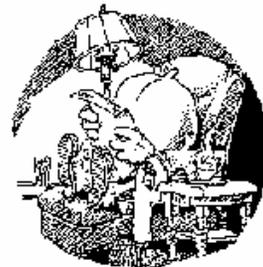


The Garbanzo Gazette

June 2, 2005



Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

UPCOMING MEETINGS

A Growers Market Building tenants' meeting is set for Tuesday, June 7th at 1:30 pm. The next Growers meetings (board meetings) will be on Tuesday, June 14th at 6: 30 pm, and Tuesday, June 28th at 6: 30 pm. If you can't find one of the meetings at the round table upstairs in the Growers Market Building, you should try downstairs in the co-op, or elsewhere in the building.

NEED COUNTRY FAIR DAY PASS?

It's that time of year again to sign up to work a 2-hour shift in the Growers Market Fruit Booth at the Oregon Country Faire. This booth is a fun fundraiser for Growers market as well as great community outreach. A 2-hour shift entitles you to a ticket that is not only discounted, but also allows you to enter the Faire early in the morning if you want. The sign up sheet for this will be posted up front at Growers this week. We will call everyone on the sheet to set up work times. Come join the fun! Call Jaci at 541-758-9156 or Jennefer at 302-1518 if you need more information.

NEW GAZETTE E-MAIL ADDRESS

The e-mail address for the Garbanzo Gazette has changed. You can now send your gazette items to: <garbanzo@lists.opn.org>.

EARNING PUMPKINS ON TUESDAYS

You now have the opportunity to earn pumpkins on Tuesdays, 9 am to 1:30 pm. But best to call ahead before coming down, 687-1145 (This is the number that is in the phone book). – Milton Takei

STRAWBOSS POSITION OPEN

I am currently taking care of the dairy cooler, the freezers and some of the dried food items, every Thursday morning for about 2 and a half hour (with the help of volunteers). I had originally committed to the task every other Thursday, but sort of fell into doing it every Thursday. As my summer schedule is

going to be changing, I need to go back to every other Thursday. I am looking for someone to share the task with ASAP. Please let me know. 685-2548. Thanks, Stephanie Chappell.

COUNTRY FAIR MOSIAC

I'm wanting to make a mosaic plaque (approx. 10" X 12") as our year round 'booth icon' for the Country Fair Fruit Booth. It will depict a cornucopia with fruit spilling from it, so I will need some tiles, broken or breakable dishes, tiles or colored glass with which to create this image. Bright fruit colors are going to be the toughest to find, and if anyone has any of the above with actual pictures of fruit on them, they would be particularly welcome. I'll leave a box or bag in front of the cash register, between the two shopping lines and under the mailboxes, for any contributions. I'll also take any experienced advice on this kind of project, as I've never done one before! Pax, Cathy Chandler

JOIN US FOR DAILY PEACE VIGILS

Daily vigils from May 16-June 11, noon-1 pm at the Federal Building and 4:30-5:30 pm at the Eugene Library.

Please join us for the ceremony in any way that fits your time frame. You are invited to fast if the spirit moves you. These vigils are an invitation into a vision of hope, not of confrontation. We are reminded that the whole world is hungry for food and a vision.

This action is endorsed by Progressive Responses, Community Alliance for Lane County (CALC), Face in Action, Social Concern Committee of Eugene Friends Meeting, Justice Not War Coalition, Church Women United and Taxes for Peace not War. For more information call Peg Morton 342-2914.

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POSSOM PLACE OPPORTUNITIES

Handyperson Position Available in Artists Community. Looking for artistic single or couple, experienced in organic gardening, willing to work part or full time in plant nursery/ garden/ kitchen, for room (22 ft. motor home) and board + possible small stipend. Live - Work - Sell Gallery/ Greenhouse/ Garden Secluded Green Whiteaker Neighborhood

For Rent Private House In Artist Community 1 bedroom house/ studio - \$550+ Deposits + utilities Live - Work - Sell Gallery, Greenhouse/ Garden Secluded Green Whiteaker Neighborhood Call to submit portfolio, tapes, etc. and pick up application. 683-0626 --Sterling and Ruth

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY TOWN SUPPER

EVERYONE IS INVITED to a Family and Community Town Supper (FACTS) on Lane County Eco-tourism - Let's Get Creative on Wednesday, June 15, 2005, 6-8pm, St. Mary's Episcopal Church parish hall, 13th and Pearl, Eugene presented by Helios Resource Network www.heliosnetwork.org 284-7020. Eat! Converse! Enjoy! Bring the whole family and help make Lane County the Sustainability County. Scrumptious dinner of pozolé and flan prepared by Juventud FACETA of the Amigos Multicultural Services Center Moderated by Commissioner Pete Sorenson, help from Mayor Kitty Piercy. Discussion Points by Sue Gorham, Convention and Visitors Association of Lane County, and others.

FACTS is an award-winning model that was created to: build and strengthen community bonds; bridge gaps among people of different ages, races, belief systems, and classes; promote family involvement and communication; provide opportunities for youth to participate as equals; encourage citizenship and community involvement; and build support for community initiatives.

Tickets are \$5 each available at
- Helios Resource Network, 1192 Lawrence St., 284-7020 (Mon. 9-5pm, Wed. 9-1pm, Fri. 9-1pm)
- Letterhead, 25 E. 8th between Willamette and Oak Childcare and Spanish translation available. Feed the little ones at home, and they get in free to play in the supervised playroom. Older kids and teens are heartily invited to talk part in the discussion over dinner. Call Dianne Lobes at Helios Resource

Network, 284-7020, for information or to volunteer or donate. If you're living lightly and choose to come, we have volunteer positions available.

GM FOODS MESS UP RATS

Monsanto's confidential research finds that GM foods mess up rats. Rats fed with genetically modified (GM) corn exhibited health problems including shrunken kidneys and blood changes that could indicate immune-system damage or tumors. However, no one knows all the details, since the folks who did the research are the same folks selling the corn -- GM behemoth Monsanto -- and they won't release their 1,139-page study. Monsanto claims it "contains confidential business information which could be of commercial use to our competitors," but the brief research summary was alarming enough that U.K. government ministers and scientists are pressing for more information. The study is likely to make the ongoing debate over GM foods in the European Union even more rancorous. It's also likely to be seen by some as vindication of the research done by Arpad Pusztai, who seven years ago found similar results in rats eating GM potatoes, and was subsequently vilified and driven out of the scientific world.

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Growers Market: 687-1145