

between cats through the casual interaction of sharing food bowls, litter boxes or toys. The potential for FIV to spread is through a deep bite to the skin resulting in saliva-to-blood contact or a mother cat can give it to her kittens

But this does not mean FIV cats shouldn't live with disease-free cats, McDonnell says. Most cats like Sheriff get along with others within the same household and concern over the disease spreading is often inflated, she says.

There are vaccinations to prevent FIV in cats, and some veterinarians recommend it for outdoor cats, but it is controversial, according to McDonnell.

Sheriff is a special story of triumph for WCDC. He was transferred from Lane County Animal Shelter (LCAS) five months ago with a severe wound on his neck after being rescued off the street. He has been successfully nursed back to health despite having FIV, which makes it harder to recover.

He and others will be apart of WCDC

and LCAS adoption event called "A 2nd Chance at Love," starting Friday Feb. 10. The Valentine's Day event will be held at the PetSmart off Coburg Road until Sunday, Feb. 12.

— Ted Shorack

ACTIVIST ALERT

• The Oregon State Marine Board will hold a special board meeting on **Waldo Lake motorboats** at 2 pm Thursday, Feb. 9, at the OSMB office, 435 Commercial St. NE, Suite 400, in Salem. The public is invited to attend but the board will not be accepting public testimony at this meeting. If the board votes to initiate rulemaking, public comment will be accepted from March 1 through April 10 and a special public meeting will be held April 10 in Eugene.

• The Eugene **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee** meets at 5:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 9, at the Atrium Building Sloat Room, 99 W. 10th Ave. On the agenda is the South Willamette Study, a bond measure to fix streets and safe routes to school.

• The Eugene **Police Commission** meets at 5:30 pm Thursday, Feb. 9, at City Hall McNutt Room. Canine policy is on the agenda.

• **Occupy Eugene** is planning "fun activities" starting at 1 pm Friday, Feb. 10, at Kesey Square, including painting, bridge, other card games, readings, music and more. "Occupying the Heart and Mind," a silent meditation/prayer circle, continues at 11:45 am Friday and 2:15 pm Saturday, Feb. 10-11, at the Occupy Headquarters, 7th and Polk). For more information, visit Occupying the Heart and Mind on Facebook.

• A special OPB program on **the life of Wayne Morse** will be previewed for the public at 5 pm Thursday, Feb. 16, at the Knight Law Center Room 110. An earlier showing for students will be at 12:30 pm that day. The program will be broadcast on OPB at 8 pm Tuesday, Feb. 21, as part of the "Oregon Experience" series of documentaries.

• **Medical Marijuana Week** begins Monday, Feb. 13, with daily phone campaigns to the White House, Congress, governor's office. At noon Thursday, Feb. 16, will be a "Rally for Safe Access" at the U.S. Courthouse in Eugene. Email jimgreigneugene@gmail.com

or visit americansforsafeaccess.org for more information.

• An **Occupy Solidarity Social Forum** and national conference is being planned for Feb. 18-19 in Olympia, Wash. Occupiers will share their experiences, network and strategize about taking the movement to the next level. Sponsored by Alliance for Global Justice and Occupy Olympia. Email ossf2012@gmail.com with questions or visit http://wkly.ws/16

LANE AREA SPRAY SCHEDULE

• Western Lane County: Little Lake Logging, Jeffrey Newman (927-3339 and 927-3384) plans to spray Garlon 4 Ultra and Tordon in sections 17 and 18 of Township 16S Range 07W and Section 13 of Township 16S Range 08W in the Coast Range on Little Lake Stream near **Triangle Lake**. Notices 2011-781-00468C and 2011-781-00469C.

• Tordon and Garlon 4 Ultra have restrictions for use near water due to toxicity to fish. The toxins are translocated to the roots and persist in the soil.

