

Live Life Fulfilled... Camping!

From the coast to the mountains, we've got you covered this 4th of July



YOUR LOCAL OUTDOOR SPECIALISTS!



DOWNTOWN
566 Olive Street • (541) 343-2300
McKenzieOutfitters.com
Hours: 10-6 Mon. - Sat., 11-5 Sun.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Charter School. I've been enrolled for two years. My school's main building is the space above the A&W/Taco Time on Broadway in downtown, but classes are also held at Eugene Glass School, Nearby Nature and the World Café. Even before the budget cuts, my school had a hard time supplying the things we need like paper and pencils, computers and textbooks.

And now, Eugene is going to use \$16 million to build a new police station when the one in this town is just fine and only needs \$6 million to fix the problems. Why can't any of the Eugene schools get any money? The children you see today are going to be the leaders of the world tomorrow, and we need all the schools and materials we can get.

I agree with Leslie Weinstein ("Painful Choices" 5/28) that the rich corporations and people should help with the welfare of our schools.

Steven Morris
4J Student, Eugene

by EPD since its conception and has yet to bring a case against the EPD.

3) If a cashier grabbed my son by his long hair and smashed him to the pavement at a peaceful protest, I would be within my rights to sue his or her pants off! If at any time during that protest Eugene police officers feel that my little hippie is "slowing traffic," they have the right to grab him by the hair, smash him head first into the ground, shout orders at him while preventing him from complying with those orders and then shock him repeatedly.

As far as judging the entire police force by a few bad apples, I for one would be glad to see the EPD stop supporting and protecting those bad apples, start cooperating with the police auditor and the Citizen Review Board and make a change to protecting rather than harassing the people of Eugene. And maybe they will get some of the support they have not been getting from us.

Mechelle Coburn
Eugene

STOP REAL CRIMES

Comparing the job of a Eugene police officer with that of a cashier is oversimplifying at best.

1) If a cashier is rude to you or gives you poor service, you are free to go to another store. You are *not* lying on the ground with a concussion being Tasered.

2) If a cashier is rude to you, you can easily complain to the manager, knowing that in retail the customer comes first and your complaint will be taken seriously.

If, however, you were mistreated by one of Eugene's finest, you will have to try to file a complaint with the very same Eugene Police Department, or try the police auditor's office, which has been harassed

ON HULKS AND GIBBETS

RE: Alan Pittman's excellent article (5/28/09) on the centuries-old debate between the architectural merits of schools vs. prisons, I offer the following two pertinent 19th century quotations:

"It is acknowledged that neither convict prisons, nor the hulks, nor any system of hard labor ever cured a criminal." — Fyodor Dostoyevsky (hulks were vessels specially built to serve as a prison and not for sea service.)

"Better build schoolrooms for 'the boy' than cells and gibbets for 'the man.'" — Eliza Cook (gibbets were beams used for the purpose of hanging someone.)

Terry Heintz
Eugene



LIGHT of LIBERTY CELEBRATION

Concert, Fireworks, Food & Fun!

Herman's Hermits
Starring
Peter Noone
with
Michael Tracey
& the Hi-Tones
and
Mystery Train



July 4th • 4 p.m. • Island Park, Springfield
Tickets \$5 in advance,* \$7 at the gate
Kids 5 & under Free
For more info, call 746-8451
or visit www.subutil.com

*Advance ticket sales available at SUB's main office & at Jerry's Home Improvement Center (Eugene & Springfield). All proceeds benefit Project Share, SUB's energy assistance program for low-income and elderly customers.

summer camps

Nearby Nature Summer Daycamps

Ages 3-11, Weekly
Sessions, Outdoors,
EWEB Scholarships,
Adventure, Art, Discovery!

687-9699
www.nearbynature.org

Glass Camp for kids and family

\$50/day
Call for details

Eugene Glass School

575 Wilson Street
541.342.2959
www.eugeneglassschool.org

Clay & Canvas Art Camp



(Open house
& demos
6-27 & 6/28,
2740 Madison)
343-7882

Camp dates & details at
www.danielsfamilypottery.com

SUMMER MUSIC CAMPS THAT REALLY ROCK!



ENROLL TODAY

Phone 683-9000 www.thelessonfactory.com