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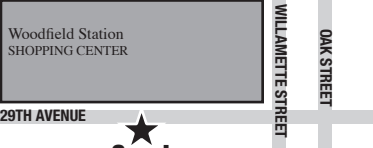
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OPINION

letters

Give us 'This Modern World'

I couldn't care less about the F-word, but I'd gladly trade in a *Savage Love* for the occasional *This Modern World*.

Leo Muzzy
Eugene

Editor's Note: Your wish is our command — we have brought back *This Modern World*, aka *Tom Tomorrow*.

ODOC's Injustices

I would like to applaud the viewpoint by Hunter Briggs on inmate mail service (*EW*, 2/27). As one who has corresponded with various inmates over several years and in different states, including the infamous Red Onion prison in Virginia, I am acquainted with severe restrictions on letters.

But I had not known that the Oregon Department of Corrections (which has never corrected anything I know of, including itself) had chosen to fall in line with other states, with the same drug interdiction excuses for separating inmates from the outside world. It is both pointless and inhumane to disallow postcards, birthday or Christmas cards, or any special communication from family or friends.

Drugs and relentless racism rarely, if ever, enter a prison by means of the post office. Clean up your own injustices, ODOC, don't make them worse.

Patricia Spicer
Eugene

Thank You, 4J

Many thanks to the Eugene 4J School Board for joining the lawsuit against the recent federal order banning any mention of race in education.

The federal order is another ill-thought-out ideological attack from this administration. There is no thought about how complex this issue is or how unclear the order is. Can a school have a Black or Latino student

support group? Can we teach about the Civil Rights Movement? Or even the Civil War?

Donald Trump's goal with this order is to whip up racial division and fears that expanding equity hurts us. He's wrong, and misrepresenting equity. Justice and equal opportunity for all — women, communities of color, all of us — expands democracy. His federal order is bad for democracy

Board chair Jenny Jonak stated: "This is not a time to sit on the sidelines." That is so true! Being silent implies acquiescence and will only make things worse. Thanks for speaking up, 4J.

Joy Marshall
Eugene

From the Master Gardener

Several months ago I said in a radio broadcast that using paper has an environmental impact and that reading online — when possible and practical — could reduce that impact. *EW* took my comment about one cellulose paper being enough as an implication that *EW* was not worth picking up.

Nothing could be further from the truth. *EW* is (almost) the only source of meaningful local journalism. Journalism that looks at an issue, sorts out the details and prints the truth. *EW*'s coverage of the environment is second to none. And that brings us back full circle. Readers, please support this fine publication, but try to pick up and pass on one copy, or use an environmentally friendly(er) click to access this quality paper when you can.

John Fischer
Eugene

A Special Thanks to EW

The Interfaith Alliance/Indigenous Advocacy team organized its first event on Jan. 21 at the Unitarian Universalist Church in Eugene. Our program included the film *We Ride for Her* and speaker Marta Lu Clifford, a citizen of the Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde. Each cast a spotlight on the topic missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls. However, we recognize that *Eugene Weekly*'s decision to give the event a little more coverage than

THIS MODERN WORLD

by TOM TOMORROW

ELON MUSK! WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN MY HOUSE? AND WHO ARE THESE CHILDREN?

THIS IS MY ELITE TEAM OF HIGHLY EXPERIENCED DOGE PROFESSIONALS! WE'RE HERE TO ELIMINATE WASTE, FRAUD, AND ABUSE!

IT'S LIKE, HA HA, I AM BECOME MEME, DESTROYER OF WORLDS! WE'RE HAVING FUN! COMEDY IS LEGAL AGAIN! I AM VERY COOL AND EVERYONE LOVES ME, EXCEPT FOR THE PARASITES ADDICTED TO GOVERNMENT SPENDING!

SIR, PARDON ME--

--YOU'VE JUST BEEN AWARDED A MULTI-BILLION DOLLAR GOVERNMENT CONTRACT--TO LAUNCH UNSOLD CYBERTRUCKS INTO ORBIT!

WHO ELSE WOULD EVEN DARE TO DREAM OF SUCH A THING?

YOUR VISIONARY GENIUS IS TRULY UNPARALLELED!

UM, EXCUSE ME--WHAT GIVES YOU THE RIGHT TO BARGE IN HERE LIKE YOU OWN THE PLACE?

I HAVE NO IDEA! BUT I KEEP GETTING AWAY WITH IT! APPARENTLY I'M IN CHARGE OF EVERYTHING NOW!

ANYWAY, I'M GOING TO NEED A BULLET-POINT LIST DETAILING FIVE THINGS YOU ACCOMPLISHED LAST WEEK! AND THEN MY A.I. WILL DECIDE IF YOU CAN KEEP YOUR JOB!

BUT--BUT--

--I DON'T EVEN WORK FOR THE GOVERNMENT!

THAT'S OKAY! NEITHER DO I!

HA HA! IS THIS FUN OR WHAT?

NOW, WHERE DO YOU KEEP THE CASH AND VALUABLES?

I'LL START RIPPING THE COPPER WIRES OUT OF THE WALLS, SIR!

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