

know how lacking Walker is in her "progressive" credentials.

The people of Lane County must make a decision! Either you stand with those of us supporting this "progressive" tax to fight crime, or you are against us and thus standing with the terrorists!

Oops, wait, I just made a mistake. I was confusing this issue with the war on terror.

Lance Jacobs
Springfield

OUR EXPERT IN D.C.

If you were facing open heart surgery, would you want an experienced surgeon who has been doing this operation for over 20 years, or would you choose someone who has never done any operations and isn't even sure where the operating room is located?

Peter DeFazio would be my choice if I wanted to be well-represented in Congress. He has been my representative for a long period and prior to that was a Lane County commissioner. This is no time for someone to do on-the-job training, given all the problems this country is facing.

If we assume, and most experts do assume, that the Democrats will retake the House of Representatives, Peter will have the seniority to be given the chair of some committees in the House that are vital to Lane County. His opponent, on the other hand, would be a freshman in a minority party. Which would you rather have represent Lane County's interests in Washington, D.C.?

Besides, if Peter were to lose, who would push the wheelbarrow in next year's Eugene Celebration parade?

G. Dennis Shine
Springfield

PICTURES OF CUTE GIRLS

Noticing that the escort service display ads are no longer running in *EW* had me wondering why this decision had been made. I was not bothered by the ads, nor was any one else I have talked to about it. So, why were these ads replaced with stories about "dog fuckers"? I would much rather look at a few pictures of cute girls who are just trying to make money to survive than read stories about a grown man abusing his German shepherd. I would like to know why *EW* replaced the escort ads (which were and are not hurting anyone) with stories of zoophilia?

Denise Lunn
Eugene

EDITOR'S NOTE: We no longer run display ads with photos for escort services, but a few classified ads still run under "dating services." Savage Love now takes up the space. We've tried several sex advice columns in the past, drawing little response from readers. This one might be different. Sex is a driving force in our relationships, mental health and even politics. Let's talk about it.

LETTER TO KITTY

Dear Mayor Piercy: I was moved when I

read your Viewpoint column (10/5). I want to tell you how much I appreciate what you have to say about young homeless people in your city. Thank you for framing these people as human beings rather than sociological statistics on a political balance sheet. In so doing, you set a precedent for leaders in positions at every level. It is unfortunate that we currently have leaders at the highest political levels who lack the compassionate insight that you demonstrate. You have issued a challenge for action. Your message should be published nationwide.

Stephen J. Oder
Corvallis

REIN IN RUNNERS

What's new? Is everyone tired of reading about our elected representatives and their bribes, lies, sex scandals, expensive trips and millions spent for elections? The power of money has achieved dominion over the legislative process even in Oregon. It is long past time for Oregonians to have spending limits, and Measures 46 and 47 will make a big difference with our local and state campaign spending. Forty-six other states have already passed spending limits, and their candidates no longer are tied to special interests.

If only all those many millions of dollars going into candidate treasuries this year in Oregon could be spent instead this year on education, health care or public safety. In 2002 it was \$42 million for Oregon races. There are organizations who think they should have been excluded from our campaign limits, but then how really fair is that? They can organize small donor committees. Individual citizens should be heard, and Measures 46 and 47 will allow it to happen. Measure 46 was approved as constitutional by the Oregon Supreme Court in September.

Ruth Duemler
Eugene

WHAT A PISSER

Bush has added yet another signing statement attachment to yet another bill already passed by Congress, this time in regards to the Homeland Security Department. Bush has been pissing all over Congress and the Constitution in his excessive use of attached statements as a way to expand (his) executive power. And they have been letting him. It's time the American people stop the urination flow. It's time to vote out the self-serving and spineless on both sides of the aisle.

Marilyn Marcus
Eugene

IN VINO POLITICS

Dear Lance Sparks (Wine, 10/5): I can relate to your feelings of conflict and distress in these dark days of growing fascism in America. Can anyone continue with any kind of "business as usual" while having even the slightest clue about our country's increasingly

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