

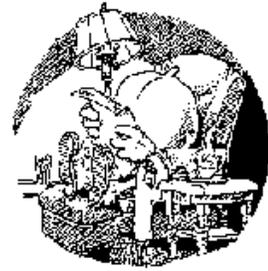


The Garbanzo Gazette

March 26, 2015



Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter



GROWERS MEETINGS

Coordinators Mtg – 6pm, Mon 4/6, at Growers

GROWERS MARKET ANNUAL MEETING

The Growers Market annual meeting will be happening starting at 6 pm on Friday, April 24th, in one of the meeting rooms upstairs in the common area of the Growers Market Building. Since the Growers board of directors is elected at the annual meeting, people might want to start thinking about serving on the board. If you want, you can introduce yourself to the Growers community through an item in the Garbanzo Gazette. --Milton

STRAWBOSS POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Stock & Stickers - see below

Coordinator, every other Fri, 1-4pm

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Opener, every other Fri

Closer, Thursday 6:30pm to 8ish

Cheese Crew, every other Tues – see below

If interested, then talk to the coordinator when you are at Growers and submit an application

STOCK & STICKERING

We need a possible second person to put on price stickers and stock the 'candy' and 'snack' sections of the dry goods shelves. the job will usually take between one and two hours a week, requires accurate placement of items and stock rotation. phil or i will train you for the job, it is somewhat detail oriented. the job can be done when the orders arrive, alternate tuesday and wednesday depending upon the united or azure delivery schedule, it can also be done thursday prior to 2:30 when growers opens. if you are interested in this position (it would help if you could plan on doing the job for a year or longer), please ask the coordinator for an application. if you need more information feel free to give me a call. thanks so much for your interest sue 541-688-6679.

COORDINATOR URGENTLY NEEDED

Starting Mar 13th, every other Friday from 10a -1p

Oversees the regular operations of the Market during their shift. The coordinator on duty assigns work to volunteers and answers any questions regarding Growers Market operations. Able to handle a variety of tasks, open and/or

close the market, and be able to contribute to the Co-op coordinators meeting once a month. Ideally, someone who has a good working knowledge of how the market functions and who has been volunteering for pumpkins for a few months. If interested please come by Market between 10a and 1pm on Friday and speak directly to Cialin, or email her at cialin@efn.org.

CHEESE CREW POSITION

Starting April 7th, there will be a position opening on the cheese crew that meets every other Tuesday from about 5:30 - 7 pm +/- . The position includes cutting blocks of cheese, wrapping and pricing them, and ordering cheese for the following week. Please email Jenna at jenna.concinnitydesign@gmail.com for more information, or you can show up on a Tuesday evening and speak with any of the quesistas at the back of the market near the kitchen. Position will remain open until filled. Thank you.

GROWERS MONEY

The Growers Market Cooperative Fruit Booth at the Country Fair gave the co-op \$4000 in 2014, money they made in 2013 and 2014. Without the donation, the co-op would have lost about \$4000. A co-op loss is not the same thing as a loss for Growers Market, Inc. as a whole, since the co-op is only a part of the corporation. The co-op pays the Growers Market Building bank account \$500 per month as a contribution to the general fund, and the Building in turn pays for the co-op's utilities. Figures from 2004 to 2014 show a 2006 low point in total co-op sales (\$217,022), a peak in 2011 (\$359,983), then a decline in total sales to \$306,205 in 2014. The U.S. economic meltdown happened in 2008. Today, more people have jobs, and less time to volunteer, but many of them could probably still use cheap organic food. 2014 was a good year for the Building part of Growers Market, Inc., which showed a surplus of \$15,532. 2014 was a year to build back our reserves.

--Milton

STEVE SHAPIRO VISIT AND REQUEST

Hi All. Have you ever wondered what happened to Steve, Sharon and Dan? Did you know Steve, Sharon or Dan? If you did, then read on. Else skip to the item wanted section :-) We left Eugene abruptly in November, 2013 and landed in Raleigh, NC. It was a whirlwind due to my lack of being able to find a job in Eugene and finding a really good fit with a small software company in Raleigh that went from initial interview to job start in 5 weeks. If you have a child in college or were in college yourself (not U of O) and lived

in campus housing within the last 10 years, you may have used our software to book your room.

So here we are, living in a town north of Raleigh. It's a huge suburban sprawl that has most of the resources we want. We are members of a small coop, have a small farmers market in our town and free range meat is plentiful. Dan is taking advantage of the many more youth sports opportunities available for him (hockey and rugby). We are still feeling not quite grounded and out of place. Most of the homes are in developer subdivisions with draconian home owners associations that require a lawn. We found a home outside of those areas are looking forward to redesigning the yard to accommodate a garden and chickens.

Our contact information is:

SteveSharonAndDan@gmail.com; Steve Cell: (919) 630-8099. We'll be visiting Eugene March 24-27.

If you'd like to get together let us know and we'll try to arrange. We plan to get back at least once a year to visit family.

Item Wanted: We used to have a big collection of Nancy's 64 oz yogurt containers. There is no similarly sized product sold here, and our collection of usable containers has been diminishing. If you have any, please let us know and we'll arrange to pick them up from you Thurs afternoon/evening or Friday morning before we leave. Thank you, Steve

Send submissions to 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 To subscribe via email, send a message to growers-join@lists.opn.org Growers Market: 541-687-1145, GrowersMarket.net