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• The last of the current series of "Conversations on the Forest," is 6 pm Monday June 4 at Cozmic. Called "Looking at Solutions" the evening will examine: What would an integrated set of solutions and forest policy reform look like? How would best practices protect drinking water sources and our environment? What can be done to improve the prosperity of rural communities? How is fair taxation and funding streams for governments that provide services possible? And what are the current policies and practices that the timber industry can be proud of? For more info contact Rob Handy rob@robhandy.com or go to www.conversationsontheforest.org

• Saturday, June 9, will be the day this year when cyclists in Eugene will join thousands of other cyclists around the planet for the **World Naked Bike Ride**. "We celebrate the human body and the bicycle, our best alternative to fossil fuel addiction," says local ride coordinator Ralph Forrest-Ball. "We ride our bikes naked (or nearly so) to remind fellow travelers that bicycles are vulnerable when sharing the road with two-ton metal monsters." Participants will gather at 4 pm at the corner of Cheshire and Lawrence, and the ride begins at 4:30. Clothing, costumes and body paint are all optional but please wear a helmet. Email tiedyeguy@hotmail.com or visit www.worldnakedbikeride.org



Executive director of Kidsports Bev Smith

KIDSPORTS!

What runs and jumps and yells and plays all over? A human child, of course. Bev Smith, executive director of Kidsports and former UO women's basketball coach, will speak at 6 pm Thursday, May 31, at the downtown library about physical literacy, the social values of team sports and Kidsports.

Smith says that physical literacy is about children learning the building blocks of movement and motor control, which are optimally learned prior to puberty. And the lessons don't end with the physical. "Being on a team provides life lessons — whether how to win with grace and lose with class, to helping a less skilled teammate, or learning to find your place and role within all the different talents of your team," Smith says.

With physical education programs diminishing in public schools, Kidsports offers another avenue for children to get involved with sports and learn physical literacy. And it doesn't leave out lower-income kids, due to its scholarship program. Smith says fundraising can be a challenge to make sure that coaches get mandatory education and make scholarship funding available, but educational and health grant opportunities help.

To learn more see kidsports.org
— Shannon Finnell

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Spring Fling went well even if the weather didn't cooperate as we hoped and Elvis had a wardrobe malfunction at a nudist club (can you picture it). We now have more planned for this summer with **Open House** events, a **Redneck Festival**, and the **AANR Northwest Convention** (our regional convention) in **July**. Keep watching these ads or visit our web site for all the activities scheduled this year.

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