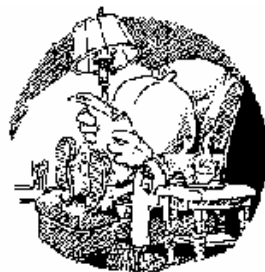


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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

RED AGAVE BOARD MEETING 10/15

The Growers Board of Directors encourages all those interested in the issue of Red Agave and its wish to expand to come to the next Board meeting on October 15th at 6pm. The first hour will be devoted to this topic, and YOUR input is VITAL. Thank you, S. Zorba Frankel, Board President

GROWERS MEETINGS

The board set two meeting times for November: Tuesday, November 4th at 6: 30 pm and Tuesday, November 18th at 6: 30 pm. Plus, don't forget the meeting on Wednesday, October 15th at 6 pm at which we are supposed to further discuss the Red Agave expansion proposal. As usual, all are welcome to attend.

AUTOMOBILE DEPENDENCE

Jan Spencer, Eugene smart land use advocate (and Growers shopper), will be giving a presentation on "Suburban Renewal and Local Culture" at the Peace, Justice & Media Conference, October 9-12, on the UO campus. He will examine the downside of automobile dependence and describe alternatives

for a healthy local culture. He will also discuss the relationship between automobile dependence and U.S. foreign policy. The workshop is scheduled for Sunday, October 12th, 11:30 am to 12:45 pm, in the Metolius Room of the Erb Memorial Union, UO (no charge). For more information on the conference, see:

<www.justicenotwarcoalition.org>. The Justice Not War Coalition office is in Room 205 of the Growers Market Building, phone: 343-8548.

GROWERS NEEDS EMPTY EGG CARTONS

Bring your reusable egg cartons to the market and our egg farmers will fill them with fresh eggs.

FDA TARGETS GENESIS JUICE

Part of resisting the trend towards globalization is to keep our local economies alive, particularly our local food systems. That's why it's so important to help the Genesis Juice Co-Op at this time. You probably read the article in the Eugene Weekly about Genesis Juice being in imminent danger of being shut down by the FDA for distributing raw juice. When I read that article, I had an inkling of how people in third world countries must feel when their local sources of food production are destroyed by globalization. I paid a visit to Genesis Juice on Friday, and asked what people could do to help. They said that what they needed was time to find a new way to market their juice. It would be legal for them to sell the juice directly to the public through CSA's, juice stands, and other methods. They just need the time and the money to make the switch. The Genesis folks had two suggestions for people wanting to help. The first is to call DeFazio and Wyden and ask them to sponsor legislation that would help Genesis Juice. It is not uncommon for a legislator to introduce legislation aimed at helping a small, specific group of people, if there is enough public interest in such legislation. The other suggestion was to keep buying Genesis Juice. I asked them if they were considering having a fund-raising event. They said that they were talking about it, but had nothing definite planned yet. I asked them what people should do if made a product that they were willing to donate, or if they were in a musical group that wanted to play for such an event. They said to call their office at 344-0967. Their office is open on Tu, Th, and Fri from 11am to 4 pm. In these days when global conglomerates are growing more and more powerful, it is important to support our local businesses. Genesis Juice has been generous in donating to community events over the years, and now it's time for the community to be generous in supporting Genesis. -- Carol

CASCADIA WILDLANDS PROJECT'S 2nd ANNUAL HOEDOWN FOR THE ANCIENT FORESTS

featuring the Foghorn String Band with caller Bill Martin * Friday, October 10 * Come on down to the second annual hoedown benefit for the Cascadia Wildlands Project. Its time to kick up yer feet, swing yer pardner and get merry to help save Cascadia's remaining ancient forests! The event will feature the foot-stomping live bluegrass music of Portland's Foghorn String Band with caller Bill Martin. All proceeds go directly to the ancient forest protection campaign of the CWP. This is not an event to miss! When: Friday, October 10th, 6 pm: Food & Drink * 7 pm: Square Dancing Where: Avalon Stables, 80143 Hazelton Rd, Cottage Grove (turn at mile post 5 on Cottage Grove/Lorane Highway) Cost: \$15-\$100 in advance (contact the CWP cascwild@efn.org 434-1463 or Megan Kemple megank@efn.org 342-1537), \$20-\$100 at the door. Contact us if you'd like to volunteer.

Shuttle Bus: Will leave Growers Market (454 Willamette Street) at 5:30 pm and return to Eugene at roughly 10:30 pm. Call the CWP office 434-1463 to reserve a spot on the bus. Spread the word! See you on the dance floor out at Avalon Stables.

GREETINGS EVERYONE!

Wheelchair lift donations from the bucket and gift box in the Market totaled \$79.70 for the months of Aug & Sept. Well, alright. Keep it coming! Every little bit helps. In the spirit of community accessibility, thank you ALL.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who has donated to my disaster relief fund, and expressed their concern and offered help. Everything we needed to live was in that RV (that burned to the ground) and it is a long recovery process. I am about over the shock of it now. It makes it easier, knowing we are loved and supported, and the dollars are especially appreciated. Thank you all for your kindness and support. Warmest, blessings from Phoenix Rainstar.

HOUSEMATE WANTED: To share bright healthy home near River Road bike path and bus. Private yard with organic gardens, fruit, greenhouse, open kitchen, hardwood floors, gas heat, washer/dryer. Share honest, compassionate communication with professional female and friendly dog. No smoking, no other pets. ☺ \$340/month ∞ Please call Jen @ 914-2225.

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