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"Global warming, diminishing resources, population trends, water, degraded ecosystems and worldwide agricultural trends will have accelerating consequences on everyday life, planet-wide."

The second session will focus on what can we do as individuals, neighborhoods, communities and bio-region with these trends in mind. Permaculture, economic conversion, neighborhood organizing, urban redesign and local food security will be covered along with creative economic and cultural innovations.

Other sessions will include film showings and a land use tour to visit a housing co-op, eco village, suburban conversion project and urban agriculture. For more information, call 686-6761. or visit <http://rneighbors.net/Global%20Trends.htm>

COTTAGE GROVE GETS NEW ACTION GROUP

Cottage Grove area residents have formed a new political action committee dedicated to "defeating bad politics and scary people in East Lane County and beyond and having fun while doing it," says Alice Doyle of the Blackberry Pie Society PAC. The new group is shifting into high gear for the last weeks before the election.

The PAC plans to provide drop-in childcare for busy moms (or dads) that need a break so they can fill out their ballots. The group will also provide drivers for people

who would like to drop off their ballots and are disabled or lack transportation.

The office is at 811 Main in the mezzanine of the Cottage Grove Hotel, and more space and literature are available across the street at Kalapuya Bookstore.

Doyle says volunteers have been busy canvassing within the city limits and will spend the last few weeks working in the rural areas around Cottage Grove. One of the PAC's goals is to identify and contact registered voters who have not voted in recent elections.

For more information, call the Cottage Grove Blackberry Pie Society at 942-2859 or drop by 811 Main to pick up a handout of Blackberry Pie Society endorsements.

GOLDEN PENS BOOK ON POLITICAL CANDOR

Jefferson Public Radio's talk show host Jeff Golden of Ashland, who's also heard in the Willamette Valley at 1280 AM, has a new book out calling on politicians to talk with candor and honesty to citizens.

The book, *As If We Were Growups*, is a

collection of speeches Golden invites politicians to use in part or word-for-word to tell people what they need to know, instead of what they want to hear. He seeks to break the cycle of pandering and calculating

that drives most political messages, and comes back to haunt our public discourse in the form of voter distrust and cynicism.

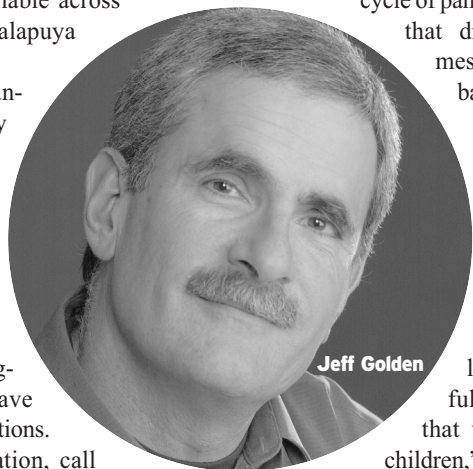
"The political class, amplified by news media that doesn't like complexity, talks to us like children so forcefully and repetitively that we become political children," he writes. "Then as

undiscerning children with no sense of trade-offs, we gravitate in the largest numbers to aspiring leaders who tell us what we want to hear."

Golden's speeches talk candidly about unpopular but common sense ideas, such as public financing of campaigns, why gasoline should be more expensive, why military spending is too high, the need for a national health care system, etc.

The author says Americans will respond better to arguments that outline sacrifices and compromise — rather than arguments that are simplistic and gloss over consequences.

Golden will be in Eugene talking about his latest book at a public appearance at 7 pm Thursday, Oct. 14 at Tsunami Books on Willamette. — TJT



Jeff Golden

SLANT

• This week's Slant is mostly fun stuff to balance out our serious as blood and guts endorsements. We can all use a little levity and irony in these irritating times. Start with the marvelous web link

<http://home.earthlink.net/~houval/gop-constrm.mov> to watch Republican leaders' absurd efforts to sidetrack the American people from the real issues of the time. Yes, it really is funny in a perverted fashion.

• Next, you can laugh along with members of Live Matinee and On the Edge at 5:30 pm Tuesday, Oct. 19, at Cozmic Pizza. These Eugene favorites, with piano and political satire by Cheyney Ryan, will be doing their hilarious show to benefit Demo candidates from Lane County. They do a great spoof on the Bush twins, singing, "Because we're just Daddy's girls! Because we're just Daddy's girls! Spreading his word throughout the USA! We tell 'em we've GOT to back our soldiers all IN Iraq! And then we go out and party the night away!" More fun Tuesday night!

• The Voters' Guide on ballot measures can be deadly reading, but for laughs check out the first three arguments in favor of Measure 36, the constitutional amendment that would ban gay marriages. M. Dennis Moore paid \$500 each for three outrageous arguments, and they make about as much sense as the serious, righteous statements that follow. Moore carries some of the religious and moral arguments to their illogical conclusions.

"Sex is for procreation, not recreation," he writes. "And marriage is for breeding purposes. Therefore, it should be Oregon public policy that: Homosexuals may not marry. Infertile persons may not marry. Men with vasectomies may not marry. Post-menopausal women may not marry ... and couples who fail to conceive within



two years ought to have their marriage licenses revoked." Also, was it a mistake on page 82 or did House Majority Leader Wayne Scott of Canby really mean to say "marriage is a sacred covenant between one man and one man"? We asked him about that, and he claims it's a typo.

• Best bumper sticker this week: "Practice Abstinence: No Bush, No Dick."

• OK, the next ones are not so funny, but here goes. Want to keep an eye on Mount St. Helens? Check out the web camera site at

www.fs.fed.us/gpnp/volcanocams/msh/

• Ed Russo's front-page story in the *R-G* Oct. 10 says, "No matter if you vote for or against the police station-related bond measure that's on the Nov. 2 ballot, the city intends to build the new station anyway." But of course it's not that simple.

You have to read the jump on A16 to find out it's not a done deal. The City Council has to vote on the project, and the council is hardly unanimous in its support now, and the incoming council in January might kill the whole deal. The problem with the headline and story is that some Eugeneans might now vote for the victims' services facility fearing it won't otherwise be

included when the new cop shop is built. Did we miss the *R-G's* correction or clarification?

• Media Audit tells us more than half (52.3 percent) of our readers have cell phones, up from 41.3 percent just a year ago, but those polled are answering on a land line, so they must have both. Yet a growing number of people today have *only* cell phones. One estimate is 3 percent, but look around — that seems low. How does this trend affect phone polling? No one knows whether exclusive cell phone users



SOMETHING

WAND Party, Bus Project

• Thousands of new voters have been registered, but how do we get them to actually vote? Check out the WAND gathering 6:30 to 9 pm Thursday, Oct. 14 at 780 Blair Blvd. **CAROLE KING** is expected to be there. Jana Rygas and Aria Seligmann will talk about action and strategies. Call 342-2082 or 344-6443

• Join the Oregon Bus Project for a literature drop in UO student neighborhoods Sunday, Oct. 17. Bus Project Voter Guides (www.busproject.org) and No on 37 pamphlets will be distributed. Meet at the EMU, University Street entrance at 3 pm. For more info, call Kyla at 729-6667 or e-mail kylacy565@netscape.net

tend to lean left or right, or even how many of them vote. We figure they are young, hip and liberal, but this is one of the factors that makes predicting the November elections risky business.