

## news Briefs

city. The resulting settlement required the city to pay the defendants \$30,000.

Also as a result, the city changed its pepper spray policy. The policy forbids the use of chemical weapons on "nonviolent protesters," but police may use deadly force if their chemical spray has been turned back on them.

When asked if the recent rulings on eco-sabotage might stop future actions such as the Broadway treesit, Flynn said, "The Earth is being killed by greedy corporations. Until that changes, people will take action to stop it regardless of the consequences."

To commemorate the protest and focus attention on civil rights and the environmental movement, there will be a "Green is the New Red" event June 1 at Wandering Goat Coffee Company. Speakers will include Flynn, local civil rights attorney Lauren Regan and journalist Will Potter. The event is free and starts at 7 pm at 268 Madison.

— Camilla Mortensen

## Lane County Herbicide Spray

• Near **Triangle Lake School**: Weyerhaeuser (744-4600) will log 51 acres starting June 12 which is usually followed by burning of slash and spraying with herbicides (No. 781-50579). Call Tom McClellan to request that burning and herbicide spraying not be conducted near the school.

• Reforestation Services (503-362-8322) will aerially spray 220 acres with 2,4-D, Garlon 4 and other herbicides for Seneca Jones Timber (689-1231) near **Fish, Lake, Jackson, Hawley, Douglas and Barlow creeks** and tributaries (781-50581). Compiled by Jan Wroncy,

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## Happening people

BY PAUL NEEVEL

### NATALIE WHITSON

Voted "best girl artist" at her school in West Chicago (a small town in Illinois), Natalie Whitson won a scholarship to study art at UCLA. "I ran for student body president as a member of the Perfect Students Union," she says. "We did performance art to get people involved." Married a week after graduation, she and her husband, Mark, lived for three years in Holland. "We liked the rain," she says, so they moved to Oregon on their return in 1989. "I picked up the *Oregon Peaceworker* and thought, 'It could use my help.'" Since December of 1989, every issue of the magazine (10 per year) has featured her drawings. She earned a UO MFA in painting in 1993. Her day job since 1998 is development director for Northwest Youth Corps, a nonprofit job-training and outdoor education program. "Fencing is my art now," she says. "I showed up at the Eugene Fencers Club in February 2000 and I've never left." Whitson teaches a fencing class at NYC in the spring and trains in the summer at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado. "I'm certified in level one foil and epee," she says. "This summer I'm going for saber."



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- June 15: Group Discount Admission Tickets on sale at [www.ticketwest.com](http://www.ticketwest.com)
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- July 20: Talent Show applications due to New Country/KMGE Magic 94

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- Contestants are required to play a total of 2 songs for the preliminaries. One blues song (shuffle, ballad, etc) and one jazz, rock, etc. (contestant's choice).
- Contestants are not allowed to play when it is not their turn.
- Contestants may bring their own equipment (amplifier, microphone) if they wish; however an amp and microphone will be provided.
- Contestants may choose to have one other soloist on one of their selections.
- A total of 5 contestants will be selected to play in the final competitions. For the finals, each of the five contestants will be asked to play one harmonica solo (without accompaniment)

