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### **Volcanoes Give Back at the Hazel Dell Parade**

**Thursday, May 15, 2008**

**Vancouver, WA** — The Vancouver Volcanoes will be participating in the Hazel Dell Parade of Bands, this Saturday. Players, dancers and coaching staff will be walking the route handing out free tickets to families for the Volcanoes game that night. Tip off will be at 7 p.m.

Last year's parade boasted over 135 entries including 24 middle and high school bands. Other entries included equestrian, antique cars, fire engines, local politicians, Boy and Girls Scout groups, businesses, and much more.

The parade takes place on Saturday, May 17, 2008 and begins at 10:30 a.m. The parade route begins at the Fire District 6's main station located at 8800 NE Hazel Dell Avenue and marches south to NE 63rd Street, extending east from there to Highway 99, and then north to 78th Street.

Starting this Saturday, May 17th 2008, the Vancouver Volcanoes will begin Pre Game Clinics for children. Children will be put through various basketball drills by coaches and players. The clinics will begin at 6 p.m. before every home game for the remainder of the season. All children that attend the clinic will be given free admission for the game.

Gary Akiyama of Akiyama Financial Services has provided a generous donation to the Vancouver Volcanoes to make these Pre Game Clinics possible.

#### **About the Vancouver Volcanoes**

The Volcanoes are entering into their fourth season and have continually improved talent and their record. The season begins in late March and will run through June. For more information, stats, press releases, and more go to [www.vancouvervolcanoes.com](http://www.vancouvervolcanoes.com)

#### **About the IBL**

**Two unique features distinguish the IBL from other professional basketball leagues:**

**1. An entertaining game.** By allowing only one timeout per quarter, and reducing the time between plays with an immediate inbounds policy, IBL games are always fast and entertaining. IBL teams average 127 points per contest; just as important—games last only two hours.

**2. Extremely low travel costs.** The IBL promises a maximum of one trip per season requiring air travel. This 'one flight guarantee' that teams enjoy promotes financial health and longevity for IBL teams. In fact, **all 17 teams** completed the first IBL season (the 2005 season); as well, **all 24 teams** completed the 2006 season. The 2008 season will tip off in March of 2008.

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