

ifying question. The question involved what determines a conflict of interest on the proposed McKenzie-Willamette hospital location.

The treatment of this good woman was nothing short of public humiliation and disrespect. It was played on Public Access Channel 21 and I only hope the rest of Eugene saw it. If this is how our city staff treats the citizenry, there is no hope for fair representation.

Jeff Lang  
Eugene

## PROGRESSIVE FANTASY

Most "progressives" don't get it with regard to illegal immigration. Those of us who do realize that the various industries that use illegal immigrants, agriculture for one, have for the last 75 years at least gotten away with robbing the American taxpayer and abusing human beings. The use of illegal immigrants is for the express purpose of increasing profits by cheating. When you use illegal laborers, you don't pay your fair share of taxes, don't give health benefits, overwork the laborers, abuse the laborers and house the laborers in substandard and dangerous facilities. The agriculture industry is particularly guilty of all the above.

Some in the construction industry are also guilty of bidding on jobs as if they were going to use union labor and, once the particular company wins the bid, turning around and hiring "illegals" to do the work, with the company pocketing the difference while paying the "illegals" less than half the union wage at best. Talk about greed.

These companies have had it good for so many years, and now that they have to play by the rules, they start crying like babies. Spoiled little shits. Too bad! Many "progressives" have the gall to defend these cheaters. Ass kissers! How about we help these people stay in their country of origin by helping to rid the corruption that exists in these primarily Latin American countries. Help their economies grow so they can provide decent living wage jobs with benefits and decent living conditions. I see, though, it's not in our vested interest to have an economically strong Latin America. Where else can we get so much slave labor?

People, start using your brains and not your fantasies!

Chris Williamson  
Eugene

## COOL MY JETS?

The Lane County Fair has come and gone for another year! Every year I am subjected to the usual begging and pleading of my children, ages 9 and 15, to go to the fair. "What rides we can ride!" "What friends we will see!" And of course as a mom, I look forward to the vendors' booths and spending time with my kids.

This year was a different story for us. One that in the end left me telling my kids, "Not again!"

"Cool your jets!" I will never forget these words coming from the operator and ticket taker of the "Super Loop" as I frantically tried to get them to stop the ride. My daughter was out of her seat — every mom's nightmare.

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10.15 Michelle Shocked  
10.25 County Joe McDonald's  
Tribute to Woody Guthrie  
10.29 Luciana Souza - New Bossa Nova  
10.30 Cherryholmes  
11.13 Mike Marshall/Choro Famoso  
11.14 Alejandro Escovedo  
11.15 John Mayall  
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