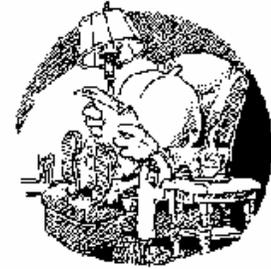




The Garbanzo Gazette

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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

NEED PUMPKINS?? JOIN THE WORK PARTIES!!

Saturday 9/20/08 – at 9:00am Under-floor cleanout work party/fundraiser. Help Growers save \$2,000 through sweat equity. Bring gloves and knee pads. Masks provided. * Double pumpkins. * Call Rodney with questions: 942-3221

Sunday, September 21st from 10-4. What a great way to start the Fall! Celebrate the Equinox by sharing fun, cleaning, and re-organizing adventures with your fellow marketeers. This is an excellent time for folks with limited time available during the week to get some extra pumpkins. And you get that warm fuzzy feeling that comes from a clean co-op. See you there!

STRAWBOSS POSITION - PRODUCE

Sorting Produce, approximately 4 hrs work per week starting at about 10:30. Please contact Julie or Joni or any other coordinator at the market.

STRAWBOSS POSITION - TUESDAY CLOSER

We need a willing and reliable person to help close up the Market on Tuesday evenings. Arrive around 6:30, go home around 7:30. Put away produce, sweep, do dishes, make sure everything is closed, etc. It's a mellow shift and the Tuesday crew is really fun to work with. Contact Taylor on Tuesday or at 683-8250 for more information.

FRIDAY MORNING HOURS

Friday morning shopping will be starting up again, beginning Sept 5th. Please join us Friday mornings from 9:30-12. Remember that you can pre-order for Fridays, if so, please indicate on the form if you plan to pick up during am or pm hours. If you are interested in joining the morning crew (closer), please contact Cialin at cialin@efn.org. See you there!

THE STORY ON LOCAL EGGS. . .SHORT VERSION

by Joni

Oregon law says that all eggs sold by wholesalers, retailers and restaurants must be sold by people who have an egg handlers license and are thus selling eggs treated according to USDA process standards-washed, sanitized, graded, and refrigerated. Farmers can sell the unwashed, un-sanitized, ungraded eggs they produce without a license but only to wholesalers with an egg

handler's license or at a farm stand where the eggs are produced. Alas, we are no longer ignorant of the law...and so, dear reader: There are organic eggs from a wholesaler in the cooler. At this time Growers Market is unable to sell eggs from local flocks unless the flock owners have an Oregon Egg Handler's License.

DRY GOODS NOTES

Our OG Almonds have been coming from Italy. Lately tests done on OG pasteurized almonds grown in CA resulted in a sprouting rate of more than 40%. The almonds are not heated beyond 115 degrees and so are considered raw. We will carry the Ca almonds and not the Italian ones. So far the feedback to my question "can we allow members to special order canned fish?" has been in favor of this idea. No one has objected. I'd still like more feedback. This is only for special orders, not for shelf stock. Please let me know what you think. Thanks, Sue 688-6679

IT'S CAMPAIGN SEASON!

Kitty Piercy and Rob Handy are fighting for the future of Lane County and the City of Eugene. Their campaigns are in full swing, and if we all contribute just a little, they'll win and work toward a healthy, sustainable, and honest community. Both these races are tight and every little bit counts! They are both up against big business, but we can win with volunteers and lots of small donations. Give the offices a call and let them know what you can do, even if it's just an hour: Rob Handy: 484-9595. Kitty Piercy: 334-6727.

ROBBY vs BOBBY

Rob Handy's new website is up!! Thanks to webmaster Mike Gray (MG Computer Systems) the site's been greatly improved and looks beautiful. Check out the new and improved www.robhandy.com. Also, please check out www.bobbywatch.com which was developed by folks in Lane County who want to document the record of Bobby Green to show voters why he should NOT be a Lane County Commissioner any longer.

Send submissions to 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 To subscribe via email, send a message to growers-join@lists.opn.org Growers Market: 687-1145

Pre Order Produce by E-Mail

Send an e-mail to growers.market@gmail.com by Tuesday evening @ 6:30pm to preorder produce for that Thursday.