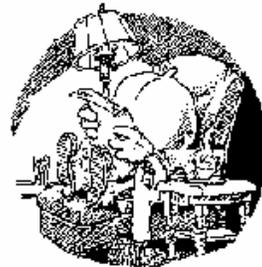


The Garbanzo Gazette

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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

GROWERS OPEN ON TUESDAYS:

You can now shop at Growers on Tuesdays from 5 to 7 pm. Just as on Fridays, nothing will be pre-order

CO-ORDINATOR SHIFT OPEN

Our current Thursday evening coordinator, Newanna, needs to answer the demands of her crafting business and leave the 4:30 to closing shift. So STEP UP, all those with strawboss experience and a desire to become one of our dynamic team of coordinators! Call Rachel at 687-6727 with questions or your name and phone number if interested. We hope to have a new coordinator in place within two weeks.

WE NEED BULK OILS AND LIQUIDS

STRAWBOSS:

This is a Thursday morning position, and needs a person who can lift heavy containers.

Call Rachel: 687-6727

NORIS ORGANIC DAIRY

If you plan on purchasing any Noris milk or half-and-half please pre-order it. I'm trying to meet our needs without having much extra (it leads to a loss for Growers). It will take a couple of weeks to sort things since Noris delivers on Tuesday prior to the pre-ordering. My best guesses are not working. By the way, all Noris Cheese and the regular Monterey Jack Medium and Sharp Cheddars are all raw milk cheese. Thanks, Sue

Smart Breeding Holds Promise of Replacing GM Foods

Imagine a technology that can produce all the benefits of biotech crops -- resistance to pests and pesticides, long shelf life, rapid (or delayed) ripening, etc. -- without the worries about environmental harm, corporate consolidation, and international trade wars. Some researchers believe they have discovered -- or rather, rediscovered -- just such a science. It harkens back to centuries-old methods of cross-breeding and hybridization and adds a new twist from contemporary genomics.

Scientists are now able to map the genetic code of crops, analyze the gene markers for various traits, and quickly breed several generations of a crop in laboratory cultures, thereby doing in a short time what once took decades. It's called "smart breeding" and it's producing crops called "super organics." Some researchers hope to turn smart breeding into the equivalent of the open-source movement in software, putting info about plants into the public domain for free use.

straight to the source: Wired Magazine, Richard Manning, May 2004

<http://www.gristmagazine.com/cgi-bin/forward.pl?forward_id=2504>

GARBANZO GAZETTE HELP NEEDED

Would you like the amazing opportunity to hear news before anyone else?? This is your chance, especially if you are planning to stay in Eugene all summer. I am planning to leave for the summer and need someone to cover my biweekly shift with the gazette until I get back. Let me know if you are interested -- Anuradha
anuradha@efn.org

FOR SALE: Excalibur Dehydrator - FOR SALE:

Excalibur Dehydrator - 9 tray Parallax-x- with booklet, like new! Originally \$297. Asking \$125 or best offer. Also, we upgraded our juicers, so would like to sell citrus juicer, Hamilton Beach juice extractor and GE blender. Original boxes. Booklets included. All three \$40. All four \$150. Call Lin 343-8055.

Hey Now! Thanks to everyone who put their energy into the new price structure in the co-op. I think it's a great idea...However, a comment that a member/ friend of mine brought up was: Couldn't we keep the pre-order goods for Fridays too? Just thought I would pass on her good idea.
--Jennefer

LOOKING FOR 2 HOUSEMATES who are clean and clear, fun, community-minded, eco-conscious, happy, responsible, and likes cats! Large room with lots of light: \$395/mo. + utilities. Room facing garden \$350/mo. + utilities. \$200 deposit No smoking, no pets. Some possible trade for summer months. Call: 345-3575. Blessings!!! -- Lareina

HELP WANTED: We are looking for a motivated, hard working, strong person to help us with various house-related stuff, including moving furniture on June 6, and/or assisting with a home construction project during the week of May 24. If you know of someone that is interested, call Julie at 689-4802 or email at juliefisch@msn.com. Thanks! - Julie

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