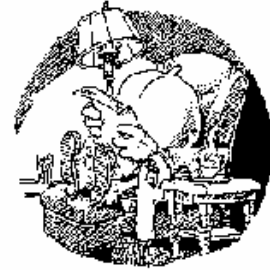




# The Garbanzo Gazette

August 9, 2007



Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

## DEAR GROWERS:

The board has been presented with an opportunity to increase our revenue by expanding the Red Agave space into our current kitchen and bathroom (around 120 square feet). As an organization, we don't have a lotta money. This expansion would provide growers with an estimated \$10,000 over the 7 year term of the current lease. This new money would be used to pay for, among other things, building a new alter-abled-accessible bathroom and a new kitchen for the co-op in the current couch/play area, and (drumroll please) sanding and refinishing the market's floor. No decision has been made by the board as yet. We are currently in the process of gathering bids and other cost and revenue information. During this period (and really, at all times) we welcome public comment. Please talk to the board's coordinator liaison, Samuel, with comments. You can e-mail [samueltutledge@gmail.com](mailto:samueltutledge@gmail.com), talk to him at the market, or (if you absolutely can not get in touch in any other way) leave a phone message at 683-8250. Because a similar issue was discussed several years ago and a decision was made at that time to move forward with a much larger restaurant expansion (which didn't happen because Red Agave changed their minds), and because a timely decision is essential, the board has agreed to make this decision at the board level, taking community input into full account. We will keep you apprised of further developments. Love, Your Loyal BoD

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Growers meeting (board meeting) will be on Wednesday, August 15th, at 6:45 pm. The upstairs tenants will be having a meeting on Tuesday, August 14th, at 2 pm. For both these meetings, if we are not at the round table upstairs in the Growers Market Building, look for us downstairs in the co-op, or elsewhere in the building. The next co-op coordinators meeting is set for Monday, September 10th, at 6:30 pm, at 380 Howard (Monday, September 3rd is Labor Day, so we couldn't meet on that day).

## RESPONSIBLE PERSON NEEDED

We need a reliable person, with experience being reliable and responsible to Growers interested in being even more reliable and responsible by taking on the Thursday, noon to 4:30 coordinator shift. Mimi is vacating this shift in a few weeks. Coordinating at Growers takes a special kind of community-focused responsibility; in fact, this is an unpaid job that requires more responsibility than many paid jobs. With many jobs, for instance, you can call in sick. A Growers Coordinator really needs to make sure there is a replacement. Sometimes no one is available, in which case a coordinator would work sick or whatever. On the other hand, in an emergency, someone always (knock on wood) seems to step up. For instance, Michael covered my shifts that occurred just before and after my mom's passing a few years ago. Another level of responsibility: coordinators really have the lion-

share of responsibility for continually educating and empowering members so that some will take on positions like closing, cashiering and, ultimately, coordinating. In short, we need a person interested in helping the unique experiment in community-based food-shopping that is Growers survive and thrive into the future. If interested, talk to any of the current coordinators.

## HOUSE FOR RENT

As many of you may know already, we are making a move to the Czech Republic, where I'll be teaching English. (I'll be traveling to Prague for interviews next week -wish me luck!). We will be gone for \*at least\* a year, and are looking to rent our house. Here are the details: 1300 sq ft house in the Friendly St neighborhood. Medium sm yard/gardens w/ pear tree. No pesticides since 1994. Growers Market neighbors. Rent may run anywhere from \$750-\$1,000, depending on evolving circumstances and the tenants' willingness to adopt two (well behaved), healthy, elderly gentlemen cats. (Cats' veterinary costs guaranteed for the life of the cats.) We will be asking for first and last month's rent to move in. No dogs please. If interested, email: [cschandler@laughingunicorn.com](mailto:cschandler@laughingunicorn.com)

## SUMMER HERB CLASSES

**Herbs for Massage II Aug. 20-Aug. 27, Mondays 12-4pm, Cost \$80 (Includes all supplies)**

Currently, there is room in both classes, although to take the intermediate-level class, you must have completed a beginning class or have studied herbs previously. Please inquire. Although these courses are geared towards massage, they are open to everyone. *Deadline to register for Herbs for Massage II is Tuesday, August 14th.* If you have questions, please contact us via email ([givingtree@earthlink.net](mailto:givingtree@earthlink.net)) or by calling us at **344-7534**. Thank you, Wendy Loren & Lawrence Birch

*Send submissions to [garbanzo@lists.opn.org](mailto:garbanzo@lists.opn.org). You can also put articles in the garbanzo box at growers. Newsletter copy deadline is 5:00 pm Wednesday. Market hours are Tuesdays 5-7pm; Thursdays 2:30 to 7:30 pm and Fridays 3:00 to 6:30 pm. An orientation to Growers is held each Thursday at 1:30. The Growers email list includes an electronic banzo, events notices, and other misc. info. [growers@lists.opn.org](mailto:growers@lists.opn.org) To subscribe via email, send a message to [growers-join@lists.opn.org](mailto:growers-join@lists.opn.org) Growers Market: 687-1145*