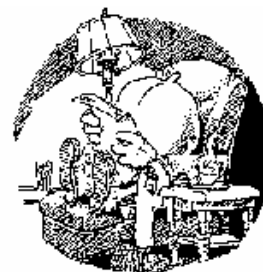


The Garbanzo Gazette

June 12, 2008



Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

GROWERS CLOSED 6/20 FOR SOLSTICE AND FRIDAY MORNINGS

Growers Market will be closed on Friday, the 20th of June so that we can all enjoy the celebration of the Summer Solstice.

Growers is no longer open Friday mornings. We will be open regular Friday hours in the afternoon. Friday morning opening will resume in the fall.

SWEET STRAWBOSS POSITION

As of ~July 16, Growers will be losing one of our two trusty Market Orienters. Giving Orientations to new and prospective members is an important job for a Growers' Regular. Qualities that will help you do well with this every-other-week strawboss position include being outgoing, friendly and talkative, having a solid grasp of Growers' Market and how it operates. The ability to draw people in and make them feel welcome and comfortable with the Uniqueness that is Growers' is a big plus. The lucky person who snaps up this gig will attend Orientation sessions for training purposes before they are turned loose with the position. Please contact Julie -Thursday Middle Coordinator- if you are interested (338-0031). Thanks for considering to undertake a necessary part of keeping Growers' alive and well! Without volunteers, we would be nothing! -Julie Rossberg, Thursday Middle Coordinator

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JANE

Thursdays won't be the same without your warm smile. You've been a real friend. I'll miss your kind spirit & helpful advice. Farewell & Good Luck, Joan

CAFE MAAM COFFEE SAMPLING AT GROWERS!

Thursday, June 26, from 2:30PM to 4:30PM, Cafe Mam will be at Growers' sampling their delicious fair trade coffees! Come for your regular shopping and volunteering as usual, but remember to bring a re-usable cup with you that day in anticipation of Cafe Mam's tasting at Growers. We will have our usual kitchen of donated dishes/containers, and Cafe Mam will surely bring plenty of single-use disposable items for our "convenience". Let's

make this promotional event a great one by thoroughly enjoying their visit to our Food Buyer's "Clubhouse", but let's use as few paper cups as possible. Cafe Mam has a great new blend, Sierra Madre, that is my new absolute favorite. Coffee lovers will definitely go nuts over this fun event! -Julie Rossberg, Thursday Middle Coordinator

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next two Growers meetings (board meetings) will be on Wednesday, June 18th, at 7:30 pm, and Monday, July 7th, at 6:30 pm. If we are not at the round table upstairs in the Growers Market Building, look for us downstairs in the co-op, or elsewhere in the building.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Growers board has set up a finance committee to find out information and make recommendations related to Growers Market money. Topics that the committee might discuss: (1) financial aspects of repairs to the underside of the building (2) financial aspects of possible green building projects (3) a possible federal non-profit status for Growers (4) fundraising (5) the co-op's contribution to general expenses (6) the upstairs tenants' rent (7) a possible new floor for the co-op. If people in the Growers community would like to be part of the finance committee, they should call Nathan at 302-3205 or Rodney at 942-3321. They could also e-mail Rodney at:

[<ten4goodbuddy@hotmail.com>](mailto:ten4goodbuddy@hotmail.com).-Milton Takei

PLEASE HELP US GO HOME!

A friendly reminder from your closing crews: The folks that close up the market are volunteers, just like you. And just like you, we have busy lives outside the market that are waiting for us as soon as the register is closed and the doors locked. Some of us pick up kids from childcare or school, some have been working since 5 AM and are tired, some have to catch busses, some have to get home for a family meal or bedtime, some just want to go home. Please be mindful of what time it is when you start to shop and when you get in line to check out! A member rolling up with 2 carts full of groceries 5 minutes after the closing time makes the cashiers and coordinators' shoulders droop. It's not that we mind staying a few minutes and having a

