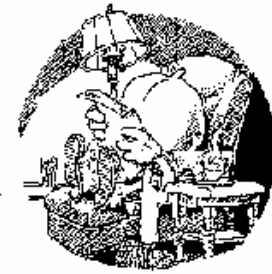


# The Garbanzo Gazette

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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter



## EMERALD VALLEY MAY CLOSE SHOP

*Let decision makers know what you think!!*

Keep Emerald Valley Kitchen in the Emerald Valley!!  
Monterey Gourmet Foods CEO Eric Eddings  
Phone: 1-253-867-0574 (leave a msg, he's in meetings)  
Emerald Valley Kitchen plant manager Ken Eldredge  
Phone: (541)688-3297

Emerald Valley Kitchen - the iconic Eugene salsa and bean dip maker - may hang up the kettles at its north Eugene plant for good, sending 25 local workers to the unemployment line. Parent company Monterey Gourmet Foods opened a new, multiline production plant in Kent, Wash., last month and the new building has room to make the Emerald Kitchen line of products. Emerald Valley Kitchen is profitable and could have stayed put in Eugene if not for its obligations to the larger company, Eldredge said. But all employees can do now is wait for the board to decide their fate. Above are excerpts from a story in the Register Guard:

<http://registerguard.com/csp/cms/sites/web/news/3601112-35/story.csp>

Please let us know when you call, and if you get a response. If you know folks in other areas, ask them to call as well. Together we are strong!! - Jeannine

## LOTS OF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Now is the time to come forward and offer your services, skills and abilities to your Growers Market. See any coordinator for opportunities.

## NEW PRE-ORDER & STANDING ORDER POLICY

In yet another valiant effort to reduce waste here at Growers Market, we are instituting the following policy beginning December 4th for our pre order and standing order shoppers: Each week as you purchase your pre-order produce, please turn your pre-order form in to the cashier as you check out. We (the Growers Market Big Brother) will be tracking the orders looking for patterns. If a member does not pick up their pre-order, we will call to remind them. If a member does not pick up their standing-order, we will stop ordering that standing-order. If we see that there are members who are consistently not picking up pre-orders, we will be initiating problem solving conversations with those members, and may choose to ask certain members not to make pre-orders any more. Please don't take this personally; we've had a lot of produce pre-ordered and not picked up lately, and we've had to write a lot of it off, resulting in a loss to the Market.

## HOLIDAY SHOPPING HOURS

Growers shopping hours for the holidays will be:  
Tuesday, December 23rd: 2:30 to 7:30 pm; Thursday, December 25th: closed; Friday, December 26th: closed; Tuesday, December 30th: 2:30 to 7:30 pm; Thursday, January 1st: closed; Friday, January 2nd: 3:00 to 6:30 pm.

## HELP WITH GROWERS INVENTORY

Growers needs lots of help with the year-end inventory. This year we will be weighing and counting stuff on Tuesday, December 30th starting at 6:30 pm (okay to come late). You can work for only

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### Pre Order Produce by E-Mail

Send an e-mail to [growers.market@gmail.com](mailto:growers.market@gmail.com) by Tuesday evening @ 6:30pm to preorder produce for that week. Growers is now open 9:30-12 on Friday and you can pre-order for Fridays. Indicate on the form if you plan to pick up during am or pm hours. Contact Cialin at [cialin@efn.org](mailto:cialin@efn.org) if you are interesting in joining the Friday morning crew. See you there!

an hour, or work longer. We will finish up on Thursday, January 1st, starting at 3:30 pm. No experience is necessary. We offer double pumpkins to inventory volunteers. --Milton Takei

### **NO STUFF ON THE DOCK**

In order to keep our space clean and free of many kinds of clutter, we need to remind everyone that the dock is not a Free Space. We do not have the means to keep an outdoor free space, so please stop leaving stuff there! The shelf at your left as you walk in the door is a small space for excellent stuff you would like to share. Otherwise, bring your stuff to a Swap or take it to a thrift donation site. Thank you for helping keep our market clean!

### **GROWERS MARKET COOKBOOK?**

Looking for an easy Pumpkin? Submit a recipe for the Cookbook we are creating! Email one or more favorite recipes to [growers.market@gmail.com](mailto:growers.market@gmail.com) We will give you a Pumpkin when you submit your first recipe. Multiple submissions are encouraged, but we can give only one Pumpkin per member. Please make sure that your recipes are either vegetarian or include a vegetarian option. Recipes made with exclusively (or mostly) ingredients that you can get at Growers are preferred. The Cookbook will be sold as a Growers Market fundraiser.

### **SEE YOU NEXT YEAR FROM LOST CREEK FARM!**

Hey fellow Marketeers. We are nearing the end of our stock of storage crops. It has not been an easy year to store produce with the fluctuating fall temperatures. So, see you next year! Feel free to contact us at [info@lostcreekfarmorganics.com](mailto:info@lostcreekfarmorganics.com) or check out the website at [www.lostcreekfarmorganics.com](http://www.lostcreekfarmorganics.com). Details about next years CSA, etc can be found there. Happy winter! Mari & David.

### **COUNTY VEGETATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OPENING**

The county Vegetative Management Advisory Committee (VMAC) is taking applications until Dec. 19. This committee advises the Board of Commissioners on county roadside matters including

alternatives to herbicides and emerging research information. The commissioners have imposed an indefinite moratorium on herbicide use because of VMAC and citizen concerns. Application forms can be printed from the Lane County, OR website under Advisory Committees or from the County Administration office. Contact: Orin Schumacher, Integrated Vegetation Management Coordinator, 682-6908, applications are available at the Board of Commissioners' Office, located on the Plaza Level of the Public Service Building at 125 East 8th Avenue in Eugene. For additional information, or to request applications, please call 682-6908.

**VEGETATION MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VMAC):** Acts as a forum for public input into the County's Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM) Program and Last Resort Ordinance. Reviews roadside vegetation management needs and related issues and makes recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners. Works with Public Works staff to establish roadside vegetation management priorities in keeping with available funds and IVM methodologies. Reviews requests for vegetation management activities beyond the scope of routine maintenance. Reviews the program standards and policies, including long-range planning for future program needs and prepares recommendations for Board action as necessary. Serves as liaison group in representing the roadside vegetation management concerns of the community to the Board and representing Board decisions to the community. Meetings are every other month. (Wednesdays, 5:30-7:30 p.m., 2nd week of the month), 7 at-large members, 3 vacancies. Application Deadline: 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 19, 2008.

*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*

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