

MAY 25TH - 28TH

# Memorial Day Weekend Sale!

All Outdoor Furniture  
15% off

All Bird Feeders &  
Accessories  
20% off

All 4" Perennials  
\$1.99 each

All Outdoor Floor Mats  
20% off



MON-FRI - 10AM-6PM  
SAT - 9AM-6PM  
SUN - 10AM-5PM  
532 Olive St. • 342-6820  
2498 Willamette St. • 349-0556

www.home2garden.com Practical Goods For Natural Living

TED TAYLOR



**With biking far cheaper than \$3-a-gallon gas or \$22,000 for a Prius, bikes also fatten wallets while clearing skies and slimming thighs.**

"It's been fantastic" networking with all the bike advocates at the summit and at smaller follow up meetings, said Stumpf of GEARS.

But bike advocates said they'd like to see the city do even more to promote cycling.

Every year Portland closes lanes on all 10 of its central bridges, including the towering I-5 bridge, for a bicycling/hospital fundraiser that attracts huge crowds. "It infects those 17,000 people with the idea you can bike in a city," said Michelle Poyourow of the state Bicycle Transportation Alliance.

Sue Gorham of the Convention and Visitors Association of Lane County (CVALCO) said such a big event in Eugene would be great for cycling and tourism. "A nice fun event where they close off the streets and only let the cyclists in for the day," Gorham said. "We could definitely do that."

Besides closing bridges, EBC's Moore said he'd like to see Willamette Street closed one Sunday morning a month for a healthier "bike and walk the gut" event.

Planner Inerfeld said that Eugene already has bike bridges dedicated to bikes but allowed that closing car bridges and/or roads may be possible.

VanderTuin said a big bike event would be "wonderful," but he's skeptical the city will support it. He said CAT tried to create a human powered parade in the city, but it collapsed in a few years after the city demanded up to \$2,000 from the small nonprofit for police.

"CAT can't afford to do this stuff," VanderTuin said. "The question is, where does the government come into the picture?" he asked. "I haven't seen it yet in this town where there's really innovative things coming from the government entity."

EBC's Moore said he heard a lot of great ideas at the summit, but now he fears they won't translate through city staff into a vibrant new plan for Eugene. In the process, "It all gets melded down to American cheese on white bread."

Bike innovation could come from city leaders. But the city appears to lack the strong bike advocates it had in the past. Eugene used to have a bicycle advocate as mayor, Ruth Bascom, and a bike shop owner and two regular bike commuters as city councilors. Now, councilors rarely ride to meetings, and there appears to be less interest in the subject. City staff plan to take the new bike/walk plan to the city manager in the fall for administrative approval rather than to the city council.

In recent years Eugene disbanded the city council's bicycling committee and cut its bike coordinator position to half time. By contrast Davis, Calif., has two full-time bike coordinators and two bike advisory committees in a city less than half Eugene's size. Davis also has a 17 percent bike commuting rate and the top Platinum rating for bicycling.

But Moore hopes leaders will come forward. With gas prices up and global warming sizzling, Moore said Eugene shouldn't miss its "biggest opportunity" in years to bike into a better city.

EW

3 LEGENDS 1 STAGE

**RICHIE FURAY**  
**CHRIS HILLMAN**  
**HERB PEDERSEN**



**Tuesday August 21**  
**WOW Hall**

291 WEST 8TH AVE • 7:30PM DOORS • ALL AGES  
TICKETS AT TICKETMASTER  
CHARGE BY PHONE 866-866-4502

**ON SALE**  
**FRI**  
**10:00AM**

## Social Distortion

### THE HANGMEN

### The Heart Attacks

**Friday July 13**  
**Secret House Vineyards**  
88324 VINEYARD LANE • VENETA  
5:00PM DOORS • ALL AGES  
TICKETS AT TICKETMASTER  
CHARGE BY PHONE 866-866-4502

socialdistortion.com  
ticketmaster

AS HEARD ON ABC'S  
**GREY'S ANATOMY**

**Ingrid Michaelson**



**& William Fitzsimmons**  
**Fri Jun 1 John Henry's**

77 WEST BROADWAY  
8:00PM DOORS • 21 & OVER  
TICKETS AT TICKETMASTER  
CHARGE BY PHONE 866-866-4502

(S) TicketWest  
LEAD SINGER  
OF  
**ROCKSTAR:**  
**SUPERNOVA!**

**Lukas Rossi**

**& FarCry**  
**Friday June 15**  
**Rock N Roll Pizza**

1140 SE POWELL BLVD  
PORTLAND • 8:00PM DOORS • ALL AGES  
TICKETS AT TICKETWEST  
CHARGE BY PHONE 503-224-TIXX



**Saturday August 4**  
**Secret House Vineyards**

88324 VINEYARD LANE • VENETA  
1:00PM DOORS • ALL AGES  
TICKETS AT TICKETMASTER  
CHARGE BY PHONE 866-866-4502

**Rooney**  
**Grynych & AlterEGO**

**Wed July 25 WOW Hall**

291 WEST 8TH AVE • 7:30PM DOORS • ALL AGES  
TICKETS AT TICKETMASTER • CHARGE BY PHONE 866-866-4502

**The Ditty Bops**

**Wed Aug 8 WOW Hall**

291 WEST 8TH AVE • 7:00PM DOORS • ALL AGES  
TICKETS AT TICKETMASTER  
CHARGE BY PHONE 866-866-4502

www.SquarePegConcerts.com