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nice chat with you while you check out - its that we have a long list of things to do before we can go home and we want to get that ball rolling! Closing times for the Market are: Thursday - 7:30, Friday - 12:00 (through June 6) and 6:30, and Tuesday - 7:00. There is a big clock located over the check-out counter. Thanks so much for helping with this! – Taylor

STRAWBOSS POSITION: CASHIERS WANTED

The third cashier station has (YIPPEE) been revived and is ready for action! Growers' is looking for enthusiastic individuals interested in contributing consistent Strawboss volunteer time. The lines have gotten frustratingly long beginning Thursday at about the ~3:30 hour, lasting until ~6:30 (?) Interested parties should check with any coordinator. Cashier shifts are an hour minimum. Two - three shifts are available. Please contact any coordinator to discuss your reliable availability. From there, we can make scheduling arrangements toward making Growers' a more efficient shopping experience for Everyone!

PROFESSIONAL GARDENER

Do you need some help in your yard? I will weed, prune, plant, re-plant your front lawn or backyard. Many happy references! Rates are only \$15 per hour, 2 hour minimum within the Eugene area. Call me today for availability. Myhra 684-8243.

POST CARBON EUGENE'S 2008 PEAK OIL PUBLIC FORUM SERIES PRESENTS:

"The Climate Change/Peak Oil Crisis and the Human Story: What Role Compassion?"

A presentation and facilitated discussion with Tim Hicks, University of Oregon Law School's Director of the Graduate Program in Conflict and Dispute Resolution.

If a child, on learning about human-caused climate change, asked, "Why did this happen? Why did we do this?", how would you answer? What story would you tell to explain this unprecedented event in human and planetary history, this profound and species-altering change in circumstances that marks a watershed shift in our relationship with our natural habitat, this phenomenon almost too big to grasp? And what message would you give to the child about themselves and the community of humans of which they are a part? With the imminent peaking of our world oil supply, we also face a similar, but equally far-reaching and unavoidable change to our comfort and security. How do we grapple with the needs of Relocalizing all parts of our previously globalized supply-side economy?

At the threshold of our awareness of human-caused climate change and imminent peak oil, at the threshold of the life-impacting consequences of climate change and peak oil, at the threshold of our responses to these crises, what story shall we tell and what difference will it make?

Thursday, June 12th, 2007, 7-9PM

Location: 500 E. 4th Ave., EWEB Training Center function room, North Building, Eugene, OR, 97401
admission is free. for more info, visit:
www.relocalize.net/group/eugene or call 485-6846

WILLAMETTE RIVER CLEAN UP - VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

Saturday, June 14th, 8:30 AM - 1 PM

Interested in making a difference in Eugene? Join like-minded people with an interest in clean water and river stewardship, for one of our largest volunteer service projects of the year. We will clean up over twelve miles of the Willamette riverbank from Springfield through Eugene. Join us by land or water (no canoes or soft-sided boats, please) - shuttles for boaters will be provided. Then join us for a free lunch, keynote speakers, and fabulous give-aways - including a sea kayaking trip for two from Oregon by Kayak (www.oregonbykayak.com)! Please come prepared with sturdy footwear and appropriate clothing (volunteers should be at least 15-years-old). Project partners (REI, the City of Eugene Stream Team, and Willamalane Park District) will provide all necessary tools, materials, maps, and instructions. Contact Matt McRea at 682-4850 or Amanda MacLeod at amacleo@rei.com to coordinate your starting location - (a) Day Island Park (Springfield), (b) Autzen Foot Bridge, or (c) DeFazio Foot Bridge (Alton Baker Park), or (d) Greenway Foot Bridge (Valley River Center). - Amanda

FAIR TRADE ON THE MAIN

Bretheren Community Services has opened a limited-hours (like Growers') gift shop at their site at 1072 Main St. in Springfield. They call it "Fair Trade on Main," and get most of their wares from SERRV International through A Greater Gift, who partners with 90 groups of artisans and farmers in 35 countries. Check out their chocolate, scarves, really wonderful baskets, and other handcrafted items; there are also local artists' rugs, etc., and possibly room for more artisans. Shop Fridays 12-5, Saturdays 10-5 or by special appointment, 302-8095, 767-0245 (Sorry, no credit cards, just cash or checks, like Growers') "Fair Trade: A chance to bring about justice, peace, hope and dignity to all who labor."

