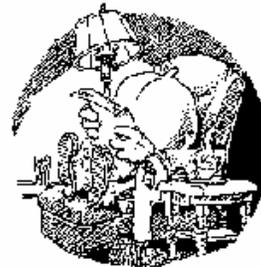


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UPCOMING MEETING

The 2nd quarter financial report for the Growers Market Building and the Coop will be presented at the next Growers meeting (board meeting) on Monday, August 22nd, at 7 pm. If the meeting is not at the round table upstairs in the Growers Market Building, you should try looking downstairs in the co-op, or elsewhere in the building. --Milton Takei

SAFE STUFF FOR NEXT GARAGE SALE!

The Growers Market Fundraising Committee will be putting together a garage sale some time in early September. We would like folks to start collecting things to donate and asking others for donations to the sale. Please drop off things at the day of the sale. If you must drop things before the day of the sale, please call Growers. Which brings me to the next item, we need a spot to have a garage sale in early September, someplace with a lot of traffic - please contact Rodney at 942-3221 if you know the spot. Thanks, The Fundraising Committee

HOUSE TO SHARE

I am looking for a person to join me and my dog in making a home. I am moving into a big duplex off of River Road on Oakleigh Street (river side with foot access to the bike path). The room available is a smaller room with a sleeping loft, and a door to the outside. I am asking \$260 a month plus a \$260 refundable deposit. I have a small organic garden and will be putting in winter vegetables.

There is also a water filter for the kitchen and shower. Sorry, the landlord says no more animals. I am interested in living with someone who is into creating beauty, whole food eating, open communication, enjoys being at home and has a positive mindset. If this sounds like you or someone you know please contact me at 717-7473. This is a pager/voice mail. Or you can email me at karibliss@yahoo.com. Namaste, Kari Blochlinger

LIVESTOCK AND GLOBAL WARMING

On page 56 of the July, 2005 issue of Physics Today, freelance physicist Alan Calverd says that people could help fight global warming by becoming vegetarians. He writes, "Farm animals, in other words, generate about 21% of all the carbon dioxide that can be attributed to human activity. So we could significantly reduce anthropogenic emissions of carbon dioxide by abolishing all livestock and eating plants instead." He doesn't mention methane, another greenhouse gas that the meat industry generates. --Milton Takei

MORE ON COWS

Thanks to dense populations of bovines in California's heavily factory farmed San Joaquin Valley, cow burps and flatulence are now creating more smog and greenhouse gases in the local area than cars. Each and every one of the valley's 2.5 million cows excretes nearly 20 pounds of gas per day, causing new policy debates between air quality regulators and the dairy industry. Brent Newell, an attorney for the Center on Race, Poverty & the Environment, says "We are talking about a public health crisis. It's not funny to joke about cow burps and farts when one in six children in Fresno schools is carrying an inhaler." <http://www.organicconsumers.org/OFGU/gases080305.cfm>

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