

problem that makes the blood of anyone who is committed to alternative transportation absolutely boil with rage and frustration.

Bike thieves deserve serious punishment and any business activity that intentionally or inadvertently supports the bicycle cycle of the theft and resale should not be supported.

Dylan Bennett
Eugene

EDITOR'S NOTE: The owners of the shop say they go to great lengths to assure they are not dealing with stolen bikes, including waiting periods before paying for used bikes, and pawn broker paperwork with seller ID and bike descriptions sent to local police.

GRATEFUL? NO WAY

I believe Marc Moscato (curator of My House) was way too polite in his response to what you consider promoting the local arts.

You got the day wrong! I think aside from the title of the event (which was also listed incorrectly as "War on Boredom") the most important part of this article was the day of the event.

You'd think, after we had sent you a press release with the date, plain as day (right at the top), that you might at least get that correct.

Personally, I think your article did more damage than good! I feel that there were a large number of people looking forward to our event and were misled by your article! I feel that people were greatly disappointed Sunday afternoon (July 27), to see an empty park!

Not only does this make us look bad, which will make it harder for people to come to future DIY events outside of MY HOUSE,

but it also makes your paper look bad!

I think if your ego is too big to send an apology out to Marc, that you should (at the very least) send out an apology to your readers. For those people in our community who actually trusted and relied upon your pseudo-article!

This was a good thing for our community. We've worked hard to create an environment for independent performers, musicians, zine writers and filmmakers from all over the Northwest. In hopes to expose our community to the inspiring and beautiful world of DIY (Do It Yourself) entertainment! This event was free for everyone. Food Not Bombs even provided free food!

We have worked hard to make something happen in Eugene, to showcase artists and performers who have been ignored in this town. And for the benefit of others, we have given up all our time in efforts to make Eugene a better place. We are not doing this to make money. We're doing this to build a community!

To suggest that we should be grateful because you gave us a small line in your "community" paper, at no cost to us, could only come from a weak-minded soul. I use your paper for my birds' poop tray, and nothing more.

Inga Markstrom
Eugene

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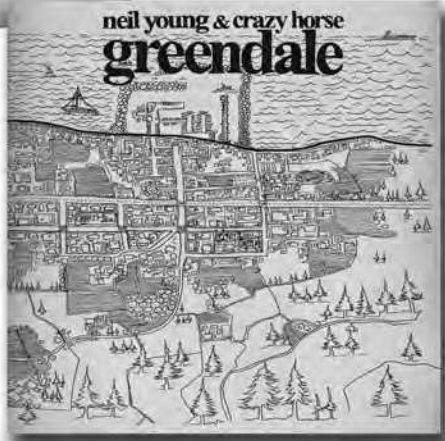
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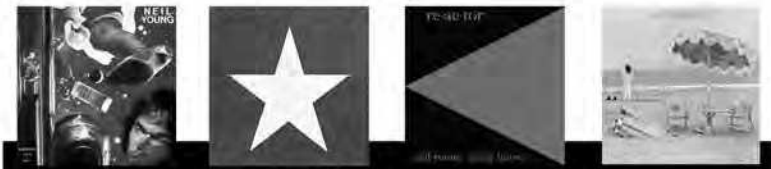
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