots.

Ken Haydock taking Roman holiday.
Fisher reporting 7 grams of fiber per toothpick.
John Woods parking perfectly.
Friday, sunnier and warmer, 62.
Saturday, cloudy and sunbreaks, 62.
Sunday, wet around the edges, but Easter sun will come out, 64.

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