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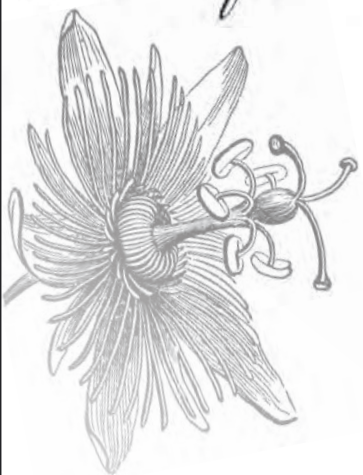
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- How low can the GOP sink? The party of Abraham Lincoln, of Dwight Eisenhower and of Ronald Reagan has become the **Grand Old Pedophilia** party with its endorsement this week of Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore, a man convincingly accused by multiple women of sexual misconduct with children as young as 14 when he was a prosecutor in his 30s. But what does decency matter when the Senate needs Moore's vote to help steal money from the poor to give to its rich masters?

- Oops! We've had [a lot of] complaints that the **Sudoku puzzle** was not in *EW* last week. Sorry about that. We need those little escapes like Sudoku and crosswords these days.

- Sabrina Parsons of Palo Alto Software gave the City Club of Eugene a joltingly long look for our city and the tech industry on Dec. 1, when she talked about some **Portlanders now applying for jobs here** because our public schools are stronger, traffic problems not so bad and our housing slightly easier to acquire than in the city to the north. So, how do we keep that advantage without sprawl?

- When we're asked what to do to **fight the tyranny of the Trump administration**, we go back to electoral politics. Run for office, knock on doors, send money, make phone calls, march in the streets. That's all the more relevant in our 4th Congressional District now that Art Robinson has filed for the fifth time against Peter DeFazio. Robinson will be backed once again by Trump buddies billionaire Robert Mercer and his daughter Rebecca Mercer. Their money will pour in here to support a candidate who is even worse than Donald Trump. It's up to all of us who care about our country to see that Pete is re-elected in November 2018

- The freezing weather season is upon us, and as we welcome the holidays we also recognize that for many the season doesn't mean they are any less cold, hungry or unsheltered. The Egan Warming Center has been opening its many locations, and Occupy Medical continues its good work, no doubt gearing up to treat cases of frostbite. Here at *EW* we are stepping up on **collecting warm clothes for those in need** that we drop off at White Bird Clinic. Please come by *EW*'s offices at 1251 Lincoln Street with new or gently used clothing, jackets, blankets, scarves, gloves, sweaters and socks. Personal hygiene products and toiletries, blankets and sleeping bags, backpacks, tarps and new underclothing are also needed.

NEWS BY MATTHEW DENIS

HANNAH SCHANDELMEIER-LYNCH (LEFT) AND CELIA EASTON KOEHLER DISCUSS THE WHITEAKER STREET LIBRARY WITH RON PIKE IN FRONT OF THE KIVA



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UNHOUSED BOOKS FOR UNHOUSED READERS

Gathering community with the Whiteaker Street Library

Celia Easton Koehler and Hannah Schandelmeier-Lynch sit perched on milk crates on the corner of Willamette Street and 11th Avenue outside of The Kiva Grocery on a Tuesday evening. Just another couple of do-goodniks encouraging positive vibes in downtown Eugene.

The duo sticks out even in a metro center where feathers in your hair are more the norm than the exception. It's not their clothes, though, or didgeridoos, that are conspicuous, but the upturned bookshelf on wheels sitting next to them. The three shelves of books make up the Whiteaker Street Library, an all-volunteer effort that lends out books to displaced and marginalized people in Eugene. The wheels free up the library, allowing Koehler to transport its contents and set up in various locations. The purpose of the library is to carve more communal surroundings into the city's landscape.

The idea originated from Koehler's time spent studying in Granada and Madrid, Spain. "I loved how people gathered and met together in so many public places there. The idea of the library is to meld more third spaces here."

"Third spaces" represent social surroundings outside of work and home. These can include bars, coffee shops, libraries, restaurants and other public or commercial locations. Outside of public parks and libraries, however, there are few places to gather without spending money.

"We want to make it easier for people to find common ground," Koehler says. "A great way to do that is to bring people up from the periphery and to encourage accessible settings."

Indeed, a crowd gathers outside of the street library, some curious, some chatting and some seriously browsing. Koehler records checkouts in a lined notebook, writing down contact details to track down late returns. All of the street library's books are donated, and the operation makes no money.

"This creates some bafflement. People ask how we make money," Schandelmeier-Lynch says. "We're not here for that, though. We want to build community through getting people to give — whether it's books or just good conversation."

The Whiteaker Street Library operates from 10 am to noon Tuesdays outside The Kiva Grocery, 125 W. 11th Avenue; and 3 to 6 pm Thursdays and noon to 3 pm Sundays outside the Glass House Coffee Bar, 520 Blair Boulevard. ■