

Boots are Comfy at Footwise

Footwise offers a wide selection of boots
from the following brands

dansko

Börn

KEEN

HAFLINGER

UGG

patagonia
footwear

FOOTWISE

SANDALS SHOES CLOGS BOOTS

181 E Broadway • Downtown Eugene • 342-6107
301 SW Madison Ave • Downtown Corvallis • 757-0875
Mon-Sat 10-6 & Sun 11-5 • www.footwise.com

The Incredible Shrinking Wallet

BEST OUTDOORS/ RECREATION STORE

1. **McKenzie Outfitters**
2. **Joe's Sports, Outdoor and More**
3. **Backcountry Gear Ltd.**

It was 30 years ago in August that Jerry Godfrey opened McKenzie Outfitters; the business now has two stores in Eugene and another in Medford. Outdoor nuts go ga-ga over the huge selection of top-brand gear and the high level of customer service. There are plenty of places to buy camping, hiking and climbing equipment, but our readers pick McKenzie Outfitters as the best locally owned store. (Yes, many of you voted for Seattle-based REI — and we like it too — but we try to give these awards to businesses at least based in Oregon, if not Eugene!)

BEST INDEPENDENT BOOKSTORE

1. **Smith Family Bookstore**
2. **Tsunami Books**
3. **J. Michael's Books**

BEST FOOD PRODUCER

1. **Nancy's Cultured Dairy and Soy/
Springfield Creamery**
2. **Hey Bales! Farm**
3. **Horton Road Organics**

Mmmm ... Nancy's cottage cheese. Mmmm ... Nancy's organic whole-milk yogurt. Mmmm ... Nancy's sour cream. If you gotta do dairy (though they also do soy yogurt), this is the way to go. After all, the factory's in Eugene (despite its name), and the family certainly has its roots and influences throughout the town, from Ken Kesey's multivalent legacy to Kip Kesey's ventures into musicland. The dairy advertises its products as "Real Food for Real People," and EW readers surely believe the (locally focused, pretty calm in marketing terms) hype. You're cultured ... with all of the live acidophilus, bifidum, thermophilus, bulgaricus, casei and rhamnosus (aka probiotics) in the yogurt and the cottage cheese. True, the first taste

of Nancy's cottage cheese might shock you, but once you're used to the culture tang, ain't no other cottage cheese gonna do. Springfield Creamery, we heart ya! And we also heart the CSAs and local farms like Hey! Bayles and Horton Road Organics (last year's CSA co-winner). Mmmm ... chard and yogurt! Squash and cottage cheese! We like our local combos.

BEST ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY BUSINESS

1. **Down to Earth**
2. **TIE: SeQuential Biofuels / Sundance
Natural Foods**
3. **BRING Recycling**

For the third year in a row, locally owned Down to Earth's blend of natural products for the garden, tchotchkes and gifts for the home has inspired Eugeneans to vote the store the best enviro-friendly business. Where else can you go to buy organic worm compost, a decorative poster featuring seasonal mixed greens and a Fiestaware coffee cup all in one stop?

Nancy Hamren



Make Your Holiday Reservations Now!

Delicious food in a beautiful, turn-of-the-century house.

EXPERIENCE THE BEST!



OPEN: MON.-SAT. AT 5:00PM • PHONE: 485-0601

Waterfront

BAR & GRILL

HOLIDAY PARTIES!
WONDERFUL FOOD!
GREAT BAR SPECIALS!

Give yourself a taste of the good life.

OPEN FOR:

LUNCH — MONDAY-FRIDAY 11:30AM

DINNER — MONDAY-SATURDAY 5PM

www.dinewaterfront.com • 465-4506

2210 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

**NINKASI
BREWING COMPANY**



WE HAVE BEER!

Order a Keg For Your Next Party or Event:

541-344-BREW (2739)

272 Van Buren St • Eugene, OR 97402

www.myspace.com/ninkasibrewing • www.ninkasibrewing.com