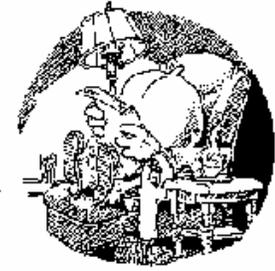




# The Garbanzo Gazette

September 25, 2008



Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

## DEAR GROWERS MARKET COMMUNITY,

Growers is a gem of a buying club/coop. We are volunteer run and we own it! More of us need to volunteer for: general help Thursday mornings, cashiering, closing, work parties – they really are fun and we get lots done, random projects (thank you Mr. Hicks for the produce program and price sheets!). So if you haven't stepped up yet, please do. Talk with any coordinator and we'll be happy to let you know where you can fit in. Growers Market, it belongs to all of us!!!

## UPCOMING MEETING

The next Growers meeting (board meeting) will be on Tuesday, October 7th, at 6 pm. The meeting will probably be in the smaller meeting area upstairs in the Growers Market Building, but if you don't find us there, try looking downstairs in the co-op, or elsewhere in the building. -- Milton Takei

## ARE YOU BRINGING CHILDREN TO THE MARKET?

– WELCOME!! We are glad you are here. We are asking that you be aware of the actions of the young ones (for example, no grazing from the bulk bins, frozen items need to be paid for, no running, etc). We want us all to feel safe. Thanks for your efforts!

## STRAWBOSS POSITIONS –

### TUESDAY CLOSER

We need a willing and reliable person to help close up the Market on Tuesday evenings. Arrive around 6:30, go home around 7:30. Put away produce, sweep, do dishes, make sure everything is closed, etc. It's a mellow shift and the Tuesday crew is really fun to work with. Contact Taylor on Tuesday or at 683-8250 for more information.

**CASHIER** needed 2:30 – 4:30 Thursdays. Check with any coordinator

## CALLING ALL CIDERHEADS

Organizing cider pressing for apples, pears, berries, etc. Join us for picking and onsite pressing (times and places will be announced on website = [www.victorygardensforall.com](http://www.victorygardensforall.com)) You provide your own sanitized jars. Any fruit you want to press and we'll work together to share the bounty. Call for information: Dale 543-7166 or Charlotte 653-0149. Also please pass along info on any harvest sites, trees on public lands, or private garden sights where there is gleanings to be done.

**SEEKING RIDE** To Bay Area the Weekend of October 4-5. Can share expenses. I am a non-smoker and great traveler. Please call (541) 461-2695. Blessings, Planet

## SALVAGING THE URBAN LANDSCAPE

On Wednesday Oct. 1, at 7 PM, at BRING's Planet Improvement Center, the SW Oregon Chapter of the NW Ecobuilding Guild presents Jan Spencer, Eugene Eco Culture Change Advocate.

Join us for a fascinating look at several examples of making far better use of the urban landscape. Residential property conversion and block planning are two approaches to making eco logical sense of an urban landscape designed more for automobiles and less for humans.

Jan Spencer, Eugene Eco Culture Change Advocate will touch on Permaculture, home economics, neighborhoods human potential and making time. The presentation will include slides to illustrate on the ground conversion elements such as rain water catchment, solar design, reclaiming automobile space, grass to garden and much more.

Residential property conversion and block planning are two very powerful land use tools that offer many benefits to the environment, uplifted communities, local economics and a more peaceful world. In Eugene and elsewhere, there is a growing interest in salvaging the urban landscape. For more information on property conversion and block planning, go to [www.suburbanpermaculture.org](http://www.suburbanpermaculture.org)

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## Pre Order Produce by E-Mail

Send an e-mail to [growers.market@gmail.com](mailto:growers.market@gmail.com) by Tuesday evening @ 6:30pm to preorder produce for that week. Growers is now open 9:30-12 on Friday and you can pre-order for Fridays. Indicate on the form if you plan to pick up during am or pm hours. Contact Cialin at [cialin@efn.org](mailto:cialin@efn.org) if you are interesting in joining the Friday morning crew. See you there!

## **RALLY AGAINST 600 BILLION DOLLAR BAILOUT**

A 600 billion bailout to liars and cheats? Meet at the federal courthouse at noon Saturday Sept. 27 to voice your opinions!! Please pass it on.

Paulson - the guy leading the charge for the "bailout" was paid over \$16 Million per year as the CEO of one of the investment banks now in trouble (either Lehman Bros. or Goldman-Sachs), and, he has more than \$650 Million dollars in STOCK from that firm. The bailout will ensure a golden parachute for him and his entire family for 100's of years!!

## **NO BAILOUT!**

Senator Gordon Smith  
Phone: 202-224-3753

Senator Ron Wyden  
Phone: 202-224-5244

Congressman Peter DeFazio  
Phone: 202-225-6416

Dodd, Christopher J. - (D - CT)  
448 Russell Senate Office Bldg  
Washington DC 20510  
(202) 224-2823

## **NEW GROWERS POLICY FOR CASHIERS**

*The Growers Board recently created a formal policy for cashiers working with children. Comments about the policy may be sent to the banzo: garbanzo@lists.opn.org*

Here at Growers Market we do our best to include everyone in ways that celebrate their skills. We recruit cashiers based on their abilities, commitment to their schedule, and passion for the work.

Cashiers are mostly adults, and among those adults are a few that work with their child(ren) in tow. If you are a youth cashier, parent of a youth cashier, or a parent working with a child present during your shift, please familiarize yourself with the following guidelines:

### **Parents Cashiering with Children Present Must Be Able to:**

- Maintain awareness of the line of waiting customers and keep the customers flowing through.
- Alert the on-duty coordinator if they must step away from the till to attend to their child.
- Be particularly aware of hand washing – we all know that parents are more likely to come in contact with germy substances.
- Allow the child to help cashier (scale or adding machine ONLY) if the customer being served is comfortable with a child helping and if that child's assistance won't slow down the flow of the line.

We strongly suggest that parents who want to cashier with their children present and/or as assistants choose more mellow shifts

so that they can work AND parent with relative ease. We also suggest that parents who choose to cashier during the busy Thursday hours make sure that there is an additional person present to care for their child if necessary.

### **Kids as Cashiers**

Growers Market celebrates and supports those young people among us who want to take on the responsibility of cashiering. That said, there are market members who are not comfortable with the idea of a child or youth handling their money and because we strive to be supportive of everyone, we must respect their opinions also. Therefore, we offer these rules for children that wish to join our fearless team of cashiers.

### **The Big Rule**

***No child shall handle money or use the cash register without meeting the first four requirements in this section.***

### **Kid/Youth Cashiers Must**

1. Read the Cashier Manual.
2. Complete an official Cashier Training with a parent/guardian present.
3. Demonstrate (in the training) basic math and money skills.
4. Work under the supervision of a parent and/or coordinator until they complete 5 consecutive cashier orders without assistance.
5. Be comfortable asking for pumpkins/strawboss credit, answering member questions when possible, and getting the on-duty coordinator when necessary.
6. Cashier only when another adult (parent/guardian, coordinator, or other adult cashier) is present.
7. No 'teams' of children cashiering – one child per scale/adding machine. The only person who should assist the young person should be an adult.

If the coordinator on-duty feels that the requirements of cashiering are not being adequately met, they have the responsibility to ask any cashier (adult or young person) to step down for that day and/or to find a better shift for their level of ability and focus.

*This policy was consensed on by the Growers Market Coordinators on September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008.*

*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](mailto:growers@lists.opn.org) To subscribe via email, send a message to [growers-join@lists.opn.org](mailto:growers-join@lists.opn.org) Growers Market: 687-1145*

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