

• The documentary **Exposed: USDA's Secret War on Wildlife** will be shown at 6 pm Thursday, Nov. 5, at Bijou Art Cinemas, 492 E. 13th Ave., along with *The Imperiled American Wolf*. A discussion will follow with cinematographer Paul Garrett and Brooks Fahy of Predator Defense. See encirclefilms.org.

• AnnKneeland of **SupportLocalFood Rights** and Eron King of **Freedom from Aerial Herbicides** will speak on ballot initiatives from 7 to 9 pm Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Healing Matrix, 632 E. Main Street in Cottage Grove. Sponsored by the Cottage Grove Blackberry Pie Society and Sustainable Cottage Grove. Free. Call 521-2887 or email blackberrypie@gmail.com.

• The Springfield-Eugene **Showing Up for Racial Justice** (SURJ) will be showing the film *Vocabulary of Change: Angela Davis and Tim Wise in Conversation* from 7 to 9 pm Thursday, Nov. 5, at the Hilyard Community Center, 2580 Hilyard. Co-sponsored by the Community Alliance of Lane County and the Eugene Human Rights Commission. Call 485-1755 or email calpeace@efn.org.

• Our **local food economy** is the topic at City Club of Eugene at noon Friday, Nov. 6, at the Downtown Athletic Club, 999 Willamette Street. Speakers include Lynne Fessenden of the Willamette Farm and Food Coalition, Jack Gray of Winter Green Organic Farm and Charlie Tilt of Hummingbird Wholesale. \$5 for non-members. The following week, Nov. 13, City Club will meet at the Serbu Youth Campus across from Autzen Stadium to talk about the facility and take a tour.

• **Zero-emission** buses and other transportation issues are the topic of a local Sierra Club community forum at 7 pm Tuesday, Nov. 10, at the UO Law School, Room 110. Community members recently delivered more than 1,000 postcard signatures to Lane Transit District in support of LTD investing in zero emission buses. LTD is planning to launch its first five zero-emission electric buses in 2016.

• The city of Springfield is currently seeking applications to serve on the city's **Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee**. Applications will be accepted until 5 pm Friday, Nov. 13. The city will fill seven to 13 positions on the committee. See the city's website or call 726-4585.

LANE COUNTY AREA SPRAY SCHEDULE

• ODOT is currently spraying roadsides. Call Tony Kilmer at ODOT District 5 at 744-8080 or call (888) 996-8080 for herbicide application information. Hwys. 36 and 99 were recently sprayed.

• Coos Bay Rail Link planned to begin spraying the rail line from Coos Bay to Eugene beginning Oct. 23. Call the office manager at 266-7245 for more information.

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CORRECTIONS/ CLARIFICATIONS

• In our Oct. 29 news story on South Willamette zoning we wrote that the online petition had 210 signatures as of Oct. 26. South Willamette Neighbors tell us that 500-plus paper petitions have also been gathered.

• In our Oct. 29 review of Actors Cabaret of Eugene's *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, we misidentified the cast. To be clear, Anthony Krall played Dr. Frank N. Furter, Cody Mendonca played Riff Raff, Joel Ibanez played Brad and Jenny Parks played Janet. Contrary to some titillating rumors swirling about, this is not a reprinted review from a decade ago. We pride ourselves on working with student writers — Isabel Zacharias sends her apologies to ACE — and we have all learned a lesson from this: The internet is an unreliable source.

NEWS

40 MINUTES WITH THE UO'S PRESIDENT SCHILL

It's halfway through fall term and Michael Schill has been UO president since July 1. He's five months into his term as the fifth president (counting interim leaders, too) in five years, something that has led the *Chronicle of Higher Education* to call the Ducks' leadership position a "revolving door."

Schill met with members of *EW*'s editorial board Oct. 30 to talk about some of the UO's current occupations.

Eugene, like many college cities, has a "town and gown" split. Schill says the UO seeks to be a good neighbor, and he points to his efforts, back when school started, knocking on doors in areas around campus with Mayor Kitty Piercy.

Schill says one plan is to develop the UO's role as an "innovation hub" and increase development of the sciences on campus. The president wants to emphasize the

importance of the benefits, on a city and state level, of a "flagship university." Schill has a background in real estate law, and he says the skilled workforce the UO provides is "critical for a state to grow and flourish."

This need for a skilled workforce, Schill says, is tied to what he sees as a need to help the state appreciate what the school provides to the state, as well as what more the UO could provide locally and to people in rural areas.

This led *EW* to ask about the lack of funding for higher education, as well as for K-12 education, and whether the educational systems could team up in lobbying for better

state funding. "For us to succeed, we need K-12 to succeed also," Schill says, as there is a pipeline of students from the public K-12 system to the university. "We should be part of the effort to strengthen K-12," he says, adding that he thinks currently K-12 has the stronger lobby.

As a first-generation college student — the son of a clothing factory worker — Schill says that "everyone should get a great education," and the UO teaches students not just book learning but

'Everyone should get a great education,' and the UO teaches students not just book learning but 'how to be leaders in the world.'

— UO PRESIDENT MICHAEL SCHILL



HAPPENING PEOPLE
BY PAUL NEEVEL

LAURIE TRIEGER

"I grew up playing in the woods and creeks," says Laurie Trieger, who lived in Philadelphia with her mom, but attended the Miquon School out in the country, where her mother worked in administration. "It was very '70s, a radical creative education. I learned critical thinking and never had a letter grade." After high school, Trieger waited tables and also volunteered at the Elizabeth Blackwell Health Center for Women, then was hired there full-time. In 1982, she met Larry Coxe in Philly. Two years later, they sold everything and departed. "Let's check out the West Coast," she said, and they wound up in Yachats, where they enjoyed cheap rent and beach walks until daughter Amalia was born in 1986. "We moved to Eugene in '87, and bought a house in Whiteaker within a year. Larry worked at the Red Barn and I got involved with the neighborhood council."

They had a son, Dion, in 1990, and she began volunteering with FOOD for Lane County, located nearby. "Larry began working there when they moved to west Eugene in 1999," she says. "He still does. I worked there till 2007, coordinating countywide gleaning." She helped gleaners (people who collect leftover produce) organize statewide and pass a gleaning tax credit to incentivize growers. Afterwards, she spent five years as executive director of Lane County Healthy Active Youth, focused on reducing childhood obesity. The Neighborhood Economic Development Corporation (NEDCO) recruited her in 2012 to help develop its Sprout! Regional Food Hub in Springfield. She currently works for Family Forward Oregon, advocating for women and working families. "I love it!" she says. "It ties all my work together, working for policies that make the system more fair."

Know anyone whose good work deserves attention in this space? Email suggestions to editor@eugeneweekly.com.