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Pictured here are the children of Mountain Rose Herbs' employee, Felicia Colden (from left to right: Ariel, Talia, and Ayiana)



news Briefs

sion against human or non-human animals."

"Intolerant commentary will not easily find a place on the site. I think people get caught up in hearing themselves speak and with their own opinions. They start to feel a sense of entitlement that they should be able to go anywhere and say whatever they want. Freedom does not mean you can go into anyone's living room and say whatever you want," said Deva, an Indymedia volunteer.

Pacifica Forum supporters, however, are encouraged by the group's determination to take on what they see as the censorship of their ideas by Indymedia and others.

George Beres, a Eugene resident who supports PF and has spoken at PF events in the past, does not believe controversial speakers like Irving and Anelauskas are Holocaust deniers. Instead he said that he believes that people like Irving and Anelauskas have faced attempts at censorship from what Beres called "Zionists" largely because they believe that Jewish groups with political agendas have enlarged the "horrible realities of the Holocaust."

Beres said it is this sort of selective editing that is occurring on Indymedia. "Indymedia is an area where they would practice censorship if they could get away with it. I think this discussion is important to have on Friday," Beres said.

— Tophier Vollmer

ACTIVIST ALERT

• A gathering in memory of **Hiroshima and Nagasaki** is planned for 7 to 9:30 pm Thursday, Aug. 6, at Alton Baker Park's small shelter, near the park entrance. A 7 pm community potluck will be followed by a 8 pm program featuring Bob Watada, Mayor Kitty Piercy and Sen. Merkley's Eugene staffer Dan Whelan speaking about nuclear weapons abolition. The event will also feature poetry and Japanese Koto music, Taiko drumming and Obon dancing. The event will close at dusk with the floating of candle lanterns on the duck pond. Call CALC at 485-1755 for more information.

• Ordinance revisions related to **police oversight** are on the agenda of the Eugene

City Council when it meets at 7:30 pm Monday, Aug. 10, at the council chambers, 777 Pearl St. The council will review recommendations from the Police Auditor Ordinance Review Committee, a 15-member panel convened last November to examine 18 proposed rules and powers for the auditor and Civilian Review Board. Activists objected to the committee because it included members who were strong advocates for dismantling independent police oversight, and letting the police police themselves behind closed doors. For more information, search for "PAORC" at www.eugeneweekly.com/archive.html

• The **Downtown Urban Renewal District** is also on the Aug. 10 council agenda as a work session at 5:30 pm. The council is looking at trying to expand the URD's spending cap to allow the accumulation of future property tax revenue increases that can be used for downtown revitalization.

• Groundbreaking at the **Springfield Millrace Restoration Project** is planned for 11:30 am Tuesday, Aug. 11, at Clearwater Park in Springfield. U.S. Rep. Peter DeFazio and Sen. Ron Wyden are scheduled to join Springfield Mayor Sid Leiken for the event.

ON THE WEB THIS WEEK

• Expanding entries in **The Next Big Thing** local music contest. More than 40 songs are now posted, with some great feedback from readers.

• **On the blog:** Ted's photos from the **Whiteaker Block Party** and **Faerieworlds Festival** last weekend. Suzi posts a much longer version of her interview with author/artist **Lynda Barry** and writes about the **Oregon Shakespeare Festival**. Molly blogs about **Pickathon** in Portland. Intern Sheena posts about **Faerieworlds**, including a short video. Alan comments on the city policy on **leaves in bike lanes**. Camilla writes about new Oregon laws on **electric cigarettes**. Ted notes the timely anniversary of **Medicare** and gets some reader comments regarding the move of police headquarters, blaming the fiasco on a lack of media investigation.

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