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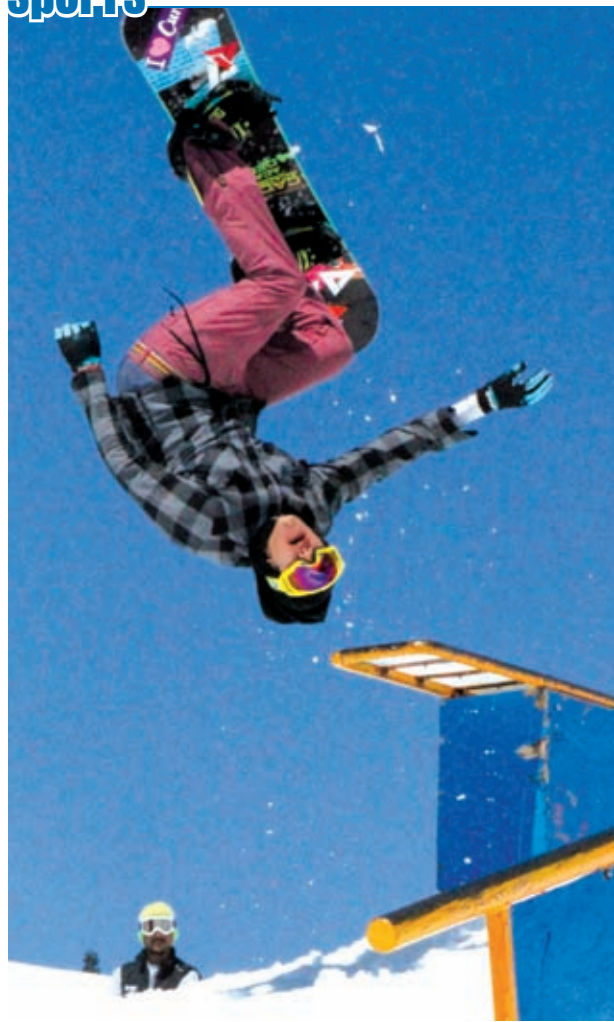


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KEEPING THE SHRED DREAM ALIVE

Eugene resident, LCC student and snowboarder Kyle Richner won a nationally competitive scholarship from Academy Snowboard Company for his ability to mix the fun of snowboarding with school and work.

"We chose Kyle because of his love for snowboarding, drive to get kids stoked on and off hill, and entrepreneurial spirit," Erich Dummer, media director of Academy Snowboards said in an article in *Transworld Snowboarding*. "We know it's not a lot of money right now, but we're always stoked to give back to the snowboard community and keep the shred dream alive for fellow riders that are sacrificing powder days while going to school," he added.

Richner, 21, is a passionate snowboarder who has been boarding since he was 12. "I started getting really serious about three years ago - I rode about 98 times last winter," he said. "Now I'm competing and working as a snowboard instructor." To be considered for the scholarship, he submitted a video essay and riding footage to Academy Snowboard. He won 1 percent of the local region's sales, about \$500, to put towards his tuition, two snowboards and a free summer session at Windells Ski Resort in Sandy, Ore.

A sophomore at LCC, Richner plans to transfer to the UO next year to study business. He aspires to one day open his own snowboarding and skateboarding shop - he won the scholarship in part because of his creative entrepreneurial spirit. With the prize money, he said, he is looking forward spending a little less time shuffling pizzas at Domino's and a little more time hitting both the books and the slopes.

Applications for next year's foundation scholarship are due on April 14. "I think you should keep pushing yourself," Richner says to aspiring snowboarders. "It's important to go beyond your comfort zone and never give up."

— Caitlin McKimmy

LOCAL MIXED MARTIAL ARTS COMPETITION

The folks at Midtown MMA are at it again with their third in a series of mixed martial arts shows, highlighting local fighters and local gyms. Midtown Throwdown III will present a 16-fight card starting at 6 pm Saturday, Feb. 11, at the Lane Events Center. Each match will consist of three three-minute rounds, where fighters may win by way of knockout, submission, technical knockout or decision.

"These are all exciting match ups with fighters who are hungry to show their skills," says heavyweight competitor and local mixed martial arts journeyman Jimmy Jennet. "Fighting keeps you humble. And all these guys put so much work into their training; it's really going to be exciting."

The night will be a showcase of amateur and pro fighters, with a stacked undercard and two marquis matchups to look out for. Main event Corey Wyatt will compete in his professional debut against Darrio Mobley, and two-time Pac 10 wrestling champ All-American Colby Covington will face off against ground-and-pound slugger Chris Ensley in the co-main event. Also not to be missed is the amateur heavyweight tournament, which will feature two giants, Jimmy Jennet and Anthony "The Joker" McDonald, as they square off against each other for the belt.

For more information, go to www.midtownmma.com

— Dante Zuñiga-West

LIGHTEN UP

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