



The Garbanzo Gazette

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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

GROWERS MEETINGS

Board – 6pm, Thursday 5/25 at Growers.

Coordinators – 6pm, Wednesday, 5/31 at Growers

GROWERS MONEY

The Growers Market food co-op lost \$6,370 in 2016, compared to being \$11,022 on the minus side in 2015. The co-op sales were \$28,202 less in 2016 (\$250,548 in 2016 versus \$278,750 in 2015). To properly compare 2016 and 2015, we need to take into account the fact the board had the co-op stop paying the \$500 per month contribution to the general fund for the last three months of 2015, and the moratorium extended though all of 2016. Hence, to compare 2015 and 2016 we should add \$1,500 to the loss for 2015, and add \$6,000 to the figure for 2016. So the co-op really did only \$152 better in 2016, compared to the previous year.

From 2004 to 2016, the plus/minus for the co-op (the so-called "bottom line") has been: for 2004: plus \$3,788; for 2005: plus \$6,095; for 2006: minus \$5,831; for 2007: minus \$4,775; for 2008: plus \$13,805; for 2009: plus \$5,564; for 2010: minus \$5,215; for 2011: plus \$8,010; for 2012: minus \$2,776; for 2013: minus \$4,075; for 2014: minus \$4,041; for 2015: minus \$11,022; for 2016: minus \$6,370.

--Milton

WORKSHOPS

Converting Lawns to Gardens Workshop, and Garden Tour May 21, Sunday, 3:00p.m. Part of Garden Workshop Educational Series, join us for an overview on the importance of gardening in your yard and a part-by-part break down on how to convert your conventional lawn into a thriving practical garden. The focus will be on building a healthy organic garden to harvest vegetables, and herbs, as well as discussing native plants. Tour, and learn the story of the grassroots free community garden, Common Ground, and get an interactive map of the garden. Rain or shine, family friendly event, please bring a chair optional.

Exchange: 3-25\$ donation

Location: Common Ground Garden, 21st and Van Buren Street, Eugene To connect: 775-209-0145,

Literature@riseup.net

Soil Health Workshop, and Plant Swap, May 28, Sunday, 3:00p.m. Part of Garden Workshop Educational Series, we will be discussing healthy soil as a garden foundation, and working with soil samples. Bring your plants, seeds, and stories. This community event allows us to combine networking, seed sharing, and education. Learn basic culinary, medicinal, and craft uses for plants. Come with your seed saving questions. Learn to fold seed packets to take home hand harvested regional seeds. Rain or shine family friendly event, please bring a chair optional.

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A SONG WRITTEN FOR RALLIES

Allegiance to the Earth

Written by: Kuwa Jasiri (first name)

From the Earth we have grown,
Planet, body, Gaia, home.

From the Earth we have grown,
this we feel in our bones.

When we work 9 to 5,
we lose sight of our pride.

When we work 9 to 5,
working class a rising tide.

Lift our voices up in song,
keep our momentum steady.

Lift our voices up in song,
united we are ready.

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.