

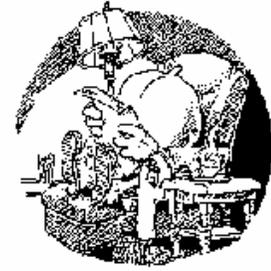


The Garbanzo Gazette

January 22, 2009



Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter



Next Growers Cleaning Party: Sunday, Feb 8th, 10-4. Come get those pumpkins and help get things done @ Growers!

PRODUCT RECALL

Clif Bar and Co. announced a voluntary recall of Clif and Luna brand bars that contain peanut butter due to possible salmonella contamination. If you purchased any of these bars at Growers, you may return them for a full refund. Growers has removed them from the shelves.

GROWERS FUNDRAISER

My band (Patas Arriba) is organizing a Growers Market fundraiser for Tuesday, February 10th, at Cozmic Pizza, 199 W. 8th, Eugene. Some of Jon Bilenki's students will start performing at 5 pm, and Patas Arriba will play at about 7:30. We will ask a suggested donation of \$3 to \$5. "Patas Arriba" means "upside down," as in a ladybug on its back. The name comes from a book by Eduardo Galeano. We sing songs in both English and Spanish; some of our music is conjunto (hailing from Texas and Northern Mexico). Our original songs reflect what Maria Kirwin heard when growing up in rural Arizona; Marshall Gause has been influenced by the various musical genres of San Antonio, Texas. You might call their songs Western country or folk. One of our songs is about why people should come back to Eugene. -Milton Takei

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Growers meeting (board meeting) will be on Wednesday, January 28th, at 5:45 pm. 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, January 19th, at 6 pm, place TBA. Tuesday, January 20th

YES WE CAN GROW BEANS AND GRAINS IN THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY!

Farmers: if you are curious about the viability of growing dry beans and grain crops in the Willamette Valley, please join us for a panel discussion on the results of 2008 field trials at Sunbow Farm (Corvallis) and Stalford Seed Farms (Tangent): 1- 4pm, Lane County Extension, 950 W 13th Ave, Eugene Farmers from Sunbow Farm and Stalford Seed Farms will discuss what was grown, what worked, and what didn't. They will share the details of the harvest, processing, storage, and sales, as well as their plans for the next growing season. In addition, there will be a second panel discussion on Local Markets. A wholesale distributor, a retailer, and a community buying club organizer will discuss who purchased the 2008 crops, the volume of demand that was not met in 2008, and existing as well as possible future markets. Please RSVP to (541) 686-0921 (Hummingbird Wholesale) or by e-mail to Julie@hummingbirdwholesale.com

Read more about the Southern Willamette Valley Bean & Grain Project at:

<http://mudcitypress.com/beanandgrain2.html>

SHOP ON YOUR FRIDAY LUNCH HOUR!

Just a reminder that Friday mornings begin on Jan 9th, and we'll be opening and closing a little later, thus bridging the lunch hour! As of Jan 9th, on Friday mornings Growers will be open from 10-1. Please remember that you can pre-order produce and have it waiting for you on Fridays – get those orders in by Tues @ 7pm. Thanks.

LOTS OF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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

BOARD RETREAT

The Growers board of directors recently held their annual retreat. (Disclaimer: This retreat was self-funded by the board members themselves.) Eight members gathered in calming Florence to discuss many agenda items including:

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 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 if you are interesting in joining the Friday morning crew. See you there!

larger goals, strategies for achieving larger goals, who is running for a second term, what do we want to accomplish before our terms are done, liaison check in, BOD selection, and Market coordinator appreciation dinner. Many ideas came out of these discussions, and we look forward to making some decisions at our next board meeting based upon these discussions. This was also a fun and relaxing weekend which consisted of a mean game of Scrabble, Led Zeppelin on a giant flat screen tv, watching the full moon rise through the surrounding trees, bbq tuna, good drinks, entertaining conversation, massages, walks on the beach, and a visit to the local food cooperative. This date also marks the boards first naked meeting in a hot tub. Yeah Growers!

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.

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 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.

GROWING GROWER'S MARKET COMMUNITY

An ongoing 'Banzo series helping the Grower's Market Community to build upstairs/downstairs relationships and community spirit

For close to 30 years many people in Eugene have organized, participated and found a home in the Peace and Justice activities of Eugene PeaceWorks (EPW). EPW was started by local community members in an effort to stop nuclear waste shipments in the NorthWest and prevent national nuclear proliferation. EPW expanded its organizing vision and has been uniting community members to organize in a myriad of efforts including the Justice Not War Coalition, CopWatch, Food Not Bombs, Subversive Pillow Theater, Lane County American Peace Test, The Viewing Project, Eugene Global Justice Organizing Project, Eugene Media Action, Committee for Countering Military Recruitment and various other projects. Some of EPW's current work includes:

- Helping organize veterans and other volunteers to offer realistic views of military service and non-military career options to high-schoolers throughout Lane County
- Organizes speaker events including such political heavyweights and visionaries as: Jim Hightower, Molly Ivins, Medea Benjamin, Norman Solomon, David Barsamian, and Daniel Ellsberg.
- Campaign to Keep Oregon's National Guard in Oregon

If you would like to get involved or help support this work, just stop upstairs at Grower's Market and talk to us in room #205. You can also visit our website, call or e-mail us. We need volunteers, organizers and board members so...get active with EPW! www.eugenepeaceworks.org or eugpeace@efn.org

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

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