

# Twenty on the Twenty

A 20-second (or so) monthly update about co-op development in the Pacific Northwest provided to you on or about the 20th of each month.

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### **NWCDC @ ACE**

NWCDC Staffer, John McNamara joined other cooperative educators and developers at the Association of Cooperative Educators conference held in Calgary, Alberta. John shared a panel on community wealth building with Steve Dubb of The Democracy Collaborative and Hazel Corcoran, Executive Director of the Canadian Worker Co-op Federation. John's talk discussed the role of union-coops and the American Dream while Steve discussed the Evergreen Model and lessons learned. Hazel presented an exciting effort to replicate the Arizmendi Development Co-op model in Calgary with the technical assistance of the San Francisco based network.

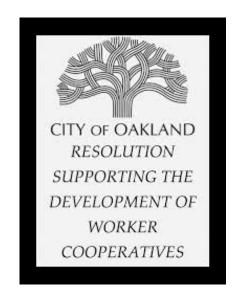


John (right) met Ryan Taylor, USDA's new State Director in North Dakota and author Cowboy Logic series of books and columns.

## **US Cities Get "Co-op Fever"**

continues to gain momentum!

Cites around the United States have started engaging cooperatives as a means of revitalizing their local economy. While Cleveland Ohio remains the best known effort, New York City is in its second year of a multi-million dollar effort to create worker cooperatives. Madison WI is about to finalize a \$3.5 million effort next month, and the cities of Richmond, VA and Rochester NY are working with <a href="The Democracy Collaborative">The Democracy Collaborative</a> to develop their own version of the Cleveland experience. Last fall, the City of Oakland passed a resolution supporting worker coop development. The use of coops as a means of community development



#### Roc-a-Palooza 2016! Getting There is Half the Fun!



This year, Roc-a-Palooza, the annual Washington-Oregon conference for board members of Residential Owned Communities will have a new twist and several turns. Those traveling to Portland from Washington can join a bus tour. A luxury passenger bus will begin the trip in Takesa Village on the east side in Mead, WA and then, pass through Moses Lake, swing up to Whidbey Island and then down the I-5 corridor stopping to add more passengers all the way until Centralia. It offers a unique opportunity for the growing number of ROC-NW directors to meet each others and see one another's communities.

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