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GROWERS BOARD MINUTES

June 1st 2008 GBOD Meeting Minutes

Present: Jennefer, Richard T., Rodney, Willcee, Sam, Brian, Moises, Doug, Leauriy, Jaci, Nathan

Announcements: Red Agave's Summer Menu Tasting Party is June 18th from 5-7pm. We'll be rolling out tastes of the entire menu and gulping some local wine, as well. This is a great introduction to our food (if you haven't been in before), our chef Gabriel Gil (just arrived last month), and the first harvest of the season from our local purveyors. \$10 gets you a plate and a tasting glass. RSVP at 683-220

The Grower's Market cleaning party was this past weekend. Some people showed up, but not enough! Please come help clean at the next cleaning party!

Minutes/Agreements Update (tabled)

It seems like more than one person should read the minutes to weed out major consensed on proposals. Did the minutes from last year get consensed on?

Meeting frequency: We will have one meeting in July for an 1 ½ hour w/ a break return for a specific amount of time if we need to; one meeting at the beginning of August; these two meetings can be two hours and we will be prepared to go a little longer if we need it; at the August meeting we will decide if we want to continue meeting once a month. We will ask Edward if he can send his building report electronically a couple days before the meeting. CONSENSED

Mural: The visioning committee will take on the job of discussing potentially revamping the mural and if so, the maintenance committee will take on the job of doing it. CONSENSED

Rent increase: It has been awhile since the rent has been raised. Brown and Associates creates reports on market rates for rent in our area, and we direct the finance committee to use these reports as well as other resources to determine a fair scheme for how rents are determined in our building. CONSENSED

Conflict of interest document (tabled)

There were mixed opinions about drafting a conflict of interest document. We CONSENSED to let Doug draft a conflict of interest document.

The New Forum: We CONSENSE to limit the forum to the board members only, all users must be registered; we will discuss at a future meeting if we want to it to be more transparent; and we will stop using google groups (but not get rid of it).

Sam's concern: As a result, the forum will be hierarchical and support secrecy.

Website: We CONSENSE that Sam will talk to Marc Barber about transferring growersmarket.net and the Visioning Committee will decide what to do with it if anything.

Bees: The dry-rot inspector told Phil that he knows

somebody that can get the bees out without killing them. This topic was moved to the Maintenance Committee.

CONSENSED

Set Next Meeting Time: Wednesday, June 18th @ 7:30pm
Nathan will facilitate this meeting.

Monday, July 7th @ 6:30pm

Safe Meeting Policy Revisited (tabled)

We discussed this proposal draft: In the event that at a board meeting a person who is present is disruptive to the process (including violence, verbal harassment, holding the flow, being disrespectful), the facilitator will ask the person(s) to leave to have a cool down with a "cool down person" and if that doesn't work, the facilitator is empowered to ask that person to leave.

Milton's concern: People may not realize what behaviors are being disruptive or disrespectful.

CAMI (tabled)

Check signer update: Confirmed Pacific Continental check signers: Doug Quirke, Jan Nelson, Rodney Tisdale, Aya Watanabe. We CONSENSE to remove Aya as a signer from the Pacific Continental accounts (Growers building and Fruit Booth), remove Jan from the Grower's building account, and put Nathan on as signer to the Growers building account as GBOD treasurer. Jennefer (as secretary) will draft a letter of release

Calvert signers: Rodney will ask Edward for proof as to who are the signers on this account.

New board retreat (tabled)

Let's discuss this at the August meeting.

Fundraiser for lift (talent show) (tabled)

Co-op/Red Agave floor next steps (tabled)

IPM update (tabled)

Douglas update (tabled)

*Send submissions to garbanzo@lists.opn.org. You can also put articles in the garbanzo box at growers. Newsletter copy deadline is 5:00 pm Wednesday. Market hours are Tuesdays 5-7pm; 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. growers@lists.opn.org To subscribe via email, send a message to growers-join@lists.opn.org
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