

several of whom have gone on to open their own breweries, including Jamie Floyd. I am very proud of their successes upon leaving Steelhead.

Eugene has a very cooperative and friendly culture of brewing, and I think I speak for all the brewers in town when I say that we'd like to keep it that way.

The enemy is not us, Pogo, it is non-Eugene and non-Oregon breweries. Micro doesn't necessarily mean local. Your local breweries are (in order of opening), High Street, Steelhead, Eugene City/Rogue, Ninkasi, and Willamette. Please support all Eugene breweries!

*Teri Fahrendorf
Brewmaster
Steelhead Brewing Company*

COMING AND GOING

You know, you don't have to be a big gardener to benefit from a small rain catchment system. When I built my house out of largely rescued lumber, I included a couple of barrels, a bit of PVC and a tap in the bathroom as well as out of doors. With only a 100-gallon capacity, I am able to water the houseplants and, well into the summer, keep healthy the trees and grapevines I have been planting. I also, in the winter when the water is clear, start loads of wash with a couple of two-gallon bucketsful and maintain the humidity in my woodstove-heated home with fresh rainwater — the large pot which sits on the stove goes through about a gallon every couple of days. For those inclined to "let it mellow," flushing with a bucket of rainwater is a good alternative to the smell of stale urine. None of these things require chlorine which, when we can spare it, we are just as well off without.

Finally, water purchased isn't *too* expensive around here, but remember you pay more for it going than coming and that your sewer bill is based on the quantity in your water bill.

*Kyle DeBord
Eugene*

MOSS ST. CONSPIRACY

Now that Frohnmayer has shown that he and our Nike-supported governor will rush low-income student families out of state-owned housing without any real discussion, he ought to be forthcoming with his future schedule for liquidating the remaining 85 UO east campus vintage homes.

This sale is to clear the homes and trees from the 10-block area to make way for his "dream" east campus research park.

It is an ideal time to have an open conver-

sation with the community on uncontrolled, predatory growth of the university because laws that may reign in eminent domain abuse have been approved by voters.

\$27.4 million public dollars have already been spent by Frohnmayer (with the R-G's blessing) to acquire the Williams Bakery site, and the president hopes to secure more than \$50 million more public dollars to subsidize his project. Phil Knight's long-awaited \$130 million check is running late, so there is still time before the Nike corporate research land grab is complete.

*Zachary Vishanoff
Eugene*

NO CONTEST

To James Ready's letter ("It's Just Sports," 11/9): I'll go further than to question "lethal" as an appropriate billboard caption for a sports team. Competition *itself* is harmful and leads to violence. Our words and actions *are* important. Sensitivity *is* what we need. Our entertainment, education, politics, military and sports have all helped to condition us to value obedience and *enjoy* violence.

I study and help others learn Nonviolent Communication. I enjoy competitive sports less and less and value cooperation more. I'm concerned with being dismissed as crazy and thus invite you (all) to read *No Contest: The Case against Competition* by Alfie Kohn, and Marshall Rosenberg's Nonviolent Communication.

Please enjoy your sports, but let's also take responsibility for perpetuating our enjoyment of violence.

*Mark Roberts
Eugene*

PARITY IS NOT HATRED

This is a brief note to all the Bush lovers out there. From the onset I believed that #43 is a good man. I think his view of our "enemies" and his solutions are heartfelt. His liberal interpretations of his pie in the sky for the rich guy is doctrine in a convoluted kind of way. To sum up GWB is to say his heart in both policy and solution are what G-d has told him to do.

I don't hate GWB but find his policies disastrous. Had 9/11 not occurred, business would have gone as usual. After 9/11 he was looking for somebody to blame. Why not go after that guy who wanted his dad killed? With no truthful data, he plunged our nation in a wasteful, horrific, poor use of our resources. Add to that he took a region that was stable and banked on the notion we could change thousands years of their history to suit the U.S. Our dead and wounded have exceeded our eye for an eye retribution/retalia-

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