

plants, there is a wide range of opinion within the movement on the topic of invasives. To quote one presenter, "Some people would say we should never plant them; others would use them with care and monitoring (and control if necessary); others would encourage plants, or other organisms, to go feral if they felt they were useful additions (for human use) to the local ecosystem." Another presenter, an outspoken critic of what he terms the "pseudo-science" of invasion biology, will speak on "Incorporating Non-natives into Restoration Projects." Conference organizer Chris Roth says, "The discussion of the interplay between permaculture and conservation of native ecology promises to be fascinating."

The registration fee is \$90 for the full weekend. Daily registration is available, as are meals, lodging, and camping. Visit www.lostvalley.org/nature2007may for a wealth of information about the conference related articles and links or to register online.

— Rachel Foster

CONNECTING THE DOTS

What are the underlying reasons for ongoing war in the Middle East? A free forum on the UO campus Monday, April 16, will look at the politics of oil, the impact of 9/11 and building unity for peace.

The forum begins at 7 pm in PLC hall Room 180, at 14th and Kincaid, and is co-sponsored by the UO Survival Center, the

9/11 Network and www.oilempire.us

"Connect the Dots" presenters will be Ted Duggan, a political science graduate student who lived in Saudi Arabia, talking about "Oil and the Neo-cons' Plans." Mark Robinowitz, publisher of www.oilempire.us, will discuss "9/11 and Peak Oil Wars." Clay Grantham, a sociology graduate student, will present "From Despondency to Activism: Building Networks of Unity."

Some of the core issues that will be addressed include Vice President Cheney's plan to reshape a "new Middle East" by using ethnic conflict to redraw national boundaries to control the oil fields, true and false evidence for 9/11 complicity, and the potentials for unity between social movements (peace, environment, civil liberties and other solidarity efforts).

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

- Our March 22 story on Hynix emissions ("Acidic Air") stated that the concentration of hydrogen fluoride that would be released by Hynix is 4.1 micrograms per cubic meter of air. This number is actually the *acute* concentration. Hynix says it will release a maximum *chronic* concentration of .3 micrograms per cubic meter.

- The date has been changed for the "Penny Poll" mentioned in last week's Viewpoint "Taxes for Peace II." The new date is Monday, April 16. The event will be at the downtown post office from 11 am to 5 pm.

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