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## A PREVIEW OF *Sunny Attractions*

*In the spirit of summer, the Emerald editorial board compiled an alphabetical list of what to do — or not to do, according to individual discretions — in Eugene and the greater Pacific Northwest*

**A**les, as in drinking the dizzying — in more ways than one — array of microbrews produced in the region.

**B**ach Festival, which begins June 25 and runs through July 11, is a marathon of the region's best classical music.

**C**ountry Fair: Eugene's famous, friendly festival is held July 9-11.

**D**ave Matthews Band's soothing melodies can be heard live at Portland's Meadows on July 15 and at the Gorge Amphitheater in George, Wash., on July 16-17.

**J**ammin' at the various musical venues hoppin' throughout the summer.

**K**nickerbocker Bridge, a favorite launching pad for those in search of an adventurous cool down in the Willamette River.

**L** laurelwood Municipal Golf Course — what better way to combine sun and sport?

**M**ariners. Seattle's major-league baseball team opens its new ballpark, Safeco Field, on July 15. Ken Griffey Jr.'s moonshots (at 26 and counting ...) make it even more of an attraction.

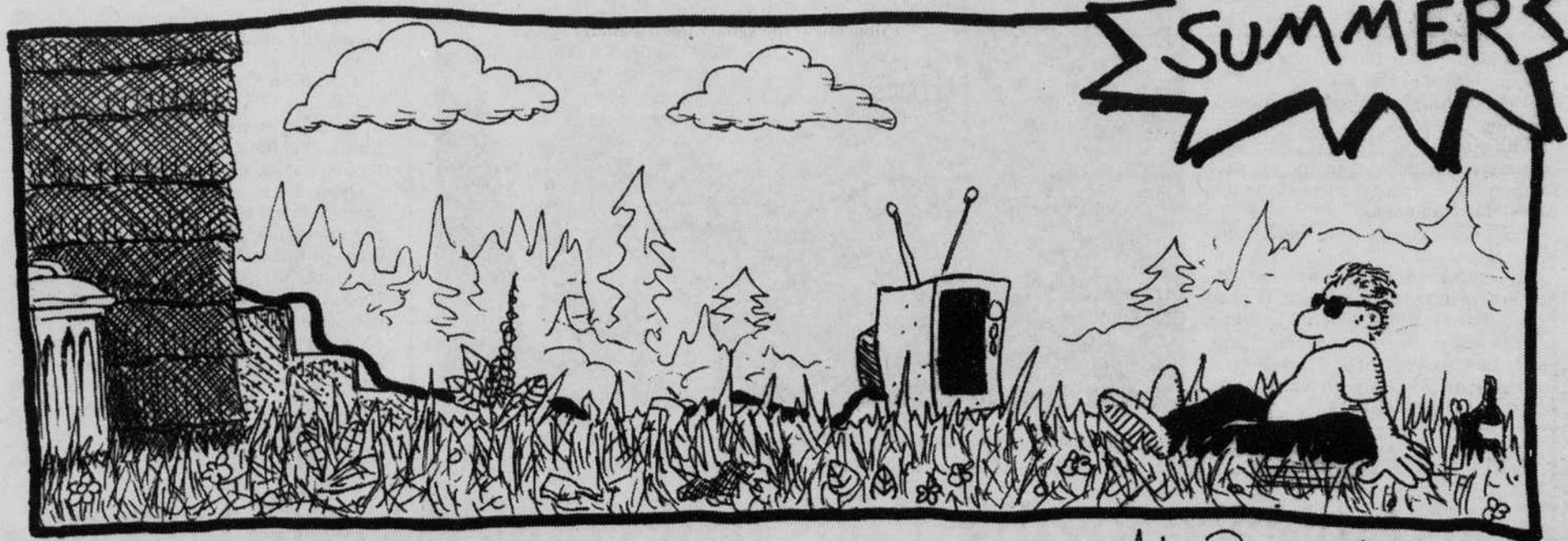
**N**udity has long been a Eugene tradition. So ...

**T**alk and get to know the neighbors. After all, there generally aren't many of them this time of the year.

**U**.S. Track & Field Championships, featuring Maurice Greene, Marion Jones and Michael Johnson, among others, will be up and running from June 24-27 at Hayward Field.

**V**alue the sunshine because, as we all well know, it's fleeting.

**W**omen's soccer fever sweeps the nation for the next few weeks with the FIFA Women's World Cup. Portland's Civic Stadium is the venue for first-



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**E**meralds, Eugene's minor-league baseball team, will be competing through early September at Civic Stadium, adjacent to Willamette Street.

**F**ourth of July. Always a big weekend, this year's holiday is highlighted by festivities at the Lane County Fairgrounds and the Art & the Vineyard at Alton Baker Park.

**G**et outside and enjoy the surroundings because they're green and gratifying, especially with good weather.

**H**iking Spencer's Butte near sunset is spectacularly rewarding on clear, bright days.

**I**nspiration (or lack thereof). Don't look at us. Come up with your own motivation.

**O**cean, as in the Pacific, is a short drive away in Florence. When it's hot enough, even the icy Pacific is bearable.

**P**ortland. Nothing to do here? Take advantage of those three-day weekends by heading north on I-5.

**Q**uiet is generally one of Eugene's defining summertime characteristics.

**R**un and shed those winter pounds along the plethora of trails in the city limits.

**S**alivate over the mouth-watering cuisine cooked up at campus-area restaurants like The Glenwood, Cafe Siena, High Street Brewery & Cafe and Studio One Cafe.

round doubleheaders on June 23 and 24, and the U.S. team is the tournament favorite.

**X**scape and explore the Northwest's exhilarating beauty, from Crater Lake camping to Deschutes River rafting to Mount St. Helens climbing.

**Y**ourself. Look within and get to know him or her.

**Z**zzzzzz ... tackle that exhausting sleep deprivation.

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