

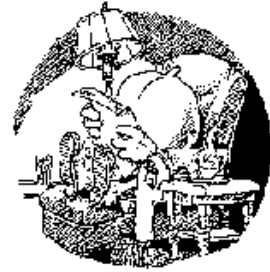


# The Garbanzo Gazette

December 20, 2012



Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter



## GROWERS MARKET NEWS

### Meetings

Coordinators Mtg: 6pm Monday 12/10 at Growers

### Help Wanted

**Tues:** Closer approx 7-8pm. Contact Myriah at 541-343-6008 or Shana at 541-525-5373 or stop by on Tues.

**Thurs:** Cashiers needed – Contact Coordinator on duty.

**Thurs:** Thursday Opening coordinator needed from 9 AM to 12:30 PM. Contact David at davidklausman@yahoo.com

### Alternate Week Coordinators:

Thursday Morning 9-12

Thursday Afternoon 12-4:30 – Contact Laurie (stop by thurs)

**Website:** <http://GrowersMarket.net>

## HELP WITH GROWERS YEAR-END INVENTORY

Growers needs lots of volunteer help with the year-end inventory. This year, the counting and weighing will be on Friday, December 28th, starting at 6:30 pm. We will finish up on Saturday, December 29th, starting at 11 am. You can be an hour late if you want. You can work for an hour or help out for longer. Growers will be open for shopping on Friday, December 28th, so you will be able to shop before you help with inventory on that day. We offer double pumpkins, so volunteering for inventory is a good opportunity for students and other busy people who have a little free time at the end of the year. Darcy Strange will again be coordinating the counting and weighing (thank you, Darcy). –Milton

## OFFICES FOR RENT

The Growers Market Building will have two offices for rent as of January 1, 2013. Office 202 is 154 sq ft and rents for \$115 per month while office 203 is 282 sq ft and rents for \$195 per month. This second office has two rooms. Rent includes electric and/or gas heat and high speed internet access. There are two common meeting rooms that tenants may use. Contact building manager Edward Winter at [growmgr@gmail.com](mailto:growmgr@gmail.com) if you are interested.

## STRIKE AT GROWERS SUPPLIER

On December 13th, the Organic Consumers Association (OCA) called on its 800,000 members and supporters to boycott Woodstock Foods, the private label owned by United Natural Foods (UNFI), the largest wholesale distributor of natural and organic foods in the U.S. UNFI is a Growers Market supplier. The boycott is intended to show solidarity with UNFI workers who went on strike in Washington State on December 10, after months of complaints by truck drivers and warehouse workers about numerous violations of labor rights by UNFI management officials.

The National Labor Relations Board is currently investigating UNFI for 45 violations of federal labor law. The charges include allegations that UNFI engaged in worker surveillance, intimidation and retaliation, that it refused to bargain in good faith, and that it illegally reassigned bargaining unit work.

"Organic consumers believe that health, sustainability, and justice must go hand-in-hand," said Ronnie Cummins, National Director of the OCA. "We must refuse to give our hard-earned consumer dollars to companies, even those producing organic and natural foods, who are exploiting workers in the food chain. Workers include farmers, farm workers, processing workers, truck drivers, warehouse workers and retail clerks. OCA will not tolerate industry giant UNFI's continued acts of worker intimidation, exploitation, and refusals to bargain in good faith," Cummins said. Contact information: Katherine Paul, 207.653.3090, [katherine@organicconsumers.org](mailto:katherine@organicconsumers.org)

*Send submissions to [garbanzo@lists.opn.org](mailto:garbanzo@lists.opn.org). Newsletter copy deadline is 5:00 pm Wednesday. Market hours are Tuesdays 5:30-7:30pm; Thursdays 2:30 to 7:30 pm and Fridays 10:00 am 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: 541-687-1145*

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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.