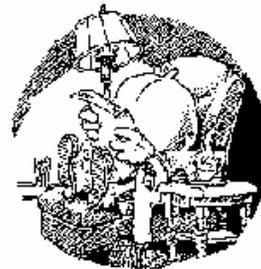


The Garbanzo Gazette

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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

STRAWBOSES AND COORDINATORS:

We have a log book by the main cash register. There is a section marked for you to enter your name, phone, growers job and time. It would be great to have a complete list.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Growers meetings (board meetings) will be on Thursday, May 26th at 7 pm, and on Tuesday, June 14th at 6: 30 pm. The co-op coordinators' meeting is set for Wednesday, May 18th at 7 pm. The consensus decision-making training will be on Tuesday, May 24th, from 6 pm to 9 pm. If you can't find a meeting at the round table upstairs in the Growers Market Building, you should try downstairs in the co-op, or elsewhere in the building. -- Milton Takei

DRY GOODS NOTES

Bulk organic frozen fruit is coming back. We have mangos, strawberries and blueberries (from Royal Blue). Others will soon be available. Whoever special ordered the shelled edamame, it is in the special order freezer. The tag was lost. More miso is coming over the next week or two. --Sue

CONSENSUS/FACILITATION TRAINING

Grower's Market is hosting a free Consensus/Facilitation Training. It will be held Tuesday, May 24th, from 6-9PM at the Grower's Round Table. Lysbeth Borie with the Alpha Institute will be teaching the class. If you are interested in attending, please contact Kari Blochlinger at 343-7719 or email me at karibliss@yahoo.com.

ANNUAL SPRING BENEFIT CELEBRATION

Thursday May 12th 6-9 pm at the UO Urban Farm for the *School Garden Project*: A non-profit organization helping Lane County schools create, maintain, and use school gardens since 2001

Buffet dinner, activities for kids, silent auction, school garden displays, free plants, and live music. \$5-\$10 suggested donation. Please bring your own plate, cup, and utensils if possible.

Directions by car: From Franklin Blvd, go north on Onyx and park by the duck pond in Lot #2 (free after 6), then walk east and follow the signs to the Urban Farm. Please forward this message to anyone who might be interested. Thanks!

The School Garden Project of Lane County
P.O. Box 30072, Eugene, OR 97403
(541) 284-9984, sgp@efn.org, www.efn.org/~sgp

CALLING ALL ARTISTS!

There is a project in the works to create a puzzle comprised of the artwork of the Whittaker neighborhood, and Growers is so honored as to be asked to provide one of the pieces. If you are interested in being the person to create the Growers piece of the puzzle, please submit your name, contact information, and a verbal description of your idea, sooner than later. There will be a coffee can or the equivalent receptacle near the cashiers identified for this purpose...

It would be great if we could get the ideas in short enough order to be able to make a decision and let the selected artist have as much time as possible to manifest their idea! (If you want more information on the whole project, please look for the poster on the door regarding the Puzzle Project.)

There is a new blog as well (because the old one got filled up and won't even let me go there to put in a link to the new one. Dag!) The new address anticipates repetition of this problem, so if it fills up and won't let me back to put a link in, you can expect jib3, jib4 etc
<http://mypeoplepc.com/members/beaniebear/jib2>

If you'd like to go to the old one, it is all the same except that instead of jib2 it has Shantiknoll after the last backlash.

Beauty is Before us, Beauty is Behind us, Beauty is Beside us, Above us and Below us.

Be Love! - Isabella

AN OPINION ON WHOLE FOODS`

The city is now considering making yet another land swap/property deal to bring "Whole Foods" the Wal-Mart of 'natural' foods to Eugene. Maybe the City Council,

Mayor and City Manager are unfamiliar with the labor practices and operations of Whole Foods. Whole Foods is non-union where employees receive low wages and are powerless. In addition, there is no labeling of GMO ingredients in their Whole Foods brand products. With so many unknown health and environmental considerations surrounding the safety of genetically engineered foods, labeling products that do and do not contain GE ingredients is simple common sense.

Whole Foods CEO John Mackey has spouted anti-union rhetoric for years. "Here's the way I like to think of it. The union is like having herpes. It doesn't kill you, but it's unpleasant and inconvenient and it stops a lot of people from becoming your lover," said Mackey (Business and Society Review, 6/22/92).

Eugene doesn't need another corporate 'natural food' store. Safeway, Albertson's, Fred Meyer, Market of Choice and Grocery Outlet offer conventional and organic food products to the public. Plus Growers

Market, Sundance, Kiva, The Red Barn and the New Frontier Market offer organically grown local produce and food products to our community. And let's not forget our Tuesday and Saturday Farmers Markets. We need to continue to support our local farmers and businesses and keep the essence of our community unique.

Please Contact City Manager, Dennis Taylor, Mayor Piercy and City Council Members to share your feelings with them about 'Whole Foods' in Eugene. Thanks. -- Sincerely, Planet Glassberg

FOR RENT

PRIVATE, Two bedroom house with studio in SECLUDED ARTISTS COMMUNITY - Live, work, sell. GALLERY, GREENHOUSE/ GARDEN - \$650. + utilities + deposit. Partial work trade. Whiteaker. 683-0626. --Sterling and Ruth

SEEKING OLD FRUIT BOOTH PHOTOS

When you go to the Country Fair do you start your conversations with; I remember when..or these kids today..? Do you prefer earlier nights at the fair or have to pick which night to stay up past Midnight? Do think about Crows feet when you look in the mirror? Do you find grey sexy? Then perhaps you were part of the Fruit Booth back in the seventies and early eighties. I am looking for photos for a collage to exhibit at the fair. If you were part of StarFlower, Willamette People's COOP, or Cooperative Fruit or any of the folks that shared the booth please contact me at 302-1518 or stevekind03@yahoo.com I am also interested in stories from that time. I can put all photos on disc and return them to their owners. Thanks for your time, Steve Brown, Fruit Booth.

LOCAL DUCK EGGS FOR SALE

Will deliver in town. All colors and sizes. \$3 per dozen. I can also mix chicken eggs in the dozen if preferred. Please call Stephanie at 914-3587 to purchase.

GROWERS E-MAIL LIST

If you are interested in Growers happenings related to either the co-op or the upstairs offices, you might wish to subscribe to the Growers e-mail list. You can use the following internet address to subscribe:

<http://mailman.efn.org/mailman/listinfo/growers>

HELP US MOVE ON SUNDAY

Everyone, come help Lily, Kirk, Aurie to move on Sunday May 15th, Please give us a call at 338-4436. 7 years at one place, we sure could use the help. We are moving from 15th and Mill to 4th and Polk.

WORLD HEALING VIGILS

Join a month long vigil and fast for world healing. Ceremony of commitment and support Sunday May 15th, 4:30 pm. Federal Building 7th and Pearl. Contact Peg Morton 342-2914. Daily vigils May 16th through June 11 (12 noon to 1pm at the Federal Building. 4-5:30pm at the Eugene Library.

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