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### **Comox Valley on the Move for 2010**

The Comox Valley Spirit of BC Community Committee is continuously looking for ways to ensure the Comox Valley is top of mind when it comes to 2010 and provide the community with every opportunity to leverage upon the Games.

The Spirit Committee's recent trip to Vancouver gave the members the opportunity to further their relationships with key 2010 related agencies, "We held various meetings at the 2010 Commerce Centre, had a tour of their facility, learned more about their plans during the 2010 Games and how our community can engage in that massive effort," explained Marilyn Tevington, member of the Comox Valley Spirit of BC Community Committee.

While in Vancouver the Committee members met with various Legacies Now initiatives and held a meeting at VANOC with the Four Host Nations Secretariat, "We had a very productive meeting with the Four Host Nations Executive Director Tweanee Joseph," said Melinda Knox, K'omoks First Nation Band Manager who joined the delegation, "The Four Host Nation are working on some incredible projects around 2010 that profile business and cultural aspects of BC's First Nation people."

Shortly after the Vancouver visit, the Comox Valley Spirit Committee hosted a Think Asia seminar, presented by BC Ministry of Economic Development team. The workshop was offered to provide insight and information directly from people

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who have succeeded in developing business trade with China to local companies who are looking to export into Asia. The local business and community members that participated learned what the opportunities in China are, how to access and capitalize on them and what resources exist to support that effort.

“We had a great turn out to the Think Asia seminar,” said Geoff Crawford, Business Development Manager with Comox Valley Economic Development, “Asia is a massive opportunity, and several of our businesses are in an excellent position to take advantage of that market, especially given the 2008 Summer Games will be held in Beijing, just before the come to Vancouver in 2010.”

More Olympic spirit will be coming to the Comox Valley this summer. On August 25, the 2010 Legacies Now Connecting Communities Tour will arrive in the Comox Valley presented by Bell, the Province of BC, VANOC and BC Sport Hall of Fame.

The tour features a 2,500 square-foot display with informative panels and interactive activities such as a hockey shoot, ski simulator and a children’s art centre. Two new additions this year include BC Sports Hall of Fame participation with a panel and displays of interesting facts and items from inductees, and a bobsleigh simulator.

This is a great way for the public to learn about 2010 Legacies Now programs, VolWeb.ca™, SportFit™, literacy, and Spirit of BC as well as the history of the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

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