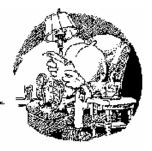


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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

NEW COORDINATORS NEEDED for

Thursday afternoons every other week. Backup coordinators are needed for every shift. See Jeanine at the market Thursday mornings or call her at home: 461-1614

WHAT A GREAT IDEA....The Lane County Food Directory is now available on the literature rack outside Growers. The Directory, published by the Lane County Food Coalition is a compendium of local farms, markets, restaurants and retailers selling locally produced food. – Steve Shapiro

APOCALYPTIC COMEDY

It might be the end of the world again! What do you do? Who do you blame? What do you WEAR? Ashland playwright and comedienne Joanie McGowan answers these and other timely questions during "Rude Awakening", her explosive comedy about waking up in the morning to an End of the World Alert. "Rude Awakening" will be performed Wednesday, August 20th through Sunday, August 24 at the Comedy Sportz Arena, 10th and Oak Streets, downtown Eugene. McGowan plays herself in the show, a 47-year old single woman in a tiny rental apartment, rudely jostled from a lovely dream by an emergency broadcast from Fox McFearlips of the American Spellcasting Network. McFearlips then leads McGowan through a series of Apocalyptic preparations, many of which come directly from the Department of Homeland Security's website, www.ready.gov.

"Rude Awakening" will be performed on August 20th and 21st at 8 PM, August 22nd at 8 and 9:30 PM, August 23rd at 2 PM and 10 PM and August 24th at 2 PM and 8 PM. Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door and can be purchased at Tsunami Books, 2585 Willamette, and Star Gate, 1374 Willamette. Information and will call reservations are available at 688-8270. \$2 from the sale of each ticket will be donated to the Lane

County Bill of Rights Defense Committee to support their educational efforts.

GROWERS CONTROVERSIES

By now, I assume that most of you have seen the display in the co-op about the restaurant expansion proposal. Growers is an organization that tries to involve people in decisions. More important matters warrant a greater effort to make sure people have an opportunity to participate. We have given the co-op coordinators the power to make many less crucial decisions, but everyone should remember that they can't just do whatever they want. You should hear our Friday discussions about tofu. Controversies swirl periodically through Growers, yet a relatively small number of people attend board meetings. But Growers does not use the form of consensus decision-making whereby people not present at the meeting just lose out. Anyone can come to a future meeting to raise their concerns about something the board has decided. People can also have a spokesperson represent them at a meeting, but communication can then be distorted. Also, consensus works best if people are at the meeting to negotiate on their own behalf. According to my calendar, the next board meeting is: Tuesday, August 19th at 7 pm. The board normally meets in the common area upstairs in the Growers Market Building, but might move to the children's area of the co-op. If more people come to the meetings, we can hopefully expand the pool of people who have a good acquaintance with Growers discussions. --Milton Takei

VOLUNTEER CARPENTER?

The PeaceWorks/JNW/Forest Defenders office is in need of a carpenter to install a new deadbolt system in our metallic door. If anyone is able and willing to help us out by volunteering your time, please talk to Leanne in ONRC or Phil in the EPW office. -- Thanks, Phil and Leanne

SALAVADORAN TEACHERS /COMMUNITY ACTIVISTS TO SPEAK

Friday, August 8, 2003 at 7pm there will be a presentation by Monica and Ventura Alas entitled: Faith, Hope, and Community Development in Rural El Salvador, at the First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive Street here in Eugene.

Monica and Ventura Alas grew up in Teosinte, a remote community of refugees of the war located in northern El Salvador. Both received scholarships from Women's Empowerment Partnership and graduated from the University of El Salvador in September 2002, with bachelor's degrees in education.

Cosponsored by CISCAP. For more information, contact Sylvia Gregory, 485-3406

COMING THIS FALL! 3rd Annual: PEACE, JUSTICE AND MEDIA CONFERENCE

October 9-12 at U of O Campus in Eugene National Speakers; Workshops; San Francisco Mime Troupe; Poets for Peace and Peace Forum; Free Weekend Children's Program. Plus: October 25th: Nationally Syndicted Columnist, Molly Ivins For more info call Justice Not War Coalitions 541 343 8548 or www.justicenotwarcoalition.org

Please continue to collect apricot pits for me.

Let them air dry and I'll either collect them from you Thursdays @ market or make arrangements to fetch them. Thanx, Steve 689-7579

Housemate & Piano Sought

Tanja and I are looking for a housemate (or a couple) beginning in September or October to live with us in our home in the River Road area (Beebe Ln). It's a comfy place, with room to spread out a bit. Available are a 10x11 bedroom and part of a living room, with fireplace. There's a great little front porch, and a generous-sized back deck. Talk with me at the Market, or call us at 343-0574 if you think you might know someone, or if you're that someone yourself! Thanks, Zorba. **Piano sought:** Also, we're looking for a beginner's upright piano. Know anyone wanting to cast off an older piano? We are looking for a fairly inexpensive instrument, under \$200.

JUST MOVED: need wood dresser, kitchen/dining table & chairs and a small canister vacuum. Planet 344-7583

EmeraldEcos every first and third Monday of the month at Sam Bond's @ 6:00pm. come and be involved with creating our own currency.

Next gathering 8/18/03 for more info Ben 543-6448 www.emeraldecos.org

JOB WANTED Speech pathologist and special ed teacher looking for all kinds of work, not limited to education. Merrill 685-0747

This newsletter was edited by Julie Fischer. Send comments or article submissions to garbanzo@efn.org. If you don't have computer access, you can put articles in the garbanzo box at growers. Newsletter copy deadline is 5:00 pm Tuesday. Market hours are 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.