

daycare centers,” Evenson explained.

The panelists said the vast majority of poles they tested in California came from the McFarland Cascade Pole Treating Facility, located near the Eugene airport. Evenson said there is a massive plume of penta surrounding this entire wetland area, with oil floating on the surface of groundwater, which he explained, likely makes its way into the Willamette River.

Fiberglass poles, steel poles, applying citrus oil, and using tree species that don't need to be treated, are all alternatives to penta use. “The real answer is to get away from wood,” said Clary. — *Heather Cyrus*

ACTIVIST ALERT

• The next **Oregon WAND** monthly program will be from 6:30 to 8:15 pm Thursday, March 24, at First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive St., in Eugene. Guest speaker

is Carol Dennis, who directed the Lord Leebrick Theatre production of *My Name Is Rachel Corrie*. All Oregon WAND events are free and open to the public. See www.wandoregon.org

• The annual SOLV Oregon **Spring Beach Cleanup** will be from 10 am to 1 pm Saturday, March 26. Visit www.solv.org to register online and view a map of check-in sites, or call SOLV at (503) 844-9571 or (800) 333-SOLV (7658).

• A rally supporting the labeling of **genetically modified foods** is plans for noon to 3 pm Saturday, March 26, at the Capitol Building in Salem. The rally coincides with the Rally for the Right to Know in front of the White House in Washington, D.C. Local contact is GMO-Free Eugene at 343-1913.

• **Helios Resource Network** is throwing a “2011 Spring for Local Party” from 7 to 10 pm Saturday, March 26, at The Jazz Station, 124 W. Broadway, next door to the new

Helios office at 120 W. Broadway. Suggested donation is \$5 at the door. Hear about some of the local nonprofit groups that receive Helios grants.

• A free public forum by the **Opal Network** introducing new treatment for the diagnosis of “psychosis” will be from 2 to 4 pm Tuesday, March 29, at the Eugene Public Library Bascom-Tykeson Room. Speaker will be Ron Unger, LCSW. For more information, call 345-9106 or email lane@mindfreedom.org

• A community forum on “The Other Drinking Problem, **Soda and Your Health**” will be from 6 to 7:45 pm Tuesday, March 29, at the Eugene Public Library. The forum will explore how policies and changes to our environment can support chronic disease prevention, and legislation that could affect soft drink's cost, consumption, labeling and portion size. Hosted by The Lane Coalition for Healthy Active Youth (LCHAY). For more information visit

www.lchay.org or call 682-4306.

• A town hall meeting and teach-in on “**Challenging Corporate Rule**” will be at 6 pm Wednesday, March 30, at Harris Hall, 125 E. 8th Ave. downtown. A 10-minute video *The Story of Citizens United* will be shown, followed by remarks by Stan Taylor of LCC and (tentatively) Michael Dreiling of UO on corporate personhood, corporate power and the Citizens United decision. Local organizers are drafting language and gathering signatures for a Lane County initiative plus a Eugene City Council Resolution. Email willamettedams@q.com for more information.

• The Many Rivers Group of the Sierra Club is planning a presentation on “**Oregon's Marine Reserves Process**” from 7 to 9 pm Thursday, March 31, at the Eugene Garden Club, 1645 High St. Speaker is Bob Rees of the Our Ocean coalition. Contact Sally Nunn at sally.nunn@oregon.sierraclub.org or visit www.ouregonocean.org

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