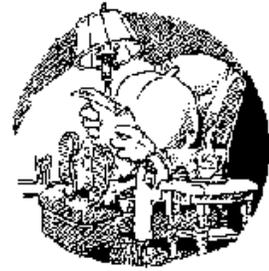




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Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

GROWERS MARKET ANNUAL MEETING

The Growers Market annual meeting will be starting at 6 pm on Friday, April 22nd, upstairs in one of the meeting rooms in the common area of the Growers Market building. Yes, indeed, April 22nd is Earth Day. Now is the time for people to think about being members of the Growers Market board of directors, which the annual meeting will be choosing. If you decide you would like to be on the board and would like to introduce yourself to the Growers community, you can e-mail a paragraph about yourself to the Garbanzo Gazette.
-Milton

GROWERS MONEY

In 2015, the Growers Market co-op did poorly moneywise, losing \$11,022. The loss would have been greater, had not the Growers board told the co-op to pay \$1,500 less as its contribution to the general fund, a transfer of money within Growers Market, Inc.

From 2004 to 2015, the plus/minus for the co-op (the so-called "bottom line") has been:

for 2004: plus \$3,788;
for 2005: plus \$6,095;
for 2006: minus \$5,831;
for 2007: minus \$4,775;
for 2008: plus \$13,805;
for 2009: plus \$5,564;
for 2010: minus \$5,215;
for 2011: plus \$8,010;
for 2012: minus \$2,776;
for 2013: minus \$4,075;
for 2014: minus \$4,041;
for 2015: minus \$11,022.

The co-op coordinators report that co-op sales have increased in early 2016. The money people put in the co-op donation container came to \$297.97 in 2015. We can all help by telling people about Growers. Also, some former Growers shoppers do not know that the co-op is now open from 10 am to 7 pm on Fridays.
--Milton

STRAWBOSS POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Here are the set volunteer positions available within our family right now. Please keep in mind that stepping up and committing to a scheduled shift is a HUGE part of what keeps Growers growing so nicely...so please take some time to sincerely think about taking on more with Growers as we really need you! The shifts are:

Tuesdays night Orientation (6-630) sign up for every week or perhaps join on with a friend and you can both do it every other week.....

Tuesdays: two cashiers spots available...thats because we need to fill the every other week shift which is approx from 530-730. Also, folks can choose to sign up to do that shift every week as well if they have the time to commit.

Tuesday night closer 715 to approximately 800
This shift is needed every other week

Thursday night cashier 6-730 (every other week)

Thursday night closer 715 to approximately 8/830
this shift is needed every week, so you can sign up to do this shift weekly or perhaps share it every other week with a friend!

NB. Thursday mornings before opening....(anytime between 12-230) are good times to earn a pumpkin. Please respect and understand that this is not a good time to shop. So if you would like to incorporate the two perhaps think about coming in to volunteer around 2 and then you can be there once we open at 230.

We also have two coordinator positions for members of the community that have been involved with Growers for a long deep breath. Who are committed, active and enthusiastic personalities that we can trust to add to our dedicated team. If you are interested please come in to Growers and talk to the coordinator on duty about filling out an application.

Send submissions to garbanzo@lists.opn.org. Newsletter copy deadline is 5:00 pm Wednesday. Market hours are Tuesdays 5:30-7:30pm; Thursdays 2:30 to 7:30 pm and Fridays 10:00 am 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 Growers Market: 541-687-1145.