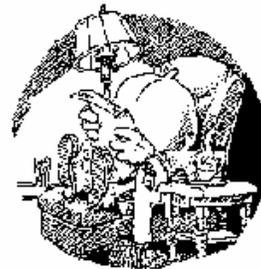


The Garbanzo Gazette

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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

STRAWBOSSSES AND COORDINATORS:

We have a log book by the main cash register. There is a section marked for you to enter your name, phone, growers job and time. It would be great to have a complete list.

DRY GOODS NOTES

Bulk organic frozen fruit is coming back. We have mangos, strawberries and blueberries (from Royal Blue). Others will soon be available. Whoever special ordered the shelled edamame, it is in the special order freezer. The tag was lost. More miso is coming over the next week or two. --Sue

AN OPINION ON WHOLE FOODS'

The city is now considering making yet another land swap/property deal to bring "Whole Foods" the Wal-Mart of 'natural' foods to Eugene. Maybe the City Council, Mayor and City Manager are unfamiliar with the labor practices and operations of Whole Foods. Whole Foods is non-union where employees receive low wages and are powerless. In addition, there is no labeling of GMO ingredients in their Whole Foods brand products. With so many unknown health and environmental considerations surrounding the safety of genetically engineered foods, labeling products that do and do not contain GE ingredients is simple common sense.

Whole Foods CEO John Mackey has spouted anti-union rhetoric for years. "Here's the way I like to think of it. The union is like having herpes. It doesn't kill you, but it's unpleasant and inconvenient and it stops a lot of people from becoming your lover," said Mackey (Business and Society Review, 6/22/92).

Eugene doesn't need another corporate 'natural food' store. Safeway, Albertson's, Fred Meyer, Market of Choice and Grocery Outlet offer conventional and organic food products to the public. Plus Growers

Market, Sundance, Kiva, The Red Barn and the New Frontier Market offer organically grown local produce and food products to our community. And let's not forget our Tuesday and Saturday Farmers Markets. We need to continue to support our local farmers and businesses and keep the essence of our community unique.

Please Contact City Manager, Dennis Taylor, Mayor Piercy and City Council Members to share your feelings with them about 'Whole Foods' in Eugene. Thanks. -- Sincerely, Planet Glassberg

ANNUAL SPRING BENEFIT CELEBRATION

Thursday May 12th 6-9 pm

at the UO Urban Farm for the *School Garden*

Project: A non-profit organization helping Lane County schools create, maintain, and use school gardens since 2001

Buffet dinner, activities for kids, silent auction, school garden displays, free plants, and live music. \$5--\$10 suggested donation. **Please bring your own plate, cup, and utensils if possible.**

Directions by car: From Franklin Blvd, go north on Onyx and park by the duck pond in Lot #2 (free after 6), then walk east and follow the signs to the Urban Farm. Please forward this message to anyone who might be interested. Thanks!

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PRIVATE, Two bedroom house with studio in SECLUDED ARTISTS COMMUNITY - Live, work, sell. GALLERY, GREENHOUSE/ GARDEN - \$650. + utilities + deposit. Partial work trade. Whiteaker. 683-0626. --Sterling and Ruth

SEEKING OLD FRUIT BOOTH PHOTOS

When you go to the Country Fair do you start your conversations with; I remember when..or these kids today..? Do you prefer earlier nights at the fair or have to pick which night to stay up past Midnight? Do think about Crows feet when you look in the mirror? Do you find grey sexy? Then perhaps you were part of the Fruit Booth back in the seventies and early eighties. I am looking for photos for a collage to exhibit at the fair. If you were part of StarFlower, Willamette People's COOP, or Cooperative Fruit or any of the folks that shared the booth please contact me at 302-1518 or stevekind03@yahoo.com I am also interested in stories from that time. I can put all photos on disc and return them to their owners. Thanks for your time, Steve Brown, Fruit Booth.

**For Every single person who works at Growers:
Thanks for helping to make it happen. We are all
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Will deliver in town. All colors and sizes. \$3 per dozen. I can also mix chicken eggs in the dozen if preferred. Please call Stephanie at 914-3587 to purchase.

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