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Library Foundation Sponsors Spelling Bees to Raise "Buzz"

Spokane, WA -- The Spokane Public Library Foundation is looking for spellers, both student and adult, to take part in *Spokane is Spelling*. *Spokane is Spelling* is a two part spelling bee put on by the Spokane Public Library Foundation. The kid's Bee will be held on October 20th, 2:00 p.m. at River Park Square. Teams will consist of three 5th and 6th graders during this fun and educational event. Teams may represent their schools or be on their own as three buddies. Each team is strongly encouraged to have an adult coach to help organize their preparation. Participation is free. The word list is supplied by the Library and is also available on the Library Foundation website (www.spokanelibraryfdtn.org). Kids are encouraged to dress up to show their team spirit. KXLY television will supply emcees and there will be prizes for everyone. We will enroll no more than 25 kid-teams, and hope to do so before the end of the school year to allow for plenty of study time. Applications are available from the Foundation office or from ESD 101. Deadline for applications: September 14, 2007.

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On October 21, adults will try their hand in an adult bee to be held at the Big Easy. Doors open at 4:00p.m. Like the kids, the format is team spelling. Paper and pencil will be allowed and costumes are encouraged! The emphasis will be on having a great time and supporting your Library. This event serves as a fundraiser for the Library Foundation. The entry fee for a team of three is \$75, corporate representatives: \$250. Food, beverages and a silent auction will round out the evening. Non-spellers are welcome to attend this family-friendly event as well; tickets are \$5 at the door. Early registrants are Eckart Preu and friends of the Spokane Symphony Orchestra and Senator Chris Marr. The grand prize for the ultimate speller: "The Best Day Ever": a shopping spree worth \$1000 provided by River Park Square and Nordstrom, dinner and a night for two at Fugazzi and Hotel Lusso (penthouse suite!!). All spellers will be awarded a prize for participation.

This event would not be possible without the support of our Queen Bee sponsor: Windermere Real Estate. Additional support has been generously provided by KXLY Broadcast group, the Pacific Northwest Inlander, Sylvan Learning Centers and ESD 101.

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