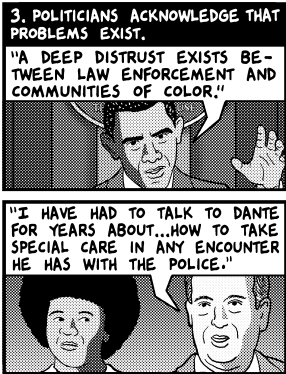
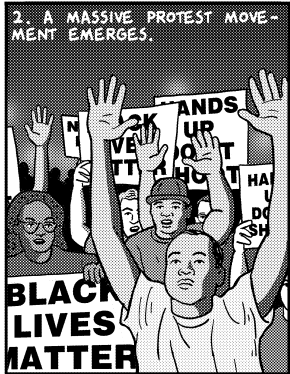
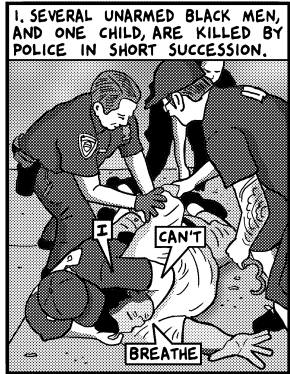


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LIMITED DREAMS

After reading "I Dream of Eugene" Dec. 31, I am totally disappointed by the EW staff's inability to include *one* professional African-American or Latino who dream of funding for Eugene's schools. The writers did include an African American hip-hop artist. Honestly — hip hop? You mean to tell me in all the fields of medicine, education, business, etc. you could not find *one* who lives in Eugene?

Where is the inclusion in this piece? If you don't know ... ask.

Edwin L. Coleman, II
Emeritus professor of English

Editor's Note: Latino and Native American community members did respond to our request for dreams, and we attempted to contact African-American students for the section on schools. However, we always need and welcome reminders that we should try harder and do more.

MORE MUSICAL DREAMS

What do I dream of for Eugene's music scene? [See our cover story last week.]

- Promoters to put on music before 9:30 pm and not put on the headliner at 11:15 pm.

- For the drinkers near the bar at Sam Bond's to shut up when the musicians play. Please.

Dave Tobin
Eugene

POOR INVESTMENT

I heartily second Deanna Kuhn's Dec. 31 letter regarding the many reasons why supporting Heifer International-type groups should be avoided at all costs. A very well researched article by Dawn Moncrief of "A Well-Fed World" was published a year ago, listing "10 Reasons To Say NO To Animal Gifting Hunger Relief Organizations." They are:

Most recipients are lactose intolerant and harmed by dairy, more farmed animals do not equate to less hunger, more farmed animals mean more mouths to feed, farmed animals do not just "live off the land," farmed animals use a great deal of water, experts disapprove of animal

gifting, animal gifting programs mislead the public, animal gifting organizations have questionable spending, animal gifting programs raise concerns from charity raters and there are better feeding programs and gift donation programs.

For in-depth explanations of these 10 reasons, please see wkly.ws/1vn.

Barb Lomow
Eugene

TRIVIALIZING RAPE

Will the "flagship University of Oregon" sweep the trivializing of rape by the football team under the rug ala the basketball team? Hoping EW will not let this slip by.

Rape (alleged or proven) is not funny, not something to joke about. Where are the high quality people they recruit to fill the fancy uniforms? Where is the discipline the coaches talk about? Where is the dignity and respect that you would expect from a top program?

Jon Rathsack
Eugene

ONLY HALF BLESSED

Congratulations to Sally Sheklow for a wonderful, insightful holiday poem Dec. 24. Not only was the content "right on," but the meter was perfect as well. I hate it when a poem is supposed to have a certain meter and then doesn't (being an amateur poet myself).

I guess that I am only half-blessed being non-Jewish and queer! In any case, I'm having a great life and wishing you the same.

Jane Dods
Eugene

A BETTER EUGENE

I dream of a Eugene in which the ADA is a reality. Where people with disabilities are not barred from participation in everyday activities like going to see hawks at the raptor center, volunteering at Greenhill Humane Society or using the bathroom without having to go to a different floor than everyone else. Where buildings and business are accessible to

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